DEFIANCE COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR
4-H PIG CATCH – APPLICATION

2026

CONTEST DATE: **Monday, August 24, 2026 @ 8:00 pm**

DUE DATE: **Mail Before August 18 to**:
OSU Extension, Defiance County
O6879 Evansport Road, Suite B
Defiance, Ohio 43512

***In Person* August 19-23, 2026**
Return to the Jr. Fairboard Office at the Fair
Applications will not be accepted after 3:00 pm on August 23, 2026

I agree to the following rules:

1. **Participants must be age 8 and in third grade. Any youth 9 and above is eligible regardless of grade level. Youth may not be older than 13 years.**
2. Participant/Family Member are required to attend an informational meeting in May (TBA) before being allowed to pick up animal at Central Tagging.
3. Fairview Young Farmers transfers all liability associated with the animal to the winner at the time of pick up. In the event the animal dies, Fairview Young Farmers will not replace the animal or allow the winner to re-enter the competition the following year.
4. I can provide facilities to house and feed the pig if I am a winner.
5. I agree to follow the instructions and rules of the officials conducting the Pig Catch and will accept their decision as final.
6. If I am a winner, I will carry the animal as a 4-H swine project, complete the project, and show the animal at the Defiance County Junior Fair next year.
7. My parents agree to my entering the contest and have signed the attached Minor's Release.

Youth Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Mailing Address City State Zip

Parent Email: _____

Youth Age (as of 1/1) _____ Birthdate: _____ Male or Female (circle)

Grade Completed this year _____ Parent Cell Phone Number _____

MINOR'S RELEASE - For the Defiance County (Ohio) Fair Pig Catch Contest
I do hereby consent and agree that it is satisfactory for our said minor son/daughter to compete in the Pig Catch Contest in the Defiance County Fair. I, or We, joined by our minor (son or daughter) do hereby consent and agree to hold the Defiance County Agricultural Society, the Defiance County Fair Officials, the Contest Committee Referees, and participants, sponsors and all persons individually or collectively associated with the promotion or conduct of the contest and/or of the Fair, free and harmless from a liability for bodily injury or any other injury or damage sustained or suffered by said minor son or daughter while a participant in the Pig Catch Contest.

Parent Name : _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____

*Signature verifies parent has reviewed the guidelines as printed on back of application.

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GENERAL RULES

1. *Participants must have completed an official entry form and Minor's Release by entry deadline before they will be allowed to compete in the Pig Catch.*

2. *Fairview Young Farmers transfers all liability associated with the animal to the winner at the time of pick up. In the event the animal dies, Fairview Young Farmers will replace the animal between pick up and Central Tagging.*

3. *Only one person is allowed possession of a pig at a time. You cannot take a pig from someone who has possession of it during the contest. Contestant must get the pig within the designated area to win the pig.*

4. *The contestants who win a pig will be required to show a different pig at the next years fair. Winners of pigs must have facilities to house and feed the pigs until the special show.*

5. *Referees will be in the arena to enforce the rules and monitor the contest. The decision of a referee is final.*

6. *Winners of pigs in previous Pig Catch Contests are ineligible.*

7. *A pig for the show will be given to the winners the first Saturday in May. The Extension Office will notify winners of a pickup date. Winners/Family are required to attend an informational session in April to be eligible for receiving animal.*

8. *Event is sponsored by the Fairview Young Farmers. Winners should send thank you cards to the Fairview Young Farmers c/o the OSU Extension Office.*

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