

Southeast Iowa Youth Livestock Supporters

Ultimate Showmanship Show

Sunday, June 28, 2026, at the Jefferson County Fair – Check in at 11:00am on the East end of the show arena with the show starting at Noon in the show arena.

Members will have the opportunity to show four species during this show: Sheep, Goats, Swine and Cattle. This show will give members the opportunity to show species that they may not have had the opportunity to show before. It is our hope that this opportunity will spark an interest in another species that they might consider showing in the future.

You do NOT have to show one of the above listed species at the Jefferson County Fair to be able to enter the show. Any 4-H/FFA member who is in grades 4th-12th that exhibits a project at the 2026 Jefferson County Fair is eligible to enter this show.

If a member shows one of the four species mentioned above during the 4-H/FFA show, they will show their own animal during this show. If the member does not show one of the above species, they will work with another 4-H/FFA member to borrow an animal to show.

It is our hope that we will see 4-H/FFA members mentoring each other prior to the fair and during the fair, teaching each other how to show their animals.

Age Divisions – Grades are determined by the 2025-2026 school year: Senior (10th -12 grade), Intermediate (7th -9 th grade), Junior (4th -6 th grade)

All participants will receive a shirt to wear during the show.

An exhibitor number will be provided for each participant.

This will be a no-fit showmanship show, but all animals should be clean upon entering the show ring.

During the show, the following criteria will be considered in determining the Overall Showman:

- Exhibitor's ability to show and control the animals in the show ring.
- Exhibitor's appearance in the show ring
- Exhibitor's attitude toward animals and judge

The top five of each class for each species will be recognized. Exhibitors will receive points based on their placing in each class. The exhibitor with the highest number of points will be the Overall Ultimate Showman. If there is a tie in points, the youth that showed all 4 species will be the winner. If there remains a tie, the youth with the most 1st place wins will be the winner. Following that, the judge will break all ties.

The Overall Grand and Reserve Showmanship winner will receive an award along with the top three in each age division.

Any member that chooses to participate in the show must attend a mandatory check-in meeting at 11:00AM on the day of the show. Each participant must write a thank-you card to the sponsors to be eligible to show.

The show order will be by age division starting with Seniors, Intermediates, then Juniors.

Classes will be grouped at the committee's discretion.

An initial sign-up for the show will occur prior to the fair. To guarantee a shirt, sign-up must be completed by May 25, 2026 by submitting the google doc sign up form found on the **Southeast Iowa Youth Livestock Supporters** FaceBook page. You can also email southeastiowayouthlivestocksup@gmail.com for more information. The final sign-up deadline is 11:00 AM on the day of the show.

If you have any questions regarding this show, please reach out to one of the Southeast Iowa Youth Livestock Supporter Committee Members: Adult Members: Amy White, Makenna Myers, Gretchen McLain, Ashlynn Lingle, Jo Heidt, Katie Johnson, Nick Roach, Hunter Roach. Youth Members: Emily, Lauren & Jacob White, Sydney Stremsterfer, Scout Lock.