



2023 NEEDVILLE YOUTH FAIR ALL-STAR SHOWCASE RULES & INFORMATION

The first annual NYF All-Star Showcase empowers youth with special needs by pairing them with buddies/mentors and providing them an opportunity to participate in the livestock show experience. The buddies/mentors will help the participants to bond with the animal on show day and to insure the safety of the youth showmen and the animals. Needville Youth Fair Board shall work hand-in-hand with N.I.S.D. teaching staff to promote a positive and meaningful experience for all participants, buddy/mentors and volunteers.

1. Participant entries will be accepted from **Friday, April 14, 2023** thru **Thursday, April 20, 2023** or until all spaces have been filled. **This will be the only entry period for the 2023 Fair.**
2. The All-Star Showcase will be limited to thirty (30) contestants. The entry slots will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis during the entry period.
3. Contestants must be between **6 and 18 years of age** as of **April 29, 2023**.
4. Entry requirements include **Completed Entry Form** (includes All-Star Showcase Rules Acknowledgment) and **Release of Liability and Indemnity Agreement**. Acknowledgment of Rules and Information which must be signed by the Parent/Legal Guardian of the Contestant. The Release of Liability and Indemnity Agreement must be signed by the Parent/Legal Guardian of the Contestant. All entry requirements must be met or the contestant will be ineligible to participate.
5. There will be no entry fee charged for participation.
6. Participants will have the opportunity to exhibit either a lamb, pig or goat with the help of a buddy/mentor. The number of each animal species will be based on the number of entries entered into the fair. If your child will do better with a specific species (lamb, pig or goat) be sure and note on the entry form. The buddy/mentor will help the participant exhibit the animal in a regular show-type class and help ensure the safety of the animal and the participant.
7. Each participant and buddy/mentor will receive an All-Star Showcase t-shirt. Participants will also receive an award for showing.
8. A parent and/or guardian of each participant must be present for a show meeting on Wednesday, April 19th at 6:30 p.m. at the Needville Youth Fair Creative Arts Building to discuss show procedures and specific information with the Show Committee.
9. **A parent and/or guardian of each participant must be present for the duration of the show. Parent/Guardian agrees to advise the Show Committee Chairman of any special requirement, assistance or medical issues that the participant might have.**
10. Each buddy/mentor agrees to volunteer his/her animal for use in the All-Star Showcase. If the buddy/mentor is unable to assist the participant due to age and/or physical restrictions, the buddy/mentor approves another buddy/mentor may use his/her animal for the show. All buddy/mentors shall receive an All-Star Showcase t-shirt.