

DEPT. P-FFA ACTIVITIES - 2026



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FOR HEALTH REQUIREMENTS- SEE LIVESTOCK INFORMATION BELOW

FFA BARN

- This department was introduced to the Steele County Free Fair and because of the great amount of interest shown by both children and adults, it has become a permanent feature.
- The FFA Barn is located at the corner of Leisure Lane and Fairgrounds Drive SE. The barn will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. daily.
- Entries are open to all classes of animals, wild or domesticated, all of which may or may not be common but are raised on farms of Steele County.
- Entries must be in place by 4:00 p.m. on the opening day of the fair. All entries are to remain in place until 7:00 p.m. Sunday.
- Entries will be accepted by the superintendents or by contacting the fair secretary. The entry forms are also on the website at scff.org.
- Pens and space will be limited. Exhibits in the best condition and with the greatest appeal will be given first consideration. Selection of animals placed in the farmyard will be made by a committee. Points of selection will be: age, condition, suitability and general appeal. Premiums will be made only on worthy exhibits.
- The amount of the premium will be based on the categories listed below:

Large Animals	\$10.00
Small Animals	\$6.00
Fowl	\$4.00

- FFA Barn facilities will be supervised at all times by FFA members of Steele County. The care of the exhibit is the responsibility of the owner. Pens are to be cleaned & bedded daily.
- Activities and demonstrations are planned by the Owatonna FFA Chapter during fair week.

CLASSES OF EXHIBITS

CLASS 1 - LARGE ANIMALS

LOTS

1. Cow & calf of common beef or dairy breed
2. Sow & litter
3. Lamb & mother
4. Pony or pony colt
5. Other animals
6. Goat & kid

CLASS 2 – SMALL ANIMALS

LOTS

1. Rabbits, doe and litter
2. Other small animals

CLASS 3 – FOUL

LOTS

1. Duck & ducklings
2. Geese
3. Hens & chicks
4. Rooster
5. Guineas
6. Turkeys
7. Pheasants
8. Pigeons
9. Bantams
10. Older Fowl

LIVESTOCK INFORMATION - 2026

EXHIBITION OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY IN MINNESOTA SUMMARY OF STATE RULE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The exhibition management may adopt more but not less restrictive health requirements than required by state rule.

Livestock or poultry known by the exhibitor to have an infectious, contagious or communicable disease or to have been exposed to an infectious, contagious or communicable disease, or to be from a quarantined herd or flock may not be entered in an exhibition. **Warts and ringworm are considered contagious communicable diseases.** Therefore, livestock affected by these diseases cannot be exhibited. A statement from a veterinarian that an animal is being treated for these diseases is **not** acceptable.

All animals must be examined by the official veterinarian on the day they are admitted to the exhibition and at least once daily during the exhibition. Prior to entering a public exhibition, animals must meet the requirements for exhibition, importation, and intrastate movement as defined by the Board of Animal Health. No animal may enter or be at a public exhibition that shows clinical signs of any infectious, contagious or communicable disease, including ringworm and warts.

The Official Veterinarian will order the immediate removal to a quarantine facility or removal from the exhibition premises of any livestock with clinical signs of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases. Animals placed in a quarantine facility must remain there until removed from the exhibition premises.

Livestock and poultry entered in any public or petting exhibit are required to follow exhibition requirements.

CATTLE-Cattle must be individually & officially identified using AIN system after 11-5-24 or NUES system or breed registry tattoos and tags prior to 11-5-24.

SHEEP AND GOATS-Sheep and goats must be officially identified using flock ID tags, sheep/goat serial tags, AIN system tags or legible tattoos.

LLAMAS & ALPACAS-No requirements.

POULTRY-Chickens, turkeys, and game birds must be individually identified with numbered leg/wing bands. Hatching eggs and young poultry too small for bands can be exhibited as a group but must be accompanied by Hatchery Permit number or NPIP number written on cage. Chickens, turkeys, game birds, and hatching eggs from these birds must be accompanied by a certificate or test chart to show that they originate from a hatchery or breeding flock that is classified U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid clean under NPIP or are negative to a pullorum-typhoid test within 90 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition.

WATERFOWL & PIGEON- Waterfowl and pigeon will follow the same identification requirements as poultry.

SWINE-Swine must be individually & officially identified using HUES system, AIN system, or ear notching.

HORSES-Horses, except suckling foals accompanying a negative dam, must be negative to an official test for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA) (e.g. Coggins test) conducted within 12 months prior to the opening date of an exhibition.

DOGS-Dogs four months of age or older must be accompanied by a certificate of rabies vaccination issued by a licensed veterinarian.