

2026 Marquette County Jr Fairest of the Fair Information Sheet Eligibility Requirements

- Applicants must be between the ages of 12 and 17, as of January 1, 2026
- Applicants must be a resident of Marquette County, or may reside in an adjoining county if the majority of fair and/or school activities are in Marquette County.)
- Applicants must be willing to speak in public.

Important Date

Application Deadline: March 1st, 2026

Interviews & Judged Areas of Competition: March 26, 2026

How Do I Apply?

Complete the “2026 Jr Fairest of the Fair Application”, the “2026 Jr Fairest of the Fair Obligations Form”, the “Parent Release Form”, and the “Emergency Treatment Form”. These forms can be found on the Marquette County Fair Website (www.marquettecountyfairwi.org)

Drop off, mail, or Email your completed forms to: **Tonya Timme, Fairest Program Director**
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Oxford, WI 53952
tonyatimme@gmail.com

Once your application has been received you will be contacted to schedule your interview time.

Areas of Competition

- Individual Interview
 - Each contestant will do a 10 minute interview with the judges. They will be asked a variety of questions about themselves, their personal goals and hobbies, their passion for agriculture, their involvement with the fair, and why they want to be the Jr fairest of the Fair. No political or inappropriate questions will be asked.
- Personal Introduction
 - This phase of the competition will be completed in front of the fair board members as well as the judges. Your personal introduction should be memorized, not read, and should not exceed 30 seconds. The goal here is for you to talk about yourself, where you're from, your fair involvement, and any other information you would like the fair board to know about you.
- 30 Second Radio Commercial
 - Your radio commercial can be written out before the competition. You will be able to read your radio commercial at the podium in front of the judges and the Fair Board. Your radio commercial should be fun and upbeat. There are no content requirements but you can talk about real events that happen at the fair and/or incorporate the fair's theme as well. Your goal is to get people excited about the fair.
- On Stage Interview
 - This portion of the competition will take place after you deliver your 30 second radio commercial. Each contestant will answer two questions. Your first question

will be given to you prior to the event. The second question will be impromptu and given to you on stage. Each contestant will draw a card with a question written on it. You will read the question out loud, take a few seconds to gather your thoughts, and deliver your answer. These questions may include, but are not limited to, what is your favorite event at the fair and why, what is your favorite fair food and why, or why do you want to be the Jr Fairest of the Fair.

Proper Dress and Attire

During the competition held on March 26, 2026 you should come dressed wearing business casual attire. This can include dress pants or a skirt paired with a blouse, or a nice dress paired with closed toed shoes.

Selection Procedure

Representatives of the Marquette County Fair "Fairest of the Fair" Committee will make the selection of the recipient based upon:

- Personality and Attitude
- Maturity and Professionalism
- Speaking Ability
- Poise and Appearance
- Involvement and Activities
- Overall Impression

Fairest Coordinator Information

Program Coordinator: Tonya Timme

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If you have any questions, want more information about being the fairest of the fair, or need help with anything please send an email and we'll get back to you as soon as possible.