

DEPARTMENT "H-2" – JUNIOR MARKET CATTLE

Premiums offered - \$872.00

Superintendent – Blair Blaser (309) 372-8267 Cell (309) 738-3733

Junior Market Cattle entry fees - \$5.00 per entry

Stall fees - \$5.00 per animal

Jr. Market Beef Show will follow the Jr. Breeding Beef Show on Friday, July 17, 2026

1. All exhibitors must familiarize themselves with all rules listed in the Open Class Show General Rules and Regulations, as well as the Open Class Livestock Health Rules and Regulations section of this fair book.
 - a. All rules listed in Open Show and Junior Show Rules apply. Any interpretation of the rules will be made by the Department Officials.
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. All market cattle shown must have been born in the year 2024.
 - b. If the Market Cattle being shown in the Jr. Market Cattle Show is NOT entered in the Open Class Show, the exhibitor must pay a stall fee for this entry.
 - c. Please note check-in and check-out dates in accordance with the Illinois Department of Agriculture 72 Hour Rule.
4. **Check-in / Weigh - in**
 - a. Check-in: Thursday, July 16, 2026, 2 – 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. No heifer will be permitted in any steer class.
 - b. Crossbreed steers will be divided as equally as possible into weight classes.
 - i. If there are 10 or more entries in any one class, the classes may be adjusted by the Superintendent.
 - c. Registered cattle must be shown in a breed class if available and may not be shown in Crossbreed or All Other Breeds classes.
 - d. Simmentals must be ¾ blood or more, if not, it must be shown in All Other Breeds.
6. **Release**
 - a. 3:00 p.m., Saturday, July 18, 2026.
7. **General**
 - a. No tie-outs before 6:00 p.m.
 - b. IJBA Points Show
 - c. 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.
 - d. 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.

Judging order for 2026 will be: Simmental, Crossbreed, Angus, All other breeds, Shorthorn, Hereford, and Miniature Hereford

Lot #	PUREBRED MARKET STEERS	CLASS 2			
860.	Angus	\$40	\$25	\$15	\$10
861.	Champion Angus	Ribbon			
862.	Reserve Champion Angus	Ribbon			
863.	Hereford	\$40	\$25	\$15	\$10
864.	Champion Hereford	Ribbon			
865.	Reserve Champion Hereford	Ribbon			
866.	Shorthorn	\$40	\$25	\$15	\$10
867.	Champion Shorthorn	Ribbon			
868.	Reserve Champion Shorthorn	Ribbon			

869.	Simmental (must be 3/4 blood)	\$40	\$25	\$15	\$10
870.	<i>Champion Simmental</i>	<i>Ribbon</i>			
871.	<i>Reserve Champion Simmental</i>	<i>Ribbon</i>			
872.	All other Registered Breeds	\$40	\$25	\$15	\$10
873.	<i>Champion AOB</i>	<i>Ribbon</i>			
874.	<i>Reserve Champion AOB</i>	<i>Ribbon</i>			
875.	Miniature Hereford	\$40	\$25	\$15	\$10
876.	<i>Champion Miniature Hereford</i>	<i>Ribbon</i>			
877.	<i>Reserve Champion Miniature Hereford</i>	<i>Ribbon</i>			

Lot #	CROSSBRED MARKET STEERS				CLASS 3
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878.	<i>Entry Number for Crossbred Market Steers</i>				
879.	Crossbred – Light	\$40	\$25	\$15	\$10
880.	Crossbred – Medium	\$40	\$25	\$15	\$10
881.	Crossbred – Heavy	\$40	\$25	\$15	\$10
882.	<i>Champion Crossbred</i>	<i>Ribbon</i>			
883.	<i>Reserve Champion Crossbred</i>	<i>Ribbon</i>			

Lot #	CHAMPION DRIVE				CLASS 4
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884.	<i>Grand Champion Market Beef</i>	<i>\$100.00 and Banner</i>			
885.	<i>Reserve Grand Champion Market Beef</i>	<i>\$65.00 and Banner</i>			
886.	<i>3rd Overall Market Beef</i>	<i>Banner</i>			
887.	<i>4th Overall Market Beef</i>	<i>Banner</i>			
888.	<i>5th Overall Market Beef</i>	<i>Banner</i>			