



June 1, 2024

Dear 4-H and FFA Rabbit Exhibitors,

We are excited you plan to participate in the 2024 Boone County Fair as a rabbit exhibitor! Please review the following information to ensure you are properly prepared for the event.

★ Rabbit Check in –

- Check in is Wednesday, July 17, from 4:00 – 6:00 pm at the rabbit barn.
- Tattoo numbers must match tattoos entered into 4honline (FFA Members: paper ID form) by July 1<sup>st</sup> and be in left ear
- *During check-in, be prepared to volunteer for a 2-hour shift on Thursday, Friday or Sunday to supervise the rabbit barn.*
- Read your fair book for more information on the poster class.
- All senior rabbits in other classes will be automatically entered into the Largest or Smallest Rabbit Class. Largest and Smallest Rabbit will be selected from senior rabbits only. Rabbits will be weighed during check in.

**Rabbit Showmanship** – read over the showmanship help sheet to be prepared for showmanship.

- Superintendents Mindy Moeller (515-230-0314) and Samantha Gifford (515-230-8652) will be available at county fair on Friday, July 19<sup>th</sup> to answer questions.
- Mindy and Samantha will offer an optional meeting for rabbit exhibitors on Friday, July 19th at 4:30 pm under the Julienne Blomgren awning. Topics will include what to expect during judging, attire, showmanship, and time for questions.
- Pee Wee Rabbit Show will start 5:30 pm Friday under the Julienne Blomgren awning after a short interview by the Pee Wee rabbit cages. You may be asked to help.

**Audience Members may bring a pop up tent but must set up after 8:00 am on day of Show.**

**Release of exhibits** – Release of all animal exhibits is on Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup>.

- Read page 10 of Fairbook for the Animal Release Plan. Rabbit exhibitors must enter and exit through Gate B.
- Bring your carrying cages to hold your rabbits and then stay to help with tear down.

★ *All exhibitors are expected to help with taking down cages, sawhorses, etc. and sweeping of the rabbit barn on Sunday.*

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**Enclosures:** Rabbit Showmanship