

Hello to everyone!!

I'd like to take this time to introduce myself, my name is Becky Baldosser and I am the Attica Jr. Fair Coordinator. I am very excited to be your Jr. Fair coordinator and looking forward to working with all of you to have an amazing 2019 Attica Fair. With that being said I am always looking for ways to improve and make the Fair the best it can be for our exhibitors. If you have any suggestions or ideas please feel free to share them with me, all of my contact information is listed below. Thank you for your commitment to your exhibitors and to the Attica Jr. Fair!

Like in years past, we will be utilizing the Facebook page (Attica Jr Fair Board) and the website (www.atticafair.com). Also, please note we have a new email address info@atticajrfair.com. Please feel free to email anytime with ideas, questions or concerns. Please check the Facebook page and website periodically as I will have information and updates posted as they come about. I will also be planning a newsletter for Spring and another one in July with all of the important fair information.

The dates for the fair this year are: **Tuesday, August 6th, 2019 thru Saturday, August 10th, 2019**. All livestock and miscellaneous projects will be released on Sunday, August 11th, 2019. Times are listed in the "Important Dates" attachment. Weigh-in for livestock will remain on the same time schedule and will be on Monday, August 5th, 2019. All project/livestock judging and Livestock sale will remain on the same schedule as the 201 fair and is listed in the "Important Dates" attachment.

I will be holding several **MANDATORY** advisor meetings in March and April. The dates are **Sunday, March 10th at 4:00PM, Wednesday, March 13th at 7:00PM and Sunday, April 7th at 1:00PM**. All meetings will take place at the Attica Fairgrounds in the Entertainment Building. This meeting will be very informative as there are several very important changes for the 2019 fair. I also encourage you to bring any comments, concerns, ideas and feedback to this meeting to share with myself and other advisors. Again, our ultimate goal is to make this the best fair experience possible for our exhibitors!

There have been several updates made to the Attica Jr. Fairbook and also many of the forms posted on the Attica Fair webpage. Please look for all of the new forms to be posted after April 1st, 2019. There will also be a set of master copies of the forms available to you at the advisor meetings. You will then be able to make copies for your club.

I ask that you print the newsletter and important dates off and make copies for your club members so this way they know what is going on as well. If you have any questions please call, text or email me. I will get back to you as soon as I can. I am looking forward to working with all of you this year!

Sincerely,

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CHANGES:**Show Times:**

- The following shows have different start times from 2018. Also note, the Royalty Contest will be on **TUESDAY** evening (Opening Day) of the fair and not on Sunday of fair set-up.
 - ❖ Goat Show – 10:00 AM (Tuesday)
 - ❖ Royalty Contest – 5:00 PM (Tuesday)
 - ❖ Feeder/Steer Show – 5:00 PM (Wednesday)
 - ❖ Showman of Showmen – 5:00 PM (Friday)

QA:

- Must be completed by May 1st of the calendar year of the fair the exhibitor wishes to exhibit their animal.

Bedding:

- **NO MULCH** may be used for bedding for Beef and/or Feeder project animals. **ONLY** straw or pine shavings may be used.

Goats:

- A Pack Goat class has been added.
- Minimum weight allowed for Market Goat classes is 50lbs.

Poultry:

- Hatch date for meat chickens is **NO LATER** than June 25th.

Rabbits:

- A Fryer class has been added, Fryer rules are the same as the Meat Pen rules but with ONE (1) rabbit instead of three (3).
- There will be three (3) levels of Market Rabbits:
 - ❖ **1st yr.** -- exhibit 2 does and 1 buck of same breed and one (1) Fryer.
 - ❖ **2nd yr.** – exhibit 2 does and 1 buck of the same breed and a Meat Pen and/or one Fryer.
 - ❖ **3rd yr.** -- exhibit 2 does and 1 buck of one breed AND 2 does and 1 buck of the same breed or another breed all over 3 months of age AND a Meat Pen or one Fryer. May show 2 Meat Pens or 2 Fryers or a Meat Pen & one Fryer.
- An exhibitor must have taken a Breeding Rabbit project for one year to be eligible to take a Market Rabbit project.
- Grand & Reserve Champion Meat Pens and Fryers must go to packer bid, not eligible for dressed & delivered.
- Individual Meat Pen rabbits and Fryer rabbit must weigh between 4-6lbs. and be approximately 100 days old.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Steer Nose Prints – These were already due and should have been turned in.

Feeder Calf Pictures – Pictures are due April 30th (**NO EXCEPTIONS**). Pictures can be dropped off or mailed to: Becky Baldosser 5120 N. Twp Rd. 78 Republic, OH 44867. Requirements for pictures are: Three (3) sides (front, left & right) with exhibitor (whole body) in each picture of each calf. On the back of each photo include: exhibitor name, exhibitor phone number, exhibitor club, breed of calf (dairy, dairy-beef, beef, or heifer), club advisor and advisor phone number. **The Jr. Fair office will be open from 6:00-8:00PM April 30th to drop off feeder calf pictures.**

Sheep & Goat Tagging – This will be held in the new show building on the first Saturday in May from 8:00-10:00AM. It is the responsibility of the owners to handle the animals during the tagging process. This means getting into the vehicle/trailer and bringing the animals to the person tagging. The tagging form that must be filled out before you enter the building is on the fair website. A form must be filled out for each animal and it must be completely filled out. This includes the **10 digit** scrapies tag number. This tag is **state mandated** and we have to have an accurate record of this. Example: OH12031516. If this is not filled out you will go to the end of the line.

Feeder Calf Vaccinations – There is **NEW** form this year and will be available on the fair website for you to print off. One form is required for each feeder calf. Two doses are required with the first dose being on or around June 1st and the second on or around July 1st. **At least one set of vaccinations MUST be administered by a licensed veterinarian and the vaccination form must be signed by the veterinarian.** The exhibitors need to turn these in at the time of weigh in.

DUNE – It is your responsibility to pick these forms up during the set date and time. **They will be available in the Jr. Fair office on April 30th and June 26th from 6:00-8:00PM.** This form is not located on the website. These forms are state mandated and very important. They need to be completely filled out, one per animal. The only animals that these need to be filled out for are market steers, market goats, market sheep, market hogs and market poultry. No rabbits or feeders. The fair code is **48**. The exhibitors must turn these in during weigh-in. If it is not completely filled out you will go to the end of the line.

Attica Fair Entry Forms – This form will be available on the fair website for you to print off. This form should be completely filled out **AND SIGNED** or it will not be accepted. They can be dropped off or mailed to Becky Baldosser. Please use the fair entry form number list, found on the website, for your reference. Please list one animal per line (EX: if an exhibitor has two feeder calves list one calf on each line, two hogs list one hog per line, etc...). The exception is poultry and rabbit meat pens. (EX: if an exhibitor has two meat pens of chickens list each meat pen on one line and the same for rabbit meat pens.) If there is any question please contact me before turning them in.

Fair entry forms are due the last Wednesday of June; Wednesday, June 26th, 2019. The Jr. Fair office will be open from 6:00-8:00PM on June 26th to be able to drop them off or ask questions as needed.

Booths & Booth Patrol – This part only applies to you if you know that you will need a booth for the fair. I will need to know if your club will need a booth and what size booth you would like. (Booth sizes are 8ft., 12ft. and 16ft.)

You will be able to pick your own time to do booth patrol. It will be on a first come first serve basis. If you do not pick a time one will be given to you. Remember you must have 3 patrollers plus 1 advisor or an adult to guard booths.

Available days & times:	Tuesday	12-4 or 4-8
	Wednesday	12-4 or 4-8
	Thursday	12-4 or 4-8
	Friday	12-4 or 4-8
	Saturday	12-4 or 4-8.

Beverages for Sale Day – I will send this list out closer to fair time after entries are in.

Record Books – The only books that are mandated to be turned in are livestock (market & breeding) books. They need to be completely filled out to date. One thing that has **STILL** been missing from these has been feed records. The department superintendants do not understand how this is left blank. Are the exhibitors not feeding their animals? This is part of your project, no excuses!

Skills Test – The skills test is mandatory for all livestock (market & breeding) exhibitors. These are looked over and graded. Exhibitors should study and be knowledgeable in their projects. There is a home economics and miscellaneous skills test available that is optional for any exhibitor who wishes to take.

Miscellaneous Judging – We take grades from Seneca County for sewing, cooking and cake decorating. Exhibitors with these projects will not need to be re-judged.

If an exhibitor did not get judged at Seneca County, it is the responsibility of the advisor to judge that project. I will have the grading forms at the Jr. Fair office for advisors who need them. The grading form must be turned in by 3:00PM on the Sunday of fair set-up.

For Miscellaneous judging on Sunday of fair set-up: When entering the entertainment building please find your name and project on the lists attached to the table. There will be a color coded number that you will need to grab and go sit in front of that colored table. You might have more than one number to get depending on how many different projects you have. You will then wait for your number to be called. Judges will want to look at the project books that go with your project but you do not have to leave them with the judge. You can take them with you.

Fair Passes – Passes will be \$7.00. These passes are for Cloverbuds, exhibitors that are exhibiting during fair week and advisors **ONLY**. We prefer that the advisor pay for and pick them up as a group on either Saturday or Sunday before the fair. They will be available on Saturday night of fair set-up in the Jr. Fair office or Sunday in the entertainment building during judging and then in the Jr. Fair office from 3pm-6pm. If your pass is lost you will have to pay for another one.