

DEPARTMENT “K” – HORTICULTURE

Total Amount Offered - \$216.00

Superintendent - NA

Entry Fee - \$1.00 per entry

1. All exhibitors must familiarize themselves with all rules listed under Open Class General Rules, Building #1, Roxie Marks Hall.
2. **Entries**
 - a. Mailed entries must be postmarked by midnight on Monday, July 6, 2026.
 - b. Mail entries to: RICO Fair, 4200 Archer Drive, East Moline, IL 61244.
 - c. On-line entries must be time-stamped by midnight on Wednesday, July 8, 2026.
 - d. On-line entries may be made at www.rockislandfair.org
 - e. **Entry tags will be sent by return mail if entered by midnight July 6. If entry is made Tuesday, July 7, 2026, and beyond, entry tags must be picked up at the fairgrounds before check-in.**
 - f. Late fees will apply to any entries made between Wednesday, July 8, at midnight and Monday, July 13, at noon. No entries will be accepted after Monday, July 13, at noon.
3. **Check-in**
 - a. Exhibits may be brought to the fair on Sunday, July 12, 2026, between 9:00 am and 12:00 pm noon.
4. **Judging**
 - a. Judging will commence promptly at 8:00 a.m., Monday, July 13, 2026.
 - b. All judging is open to the public.
5. **Requirements**
 - a. All entries must be grown by the exhibitor and be of the latest harvest.
 - b. All entries must be on a 6” or 9” white paper plate according to the size of the entry, with a hole punched into the edge for attaching the entry tag. No decorative plates will be allowed.
 - c. Every entry must be labeled clearly as to variety on the reverse side of the entry tag.
 - d. Size of fruit should be an average for the variety grown in Illinois, neither overgrown nor small, and in each entry, a uniform size should be maintained.
 - e. Shape and color should be characteristic of the variety.
6. **Release**
 - a. Exhibits will be released Saturday, July 18, 2026, between 8:00 and 9:00 p.m. or Sunday, July 19, 2026, between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon.
7. All premium checks will be released for pick-up after 3:00 p.m., Saturday, July 18, 2026. Checks may be picked up at the RICO Fair office, located in the Copeland Center. All checks must be cashed within 90 days from issue. A signature is required to receive premium monies. Checks not picked up within will be mailed.

<i>Lot #</i>	<i>APPLES</i>		<i>CLASS 1</i>	
2050.	Red Delicious, 3 fruits	7.00	6.00	5.00
2051.	Yellow Delicious, 3 fruits	7.00	6.00	5.00
2052.	Jonathan, 3 fruits	7.00	6.00	5.00
2053.	Any other variety, 3 fruits, must be named	7.00	6.00	5.00

<i>Lot #</i>	<i>PEACHES</i>		<i>CLASS 2</i>	
2054.	Any variety, 3 fruits, must be named	7.00	6.00	5.00

<i>Lot #</i>	<i>PEARS</i>		<i>CLASS 3</i>	
2055.	Bartlett, 3 fruits	7.00	6.00	5.00
2056.	Any other variety, 3 fruits, must be named	7.00	6.00	5.00

<i>Lot #</i>	<i>PLUMS</i>		<i>CLASS 4</i>	
2057.	Damson, 3 fruits	7.00	6.00	5.00
2058.	Any other variety, 3 fruits, must be named	7.00	6.00	5.00

<i>Lot #</i>	<i>GRAPES</i>		<i>CLASS 5</i>	
2059.	Niagra, 1 bunch	7.00	6.00	5.00
2060.	Any other variety, 1 bunch, must be named	7.00	6.00	5.00

<i>Lot #</i>	<i>ANY OTHER FRUIT</i>		<i>CLASS 6</i>	
2061.	Any other fruit, 3 fruits, must be named	7.00	6.00	5.00