



The Arkansas Farm Bureau Purple Circle Club was created in 1953 as a venue to further recognize youth exhibitors at the Arkansas State Fair. It is a prestigious awards program that recognizes those junior exhibitors who earn championship honors with their exhibit at the Arkansas State Fair. Since 1953 over 8,700 exhibitors have been inducted into the Purple Circle Club.

*Mission Statement: In the spirit of excellence, the mission of the Arkansas Purple Circle Program is to acknowledge the accomplishments and honor youth exhibitors who have set themselves apart from their peers in livestock competition at the Arkansas State Fair.*

The Arkansas Farm Bureau Purple Circle Club rules and guidelines for the 2024 Arkansas State Fair are as follows:

- Grand Champions of breeding stock shows will be awarded.
- Champions of eligible showmanship shows will be awarded.
  - This includes all ASF recognized age division showmanship contests.
- Grand Champions, Reserve Grand Champions, and Division Winners of eligible market shows will be awarded.
  - An animal may only be awarded a Purple Circle Award for the highest honor received. For example – If you win division champion and then go on to win grand champion you will be awarded grand champion only.
- Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of the Market Broiler and Pullet Pen, and Best in show as well as Reserve Best in Show will be awarded in Poultry.
- Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of the Meat Pen and Single Fryer, and Best in show as well as Reserve Best in Show will be awarded in Rabbits.
- In order for a show to be eligible for Purple Circle awards it must:
  - Be a qualified show at the ASF.
- Changes can be made to Purple Circle rules and guidelines between January 1<sup>st</sup> and September 1<sup>st</sup>. After September 1<sup>st</sup> any changes made will be implemented the following year unless the directing committee determines otherwise.
  - Extenuating circumstances will be addressed by the committee in a timely manner.

It is our goal to continually improve Purple Circle and make it as fun and special as is possible for the exhibitors who win these awards. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at [jake.cartwright@arfb.com](mailto:jake.cartwright@arfb.com) or (501) 228-1475.