## The Art Sweinhart Memorial "Youth Breeder Award"

The purpose of this contest is to challenge and reward youth rabbit breeders to understand fully why and what they are doing to improve their rabbitry/ caviary.

## Rules

1. This contest will be judged Friday (time TBA) of the PaSRBA convention.

2. All entrants need to bring the doe/sow and two of her offspring to the PaSRBA convention. Exhibitor integrity will be assumed.

3. The contest will be judged on the exhibitors' ability and knowledge to select the best mating's to produce better offspring. Exhibitors will present the animals and an oral reasoning of their selections to achieve their goals to the judges.

4. This contest is open to any PaSRBA youth member (affiliated, associated, or principle).

5. Interview questions will include describing the type of the rabbits/ cavies presented, list good and bad breed type characteristics, explain type improvement goals, and detail how their selections achieved these goals.

6. Proof of record keeping must accompany the animals.

Examples: 4-H/FFA project book, printed evidence of record keeping, etc. 7. Entrants will be questioned about proper care of rabbits. Photo evidence is strongly encouraged.

8. The judges' decision is FINAL! Any objections or disruptions could result in elimination from future contests. Exhibitors can only win this award one time.

9. The winner will receive a special award and a cash prize of \$100.00.10. Pre-registration is required. Applications are due by January 1, 2024, by 11:59 pm.

Applications will be reviewed, and ten (10) exhibitors will be chosen to compete in the contest at the PaSRBA convention. The selected exhibitors will be notified by January 20, 2024.

- 11. Application must be submitted online at <u>www.pasrba.org</u> under "Youth Contests".
- 12. Any questions should be directed to Sue Werner: 717-865-5727/ werneracres@gmail.com

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Name:	Age:
# of years in PaSRBA:	# of years raising rabbits:
Breeds Raised:	

## **Questions:**

1. Why do you raise rabbits/cavies as a hobby?

2. Why did you choose the breed(s) of rabbits/cavies that you raise?

3. Who, besides your family, has influenced you the most in the rabbit/cavy industry? Why/how?