

2026 MAHONING COUNTY POULTRY CLUB DATES

Mandatory Meeting and Skill-a-Thon are required to Attend Fair
Members must attend 3 meetings to come to the Fair.
All Poultry MUST be banded and/or Health Checked to Attend Fair

MEETING DATES

February 18, 2026 – 6:00 P.M., Event Center, Canfield Fairgrounds: Guidelines

March 4, 2026 – 6:30 P.M., Event Center, Canfield Fairgrounds: Heritage Co-op/Chick Orders

April 8, 2026 – 6:30 P.M., Event Center, Canfield Fairgrounds: Guest Speaker

April 21, 2026 – 7:00 p.m., Event Center, Canfield Fairgrounds, Combined Market Meeting

May 6, 2026 – 6:30 P.M., Event Center, Canfield Fairgrounds: Skillathon

June 10, 2026 – 6:30 P.M., Event Center, Canfield Fairgrounds: Fair Information

March 11th - Open House – Event Center – Meet Committees 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Complete 4-H & Junior Fair Paperwork. Committees will answer questions. Does not count as a poultry meeting.

March 28, 2026, Mahoning County Career & Technical Center, Registration 7:45 a.m. QUALITY ASSURANCE: Mandatory for any person taking a Market Project to the fair.

June 13, 2026 - SMALL ANIMAL FUN SHOW – 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Small Animal Barn

July 14, 2026 – MARKET LIVESTOCK ICE CREAM SOCIAL - Event Center, 6:30 p.m.

June 23 – 4:00 p.m. –9:00 p.m., Event Center, Canfield Fairgrounds

SKILLATHON: Mandatory for any person taking a Poultry Project to the fair. **MUST REGISTER BY 7:30 P.M. TO PARTICIPATE.** (Youth with IEP or special testing needs, please contact the committee so we can schedule you earlier to accommodate additional needs.

July 22nd Open House – Junior Fair Entry Sheets 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Committees will answer fair questions

July 25 – Banding Clinic – Non-market Birds 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Barn #35

August 22, 2026 – 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the Canfield Fairgrounds

- Open House: Open to any person taking a Poultry Project to the fair
- **Market Bird Banding Clinic – Mandatory for all Market Birds**
- **Make up Skillathon (Written Test).** Accommodations available for testing if a member notifies the committee member before original skillathon date.
- Photo Opportunity
- Committee available to answer Junior Fair Questions

October 13, 2026, Check Night, 6:30 p.m., Event Center, Canfield Fairgrounds

*Event Center is the Michael Kusalaba Fund of the Youngstown Foundation Event Center located on the Canfield Fairgrounds

NOTE: Members will be responsible for cleaning their own pens. Each exhibitor must clean (completely strip) their pen between Tuesday and Saturday following the Junior Fair exhibit at the Canfield Fair. If the exhibitor is not able to clean his/her own pen, then arrangements should be made within your club and/or another exhibitor to make sure your pen is cleaned. Manure should be taken to the manure pit. Manure pits should only contain manure, straw & sawdust. Garbage (paper, pop cans, plastic, etc.) should be disposed of in garbage cans. Bedding, food, and water must remain in the pen until Tuesday morning for any market animal. Non-market may be removed Monday night. **If a member does not clean their pen, they may not be permitted to exhibit the following year. Exhibitors not cleaning/stripping their pen between the Tuesday following the Junior Fair Show and Saturday during the Post Fair Clean-up, will be notified of their negligence and fined a \$20.00 per pen cleaning fee, which will be donated to the Mahoning County Poultry Club. If a non-market member does not clean their pen, he/she will be asked to pay the committee before they may enroll the following year. Members will be notified by the Small Animal Committee and must pay prior to enrollment for the next year.** Exhibitors are encouraged to attend the post fair clean-up on Saturday after the fair at 9:00 a.m.