



Bureau County



Dear Bureau County 4-H Members and Parents:

We are excited to announce that we will again host a **Master Showmanship Contest** at the 2023 Bureau County 4-H Fair. The contest will be coordinated by the Bureau County Farm Bureau and Bureau County 4-H. The winner of the local competition will represent Bureau County at the state MSC event on Friday, August 11 at the Illinois State Fair.

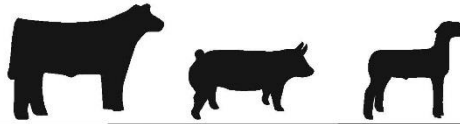
The local contest will take place on **Friday, July 14 at approximately 7:30 p.m.** in the Swine/Sheep Show Ring. Rules are as follows:

1. The exhibitor must be a Bureau County 4-H member between the ages of 14 and 18 (must be at least 14 as of September 1, 2022 but cannot have reached their 19th birthday before September 1, 2022 - birthdate between 9/2/2003 and 9/1/2008).
2. An exhibitor may participate in the Master Showmanship Contest for more than one consecutive year.
3. The exhibitor must be able to attend and participate in the state contest **Friday, August 11, 2023 @ 7:00 p.m.** (or 30 minutes following the conclusion of the beef cattle show) at the Illinois State Fair. If the county winner cannot participate in the state contest, the Reserve Master Showman may attend in his/her place.
4. Each contestant must exhibit one of each: a steer or heifer, a market or breeding lamb, and a market hog or breeding gilt. Participants must supply their own livestock for the competition. Each exhibitor must own or borrow the livestock from other registered 4-H members. These animals must be shown at the current 4-H Fair. The winner will be responsible for securing their own animals for the county and state competition.
5. Prizes will be awarded to both the Champion and Reserve Champion Master Showmen. The champion will represent Bureau County at the state level.
6. Contest organizers maintain the right to expel any individual who has violated any of the rules or who exhibits improper conduct that is unbecoming of a 4-H member.
7. The contest organizers have the right to cancel the contest if too few participants register for the event.
8. In the event of a state contest cancellation, contest organizers (Bureau County Farm Bureau and Bureau County 4-H) are not liable for any lost revenues, expenses incurred, or schedule inconvenience, and are not bound to issue any awards or prizes at the state level.
9. The county and state contests will adhere to any and all guidelines in relation to the Illinois State Fair issued by the Illinois Department of Agriculture
10. Registration for the county event is being coordinated through the University of Illinois Extension – Bureau County office, 850 Thompson, Princeton, IL 61356.

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Sponsored by Bureau County Farm Bureau and Bureau County 4-H

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

Parents/Guardians: _____

Date of Birth: _____ T-Shirt Size: _____

Year in School (2023-2024 school year): _____

School attending in fall 2024: _____

Current 4-H Livestock Projects: _____

***Questions? Contact Bureau County Farm Bureau Executive Director,
Jill Frueh at (815) 875-6468 or (815) 440-8737***

Please return this form by Friday, June 16th to:

University of Illinois Extension – Bureau County
850 E. Thompson St.
Princeton, IL 61356



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Authorization and Release

We understand that by participation in the 2023 Master Showmanship Contest, the name, photograph or other image, quotes attributed to the participant, and other information pertaining to the participant may be used by the Bureau County Farm Bureau and University of Illinois Extension, Bureau County 4-H for publicity purposes. These publicity purposes may be in the form of brochures, websites, videos or displays, radio programs and news releases or other forms of media. We hereby authorize the Bureau County Farm Bureau and Bureau County 4-H to use the name, publish the photograph or other likeness, and use quotes attributed to the participant and other information pertaining to the participant. We, for ourselves, our heirs, assigns, and legal representatives, expressly release and discharge the Bureau County Farm Bureau and Bureau County 4-H, all of their affiliated organizations, directors, officers, employees, and agents from any and all claims, known or unknown, arising out of or in any way connected with the uses described above.

I, _____, authorize my child _____ to participate in the Bureau County Master Showmanship contest on July 14, 2023, at approximately 7:30 p.m.

This form must be returned to the University of Illinois Extension – Bureau County office, 850 Thompson Street, Princeton, IL 61356 by **Friday, June 16th**. The participant will not be allowed to participate if this agreement is not signed.

Signatures:

Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Participant: _____ Date: _____

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- Tax Implications for Prizes, Gifts or Awards: Program Participants (including minors) will be required to provide their social security number or foreign national tax ID number prior to receiving a prize, gift or award to ensure proper IRS reporting as required by law. This sensitive information is kept confidential and handled through security protected software (PEAR). Participants will not be eligible for prize, gift or award if social security or foreign national tax ID information is not provided.