

DEPARTMENT: ALPACAS & LLAMAS

Superintendent: Deb Bergmann

Project Book Grading Interviews: 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. the Saturday prior to the opening of the fair

Alpaca and Llama Skillathon: Saturday before the Fair, see Section 211 Animal Skillathons

Exhibitor meeting – 8 a.m. First Saturday of the fair in the Junior Fair Show Arena; Show immediately following at 8:30 a.m. for Showmanship, Obstacle, Public Relations Course and Costume classes. The Trail Pack will be held in the Soil Conservation area.

Premiums	Grade A	Grade B	Grade C
	\$10.00	\$8.00	\$6.00

Alpacas & Llamas will be housed in the Alpaca and Llama Barn

Rules:

1. **Read the Fair General Rules.**

2. Exhibits must be project animals cared for by the exhibitor who is a member of a Delaware County 4-H Club or FFA Chapter.

3. Exhibitors may show one project animal.

4. All animals must be checked in before 8 a.m. the first Saturday of the fair.

5. Llama and Alpaca exhibits release time is posted in the general rules.

6. Every exhibitor is required to be interview graded prior to exhibiting in a class. Exhibitors will be graded A, B, or C.

7. Premiums will be paid on interview grade.

8. Interview grading will be based upon:

a. Project book – must be turned in during interview grading.

b. Interview questions may include: Safety, Anatomy, Origins, Conformation, Shelter, Fencing, Grooming, Shearing, Fiber, Vet Care, Breeding and Birthing.

9. All classes will receive a trophy for first place and rosettes for 2nd thru 6th place.

10. All exhibitors are expected to be present and arrange for the care of their own animal while exhibiting at the fair.

11. All stalls must be cleaned before the exhibitor leaves on dismissal day.

12. Unless otherwise specified here, Alpaca 4-H classes will follow ALSA and ILR show rules.

13. Sections & Classes: Jr & Sr Showmanship, Jr & Sr Obstacle, Public Relations Course Jr & Sr, Trail Pack Jr & Sr, and Costume. Age division will be based on age as of January 1, current year: Junior (4-H age 13 and under) and Senior (4-H age 14 and older).

14. Animals must be at least 5 months old by the first day of the fair.

15. Youth 8-13 years old may not show intact males over 24 months old on the first day of the fair.

16. An animal may be used in more than one Section. An animal may only be entered once in a Section.

17. Alpacas and llamas will compete on the same course with size adjustments at the judge's discretion.

18. Documentation of ownership, or appropriate permission to show form, must be turned into the Extension Office.

19. A picture of the Alpaca or llama must be turned into the Extension Office. Substitutions, due to extreme circumstances only, may be made with approval of the Alpaca and Llama Committee prior to the first day of the fair.

20. Exhibitors will sign-up for the costume class at the exhibitors meeting. The exhibitor decides on a theme and dresses him/herself and the Llama or Alpaca to illustrate the chosen theme. Costumes will be judged on theme, originality, creativeness, the coverage of sensitive areas of the animals such as its head, back, legs, ears, etc.

**Costumes deemed unsafe by the Alpaca and Llama Committee may be modified or excluded. The costume can be presented with music or written script. A description of at least one paragraph, but no longer than 1 ½ minutes must be presented at the competition. Costume class trophy will be awarded at the competition. **

21. Exhibitors must provide a pack and fill material to bulk packs out. Packs must carry no weight. Alpacas must wear a pack proportionate in size to their body. A training pack may be used. An exhibitor may show only one animal.

SECTION 320: INTERVIEW GRADING

Class 32001 - Llama/Alpaca Project Interview

SECTION 321: SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES

Class 32101 - Junior (13 and under as of January 1)

Class 32102 - Senior (14 and older as of January 1)

SECTION 322: OBSTACLE CLASSES

Class 32201 - Junior (13 and under as of January 1)

Class 32202 - Senior (14 and older as of January 1)

SECTION 323: PUBLIC RELATIONS COURSE CLASSES

Class 32301 - Junior (13 and under as of January 1)

Class 32302 - Senior (14 and older as of January 1)

SECTION 324: COSTUME CLASS

Class 32401 - Costume Class

SECTION 325: TRAIL PACK

Class 32501 - Junior (13 and under as of January 1)

Class 32502 - Senior (14 and older as of January 1)

Trophies will be awarded to the winners of the following:

Junior Obstacle

Senior Obstacle

Junior Public Relations

Senior Public Relations

Junior Trail Pack

Senior Trail Pack

Junior Showmanship

Senior Showmanship

Showman of Showmen

Costume Class