



AMERICAN RABBIT BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

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ARBA 2026 NATIONAL YOUTH CONTEST SCHEDULE*

JULY 1, 2026

ONLINE ENTRY SYSTEM FOR ALL YOUTH CONTESTS (EXCEPT T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST) OPENS

Entries for the National Youth T-shirt Design Contest must be postmarked by July 1, 2026. All entries must be mailed to the Youth Chairperson by either postal or electronic mail.

AUGUST 15, 2026

All Youth Contest Entries mailing their application to the Youth Chairperson verses using the online portal must be postmarked by August 15, 2026.

SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

All online entries must be completed by 11:59:59 p.m. EST on September 1, 2026 **You must be an ARBA member before August 1, 2025 to use the online entry system. EMAIL ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2026

- 2:00 P.M. Youth Department opens for check-in of individual Youth Contest Participants
- 5:00 P.M. Youth Department opens for Team Coordinators to check in state teams
Check-in of Educational Contests exhibits begin
- 9:00 P.M. **ALL STATE/DISTRICT TEAMS MUST BE CHECKED IN**
Youth Department closes for check-in of individual Youth Contest Participants

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026

- 8:00 A.M. Youth Department re-opens for check-in of individual Youth Contest Participants
- 9:00 A.M. **ALL INDIVIDUAL CONTESTANTS MUST BE CHECKED IN**
MANDATORY CONTESTANT MEETING - Breed ID and Judging classes and order posted
- 10:00 A.M. National Individual Breed ID and Team Breed ID Contest begins
- 10:30 A.M. National Individual Judging Contest and Showmanship Contest begin
- 11:00 A.M. National Team Judging Contest begins
- 12:00 P.M. National Quiz Bowl Team Pools Posted
- 1:00 P.M. National Skill-a-Thon Activity begins
- 2:00 P.M. **ALL EDUCATIONAL CONTEST ENTRIES MUST BE IN PLACE**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2026

- 8:00 A.M. National Royalty Contest Exam begins
- 3:00 P.M. National Quiz Bowl Contest begins
- 5:00 P.M. National Judging and Showmanship Contest callbacks posted
National Royalty Contest interview schedule posted

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2026

- 9:00 A.M. National Royalty Contest Interviews begins
- 10:00 A.M. National Judging and Showmanship Contest callbacks begins

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2026

- 10:00A.M.- Noon Educational Contest exhibits release, MUST BE PICKED UP BY NOON
- 6:00 P.M. ARBA Youth Banquet
YOUTH CONTEST RESULTS ANNOUNCED
ARBA Directors may pick up award packets following the banquet

*. This schedule is correct at time of publication, but is subject to change.
Material available on arba.net or in the contest area supersedes the printed materials. All times listed are Pacific Standard Time