

SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

1. The Showmanship Contest will be divided into three (3) categories as follows:

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| Junior | 9 years old or 3 rd grade – 5 th grade |
| Intermediate | 6 ^h grade – 8 th grade |
| Senior | 9 th grade – 12 th Grade |

2. During the judging of the classes in each livestock division, judges selected by the division superintendents will observe each boy and girl exhibiting an animal, owned, fitted and trained.

3. The judges will select junior, intermediate and senior showmanship finalists. Finalists will be announced at the conclusion of each class. After the last class of the livestock judging in each division, those finalists selected shall return to the arena with their animal to compete for Champion and Reserve Champion junior, intermediate and senior showmen.

4. Only senior showman winners will be allowed to compete in the Overall Showmanship Contest to select an overall showman.

5. Judges obtained by the Overall Showmanship Contest Committee will make selection of the overall showman.

6. Senior Champion showman winners must agree to participate in the Overall Showmanship Contest representing their division and must also agree to show livestock in each of the following divisions: Steer, heifer, lamb, swine, goat, dairy goat, chickens, turkey, rabbit and horse.

7. Each Champion senior showman has the option of using his/her own animal in the division they won. If they choose not to use their own animal, they will draw for their animal.

8. If the selected Champion senior showman does not agree to compete in the Overall Showmanship Contest the selected Reserve Champion senior showman will be allowed to compete. The Reserve Champion senior showman must agree to all the rules of this division.

9. The decisions of the judges, superintendents and Showmanship Committee will be final.

10. Awards will be given to the Champion and Reserve Champion junior, intermediate and senior showman winners and to the overall showman.

11. The Overall Showmanship Contest will be conducted on Friday, October 23, 2026 starting at 5:00 p.m. The overall showman winner will be announced following the completion of this contest.