



In 2026, YQCA certification will be required of all...

- Green County Fair Exhibitors in Dairy, Beef, Swine, Sheep, Goats, Poultry & Rabbits
- Wisconsin State Fair Junior Exhibitors in Dairy, Beef, Swine, Sheep, Goats, Poultry & Rabbits

**In 2026**—Each individual Green County Dairy, Beef, Swine, Sheep, Goat, Poultry or Rabbit Exhibitor MUST submit their YQCA Certificate of Completion number during the online fair entry process in order to be eligible to exhibit and/or sell your animal at the 2026 Green County Fair.

## **2026 YQCA Training Options**

All 2026 YQCA Training options MUST be registered and paid for online at: https://yqcaprogram.org/

Three types of training are being offered in 2026:

<u>Option A- Web-Based Training</u>—Curriculum is tailored to an exhibitor's age for a better learning experience. Available 24/7, this training allows exhibitors flexibility to take the course at their convenience. Includes 3 interactive online modules and corresponding quizzes. Cost is \$12 per person, per year, and MUST be paid online.

**Option B- Test-out option**—Youth ages 12 (\$36), 15 (\$48), and 19 (\$36) may choose the test-out option. Youth must score 80% or better and you will only be charged if you pass the test. If you don't pass, you will be instructed to take the web-based training. If you pass, you will need to retest when you reach the next age split.

<u>Option C—Instructor Led Training</u>—Sessions will be held face-to-face and are limited to the first 50 youth. Youth **MUST** register, pay online, and complete the Pre-Test, **BEFORE** attending the training. Exhibitors need to arrive at least 10 minutes in advance of the session to check-in and **MUST** stay the full 60 minutes. Cost is \$3 per person, per year, and MUST be paid online at the time of registration. **Exhibitors ages 19-21, as of December 31, 2025, CANNOT take the Instructor-Led Training, and instead must take the Web-Based Training.** A YQCA Instructor-Led Training will be held **Monday, December 29th**, from 10:00am-11:00am at the Green County Justice Center, 2841 6th Street, Monroe, WI. You must register and pay online to attend.

## You must register & pay online at <a href="https://yqcaprogram.org/">https://yqcaprogram.org/</a>

## **Steps for Getting Your YOCA Certification:**

For Step-by-Step Directions, with pictures, please go to:

https://green.extension.wisc.edu/youth-quality-care-of-animals-certification/

**Create An Account**—Go to: https://yqcaprogram.org/

- Click on "Register/Sign In". If you already have an account for YQCA, enter your username and password and "submit"
- If you do not have an account, click on "Register" to register a new account.

Select a Course—it is IMPORTANT to select the correct course for the youth's age, as of Dec. 31, 2025.

**Purchase a Course**—Select the state, and then select a Web-Based Training. You MUST pay online for the course. Keep a copy of your receipt/confirmation.

**Pre-Test/Post-Test** After selecting a course, you will be asked to do a "pre-test" which is merely a series of simple questions to answer. Once completed, you will be ready to proceed. After completing the training, you will be asked to do a Post-Test, again merely a series of simple questions to answer. After this is completed, you will be able to access your certificate and print it.

**Submitting Certificate of Completion**—Once the training is complete, return to the course menu screen to download a PDF of the Certificate of Completion with the youth's unique certificate number. Certificate numbers MUST be submitted during the Green County Fair online entry process in May 2026.

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