

Needville Youth Fair 2026 Roaster Rules

Chairman: Mark Weber – (281) 960-9317

Vice Chairman: John West (979) 292-6423

Judge: Micah Osburn

Key Dates	
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Online Entry Deadline Saturday, January 3, 2026

Chick Pick-Up Friday, March 6, 2026 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Friday, May 1, 2026 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Time

Show Begins Friday, May 1, 2026 8:00 a.m.

Rules & Regulations

Check-In

1. General Compliance

All exhibitors must comply with the Needville Youth Fair General Rules.

2. Eligibility & Purchasing

- Only roasters purchased through the Youth Fair are eligible to show and sell.
- All birds will be straight-run commercial type from a certified Pullorum-Typhoid free flock.
- Only wing-banded birds are eligible to show.

3. Ordering Guidelines

- Chicks must be ordered online by Saturday, January 10, 2026. Chicks are \$2.00 each plus registration fee.
- Orders must be paid at time of entry.
- o No refunds will be issued once the Chairman has received the order.
- This order date marks the official project start.

4. Quantities & Family Tagging

- Minimum order: 25 chicks per exhibitor.
- o Order in increments of 25 only. Maximum allowed: 50 chicks.
- Chicks may be tagged as Family Orders, but each exhibitor must be assigned a set of consecutively numbered chicks.

 Family members may only exchange full sets—no mixing of birds between sets is allowed.

5. Chick Pick-Up

- Pick-up will be at the Creative Arts Building on March 6, 2026, between
 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.
- Updates (if needed) will be communicated via text, email, and social media.
- Only chicks with damaged/missing wing bands or injuries will be replaced at pickup.
- Once chicks leave the building, NYF is not liable for them.

6. Wing Band Policy

- o Birds with missing or illegible wing bands will not be allowed to show.
- Any evidence of tampering with wing bands will result in disqualification.
- Bruising due to wing bands will be disregarded.
- Final decisions rest with the Chairman and Co-Chairman.

7. Entry Details

- Each exhibitor may enter one (1) roaster.
- One (1) alternate is permitted and must be in line with the exhibitor at checkin.
- Exhibitor must be present during judging to hold their bird.

8. Auction Policy

Buyers shall not be approached to buy back or donate animals back to the exhibitor. This is strictly prohibited.

9. Sale Eligibility

- o The **top 18 roasters** will qualify for the sale.
- Non-placing birds may be released at the **Chairman's discretion** based on space and barn conditions.

10. Pen Setup & Responsibilities

- Exhibitors must provide two (2) one-pound coffee cans with holes drilled for wiring to pen corners.
- Wire/twist ties must be brought by the exhibitor.

- Cans must be installed within 30 minutes of check-in closing, or the exhibitor will be disqualified.
- o Exhibitors must provide their own feed.
- Exhibitors are responsible for feeding and watering their birds for the duration of the fair.

11. Containment Policy

Once checked in, animals may not leave the fenced area for any reason.

12. Cage Removal

Carrying cages/boxes must be removed immediately after check-in for the bird to be eligible to show.