

DEPARTMENT "A" – BREEDING BEEF CATTLE

Premiums offered - \$10,330.00

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Beef Cattle entry fees - \$5.00 per entry

Stall fees - \$5.00 per animal

Open Breeding Beef Cattle Show: Saturday, July 18, 2026, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

1. All exhibitors must familiarize themselves with all rules listed in the Open Class Show General Rules and Regulations and with all Health rules listed in the Open Class Livestock Health Rules and Regulations.
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. Online entries must be time-stamped by midnight on Wednesday, July 8, 2026.
 - d. Online entries may be made at www.rockislandfair.org
 - e. 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. **Requirements**
 - a. Health papers are required for all livestock entries.
 - b. All entries in the Breeding Beef Show must be purebred and registered, with a copy of registration submitted at the time of entry.
 - c. Please note check-in and check-out dates in accordance with the Illinois Department of Agriculture 72 Hour Rule.
4. **Check-in**
 - a. Thursday, July 16, 2026. 2:00 to 4:30 pm.
 - b. Registration papers must be presented at weigh-in.
 - c. Heifers will be checked for tattoos and health papers at scales.
5. **Show**
 - a. Registered cattle must be shown in a breed class if available and may not be shown in Crossbred or All Other Breeds classes.
 - b. Simmentals must be ¾ blood or more, if not, it must be shown in All Other Breeds, Class 4
 - c. Animals showing in the cow/calf class will NOT be allowed to show in any other group class.
 - d. All senior yearling bulls must have bull rings.
 - e. Best four (4) head can only be owned and exhibited by the immediate family and must have been exhibited in individual breed classes.
 - f. If there are 10 or more entries in any one class, the classes may be adjusted by the Superintendent.
6. **Release**
 - a. 3:00 p.m., Saturday, July 18, 2026.
 - b. ***Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and maintaining compliance with state mandates, the Illinois Department of Agriculture, Bureau of County Fairs and Horse Racing, has granted early dismissal of all livestock and exhibits.***
7. **General**
 - a. No tie-outs before 6:00 p.m.
 - b. Livestock trailers must be parked along the North fence of the grass parking area, behind Kunes Ford of East Moline.
 - i. NO livestock trailers will be allowed near barns or in the campground.
 - c. All premium checks will be released for pick-up after 3:00 p.m., Saturday, July 18, 2026.
 - i. Checks may be picked up at the RICO Fair office, located in the Copeland Center.
 - ii. All checks must be cashed within 90 days from issue.
 - iii. A signature is required to receive premium monies.
 - iv. Checks not picked up will be mailed.

Spring Heifer Calf	Calved after January 1, 2026
Fall Heifer Calf	Calved between September 2025 and December 2025
Summer Yearling Heifer	Calved between May 2025 and August 2025
Late Junior Yearling Heifer	Calved between March 2025 and April 2025
Early Junior Yearling Heifer	Calved between January 2025 and February 2025
Senior Yearling Heifer and Cows	Calved before December 31, 2024
Junior Yearling Bull	Calved after May 1, 2025
Senior Yearling Bull	Calved between May 1, 2024, and April 30, 2025

DO NOT ENTER CHAMPION CLASSES

Judging order for 2026 will be: Simmental, Crossbred, Angus, All other breeds, Shorthorn, Hereford, and Miniature Hereford - followed by the Market Beef Cattle Show.

LOT #	CROSSBRED	CLASS 1				
100.	Spring Heifer Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
101.	Heifer by Weight Born in 2024	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
102.	Heifer by Weight Born in 2024	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
103.	Senior Yearling Heifer and Cows	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
104.	<i>Champion Female</i>	<i>\$25.00 and Ribbon</i>				
105.	<i>Reserve Champion Female</i>	<i>\$15.00 and Ribbon</i>				
106.	Two Females, any age, owned by Exhibitor (any two cattle that have been shown in above classes by the same owner)	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
107.	Cow/Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10

LOT #	BLACK ANGUS	CLASS 2				
108.	Spring Heifer Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
109.	Fall Heifer Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
110.	Summer Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
111.	Late Junior Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
112.	Early Junior Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
113.	Senior Yearling Heifer and Cows	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
114.	<i>Champion Female</i>	<i>\$25.00 and Ribbon</i>				
115.	<i>Reserve Champion Female</i>	<i>\$15.00 and Ribbon</i>				
116.	Two Females, any age, owned by Exhibitor (any two cattle that have been shown in above classes by the same owner)	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
117.	Junior Yearling Bull	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
118.	Senior Yearling Bull	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
119.	Pair of Bulls	\$40	\$30			
120.	<i>Champion Bull</i>	<i>\$25.00 and Ribbon</i>				
121.	<i>Reserve Champion Bull</i>	<i>\$15.00 and Ribbon</i>				
122.	Pair of Yearlings, Bull & Heifer, from above classes	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
123.	Cow/Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
124.	Best 4 head	\$40	\$30			

LOT #	SHORTHORN	CLASS 3				
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125.	Spring Heifer Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
126.	Fall Heifer Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
127.	Summer Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
128.	Late Junior Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
129.	Early Junior Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
130.	Senior Yearling Heifer and Cows	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
131.	<i>Champion Female</i>	<i>\$25.00 and Ribbon</i>				
132.	<i>Reserve Champion Female</i>	<i>\$15.00 and Ribbon</i>				
133.	Two Females, any age, owned by Exhibitor (any two cattle that have been shown in above classes by the same owner)	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
134.	Junior Yearling Bull	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
135.	Senior Yearling Bull	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
136.	Pair of Bulls	\$40	\$30			
137.	<i>Champion Bull</i>	<i>\$25.00 and Ribbon</i>				
138.	<i>Reserve Champion Bull</i>	<i>\$15.00 and Ribbon</i>				
139.	Pair of Yearlings, Bull & Heifer, from above classes	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
140.	Cow/Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
141.	Best 4 head	\$40	\$30			

LOT #	ALL OTHER REGISTERED BREEDS (PAPERS REQUIRED)	CLASS 4				
142.	Spring Heifer Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
143.	Fall Heifer Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
144.	Summer Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
145.	Late Junior Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
146.	Early Junior Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
147.	Senior Yearling Heifer and Cows	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
148.	<i>Champion Female</i>	<i>\$25.00 and Ribbon</i>				
149.	<i>Reserve Champion Female</i>	<i>\$15.00 and Ribbon</i>				
150.	Two Females, any age, owned by Exhibitor (any two cattle that have been shown in above classes by the same owner)	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
151.	Junior Yearling Bull	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
152.	Senior Yearling Bull	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
153.	Pair of Bulls	\$40	\$30			
154.	<i>Champion Bull</i>	<i>\$25.00 and Ribbon</i>				
155.	<i>Reserve Champion Bull</i>	<i>\$15.00 and Ribbon</i>				
156.	Pair of Yearlings, Bull & Heifer, from above classes	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10

157.	Cow/Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
158.	Best 4 head	\$40	\$30			

LOT # HEREFORD

CLASS 5

159.	Spring Heifer Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
160.	Fall Heifer Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
161.	Summer Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
162.	Late Junior Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
163.	Early Junior Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
164.	Senior Yearling Heifer and Cows	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
165.	<i>Champion Female</i>	<i>\$25.00 and Ribbon</i>				
166.	<i>Reserve Champion Female</i>	<i>\$15.00 and Ribbon</i>				
167.	Two Females, any age, owned by Exhibitor (any two cattle that have been shown in above classes by the same owner)	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
168.	Junior Yearling Bull	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
169.	Senior Yearling Bull	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
170.	Pair of Bulls	\$40	\$30			
171.	<i>Champion Bull</i>	<i>\$25.00 and Ribbon</i>				
172.	<i>Reserve Champion Bull</i>	<i>\$15.00 and Ribbon</i>				
173.	Pair of Yearlings, Bull & Heifer, from above classes	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
174.	Cow/Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
175.	Best 4 head	\$40	\$30			

LOT # MINIATURE HEREFORD

CLASS 6

176.	Spring Heifer Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
177.	Fall Heifer Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
178.	Summer Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
179.	Late Junior Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
180.	Early Junior Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
181.	Senior Yearling Heifer and Cows	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
182.	<i>Champion Female</i>	<i>\$25.00 and Ribbon</i>				
183.	<i>Reserve Champion Female</i>	<i>\$15.00 and Ribbon</i>				
184.	Two Females, any age, owned by Exhibitor (any two cattle that have been shown in above classes by the same owner)	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
185.	Junior Yearling Bull	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
186.	Senior Yearling Bull	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
187.	Pair of Bulls	\$40	\$30			

188.	<i>Champion Bull</i>	<i>\$25.00 and Ribbon</i>				
189.	<i>Reserve Champion Bull</i>	<i>\$15.00 and Ribbon</i>				
190.	Pair of Yearlings, Bull & Heifer, from above classes	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
191.	Cow/Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
192.	Best 4 head	\$40	\$30			

LOT #	SIMMENTAL – 3/4 OR MORE	CLASS 7				
193.	Spring Heifer Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
194.	Fall Heifer Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
195.	Summer Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
196.	Late Junior Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
197.	Early Junior Yearling Heifer	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
198.	Senior Yearling Heifer and Cows	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
199.	<i>Champion Female</i>	<i>\$25.00 and Ribbon</i>				
200.	<i>Reserve Champion Female</i>	<i>\$15.00 and Ribbon</i>				
201.	Two Females, any age, owned by Exhibitor (any two cattle that have been shown in above classes by the same owner)	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
202.	Junior Yearling Bull	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
203.	Senior Yearling Bull	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
204.	Pair of Bulls	\$40	\$30			
205.	<i>Champion Bull</i>	<i>\$25.00 and Ribbon</i>				
206.	<i>Reserve Champion Bull</i>	<i>\$15.00 and Ribbon</i>				
207.	Pair of Yearlings, Bull & Heifer, from above classes	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
208.	Cow/Calf	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
209.	Best 4 head	\$40	\$30			

LOT #	CHAMPION DRIVE	CLASS 8				
210.	<i>Grand Champion Female of All Breeds</i>	<i>\$175.00 and Banner</i>				
211.	<i>Reserve Grand Champion Female of All Breeds</i>	<i>\$100.00 and Banner</i>				
212.	<i>3rd Overall Female</i>	<i>Banner</i>				
213.	<i>4th Overall Female</i>	<i>Banner</i>				
214.	<i>5th Overall Female</i>	<i>Banner</i>				
215.	<i>Grand Champion Bull of All Breeds</i>	<i>\$100.00 and Banner</i>				
216.	<i>Reserve Grand Champion Bull of All Breeds</i>	<i>\$55.00 and Banner</i>				