

# SHOWMAN OF SHOWMEN CONTEST

Date: Friday, July 19

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: Livestock Building and Horse Ring

Livestock Directors: Rachel Bausch, Rita Bausch and Chris Johnson

1. Eligible Contestants: Current Franklin County Junior Fair Senior Showman winners of the following species: Beef, Dairy, Goat, Horse, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep, Swine and Dog. If the senior showmanship winner chooses not to participate in this event, the 2nd place individual will be eligible to participate on down the line through 5th place. Individuals must declare by noon the day after the show if they do not choose to participate. Once the showmanship winner or alternate has declared to represent one species in the Showman of Showmen contest, there can be no change in representation. An exhibitor who wins Showman of Showmen must sit out one year before they are eligible to participate in the contest for that species. (example: 2019 winner must sit out in 2020 but is eligible to compete in 2021)
2. Guidelines: A clinic for eligible participants and other interested individuals will be held at 4 pm on Thursday, July 18 in the Livestock Building. Individuals will be shown how to show each of the species.
3. Lottery: A lottery will determine show order of species. Participants will show each of the species in a similar showmanship contest as conducted for that species. A lottery will be used to match participants with animals selected by the Junior Fair Board Committee handling this contest.
4. Selection of Animals Used: Junior Fair Board members and advisors will be selecting animals to be used in the Showman of Showmen contest during the respective species shows. Cooperation from youth exhibitors will help in conducting a successful Showman of Showmen Contest. Owners of animals being used must move away from the animals before the contestants will be allowed to select the animal.
5. Coaching from the sidelines/stand- Help from the outside of the ring is prohibited and can cause the contestant being helped to be placed last in that class.
6. Scoring: The judge(s) will place contestant 1-8 place in each specie class. Points are based on these results:
  - 1st - 1 pt.
  - 2nd - 2 pts.
  - 3rd - 3 pts.
  - 4th - 4 pts.
  - 5th - 5 pts.
  - 6th - 6 pts.
  - 7th - 7 pts.
  - 8th - 8 pts.
7. Tie Breaker: The individual scoring the lowest number of points will be the winner. In the event of a tie, tie breakers will be as follows:
  1. Individual with most first places
  2. Individual who received all first, second or third places
  3. Judges selection
8. All participants will be given a shirt so everyone is in the same attire.

**Past Winners of Showman of Showmen Contest:**

The following individual were past winners of the Showman of Showmen Contest:

- 2023 - Ivy Smith
- 2022 - Rachel Parks
- 2021 - Lauren Parks
- 2020 - No Show Held
- 2019 - Grace Helser
- 2018 - Rachel Berk
- 2017 - Sydney Krebs
- 2016 - Lauren Huffman
- 2015 - Sydney Krebs
- 2014 - Jonathon Zins
- 2013 - Ben Campbell
- 2012 - Kendra Gabriel
- 2011 - Christy Wildermuth
- 2010 - Bethany Hickman
- 2009 - Grant Zwayer
- 2008 - Jodi Wildermuth
- 2007 - Spencer Groves
- 2006 - Jodi Wildermuth
- 2005 - Justin Rawn
- 2004 - Laura Johnson
- 2003 - Russell Stitzlein
- 2002 - Russell Stitzlein

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