



# EMSF Exhibition

## Who Can Exhibit at the Fair

Open to any youth between the ages of 5-19

Sprout exhibitors – Ages 5 - 7 years

Youth exhibitors – Ages 8 – 19 years

## When is the Fair

Last week of July each year

This year's Fair - July 22-27, 2024

Exhibits go in on July 20 & 21, 2024

Online Registration - FairEntry - June 1-30, 2024

## Why Exhibit at the Fair



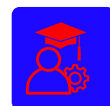
### AMAZING OPPORTUNITIES

- Create something you're proud of
- Work with animals
- Compete in something you enjoy



### FUN

- Participation in an event
- Meet & make great friends
- Earn free fair entry



### EDUCATIONAL

- Learn something new
- Research or investigate a topic you are interested in
- Use a school project

## Exhibitor Areas

### SKILLED EXHIBITS

- Artwork
- Photography
- Baking
- Sewing
- Science
- Crafts
- Vegetables
- Crops
- Flowers

### LARGE ANIMAL AREA

- Horses
- Beef Cattle
- Dairy Cattle
- Swine
- Sheep

### SMALL ANIMAL AREA

- Goats
- Dogs
- Rabbits
- Poultry



## Contact Us



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# What to Know!

## SKILLED PROJECTS SPROUTS - AGE 5 - 7 YEARS YOUTH EXHIBITORS AGE 8 - 19 YEARS

- Exhibit crafts, poster, and projects done at home or school (Legos, STEM projects, photos, etc.)
- Grow vegetables, flowers & crops for entry
- Cook or bake items for entry
- Create posters on a pet or project
- Entries are due Saturday (10 am - 4 pm) or Sunday (10 am - 1 pm) before fair starts
- Must enter 3 or more projects to qualify for gate pass.

Contact Superintendent Kathy Whitaker  
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## DOGS

- Dog showing is an easy fair project to learn basic dog obedience using your family pet.
- Showing dogs builds confidence in dog handling while building lifelong relationship with your dog.
- Dog training basics are learned while getting exposure to other dog events.
- Two day event happens - Pre-Fair
- Dog Agility & Showmanship Event - July 12th Sanilac County Fairgrounds
- Dog Rally & Obedience Event - July 13th EMSF Fairgrounds

Contact Superintendent Jodi Conley  
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## HORSES

- Family camp week with relaxed competition and strong emphasis on learning.
- Spend the week with family and friends.
- Meet new horse friends and create fun fair memories that will last a lifetime.
- Classes offered in halter, showmanship, English, western, trail & gymkhana on Wednesday - Friday of fair.
- Saturday Fun Show (Sign up for Parent class).
- Strive for good rides.
- Winning isn't the endgame. Building a relationship with your horse is the most important prize.

Contact Superintendent Mary Waldeck  
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## RABBITS/CAVIES

- Rabbits and guinea pigs are great starter fair projects.
- Easy to handle, able to grow in cage or outdoor pen.
- Rabbits/cavies are brought to the fair on Sunday and remain on grounds throughout the fair.
- Exhibition or show rabbits/cavies must be born and owned by May 15th.
- Market rabbits are shown either as individuals or pens and must weigh 3.5 - 5.5 lbs.
- Market rabbits are sold at the livestock auction.

Contact Superintendent Tiffany Weiss  
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## POULTRY

- Poultry is a great starter fair project.
- Easy to handle, able to grow in cage or outdoor pen.
- Poultry are brought to the fair on Sunday and remain on grounds throughout the fair.
- Exhibition or show poultry must be in possession May 1st.
- Market poultry includes chickens, turkeys, ducks, geese, pheasants, & quail.
- Market poultry must be raised from hatch to market size depending on species (6 - 24 weeks).
- Market poultry are sold at the livestock auction.

Contact Superintendent Julie Slack  
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## GOATS

- Goats are a great starter fair project and you can use your pet goat to show at the fair.
- Fun and educational project that teaches lifelong skills.
- Dairy, pygmy, fiber, and market goats can be shown in a variety of breed classes.
- Market goats must be in possession as of May 1st and must weigh a minimum of 50 lbs at fair.
- May show 2 market goats in pairs class as well.
- Market goats must be tagged in the 3rd Saturday of May at the fairgrounds.
- Market goats are sold at the livestock auction.

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## FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

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## BEEF CATTLE

- Youth raises animal at home and brings to the fair to show.
- Cattle are led by halters in show ring.
- Requires daily care of animal feeding & water.
- Requires daily work with animals to get halter broke to walk and stand in show ring.
- Feeder calves - weigh 300 - 650 lbs at fair (must be owned by June 1st)
- Market beef - Steers or heifers weighing at 900-1500 lbs at fair (must be weighed in 1st Saturday of February).
- May show breeding stock (6 months old or older).

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## SHEEP

- Youth raises a sheep at home & brings to fair to show.
- Fun and educational project that teaches lifelong skills where friends can be made.
- Breeding sheep and market lambs are shown in specific classes
- Market lambs must be in possession as of May 15th and must weigh a minimum of 90 lbs at fair.
- May show 2 market lambs in pen class as well.
- Market lambs must be registered in FairEntry by May 15th with a Scrapies tag.
- Market lambs are sold at the livestock auction.

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## DAIRY CATTLE

- Family-oriented showing with relaxed competition and strong emphasis on learning.
- Great to gain experience with larger animal species with help of dairy department and club.
- Meet and make great friends.
- May own a dairy breed cow (female) from the calf age to over five years.
- One animal may be borrowed if a youth has no other dairy animals available to them.
- Dairy cattle must be shown with halter and trained to walk in the show ring.

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## SWINE

- Pigs are easy to raise.
- Pigs don't need a huge amount of space and if pen is kept clean, do not smell.
- Youth learn responsibility, goal setting, time management, and problem solving.
- Meet and make friends while showing pigs.
- Market pigs are exhibited at fair and you do not use a halter, just a pig whip or guide to move them in the arena.
- Pigs must be owned and registered by May 1st.
- Pigs are trained to walk in show ring.
- Market pigs are sold at the livestock auction.

Contact Superintendent Michelle Peel  
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## FAIR AND ANIMAL REGISTRATION

- Go to EMSF website ([www.emsf.org](http://www.emsf.org)) for rules and registration information in each department.
- Fair registrations are open from June 1 - 30, 2024.
- All exhibitors are required to register through FairEntry in order to show at the fair.
- Go to FairEntry.com & find EMSF in Michigan to register on line.
- Create family account and then add exhibitors.
- Age based on youth age as of January 1st
- Registration fee is \$10 paid through FairEntry
- Animal registration completed for market animals March 15 - May 15 depending on species.

