



April 12, 2022

TO: Clinton County 4-H and FFA Youth with Poultry Project
RE: Broiler Order Form

With the current status of avian influenza, we're going to collect orders for broiler chicks but proceed with caution. More information about biosecurity can be found: <https://iowaagriculture.gov/animal-industry-bureau/biosecurity>

4-H and FFA poultry project members interested in entering the Market Broiler Class at the 2022 Clinton County Club Show must order their chicks from the Clinton County Extension Office.

The chicks will be ordered from Schlecht Hatchery in Miles, IA. Chicks are \$2.00 each. You must have three of the same sex to enter in the class. It is recommended that you order a minimum of 6-8 birds for each pen you wish to exhibit, however there is no limit on how many you may order. Per guidelines in the fair book, each exhibitor is limited to a max. of two market broiler pen entries.

To participate in this class, you must:

- Order your boiler chicks by April 30th
- Submit a class entry through Fair Entry by July 1st

To order chicks, complete the form below and return it to the Extension Office or email clinton4h@iastate.edu. You will receive a confirmation email back! **Orders must be placed with the Extension Office by April 30.** Pick-up will be June 1 on the north side of the Extension Office between Noon and 5 pm. Contact Amanda with questions.

Market Broiler Chick Order Form
2022 Clinton County Club Show

Youth Name: _____

Chapter/Club: _____

Phone: _____

I would like: _____ chicks @ \$2.00 each

Total Due at Pick Up: _____

(We're going to collect payment at pick-up this year!)

Return by April 30 to:
Clinton County Extension
400 E 11th St
DeWitt, IA 52742

February 28, 2022

Dear Iowa Poultry Producer,

There have been numerous cases of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) within the United States this past month. Events have included outbreaks in large commercial facilities and small backyard operations, in addition to detections in hunter harvested wild birds. The outbreaks and detections extend along the east coast and as far west as Kentucky, Indiana, and Michigan.

These recent HPAI events amplify the need to review your biosecurity plan and practices. All poultry producers should have an up-to-date biosecurity plan to protect your flock.

At a minimum, biosecurity practices should include the following:

- Ensuring wild birds do not have direct or indirect contact with poultry;
- Cleaning up feed spills to avoid attracting wild birds; and
- When entering a poultry building, ensure nothing is tracked-in that could have been from or in contact with a wild bird.

Producers should also consider limiting or restricting poultry access to the outdoors, when appropriate.

Early detection and control are critical to stopping the spread of HPAI. Producers should monitor animals closely and contact their veterinarian and state (515-281-5305) or federal (866-536-7593) animal health officials immediately if a sick animal or clinical signs consistent with HPAI are observed. Clinical signs that could be associated with HPAI include, but are not limited to:

- sudden death;
- decreased water and feed consumption;
- lack of energy and appetite;
- decreased egg production;
- gasping for air;
- diarrhea;
- purple discoloration of the wattles-comb-legs; and
- coughing sneezing and/or nasal discharge.



Dr. Jeff Kaisand
State Veterinarian