

PYGMY GOATS

11 - Junior Pygmy Goat Show

Superintendent: Cheryl Landeck (#847-531-3640)

Junior Class Premiums Offered: \$267.00

Land of Lincoln Class Premiums Offered: \$378.00

**Premiums will be pro-rated according to participation and pay up to six (6) places.*

INFORMATION

Entries

Required fees include \$5.00/head (entry fee), \$5.00/head (manure), and \$9.50/exhibitor supply chain surcharge. Entries in all classes shall be made through the online fair entry system at the Illinois State Fair website. Payment must be made via credit card at the time of entry. No other type of entry will be accepted. Assistance with entries is available at the Competitive Events Office, Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. All entries must be submitted online on or before July 15, 2026. Fees will not be refunded.

Deadlines and Check-in

Pens Available	Thursday, August 20, 4:00 p.m.
Animals must be penned by	Friday, August 21, 11:00 a.m.
Ring Cards Issued	Friday, August 21, 11:00 a.m.
Show Starts	Saturday, August 22, 8:30 a.m.
Animals Released	Saturday, August 22, immediately following Junior Show

Show Order

Show order will be posted in the showring and at the Pygmy Goat Office. However, show order is subject to change. Exhibitors should watch and listen for announcements.

Department Rules

1. Each exhibitor must comply with the Illinois Exhibition Health Requirements; Animal Care, Drug, Testing and Welfare Policies; and General Rules of the Junior Livestock Division as previously stated.
2. Class ages shall be computed from the Opening Day of the Fair, August 13, 2026.
3. Exhibitors are allowed open substitution up to time of check-in.
4. All pens are to be assigned by the Superintendent or his/her assistants. Pens will be assigned on the basis of a minimum of four (4) mature and a minimum of five (5) kids per pen. Animals must be penned according to these assignments. Exhibitors are responsible for additional fencing if needed to separate or confine animals.
5. Each exhibitor must be present to show their own animals unless exempted in advance by Superintendent due to an identified, eligible conflict.
6. Junior Show exhibitors are reminded they must adhere to the Junior Show registration and ring card distribution requirements in order to exhibit in the Junior Show. Open Show registration does not fulfill Junior Show requirements.
7. Each exhibitor is required to pre-enter Showmanship classes online by the published Junior Department entry deadline. Placement of the Pygmy Goat Showmanship Contest during the show will be at the discretion of the Judge and announced the morning of the show. Showmanship age will be the exhibitors age as of August 13, 2026.

Special Awards

Junior Show Grand Champions Awards: An award will be given by the Illinois State Fair to the exhibitor of the Grand Champion Pygmy Goat Doe and Grand Champion Pygmy Goat Wether.

Junior and Senior Showmanship Champions: An award will be given by the Illinois State Fair to the Junior and Senior Showmanship Champions.

CLASSES

Division 1101 – Freshened Does

Class	Class Description	Open Class	Land of Lincoln Offered*
Freshened Doe	12 months and under 24 months	001	*
2-Year-Old Doe	24 months and under 36 months	002	*
3-Year-Old Doe	36 months and under 48 months	003	*
4-Year-Old Doe and Over	48 months and over	004	*

The following awards will be given in this Division: Senior Champion & Reserve Doe, Grand & Reserve Champion Doe.

Division 1102 – Kids

Class	Class Description	Open Class	Land of Lincoln Offered*
Baby Doe Kid	Under 5 months	001	*
Junior Doe Kid	5 months and under 9 months	002	*
Senior Doe Kid	9 months and under 12 months	003	*
Senior Doe Kid	12 months and under 18 months	004	*
Senior Doe Kid	18 months and under 24 months	005	*

The following awards will be given in this Division: Junior Champion & Reserve Doe.

Division 1103 – Wethers

Class	Class Description	Open Class	Land of Lincoln Offered*
Wether	Under 6 months	001	*
Wether	6 months and under 12 months	002	*
Wether	12 months and under 24 months	003	*
Wether	24 months and under 36 months	004	*
Wether	36 months and over	005	*

The following awards will be given in this Division: Grand & Reserve Champion Wether.

Division 1104 – Showmanship

Class	Class Description	Open Class	Land of Lincoln Offered*
Junior Showmanship	Exhibitors 13 and under	001	N/A
Senior Showmanship	Exhibitors 14 and older	002	N/A