

SUPREME SHOWMANSHIP RULES

1. The species participating in the Supreme Showmanship Contest will be the following: Beef, Swine, Goats, Sheep, and Horses.
2. The Supreme Sweepstake Showman for each species will represent their species at the Supreme Showmanship Contest.
3. If a 4-H'er wins the opportunity to compete for Supreme Showmanship in more than one species in one year, the 4-Her can choose which species they would like to represent in the contest. The Reserve Sweepstakes Showman from the species not chosen, will participate in the Supreme Showmanship Contest.
4. It is the 4-H'ers responsibility to practice with the species that they will be showing in the contest. Please use the following resources: 4-Hers and families involved in that species, Youth Livestock Board Members, past Supreme Showman winners, Livestock Superintendents, etc.
5. The Showmanship Contest will take place on the Friday of the Warren County 4-H Fair.
6. Each class (specie) will run according to that species rules.
7. Dress for showmanship is whatever is appropriate for that species. You will not be given time to change during the show, so please wear clothes that are appropriate for all species.
8. All showmanship species will show in the coliseum other than horses, which may be shown in the outside arena dependent on weather and animals used.
9. The order of the classes shall be decided upon by the Director of the Supreme Showmanship contest, 4-H Educator, and the Superintendents of each of the five species.
10. The Species Superintendents, Director of the Supreme Showmanship contest, and 4-H Educator will be responsible for: Selecting five (5) animals to be used during the showmanship classes. Please select 5 animals that are alike in demeanor and kind for that species. They will also be required to provide the necessary items that the 4-Hers will need for their showmanship class (i.e., halters, show sticks, combs, etc.)
11. All animals are to be cleaned up, brushed, and combed, but no elaborate fitting is to be allowed.
12. The 4-Hers participating in the contest will draw a number 1-5 at the beginning of the contest. This number will determine their number in the contest. We will rotate through numbers 1-5 as we move through the show and this will give each 4-Her the opportunity to have the number one spot in choosing their animal, as well as their lineup in the show arena. If the 4-Her has an animal in the contest, we ask that they do not choose their own animal.
13. During the contest, class judges may ask questions of any of the five 4-Hers during that respective class. We do ask that the showmanship class stay simple and stick to the rules of that species. Please do not remove show supplies from contestants or knowingly spook animals.
14. Each class judge will rank the contestants 1-5 (1 being the winner of the class and 5 being last).
15. Each class judge is welcome to talk on the mic but not required to do so. If they do wish to congratulate the contestants and talk through what they were looking for, the committee asks that they do not share their placings. The overall winner will be announced after all species have been shown and scores are calculated.

16. The Supreme Showmanship winner will be selected by adding placing gained from all five (5) classes for each 4-Her. The one with the lowest total is the winner. If there is a scenario where there is a tie, we will refer to amount of first placings that the 4-Hers received. The 4-Her with the most first placings, will be awarded the Supreme Showman.
17. We will not announce the overall placings to the public, however, if the 4-Hers would like to know their placings in each individual class/or overall, they can discuss with the Director of the Supreme Showmanship contest.
18. Any questions concerning the Supreme Showmanship contest not covered above will be decided by a committee, which includes the Director of the Supreme Showmanship contest, 4-H Educator, and the Superintendents of the species.
19. The 4-Her awarded with the Supreme Showman title will not be allowed to participate in the event in the future years. However, they are allowed to participate in the individual species showmanship class. If the 4-Her happens to win Sweepstakes Showman in any of the breeds, they will not be allowed to participate in the Supreme Showmanship contest. They can be awarded for their winnings in that species. The Reserve Sweepstakes Showman in that specie will move on to participate in the Supreme Showmanship contest.
20. If you were not awarded the Supreme Showman title, there is not a maximum amount of times that you can participate in the Supreme Showmanship contest.