

2026 KSRBA YOUTH CONTESTS

INDIVIDUAL CONTESTS

Showmanship, Judging, and Breed Identification contests are all held Saturday morning of convention, October 10, 2026. These contests are open to all youth in attendance at convention, no membership or rabbit show entry is required. Sign up at the youth table.

MANAGEMENT

Recognizing excellence of management style by KSRBA youth members in the areas of housing & equipment, feeding & animal care, disease control, record keeping, breeding & genetics for the care and production of rabbits and/or cavy.

ACHIEVEMENT

Recognizing outstanding achievement and leadership by youth members in the rabbit and/or cavy industry, as measured by activities and leadership in organizations and associations, performance at the show table, achievements in breeding and raising animals and the vision and goals set for themselves and their project.

Management and Achievement contests are open to all KSRBA youth members and do not require attendance at convention.

Contest Age Divisions: 5-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15-8

ROYALTY

Combining academic achievement and hands-on contests, this is KSRBA's premiere youth program.

Royalty Includes:

- Presubmitted Written Application due September 20, 2026
- Written Test and Oral Interview at Convention, October 10, 2026
- Showmanship, Judging, and Breed Identification Contests at Convention

Royalty is open to KSRBA members attending convention only.

Royalty Age Divisions: 5-8 (Lord/Lady), 9-11 (Prince/Princess), 12-14 (Duke/Duchess), 15-8 (King/Queen)

All Applications questions and rules match 2026 ARBA Youth Contests for Royalty, Management & Achievement Contests. ARBA membership is encouraged but not required to participate in KSRBA sponsored contests.

Online submission will be used for all applications at ksrba.com.
Submissions will close at midnight on Sunday, September 20, 2026.

**All Contest Winners are announced at the annual KSRBA Banquet held
Saturday night of convention, October 10, 2026**

2026 KSRBA ROYALTY

1. Any KSRBA youth member is eligible to compete, however, attendance at the State Convention is required and contestants must be available Saturday morning 8am to noon.
2. All answers must be the words of the contestant. Parental help is acceptable in terms of proofreading and formatting ONLY.
3. Royalty applications are limited to seven (7) pages, one side only.
4. DO NOT put your name, ARBA number or any other headings on your application. Do not use cover sheets.
5. Please include your bio separately: See instructions at the end of the application questions.
6. Please also submit a photo separately, please use JPG, PNG, or PDF formats. Points will be deducted for no photo, winner photos will be published.
7. Online submission will be used for all applications at KSRBA.com. Submissions close at midnight on Sunday, September 20, 2026.

CONTEST APPLICATION

PLEASE WRITE/TYPE QUESTIONS PRECEDING YOUR ANSWERS

1. When did you join the KSRBA/ARBA and how many consecutive years have you belonged? Explain any lapses in membership.
2. Explain how and why you got started in your project. Include the year, breed(s), and who helped you get started.
3. List the breed(s) you currently raise and how many animals you have in each breed. Why did you choose this (these) breed(s)? Tell us what other breed(s) you have raised in the past and give a brief explanation of why you are no longer raising them.
4. List your current memberships in rabbit &/or cavy related organizations. Include the name of each club (no abbreviations), the number of years you have been a member, and any offices or committees that you hold within those organizations.
5. How have you been a leader in your project?
6. What have you done to promote your breed(s) and make others aware of your project?
7. Give 2-3 examples where you've personally helped another exhibitor at a show or rabbit/cavy event. Describe the circumstance and what you learned in the process.
8. Describe the housing & equipment for your animals. Be very specific.
9. What specifically do you do to help with the care and upkeep of your project?
10. Describe the records you keep and how you keep them.
11. Do you register your animals? Why or why not?
12. Make a table or a list of outstanding awards and achievements your animals have earned since January 1, 2024. Pick two from your list and explain why they are important to you.

13. Make a table or a list of outstanding awards and achievements you have earned in this project since January 1, 2024. Pick two from your list and explain why they are important to you.
14. What are your goals for your project and what are your personal goals? What goals have you achieved to this point?
15. What are some setbacks or struggles that you have faced within your project(s) or goals? What have you done to overcome those setbacks? Do you plan to make any changes in your project to achieve your goals?
16. How do you feel your project will help you in your future endeavors?

Bio: If you win this award, a short description of your achievements will be printed in the KSRBA Newsletter. In a separate document, write what you would like (in first-person narrative) to be printed in 300-600 words and upload it separately from your application. Please note: This does not count toward your page count. Failure to include this bio will result in a 20-point deduction.

FOR INFORMATION ON COMPLETING THE CONTEST APPLICATIONS, PLEASE SEE THE SUPPLEMENT "APPLICATION TIPS", AVAILABLE ON THE ARBA WEBSITE AND THE ARBA ENTRY FORMS PACKET.

2026 KSRBA YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT CONTEST

1. Any KSRBA youth member is eligible to compete, attendance at the State Convention is not required.
2. All answers must be the words of the contestant. Parental help is acceptable in terms of proofreading and formatting ONLY.
3. Achievement applications are limited to six (6) pages, one side only.
4. DO NOT put your name, ARBA number or any other headings on your application. Do not use cover sheets.
5. Online submission will be used for all applications at KSRBA.com. Submissions close at midnight on Sunday, September 20, 2026.

CONTEST APPLICATION

PLEASE WRITE/TYPE QUESTIONS PRECEDING YOUR ANSWERS

1. When did you join the KSRBA/ARBA and how many consecutive years have you belonged? Explain any lapses in membership.
2. List the rabbit or cavy organizations that you are currently a member of (use full names), and any office or committee positions that you hold within those organizations.
3. List any rabbit or cavy activities that you have participated in since January 1, 2024.
4. How are you involved in rabbit or cavy organizations that you are not a member of?
5. Give 2-3 examples where you've personally helped another exhibitor at a show or rabbit/cavy event. Describe the circumstance and what you learned in the process.
6. Describe any rabbit or cavy activities, educational displays and/or presentations that you have developed to make others aware of your project(s).
7. Explain how you have helped others learn new skills and increased their knowledge of this hobby.
8. Make a table or a list of any awards you have won individually or as a member of a group since January 1, 2024. (1st place Breed ID, Prince, etc.) Choose 2 or 3 of the most important award(s) you have won individually or as a member of a group within your project. Explain why those awards are important to you.
9. Make a table or a list of your animal wins since January 1, 2024. Choose 2 or 3 of the most important award(s) you have won with your animals. Explain why those awards are important to you.
10. What goals have you set for yourself with regards to your rabbit or cavy project?
11. What goals have you achieved to this point in your project?
12. What goals are you struggling to achieve and why? Do you plan to change anything within your project to achieve those goals?

2026 KSRBA YOUTH MANAGEMENT CONTEST

1. Any KSRBA youth member is eligible to compete, attendance at the State Convention is not required.
2. All answers must be the words of the contestant. Parental help is acceptable in terms of proofreading and formatting ONLY.
3. Management applications are limited to seven (7) pages, one side only.
4. You may answer either rabbit or cavy questions, applications will be judged together by age group.
5. DO NOT put your name, ARBA number or any other headings on your application. Do not use cover sheets.
6. Online submission will be used for all applications at [KSRBA.com](https://ksrba.com). Submissions close at midnight on Sunday, September 20, 2026.

RABBIT CONTEST APPLICATION

PLEASE WRITE/TYPE QUESTIONS PRECEDING YOUR ANSWERS

1. When did you join the KSRBA/ARBA and how many consecutive years have you belonged? Explain any lapses in membership.
2. List the breed(s) you now raise and how many animals you have in each breed. Why did you choose this (these) breed(s)? Tell what other breed(s) you have raised in the past and why you no longer raise them.
3. Describe where your rabbits are located: barn, outbuilding, yard, garage, basement, house, etc? How does this location protect your rabbits from heat, cold, drafts or pests?
4. List or make a table of the number of cages/coops you have and their sizes. Describe what materials they are made of and how constructed.
5. Other than feed and water equipment, describe or list ALL other equipment you use in the care/management of your rabbits.
6. Describe the equipment you use to feed and water your rabbits and how your feed is stored.
7. What type(s) of feed do you give your rabbits? Do you give other supplements or anything in addition to their daily feed? If so, why?
8. How do you dispose of the manure and waste your rabbits generate?
9. What do you do daily, weekly, monthly in the care of your rabbits? Be specific.
10. What measures do you take for biosecurity in your rabbitry?
11. Describe any diseases that have affected you production and what you did to control them.
12. Describe everything you consider and do when breeding your rabbits. Include ages, time of year, breeding pair choices etc.
13. Describe everything you do the prepare for kindling, care of the mother and young from breeding until weaning? Include your weaning process, age, and any other considerations.

14. List or make a table of how many total litters born, total young born and number of young weaned since January 1, 2025. If you had a difference between total young born and totally weaned, can you explain why?
15. Explain what you consider when bringing in new stock or bloodlines into your breeding program. What specific characteristics are you looking for?
16. Describe your culling procedure? What do you do with your surplus animals?
17. What types of records do you keep for your breeding program? Why are these particular records important for the success of your breeding program and achieving the goals that you have set?
18. Make a table or a list of your expenses and income since January 1, 2025. Explain any big expenditures or profit.

CAVY CONTEST APPLICATION

PLEASE WRITE/TYPE QUESTIONS PRECEDING YOUR ANSWERS

1. When did you join the KSRBA/ARBA and how many consecutive years have you belonged? Explain any lapses in membership.
2. List the breed(s) you now raise and how many animals you have in each breed. Why did you choose this (these) breed(s)? Tell what other breed(s) you have raised in the past and why you no longer raise them.
3. Describe where your cavies are located: barn, outbuilding, garage, basement, house, etc? How does this location protect your cavies from heat, cold, drafts or pests?
4. List or make a table of the number of cages you have and their sizes. Describe what materials they are made of and how constructed, including pans/trays/tubs. Describe how your cavies are housed: community or single.
5. Other than feed and water equipment, describe or list ALL other equipment you use in the care/management of your cavies.
6. Describe the equipment you use to feed and water your cavies and how your feed is stored.
7. What type(s) of feed do you give your cavies? Do you give other supplements or anything in addition to their daily feed? If so, why?
8. How do you dispose of the manure and waste your cavies generate?
9. What do you do daily, weekly, monthly in the care of your cavies? Be specific.
10. What measures do you take to prevent parasites (lice, mites, ringworm, etc) or fungus in your caviary?
11. Describe any diseases that have affected your production and what you did to control them.
12. Describe everything you consider and do when breeding your cavies. Include ages, time of year, breeding pair choices etc.

13. Describe everything you do to prepare for the sow for birth, including care of the mother and young from breeding until weaning? Include your weaning process, age, and any other considerations.
14. List or make a table of how many total litters born, total young born and number of young weaned since January 1, 2025. If you had a difference between total young born and totally weaned, can you explain why?
15. Explain what you consider when bringing in new stock or bloodlines into your breeding program. What specific characteristics are you looking for?
16. What do you do with your surplus animals?
17. What types of records do you keep for your breeding program? Why are these particular records important for the success of your breeding program and achieving the goals that you have set?
18. Make a table or a list of your expenses and income since January 1, 2024. Explain any big expenditures or profit.