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EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS 2011

Register by Monday, August 1 before 10am

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One of the primary missions of any agricultural fair is to educate the general public as to the mission and contributions of the family farm in today's world. While no longer the backbone of society, agriculture nonetheless plays a vital role in insuring the quality of life Americans have come to expect.

The Bangor State Fair is committed to being a leader in raising public awareness of the contributions that farmers make. We want everyone to be aware of the sacrifices, the hard work and the rewards that go hand in hand with preserving a way of life that we as a society cannot afford to lose.

To this end, the fair has instituted a series of premium payments that we hope will encourage you, our exhibitors, to share the wealth of knowledge and experience that is part of your day to day life with the uninformed fair going public.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All exhibitors must register on Monday, August 1 before 10am at the Livestock Office if they plan to participate in the Education Exhibits.
2. All exhibits must be displayed before the gates open at noon.
3. Premiums will be paid in two categories: 4-H and Open. 4-H youngsters can display an exhibit as Open or 4-H, but not both.
4. Educational exhibits can include, but are not limited to: charts, graphs, photos, videos, static displays, models, demonstrations, public participation, etc. Let your imagination be your guide!
5. Exhibits should endeavor to **tell the story of the particular breed or breeds** that are being shown by an exhibitor. Any facts, no matter how insignificant they seem to you, will help in educating the public. Charts or graphs that show milk production, butter fat content, meat production, amount of feed or water consumed annually, etc., go a long way to involving the public in what you do. Remember, you are working with an audience that is basically uninformed on modern agriculture and husbandry and will welcome all the facts, pictures or demonstrations you can offer.

6. Any individual breeder, farm, exhibit or any organization representing a particular breed, farmers' co-ops, etc., is eligible for premium payments and all are encouraged to enter an exhibit.
7. Judging, by a well-rounded panel of experts, will take into consideration the factual content of displays, the availability of knowledgeable personnel to answer questions and the visual appeal of the display. The decision of the judges will be final. Judges are not obligated to award a premium if an entry is deemed to be of insufficient quality and substance.
8. Exhibits and livestock should not be left unattended. For safety reasons, exhibitors must stay with their livestock when there is no showing taking place.
9. All displays and demonstrations will be located in or immediately around the livestock barns and must be designed to withstand weather, etc. To be eligible for a premium, exhibits and animals must be displayed from Monday, August 1, thru Saturday, August 6, 2011. Judging will be Friday, August 5, 2011 at 10AM.

Exhibits shall be scored as follows:

<i>Exhibit Theme</i> (Does the exhibit tell the story of the particular breed or breeds that are being shown by the exhibitor?)	20 pts
<i>Exhibit Title</i> (A good, catch title helps. It should be prominently placed with the largest lettering of the entire exhibit.)	10 pts
<i>Lettering</i> (Quality and size of lettering)	5 pts
<i>Color, motion or lights</i> (Appropriately used)	10 pts
<i>Originality</i> (Is it imaginative? Does it make good use of graphics and props?)	30 pts
<i>Size of Articles on display</i> (Is the display easily read and seen from a distance of 10 feet?)	5 pts
<i>Information portrayed to the public</i> (Does the display give pertinent information to the public? Are the exhibitors knowledgeable? Is the display visually appealing?)	20 pts
<i>Total Points:</i>	100 pts

PREMIUMS TO BE PAID

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th on
4-H CATEGORY	\$450	\$350	\$250	\$150	\$50	Ribbon & Gratuity
OPEN CATEGORY	\$450	\$350	\$250	\$150	\$50	Ribbon & Gratuity

TOTAL PREMIUMS AVAILABLE: \$3,000