

# MISSOURI 4-H POULTRY DAY

## WHO?

4-H members ages 8-18

## WHEN?

2nd Saturday in June

## WHERE?

University of Missouri -  
Columbia

## WHAT YOU WILL DO

- **Judge Classes of Poultry Meat and Eggs**
  - Grade Parts
  - Grade Further Processed Products
  - Grade Egg Exterior Quality
  - Grade Egg Interior Quality
  - Parts ID
  - Place Production Hens
  - Grade Poultry Carcasses
- **Give Reasons** - Youth will give reasons on the production hens class. When you give reasons, you share why you placed the items in a class in a certain order.

## WHY DO IT?

- Become a more educated consumer when selecting poultry products for consumption by knowing what characteristics lead to quality products.
- Gain critical thinking, communication, and decision-making skills.
- Develop knowledge of how properties of yield and quality influence the evaluation of poultry products.



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## TIMELINE

**October** - Enroll in 4-H and the poultry project (not required, but recommended).

**November to May**- Attend poultry project meetings.

**April/May**- Register for state contest.

**June**- Attend 4-H State Poultry Day.

## THINGS YOU MIGHT DO AT PROJECT MEETINGS

- Review online ID practices.
- Meet with a local meat bird or egg producer to learn about their careers.
- Browse and judge cuts of meat and eggs at home or the store.
- Practice preparing and giving reasons.

## RESOURCES

- [Poultry Knowledge Study Materials](#)
- [Poultry Judging Online Practice](#)
- [Poultry Curriculum](#)
- [Poultry Resources](#)

