



JUNIOR FAIR

132nd Big Rock Plowing Match – Premium List

September 18-20, 2026

Participation Rules

- Open to ages 3 to 14.
- Items must be entered under entrant's age as of September 18, 2026 (entries completed in school classrooms are entered under grade level).
- Entries are limited to one entry per person in each class.
- All entries must meet requirements of the class such as size and quantity or they may not be accepted.
- All entries must be the work of the entrant.
- Any entry previously entered at the Junior Fair may not be re-entered.
- All entries MUST remain on display until 4 pm Sunday.
- The Big Rock Plowing Match Junior Fair Committee and volunteers will not be responsible for loss or damage to any entry exhibited, but every precaution will be taken for the safekeeping of all entries.

Awards

- Judges' decisions are final.
- Quality of workmanship, as well as beauty of the entry will be considered.
- Award money varies by individual entry. All ties will be split.
- Award money can be collected after the auction on Saturday through 4 pm on Sunday. Pick up at the office (SE corner of the concession stand).
- Special Awards (First ~ \$25; Second ~ \$15, Third ~ \$10):
 - To the person(s) with the most entries in the Junior Fair.
 - To the person(s) winning the most blue ribbons in all classes.

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Entry form – Ages 3 to 5

Name of Entrant _____

of Entries _____ Age & Grade Level _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Fair Use Only	✓	Class	Award	
Judged Ages 3 to 5				
		2	Special Entry – Squishy Sensory Toy Make a squishy sensory toy – select a flexible outer shell (such as a balloon, soft ball or resealable bag – get creative). Fill it with something fun to squish such as flour mix, rice or beads. Once it’s filled, decorate it any way you like! Your creation will be judged on appearance, how strong it is and how fun it is to play with. Kits allowed for ages 3-5 and 6-8.	1 st ~ \$10 2 nd ~ \$7 3 rd ~ \$5
		3	Original art creation; no drawings or Legos (max. size 9" x 12")	1 st ~ \$5 2 nd ~ \$3 3 rd ~ \$2
		4	Pine cone creature or person	
		5	Flower specimen (search for the perfect flower!)	
		6	Finger painting (max. size 9" x 12")	
		8	Puppet made from a lunch bag	
		9	Preprinted picture (crayon or marker)	
		10	Free hand drawing (max. size 9" x 12")	
		11	String a necklace use a mix of items such as pasta, beads, buttons, etc. (max. 18" long)	
		12	Holiday themed decoration (can be from a kit)	
		13	Play Dough animal	
		15	Paper plate mask (decorate space themed)	

Judged Ages 3 to 8				
		16	Photo – summer break (mounted*, no frame)	1 st ~ \$5 2 nd ~ \$3 3 rd ~ \$2
		17	Photo – funny pet (mounted*, no frame)	
		18	Photo – farm scene (barn, equipment, etc.); no farm animals (mounted*, no frame)	
		19	Photo – farm animal (mounted*, no frame)	
		20	Photo – sport (mounted*, no frame)	
		21	Photo – golfing (mounted*, no frame)	1 st ~ \$10 2 nd ~ \$7
			NOTE: Ages 3 to 8 – box mixes allowed for all baking entries	
		22	Baking – Chocolate chip cookies (13 cookies)	
		23	Baking – Decorated cupcakes (9 cupcakes)	
		25	Baking – Decorated sugar cookies (13 cookies)	
		26	Baking – Brownies (8" x 8" foil pan – do not cut)	
		27	Baking – Crispy treats (8" x 8" foil pan – do not cut)	
		29	Baking – Muffins (13 muffins – must label what kind)	
		30	Baking – Snack mix (1 quart – create your own; must label what kind)	

Judged Ages 3 to 14				
		31	Baking Special Premium – Make It Your Own Cornbread (see back page for recipe)	1 st ~ \$20 2 nd ~ \$15

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Entry form – Ages 6 to 8

Name of Entrant _____

of Entries _____ Age & Grade Level _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Fair Use Only	✓	Class	Award	
Judged Ages 6 to 8				
		33	Special Entry – Squishy Sensory Toy Make a squishy sensory toy – select a flexible outer shell (such as a balloon, soft ball or resealable bag – get creative). Fill it with something fun to squish such as flour mix, rice or beads. Once it’s filled, decorate it any way you like! Your creation will be judged on appearance, how strong it is and how fun it is to play with.	1 st ~ \$10 2 nd ~ \$7 3 rd ~ \$5
		34	Handcrafted mask – any theme; no kits, only original handiwork by entrant	1 st ~ \$5 2 nd ~ \$3 3 rd ~ \$2
		35	Original art creation; no drawings or Legos (max. size 9"X12")	
		36	Hand painted ceramic item (max. height 8")	
		37	Favorite grouping of 3 flowers	
		39	Sock puppet	
		40	Lego creation, no kit (max. size 12" x 12" x 12")	
		41	Free hand drawing (max. size 9" x 12")	
		43	Decorate a photo frame (max. size 8" x 10")	
		44	Modeling clay animal	
		45	Cardboard creation (max. size 12" x 12")	
		46	Item made from craft (popsicle) sticks (max. size 12" x 18")	

Judged Ages 3 to 8				
		16	Photo – summer break (mounted*, no frame)	1 st ~ \$5 2 nd ~ \$3 3 rd ~ \$2
		17	Photo – funny pet (mounted*, no frame)	
		18	Photo – farm scene (barn, equipment, etc.); no farm animals (mounted*, no frame)	
		19	Photo – farm animal (mounted*, no frame)	
		20	Photo – sport (mounted*, no frame)	
		21	Photo – golfing (mounted*, no frame)	
			NOTE: Ages 3 to 8 – box mixes allowed for all baking entries	1 st ~ \$10 2 nd ~ \$7
		22	Baking – Chocolate chip cookies (13 cookies)	
		23	Baking – Decorated cupcakes (9 cupcakes)	
		25	Baking – Decorated sugar cookies (13 cookies)	
		26	Baking – Brownies (8" x 8" foil pan – do not cut)	
		27	Baking – Crispy treats (8" x 8" foil pan – do not cut)	
		29	Baking – Muffins (13 muffins – must label what kind)	
		30	Baking – Snack mix (1 quart – create your own; must label what kind)	

Judged Ages 3 to 14				
		31	Baking Special Premium – Make It Your Own Cornbread (see back page for recipe)	1 st ~ \$20 2 nd ~ \$15

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Entry form – Ages 9 to 11

Name of Entrant _____

of Entries _____ Age & Grade Level _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Fair Use Only	✓	Class		Award
Judged Ages 9 to 11				
		48	Special Entry – Squishy Sensory Toy Make a squishy sensory toy – select a flexible outer shell (such as a balloon, soft ball or resealable bag – get creative). Fill it with something fun to squish such as flour mix, rice or beads. Once it’s filled, decorate it any way you like! Your creation will the judged on appearance, how strong it is and how fun it is to play with.	1 st ~ \$10 2 nd ~ \$7 3 rd ~ \$5
		50	Magnet – original handiwork by entrant or kit (max. size 4” x 4”)	
		51	Hobby collection – must be secured in container with clear cover (max. size 12" x 18")	
		52	Mini fresh flower arrangement	
		53	Original drawing of a sport/activity; no frame (max. 9” x 12”)	
		54	Lego creation, no kit (max. size 12” x 12” x 12”)	
		55	Junk art creation; do not use cardboard (max. size 12" x 18")	
		56	Tie dye T-shirt	
		57	Needle felted item	
		59	Hand painted ceramic item (max. height 8")	
		60	Original artwork, on paper, no frame (max. size 9" x 12”)	
		61	Sewing item, original or pattern	

Judged Ages 9 to 14				
		62	Photo – sunrise or sunset (mounted*, no frame)	1 st ~ \$5 2 nd ~ \$3 3 rd ~ \$2
		63	Photo – animal (mounted*, no frame)	
		64	Photo – farm scene (animal, barn, equipment, etc.) (mounted*, no frame)	
		65	Photo – landscape (mounted*, no frame)	
		66	Photo – sport action shot (mounted*, no frame)	
		67	Photo – golfing (mounted*, no frame)	
		68	Baking – Snickerdoodle cookies (13 cookies)	1 st ~ \$10 2 nd ~ \$7
		69	Baking – Decorated cupcakes (13 cupcakes)	
		70	Baking – Homemade fudge (8" x 8" pan – must label what kind; do not cut)	
		71	Baking – Decorated cookies using a cookie cutter (13 cookies)	
		72	Baking – Peanut butter blossom (kiss) cookies (13 cookies)	
		75	Baking – Quick bread (One 8" x 4" loaf – must label what kind; do not cut)	
		76	Baking – Dump cake (9" x 13" foil pan – must label what kind; do not cut)	

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		31	Baking Special Premium – Make It Your Own Cornbread (see back page for recipe)	1 st ~ \$20 2 nd ~ \$15

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Entry form – Ages 12 to 14

Name of Entrant _____

of Entries _____ Age & Grade Level _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

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Judged Ages 12 to 14				
		78	Special Entry – Squishy Sensory Toy Make a squishy sensory toy – select a flexible outer shell (such as a balloon, soft ball or resealable bag – get creative). Fill it with something fun to squish such as flour mix, rice or beads. Once it’s filled, decorate it any way you like! Your creation will be judged on appearance, how strong it is and how fun it is to play with.	1 st ~ \$10 2 nd ~ \$7 3 rd ~ \$5
		79	Model from a kit (max. size 20” x 30”); no Legos	1 st ~ \$5 2 nd ~ \$3 3 rd ~ \$2
		80	Hobby collection – must be secured in container with clear cover (max. size 12” x 18”)	
		81	Crocheted item, original or pattern	
		82	Holiday themed decoration – kit or original handiwork; no drawings or paintings	
		83	Vase of fresh flowers	
		84	Art creation from recyclable material; do not use cardboard (max. size 12” x 18”)	
		85	Original drawing; on paper, no frame (max. size 9” x 12”)	
		86	Lego creation, no kit (max. size 12” x 12” x 12”)	
		87	Paper craft (any such as origami, stationary, scrapbook page, etc.)	
		88	Bedazzled item (examples: diamond art, rhinestones, etc.)	
		91	Sewing item, original or pattern	

Judged Ages 9 to 14				
		62	Photo – sunrise or sunset (mounted*, no frame)	
		63	Photo – posed pet (mounted*, no frame)	
		64	Photo – farm scene (animal, barn, equipment, etc.) (mounted*, no frame)	
		65	Photo – landscape (mounted*, no frame)	
		66	Photo – sport action shot (mounted*, no frame)	
		67	Photo – golfing (mounted*, no frame)	
		68	Baking – Snickerdoodle cookies (13 cookies)	1 st ~ \$10 2 nd ~ \$7
		69	Baking – Decorated cupcakes (13 cupcakes)	
		70	Baking – Homemade fudge (8" x 8" pan – must label what kind; do not cut)	
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		76	Baking – Dump cake (9" x 13" foil pan – must label what kind; do not cut)	

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All Baking Entries

- ~ No cream cheese or whipped cream frosting.
- ~ Preferred packing is a foil pan with plastic lid or plastic base with a clear dome. Alternatively, entries can be placed on sturdy cardboard or a heavy-duty plate and packaged in a large zip closure plastic bag. No plastic wrap or twist ties. Entries not meeting packaging rules will be declined.
- ~ All entries are judged on appearance, texture, taste, moisture and presentation. However, decorated entries are judged primarily on appearance.
- ~ Entries taking 1st or 2nd place will be sold at auction (in container provided) at 1 pm on Saturday.

Baking Special Entry Recipe – Make It Your Own Cornbread

Cornbread Ingredients:	Directions:
1 cup self-rising cornmeal	1. Decide the type of cornbread you like – maybe sweet, savory or spicy.
1 cup flour	2. Grease a 8” x 8” disposable foil pan.
1/4 cup sugar	3. Preheat oven to 400 degrees.
1/2 stick (¼ cup) butter	4. Whisk together corn meal, flour, and sugar in a bowl, set aside.
1/3 cup sour cream	5. Partially melt the butter in a microwave safe bowl.
1 egg, partially beaten	6. Mix sour cream, partially beaten egg and evaporated milk in a medium-large mixing bowl.
3/4 cup evaporated milk	7. Add butter into the other wet ingredients and blend together.
1/4 cup water	8. Pour the dry ingredients over the wet ingredients and mix for 15-20 seconds with an electric mixer. Do not overmix.
Cornbread toppings – your choice of ingredients for flavor and decoration	9. Scrape the batter into greased foil pan and spread evenly.
	10. Collect your toppings to flavor and decorate the top of your cornbread.
	11. Bake for 20-25 minutes or until a toothpick comes out clean. Don’t overbake.
	12. On a 3” x 5” index card write the name of your cornbread. Include what toppings you put on top of your cornbread and note a meal you would serve it with.

Entry Drop Off / Pick Up

- On Friday:**
- Entries received at the Junior Fair / School Exhibit building between 3 pm and 6:30 pm.
 - The building closes at 7 pm.
- On Sunday:**
- The building closes at 2 pm and re-opens at 4 pm.
 - All entries must be picked up between 4 and 5 pm; there is NO early pick up of an entry.

Before You Arrive

Sample

▪ Complete top of Entry form (appropriate form for entrant’s age). One entry form per entrant.	Name of Entrant Sally Student			
	# of Entries 3		Age	12
	Address 400 Rt. 30, Big Rock			
	Phone	630-556-9999	Email	xx@gmail.com
▪ Check (✓) the classes entering.	Fair Use Only		✓	Class
			✓	67
▪ Complete entry label(s). One label per entry. ~ Prepare a 1” x 2” inch label for each entry with its Class # and description. ~ Attach that 1” x 2” inch label to the bottom right of the corresponding entry.	Class 67			
	Best Golfing Photo			
▪ Complete entrant label(s). One label per entry. ~ Prepare self-sticking labels (max. 1” x 2”) with entrant’s name, town and age. ~ Bring these labels with you on Friday night. One label will be attached to each entry tag by Junior Fair volunteers during entry drop off.	Sally Student			
	Big Rock Age 12			

QUESTIONS – Contact a Junior Fair Coordinator

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