

GFF Youth Program Rules

The GFF youth program is designed to allow youth in Frederick Co. (not enrolled in 4-H or FFA) the opportunity to show at The Great Frederick Fair and participate in youth agriculture education programming.

Qualifications to apply:

1. Youth must be Frederick Co residents to be eligible.
2. Youth must be between 8-18 years of age as of Jan. 1st of the current year.
3. Youth must sign up through the google link provided by the fair no later than May 1st of the current fair year.
4. Youth may not be a member of FFA or 4-H
 - a. For 2025: Existing GFF Youth members (enrolled and showed through GFF prior to 2025) registered in 4-H in another county may participate through the GFF Youth program, however, they are only allowed to show in breeding shows if already participating in a market species in the other county. Youth may only participate in 1 county sale, so they must designate 1 county fair to show their market species in.
 - i. This is done as a courtesy transition period for the youth members who have established showing here. This is the last year they are eligible to show through the program.
 - b. For 2026: No youth who is a member of 4-H or FFA is eligible to participate in the GFF Youth Program.
5. If a youth member is switching from another youth affiliation to the GFF Youth Program, they must complete GFF Project Records for the previous year shown with either 4-H or FFA.

All questions about the program should be emailed to the Programs Coordinator, Carrie Wolf.

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