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# 2016 STATE FAIR 4-H POULTRY CONTESTS

St. Paul, MN (8/28/16) – The crowds enthusiastically praised the 4-H Poultry Contest participants at this year’s Minnesota State Fair. The three contests – Poultry Judging, T-Shirt and BBQ – give 4-H’ers creative opportunities to demonstrate their knowledge and communication skills that help to educate the public about the poultry industry.

For the Judging Contest, 4-H’ers are required to evaluate carcasses and pieces, grade eggs, exterior quality, candle eggs, live birds and participate in oral reasons, which teaches public speaking, reasoning skills, confidence, and situational analysis.

The T-Shirt contest gives participants an opportunity to design a poster to promote the poultry industry. The winning designs are used on a t-shirt that is sold to raise funds for the 4-H program

Participants were split into two divisions this year for the Poultry BBQ contest, which gives 4-H’ers the opportunity to demonstrate their culinary skills and knowledge of food science. Participants grill four halves of a chicken with their own special BBQ recipes and are evaluated on appearance, degree of doneness and taste.

Winners of the contests are listed below.

<b>Judging Contest Senior Winners</b>		
	<b><u>Exhibitor</u></b>	<b><u>County</u></b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Mikayla Schosser	Carver
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Molly Lindgren	Wadena
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mariah Huberty	Chisago
4 <sup>th</sup>	Andrew Gathje	Fillmore
5 <sup>th</sup>	Kari Myhran	Chisago
<b>Judging Contest Junior Winners</b>		
	<b><u>Exhibitor</u></b>	<b><u>County</u></b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Mikayla Schlosser	Carver
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Isaac Tesch	Carver
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lillian Tauer	Chisago
4 <sup>th</sup>	Myra Arvig	Sterns
5 <sup>th</sup>	Logan Penegor	Carver
<b>T-Shirt Designer for Next Year</b>		
	<b><u>Exhibitor</u></b>	<b><u>County</u></b>
	Sam Mutnansky	Beltrami
<b>Program Design for Next Year</b>		
	<b><u>Exhibitor</u></b>	<b><u>County</u></b>
	Abby Sellgren	Becker
<b>BBQ Contest Senior Winners</b>		
	<b><u>Exhibitor</u></b>	<b><u>County</u></b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Jacklyn Estreem	Dakota
	Maggie	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bachenberg	Martin
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lillian Carlson	Houston

### BBQ Contest Junior Winners

	<u>Exhibitor</u>	<u>County</u>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Elliot Doyle	Wadena
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ty Jeurek	Rice
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Cheylub Schmitt	Scott

The 4-H program is funded through a partnership of federal, state, county and private resources and is part of the University of Minnesota Extension. Additional 4-H information can be found at [www.fourh.umn.edu/fairresults](http://www.fourh.umn.edu/fairresults)