

DATE: August 31, 2023
TO: State Fair FFA Rabbit & Poultry Exhibitors
FROM: Ryan Hassebrook, FFA Superintendent

We have received your FFA livestock entries and are excited that you will be joining us at the 2023 Nebraska State Fair! This letter is to inform you of State Fair procedures that apply to all FFA livestock and small animal exhibitors. If you have specific questions about your entries, have your local FFA advisor contact one of these people:

Poultry Superintendent: Rachele Staehr, rachele.staehr@yorkdukes.org

Rabbit Superintendent: Shelby Studnicka, slwachter99@gmail.com

Map:

The 2023 Nebraska State Fair map is posted on the Nebraska State Fair website. Link: <https://www.statefair.org/plan-your-visit/parking-and-maps>

Schedule:

Poultry – Move-in and Check-in	Saturday, September 2, 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Poultry – Show	Saturday, September 2, 2:00 p.m.
Rabbit – Move-in and Check-in	Sunday, September 3, 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Rabbit – Show	Sunday, September 3, Noon

Exhibitor Entry to Grounds, Unloading and Traffic Flow:

- Coming from either the east or west, enter Brunk's Lot (south of the fairgrounds) from Stolley Park Road.
- **Rabbit Only:** Rabbit exhibitors will be required to have their CVI checked in Brunk's Lot prior to coming on to the fairgrounds. Poultry will not require a vet inspection.
- **Exhibitors will need to** pick up their exhibitor packet at livestock check-in trailer.
- After you leave Brunk's Lot, enter Gate #4 and proceed past the tie outs to the west gate of the sheep barn.
- Unload on northeast side of sheep barn.
- After dropping off your animals, travel east and south to exit through Gate #2 and park in exhibitor or general parking.
- If you have purchased a parking permit, you may park in the exhibitor parking lot (3 A/B) by entering Gate #3 or entering Brunk's Lot to the south of the fairgrounds. Brunk's Lot is off the grounds so entry through the walk through gate is required with a pass or admission fee. Trailers will not be allowed in the Exhibitor Parking Lot 3 (A/B).
- Exhibitors can pick up their State Fair exhibitor t-shirt during office hours at the Livestock Office which is located on the west side of the Five Points Bank Arena. FFA t-shirts are packed as a whole chapter.

Livestock Check-in Trailer Hours

Reminder, exhibitors can only pick up their exhibitor packets or have their CVI reviewed during the following hours.

Friday, September 1 Noon - 9:00 PM

Saturday, September 2 6:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Sunday, September 3 6:00 AM – 10:00 AM

Showmanship Time Limit:

Poultry: Maximum time is five minutes.

Rabbit: Maximum time is four minutes.

Items to Bring:

- Each exhibitor is to bring their own bowls for water and feed. **Bowls and feed will not be provided in 2023.**
- Exhibitors are required to wear the official State Fair FFA t-shirt available at the livestock office. Solid blue jeans are required. No hats, caps or other types of headgear are to be worn. Exhibitors shall not display any local, county or club identification.
- Cardboard or other barriers may be used to help separate rabbits and poultry between cages. Barriers will not be supplied by the Nebraska State Fair.

Release Time

All FFA rabbit and poultry are released at the conclusion of their respective shows.