

# 2026

## MANITOWOC COUNTY FAIR JUNIOR FAIR RULES AND REGULATIONS

Fair Theme:	Heart of the County
Fair Colors:	Red, Black, and Royal Blue

### ATCP 160

If you are interested in becoming a member of a youth organization, please contact one of the following members:

4-H Extension Office	920-683-4167
Manitowoc County Expo	920-683-4378

1. **Junior Fair Exhibitors are not allowed to show in Junior Fair and then enter into Open Class.**
2. All entries in the Junior Fair Division must be submitted to the 4-H or Club Leader for submission, on or before **July 1**. Entries will include a **\$5.00** Exhibitor's ticket, **\$3.00** processing fee, and any other fees associated with the registration form. All Junior Fair Exhibitors must purchase a \$5.00 Exhibitor Ticket.
3. **Any exhibitor in the Junior Fair Division requiring someone other than the exhibitor or items left to be judged with no exhibitor present must submit a written request to the Expo Office by August 1.**
4. All exhibitors in the Junior Fair Division must be residents of Manitowoc County or must belong to or be a member of a Manitowoc County 4-H, FFA, FHA-Hero, Scouting programs, breed groups, or other recognized youth organizations under adult leadership and with an education program approved by the local fair.
5. **Exhibitors can order a Curriculum Guide from the 4-H Leader or by contacting the Extension Office at 920-683-4169.**
6. A Junior Fair Exhibitor is any youth in grades 5K to one year post high school (under 20 years of age) for the **2025-2026** school year.
7. Grades 5K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade are not eligible to show any animal of any kind.
8. The exhibitor must conduct themselves in a responsible manner at all times while on the grounds and includes showing exhibits and/or animals. Behavior that does not support the Manitowoc County Fair and the Manitowoc County Expo-Ice Center board will be addressed by the board of directors and may lead to disqualification at the current fair.
9. The exhibitors who exhibit at the fair **MUST** be enrolled in and list the projects.
10. Individual conference judging will be done for each Junior Fair exhibit – give special attention to entry dates, judging dates and time, and release dates and time.
11. Exhibitor must attach the correct entry tag and place according to the department rules and regulations.
12. Exhibits must be the result of the exhibitor's own labor.
13. **Livestock must be shown by the Junior Fair Exhibitor. Adults will not be permitted to show for a Junior Fair Exhibitor.**
14. All possible care to prevent loss or damage to articles exhibited will be taken, but no responsibility for the same will be assumed.
15. All exhibits at the Junior Fair Division will be subject to the general overall rules of the Fair management including release times.
16. Junior Fair Exhibitors who do not follow the rules for entering their item(s) in the Junior Fair Division will receive an explanation of the violation on judging day, followed by an automatic placement of a 4<sup>th</sup> place ribbon award and premium.
17. Any exhibitor with any law violations on Expo grounds during the fair will carry a penalty of one (1) year suspension of fair exhibiting. This is retroactive to the 1990 fair.
18. Merit awards will be awarded for each 50 entries in each department. A merit award can be awarded to one exhibitor in the same department for three (3) consecutive years.

**ALL ANIMAL EXHIBITORS AND ANIMALS MUST REMAIN IN THEIR EXHIBIT AREA!**