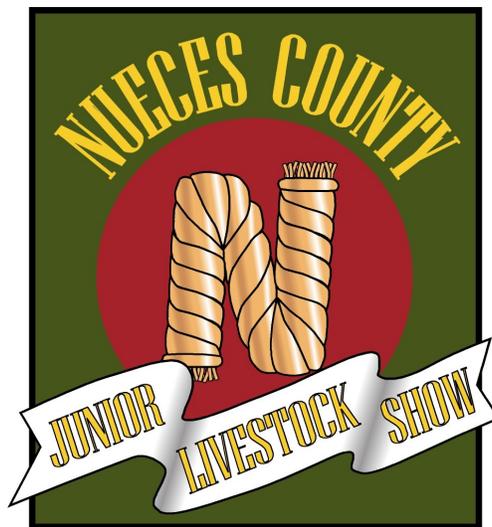


January 3, 5, 7-17, 2026

91st Annual Nueces County Junior Livestock Show



*The Nueces County Junior Livestock Show ...
A World Class Opportunity for Youth,
An Investment in Our Future*



**Richard M. Borchard
Regional Fairgrounds
Robstown, Texas**



NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW
OFFICIALS

Welcome to the 91st Annual Nueces County Junior Livestock Show and Sale. It is a great pleasure to serve as your 2025-2026 Board President. As a representative of the Board of Directors and the staff, I want to extend an invitation to everyone in the community to come out and enjoy the fun and excitement of the Greatest County Show in the State of Texas.

As President, I want to thank all the volunteers for their time and the countless hours throughout the year and especially during the show. A big thank you goes to the dedicated 4-H leaders, FFA advisors, County Extension Agents, FCCLA Advisors, and parents. To the volunteers, club leaders, and advisors your dedication and support is an inspiration to the children of the community who learn by example.

The show's continued success over the past ninety years is time well spent learning, building leadership and teamwork, spending time with our youth, and making memories. Many exceptional and deserving youth in the county apply annually and are awarded scholarships.

We hope that you enjoy the 91st Nueces County Junior Livestock Show and Sale.

Sincerely,
Blake Weaver
Board President



2025-2026 NCJLS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Name	Title	Representing
EXECUTIVE BOARD		
Blake Weaver	President	London ISD
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Mary Fox	Treasurer	Driscoll ISD
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2025-2026 NCJLS COMMITTEES

Executive Committee

Blake Weaver Kellie Griffin Mary Fox
Michael Bammert

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Will Stone..... Co General Superintendent
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Mary Fox.....Co Chairman
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Auction Sale Add-Ons

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Committee:

Charlene Fleck Monty Nichols

Auction Sale Registration & Bids

Daniel Bluntzer.....Co-Chairman
Jason Floyd.....Co-Chairman

Committee:

Harvey Buehring Karie Hendricks Kathy Herrmann
Amanda Kocurek Susie Kocurek Kim Krebs
Ruth Tymrak Ruthie Weathersby

Auction Sale Ring Spotters

Ronald Rychetsky.....Chairman

Committee:

Matt Havelka Collin Havelka Rick Merelez
Kent Nielsen William Roe Riley Rychetsky
Jeff Stracener Jeff Hunt Jacob Byerly
Honorary Spotter: Jared Hunt

Auction Sale Drinks

Omar RamirezCo-Chairman
Julie Ramirez Co-Chairman

Committee:

Traci Klepac

Auction Sale Buffet

Mary NoakesChairman
Tammie MurrayAsst Chairman

Committee:

Colton Dickson Jessalyn Dickson Tauny Harlien
Lela Hayek Traci Klepac Kenneth McElroy
Joe Newcomb Lisa Newcomb Julie Owen
Randy Owen Karen Vaughan

Awards Committee

Mary Fox Tauny Harlien Traci Klepac
Jennifer Layton Sheri Howze Molly Goetzel
Julie Owen Abby Crawford Mary Truesdale
Karen Vaughan Vickie Loessin

Parade of Champions/Blue Ribbon Sale Line-Up Committee

Mollie Goetzel Sheila Goetzel

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Blue Ribbon Sale—Marketing Committee

Mary Fox.....Chairman

Committee:

Julia Gilliam Sarah Gilliam

Catalog

Committee:

All Division Superintendents and Committee Chairmen

Commercial Booths

Traci Klepac.....Chairman

Committee:

Tammie Murray

Loading Out

All Livestock Superintendents All Ag Science Teachers

Residue Avoidance (RA) & Substance Screening

Committee:

Designated Personnel assigned by RA Superintendents and Division Superintendents

Parade

Robstown Area Development Council.....Sponsor

P. O. Box 111 Robstown, TX 78380 (361) 387-3933

Show Photography

Mary Fox.....Chairman

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LINDSEY HANEWICH PHOTOGRAPHY

Public Relations

Flo East.....Chairman

Resale Bids

Alfred Bausch.....Chairman

Sales List

Harvey Buehring.....Chairman

Committee:

All Market Animal Division.....Superintendents

Scholarship Committee

Julie Owens.....Chairman

Lela Hayek.....Co-Chair

Committee:

Mary Fox	Stephen Hoelscher	Traci Klepac
Amanda Lawrence	Frances Nelson	Kayla Otahal
Vickie Loessin	Leslie King	Tauny Harlien
Linlea Shelby	Vickie Loessin	

Security

William Stone Dwayne Truesdale

All Livestock Committees

Show Electrician

Hoelscher Electric Company of Robstown

Young Herdsmen Committee

Mary Fox.....Chairman

Julia Gilliam.....Co-Chairman

Jessalyn Dixon.....Co-Chairman

**NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR
LIVESTOCK SHOW**



Thank you to our 2025 Diamond Buyers

Port of Corpus Christi Authority
KLI
Gaines Organization, Inc.
Tahoe Trucking
Dennis & Bonnie Berry
Judge Connie Scott
Mike Shaw Toyota
Coastal Bend Kids Buyers Group
Weaver & Jacobs Constructors
Gulf Coast Repair & Machine Shop
Texas Farm Credit
TM Moody's Quality Meats, LLC
Camacho Demolition
H & S Constructors, Inc.

***The success of the Nueces County Junior
Livestock Show relies on the support of our
generous buyers!***

NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW OFFICIALS**Ag Mech Division**

Matt Setliff..... Superintendent
 Shayne Schroeder.....Assistant Superintendent
 Traci Klepac.....Assistant Superintendent
 Joe Newcomb.....Assistant Superintendent

Committee:

Jay Behrens	Dianna Bluntzer	Jamie Bluntzer
Lloyd Bluntzer	Nick Bluntzer	Dennis DeReese
Shelby DeReese	Colton Dixon	Jessalyn Dixon
Casey Caraway	Weston Gallia	Robert Gill
Gussie Hoelscher	Lisa Newcomb	Bill Parker
Eric Perez	Jack Reynolds	Gail Setliff
Cole Wilson	Jaime Wilson	Kelly Wilson
Lagina Williams	Tony Williams	Hunter Fox
Rudy Harris		

Calf Scramble Division

Tauny Harlien.....Calf Scramble Superintendent

Committee:

JoMarie Stone Madison Harlien Logan Longoria Mo Cox

Carcass Division

Tracy Wright.....Carcass Steer Superintendent
 Mark Davis Robert Gill Wayne Ivey
 Steven Kocurek Grant Miller Jake Rebecsek
 Stacy Rebecsek Mysti Richardson
 Makenzie Wright

Cattle Division

Bud Koenning.....Co-Superintendent
 Stacy Rebecsek.....Co-Superintendent
 Jason Floyd.....Co-Superintendent

Committee:

Jo Marie Stone	Alfred Bauch	Russell Book
Abby Crawford	Clint Cunningham	Natalie Grove
Scott Frazier	CW Fox	Mollie Goetzel
Jon Herrmann	Kevin Hopkins	Adri Fox
Brandon Klepac	Scott Lawrence	Vickie Loessin
Hannah Wright	Oscar Trevino	Tobin Pennington
Julie Owen	Ellie Stone	William Stone
Dwayne Truesdale	Julie Wright	Tracy Wright

Commercial Heifer Division

Steven Kocurek..... Co. Superintendent
 Shalane Pinkerton..... Co. Superintendent

Committee:

Alfred Bausch	Clint Cunningham	Steve Garrett
Sheila Goetzel	David Longoria	Jaime Lopez
Tony Nelson	Kayla Otahal	CR Patrick
Lauren Patrick	Tobin Pennington	Will Stone
Dwayne Truesdale	Tracy Wright	

Homemaking Division

Janet Coburn.....Homemaking Superintendent
 Lanicia Swetlick..... Arts and Crafts Superintendent
 Lesa Osborne.....Assistant Arts and Crafts Superintendent
 Gwen HigerdClothing Superintendent
 Shannon Clubb.....Assistant Clothing Superintendent
 Harriet ParkerCreative Stitchery Superintendent
 Lela HayekAssistant Creative Stitchery Superintendent
 Carol Huntsinger ...Assistant Creative Stitchery Superintendent
 Julee Brynestad.....Foods Superintendent
 DeeAnne Johnsrude.....Assistant Food Superintendent
 Sarah Gilliam.....Assistant Food Superintendent
 Angela Steagall..... Photography Superintendent

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Homemaking Committee:

Amanda Gray	Cindy Green	Rebecca Green
Joan Hofer	Kathie Capehart	Charmaine Pearsall
Linda Jackson	Erna Kittoe	Lori H Barrett
Melissa Loa	Raymond Loa	Norma Munoz
Sheryl Nelson	Jerry Sijansky	Ellie Stone
Mary Truesdale	Karen Vaughan	Erlinda Lopez
Melissa Duge	Conner Crumbly	MaKenna Willard

Horse Division

Sharee WeaverSuperintendent
 Gregg Truesdale Asst Superintendent

Committee:

Danny Barrera	Gabi Canales	Don Eller
Nicole Kemp	Ann Martin	Colin Martin
Ellie Stone	Jo Marie Stone	William Stone
Mary Truesdale	Dwayne Truesdale	Melinda Vest
Michael Vest	Blake Weaver	Megan Worden

Market Lamb Division

Mollie Goetzel.....Co-Superintendent
 Tanya Lawhon.....Co-Superintendent

Committee:

James H Bateman	Colton Baush	Tim Bowen
Kyle Drozd	Eddie Geis	Kelli Hedfeldt
TW Hedfelt	Lora Howze	Carter Hunt
Jeff Hunt	Darrell Lawhon	Joe Willie Lee
Debbie Merritt	Melinda Vest	Wade Stanley
Sheila Goetzel		

Breeding Sheep Division

Jeffrey Hunt.....Superintendent
 Joe Willie Lee.....Assistant Superintendent

Committee:

Kyle Drozd	Eddie Geis	TW Hedfelt
Jeff Hunt	Mysti Richardson	Wade Stanley

Livestock Judging Contest

Committee:

Tauny Harlien	Keith Havelka	Joe Willie Lee
David Longoria	Kenneth McElroy	Michael Richardson

Market Goat Division

Belle Huff.....Co-Superintendent
 Sandra Valencia.....Co-Superintendent

Committee:

Mike Bammert	Buck Fox	Mary Fox
Cheyenne Coggins	Natalie Grove	Kelsey Martinez
Matt Martinez	Amiee Olivarez	Roy Ussery
Phil Hobbs	Chris Huff	Cynthia Rasmusson
Scott Rasmusson	April Swartz	Jason Swartz
Lorraine Valdez	Joe Valencia	
Gracie Falcon-Hernandez		

Commercial Doe Show

Buck Fox.....Co-Superintendent
 Mike Bammert.....Co-Superintendent

Committee:

Mary Fox	Rhebecka Garcia	Sandra Valencia
Belle Huff	Chris Huff	Cynthia Rasmusson
Scott Rasmusson	April Swartz	Jason Swartz
Sandra Valencia	Matt Martinez	Amiee Olivarez
Kelsey Martinez	Natalie Grove	Roy Ussery
Lorraine Valdez	Joe Valencia	Cheyenne Coggin
Gracie Falcon-Hernandez		

NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW OFFICIALS

Poultry Division

Mark Jones.....Superintendent
 Michelle Bockholt Gordon.....Assistant Superintendent
 Michelle Charba.....Assistant Superintendent

Committee:

Steve Campbell	Anya Charba	John Charba
Josef Charba	Tommy Hooper	Kendall Jones
Shelley Jones	Frances Nelson	Jim Dugan

Queen Contest

Penny Pillack.....Chairman
 Tanya Lawhon.....Assistant Chairman

Committee:

Lela Hayek	Mary Pierce	
Tiffany Ranly	Brenda Truesdale	Mary Truesdale
Lou Ann Zickefoose	Reagan Ivey	

Rabbit Division

Bruce ElamCo-Superintendent
 Dianne Hughes Co-Superintendent

Committee:

Shannon Clubb	Glenn Hagler	Darren LaBaume
Jeff Lugg	Craig Simmons	

Swine Division

Matt O'Brien.....Superintendent
 Tony Nelson Assistant Superintendent

Committee:

Nicole Anderson	Cherie Chapa	Bobby Farias
Josh Gaines	Kellie Griffin	Larry Goldman
Madison Harlien	Tauny Harlien	Dalton Roe
Eddie Hoelscher	BJ Johnston	Alexis King
Billy King	Jennifer Layton	Bernie Mourer
Frances Nelson	Karen O'Brien	Kayla Otahal
Todd Otahal	CR Patrick	Lance Ridell
William Roe	Ronald Rychetsky	Scot Sullivan
Amy Trevino	Kris Wildman	Brian Wilson
Tracy Wright	Honorary Members:	Betty McCain



Meyer Service Co	Domino's Pizza	TDK Machine Inc
WS Energy Services	Edcot Coop Gin	Capital Farm Credit
Lone Star Travel Center	Richard Industrial Group	Nolans Original Poor-boys
Berry Contracting, Inc	ATS Industrial, Inc	Weaver Farms
R & R Commodities	Shores Ag-Air, Inc.	Legacy Farms
Michael Hall	Dodson Family Farms	Gabriel & Lisa Serna
Lucio Investment	Jeffery & Yvonne Meyer	Dodson Ag, Inc.
HEB Regional Office	Neessen Automotive Group	Meyer Bros MGT
Nueces Power Equipment	Secret Crop Insurance, LLC	HB Family Foundation
Wholly Cow Farm & Ranch	Gwynn Seed Services, LLC	Ladies of the Syndicate
Texas Industrial Engines, Inc.	Diamond M Field Services	Roy & Penny Pillack
Rycon E&C, LLC	Holt Cat - Corpus Christi	H & W Construction, Inc.
Victory Building Team	Lonesome Coyote Ranch	Mike Pusley, County Comm.
Don & Carolyn Havelka	C4 Services, LLC	BASF-Kevin Hagedorn
J&J Tamez, LLC	Circle B Farms	Howze Flying Services, LLC
Flores, Albert & Ashley	Weaver Bros Ag	Bridges Earth Works
Coastal Ag Cooperative	Howard Energy Partners	Industrial Fabricators
Exact Valve Solutions	Carolyn Vaughn	Alfred & Bonnie Bausch
King Ranch Ag & Turf	Bishop Farm Equipment	PWC Industries, Inc.

FINANCIAL POLICIES

1. New Buyer & Return Buyer Registration Fee:

- a. A \$500.00 fee will be assessed to those new buyers who register on Sale Day at the auction registration desk. This fee must be paid at the time of registration. This money will be credited to the buyer's account if a sale purchase or add on of \$500.00 or more is made. If no purchase is made, these monies will be credited to the buffet committee.
 - b. Return Buyer Registration Fee: A \$500.00 fee will be charged to the account of those buyers who register on Sale Day at the auction registration desk. Buyers agree that a purchase or add-on not equivalent to \$500.00 will be billed for the difference. If no purchase is made, buyer will be billed \$500.00 and these monies will be credited to the buffet committee.
 - c. If buyer did not pull their Buyer Number at the sale the previous two years, said buyer will be issued a new buyer's number at the auction registration desk on Sale Day. A \$500.00 fee will be assessed to those new buyers who register on Sale Day at the auction registration desk. This fee must be paid at the time of registration. This money will be credited to the buyer's account if a sale purchase or add-on of \$500.00 or more is made. If no purchase is made, these monies will be credited to the buffet committee.
 - d. Buyers are requested to settle their accounts for all purchases at one time. All accounts are payable within **30 days. Interest of 1.5% per month will be charged on the unpaid balance.**
 - e. Buyers entering the sale ring are eligible to receive wrist band according to their buyer level attained the previous sale year. Allocated wrist bands per buyer level will be determined by the committee prior to the sale.
 - f. Buyers have the option to purchase additional wrist bands during the sale at a \$50.00 fee per band. This \$50.00 is an additional fee to the original \$500.00 buyer registration fee. A maximum of 2 additional wristbands per buyer may be purchased. This money will be credited to the buffet cost and will not be credited to the buyer's account.
2. **Commission:** From each lot sold, **sold resale**, or monies added on there will be withheld a commission to be determined by the NCJLS Board and voted on during the meeting at which the budget is approved each year. The percentage will be based on the need determined to meet NCJLS budget requirements. This number shall not exceed **9%**. A shrinkage charge of three percent (3%) of the resale value will be charged

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to exhibitors on steers, lambs, swine, and goats. All premium animals will be exempt from the shrinkage charges.

- a. The Show Association will furnish a photographer to take pictures of all Grand and Reserve Champions.
 - b. The NCJLS Board of Directors will meet in March following the Show to set a date for check release. Checks will be released to Ag Science Teachers, FCS Teachers, or 4-H Club Managers to be distributed to their respective members.
3. **Exhibitors' checks will not be released until respective buyers/ add on accounts have been paid in full. In the case that the buyer/ add on account is delinquent at check release date, the exhibitor may leave a deposit for outstanding amount. The deposit will be held for 30 days before presented for collection; if payment is received within 30 days, deposit will be returned to exhibitor. If payment is not received within 30 days the deposit will be presented for collection and a refund issued when payment is received.**
 4. **Late Letter Penalties:**
Late Penalties: A 10% penalty will be deducted from the exhibitor's check for each week the letter is late and the exhibitor's check will be withheld an additional 30 days after the initial check release date. Clarification: A "week" deduction will begin the day after the due date until 7 days from the due date then become week two, etc.
 5. Checks written from Nueces County Junior Livestock Show will have a 90-day negotiable period.
 6. Lost checks or checks not cashed within the 90-day negotiable period will be subject to a \$50.00 re-issuance fee.
 7. Checks received that are made payable to the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show that are returned for non-payment will be subject to a charge that will be the maximum allowable by law not to exceed \$50.00.
 8. An exhibitor's sale proceeds shall be issued on a date as authorized by the board. Should an exhibitor fail to negotiate and/or make claim to their funds within one calendar year of issuance date, said exhibitors proceeds shall be forfeited in its entirety and it will be considered that the exhibitor has abandoned claim to said proceeds.
 9. NCJLS will not be attached to any loan agency for Auction Sale Premiums. (ex. FSA Loan)
 10. All proceeds received from the late Thank You letter policy will be deposited in the NCJLS Scholarship Fund at Coastal Bend Community Foundation.
 11. **Refunds:** There will be no refund of fees.

NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW GENERAL RULES

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS TO BE FOLLOWED BY
ALL EXHIBITORS

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| <p>1. GENERAL CONDUCT: <i>Each exhibitor, parent, vocational instructor, Extension agent, and adult leader is on his honor to abide by the rules and report any violations to the NCJLS Board of Directors. Upon entry each individual agrees to read and comply with all the rules of the show as provided herein. Any individual not abiding by these rules will be subject to penalties including a minimum penalty of loss of the resale value of the animal withheld from their sale proceeds, forfeiture of any premium money, or a maximum penalty of permanent disbarment from participation in future shows. Penalties will be prescribed by the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show Board of Directors or its duly appointed representatives.</i></p> <p>2. Surrendering of Awards: <i>Any individual not abiding by these rules will be subject to penalties including a minimum penalty of loss of resale value of the animal withheld from their sale proceeds, forfeiture of any premium money, surrendering of awards, or a maximum penalty</i></p> |
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3. **Force Majeures:** *The NCJLS shall not be liable for any delay or failure to perform its operations, activities, shows and events to the extent such delay or failure results from a force majeure occurrence. A force majeure occurrence is defined as any occurrence arising from causes beyond the reasonable control of the NCJLS and which delays or prevents performance by the NCJLS otherwise required by this Agreement, including but not limited to any (i) breakage or accident to equipment, machinery, or facilities; (ii) and strikes, lock-outs or other labor difficulties; (iii) status, ordinances, regulations, orders, directives or rules issued by governmental authorities, including but not limited to those concerning public health and safety, animal disease prevention, detection and response and/or protection of the environment; (iv) judicial decrees or orders; (v) acts of God; (vi) animal diseases and/or quarantines; (vii) wars, riots or insurrections; (viii) civil disobedience, public demonstrations or sabotage; (ix) fires, floods, explosions or inclement weather; (x) inability to obtain necessary labor, materials, supplies, utilities or transportation; (xi) depressions, recessions, or other economic downturns; (xii) embargoes or energy shortages; or (xiii) other causes beyond the NCJLS's reasonable control.*
4. **Official Protests:** *Protests must be submitted in writing to the NCJLS Office within one hour of show/offense being protested along with a \$200 U. S. Currency fee for each protest being submitted. Each written protest will be reviewed with final determination being made by the Executive Committee. The fee will be refunded if the protest is deemed valid by the Executive Committee.*

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ELIGIBILITY.....

5. **AGE REQUIREMENTS:** Boys and girls to be eligible to participate in the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show must reside in Nueces County or be enrolled in an elementary, middle, or high school in Nueces County, or if home schooled, live in Nueces County or be enrolled in a home school cooperative that meets in Nueces County and they must be a member of a Nueces County 4-H, FFA, junior FFA or FCCLA member as of entry deadline. Exhibitors must be 9 years old or in the 3rd grade on August 31st. Refer to division rules for clarification of eligibility.
 - a. No exhibitor may participate in any division(s) of any other County Livestock Show/Fair and Premium Auction and/or Silent Auction within the same school year (September 1 - August 31.) If an exhibitor is found to have participated in any divisions of any other county Livestock Show/Fair and/or Premium Auction and/or Silent Auction within the same school year, all proceeds received from the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show and Sale in all divisions will be forfeited.

6. **Quality Counts Verification: Livestock exhibitors are required to take the Quality Counts Educational modules and pass the test for entry into the 2026 Show.** (Each exhibitor must take the Quality Counts modules and pass test once in the **3rd to 5th grade, once in 6th to 8th grade, and once in the 9th to 12th grade**). Junior market and breeding show entries will not be accepted without the verification code for each exhibitor. Verification codes are not required for Homemaking and Agriculture Mechanics exhibitors and Judging Contest contestants. **The test can be found at:**
<http://www.texaslivestockvalidation.com/qc/register.aspx>

7. **Project Supervision:** Each County Agent, Club Manager, or Vocational Teacher should read and be totally familiar with all rules referred to herein. The County Agent, Club Manager, or Vocational Teacher under whose supervision the projects are completed shall certify to the compliance with the above requirements and that the child is eligible under the rules of this show. Agents and instructors are responsible for notifying exhibitors of all rule changes prior to entry.

8. **Out of County Animal Residency Form-MUST BE SUBMITTED BY NOVEMBER 1, 2025 (entry deadline):** Any exceptional circumstances of an animal not being fed in Nueces County or being fed outside a school district in which they live will be presented to the Board of Directors explaining the reasons for such conditions existing (to include the distance from residence to facilities where the animal is being fed)

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and the Board shall rule on the eligibility on a case-by-case basis.

- a. Physical address of animal residency must be provided in writing at validation.
 - b. In the event the State and Federal animal health authorities mandate requirements for livestock show exhibitors to have a premise ID number for the site where the animal is raised, that information will be required by the NCJLS.
 - c. All exhibitors must sign and comply with the rules set forth in the Texas 4-H and FFA Livestock ethics form at the time of validation.
9. ***Showing, Selling, School Eligibility Vouchers: EACH EXHIBITOR CAN ONLY SELL ONE PROJECT IN THE 2026 NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW AUCTION.*** The exhibitor must show and sell his or her project. If the exhibitor is not present and involved at the showing, sifting, grading, and judging, or at the sale when his or her number comes up, he or she will be disqualified from selling at the auction.
- a. All students participating in the NCJLS must comply with the State of Texas UIL rules and regulations and all of the policies of their particular school district at the time of the NCJLS event in which they are entered and wish to participate.
 - b. All exhibitors participating in the Nueces County Junior Livestock show will be issued an eligibility voucher, to be completed and signed by the appropriate school official and must be presented to the designated Division Superintendent by the entrant at the time of the project check-in. ***This voucher can be presented in its original form or electronically. Failure to present a properly completed signed voucher will result in disqualification.***
 - c. Exhibitor substitutions may be allowed under the following conditions. In all cases, the Division Superintendent must approve the exhibitor substitution and will do so **ONLY** if all conditions are met. Substitute exhibitor must be an eligible exhibitor and may show only one market animal, in addition to their own project.

Substitution A - Other School Activity: This substitution request must be made in writing by the FFA/FCCLA Teachers, 4-H Club Manager, or parent(s). This request must be made on the Official Nueces County Junior Livestock Show Exhibitor Substitution Form provided by the Division Superintendent. This request must be accompanied by a notarized statement, signed by a School Administrator, on school letterhead stating the specific reason a substitute is requested. The completed Official Nueces County Junior Livestock Show Exhibitor Substitution Form and the notarized statement must be returned to the Division Superintendent no later than one hour prior to the first class being shown or one hour prior to the beginning of the auction.

Substitution B - Illness: This substitution request must be in writing by the FFA/FCCLA Teachers, 4-H Club Manager, or parent. This request must be made on the Official Nueces County Junior Livestock Show Exhibitor Substitution Form provided by the Division Superintendent. This request must be accompanied by a state-

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ment, signed by a Physician, on his/her letterhead. The completed Official Nueces County Junior Livestock Show Substitution Form and the Physicians' statement must be returned to the Division Superintendent no later than one hour prior to the first class being shown or one hour prior to the beginning of the auction.

Substitution C - Emergency: This substitution request must be made in writing by the FFA/FCCLA Teacher, 4-H Club Manager, or parent. This request must be made on the Official Nueces County Junior Livestock Show Exhibitor Substitution Form provided by the Division Superintendent. This request must be accompanied by a statement explaining the nature of the emergency. The completed Official Nueces County Junior Livestock Show Exhibitor Substitution Form and the statement of emergency must be returned to the Division Superintendent no later than one hour prior to the first class being shown or one hour prior to the beginning of the auction.

- d. In any other situation other than what is listed above, the Division Superintendent may use his or her own discretion as to whether a substitute showman will be allowed.
- e. Once a person has been designated as an Exhibitor Substitution for an eligible showman, that is the only person who can show for that person.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- 10. Exhibitor **MUST** enter through the **ONLINE ENTRY link between September 1, 2025 to November 1, 2025.** Exhibitors' entries **MUST** be submitted online by 5:00 PM on **November 1, 2025**, by the exhibitor or parent/guardian along with entry fee at the official **NCJLS ONLINE ENTRY LINK.** Incomplete entries will be disqualified. Fees are non-refundable or transferable to another entry, division, or class. Exhibitor or parent/guardian can contact the Show Office (361) 387-5395 or email ncjlsoffice@aol.com of any corrections to entries until **November 1, 2025**, at 5:00 PM. **Your receipt is your proof of entry.**

LATE ENTRIES: Entries submitted to the NCJLS office after November 1, 2025, and ON/OR BEFORE December 1, 2025, will only be accepted with an additional \$200.00 late entry fee for EACH ITEM BEING ENTERED, in addition to the original entry fee(s) as specified in Rule #11 in the General Rules. After December 1, 2025, anyone permitted to show by Board approval **MUST** pay \$300.00 in late fee(s) and the original entry fee(s) as specified in Rule #11 in the General Rules. A late entry must be delivered in person to the Show Office by the individual participant or their representative.

ALL online entries must submit a W-9 with the EXHIBITOR'S Social Security Number or it will not be accepted. However, Foreign Exchange Students who meet all other NCJLS eligibility requirements will be permitted

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to enter and compete in non-market show divisions without providing a Social Security number. Awards presented to Foreign Exchange Students allowed to compete will be at the discretion of the NCJLS board. Exhibitors may not change divisions or entries after the entry deadline of November 1, 2025 without NCJLS Board Approval.

- 11. **Entry Fees:** Entry fees will be as follows: Market Steer, Lamb, Swine, Goat, Rabbit, Broilers & Turkey\$35.00
 Carcass Steer.....\$25.00
 Commercial Open Heifer Pen \$25.00
 Commercial Bred Heifer Pen\$25.00
 Breeding Heifer (per entry).....\$25.00
 Breeding Sheep (per entry)\$25.00
 Commercial Doe (per entry).....\$25.00
 Single Fryer Rabbit Class (per entry).....\$6.00
 Breeding Rabbit (per entry)\$6.00
 Horse
 Validation.....\$10.00/per Exhibitor
 Class entry.....\$20.00 per class
 Additional Stock fee.....\$2.00
 Shop project\$25.00
 Homemaking entries (per entry).....\$4.00
 Livestock Judging Contest (per team).....\$30.00
 Individual.....\$10.00
 Queen's Contestant fee.....\$35.00 non- refundable
 banner Fee & a \$150.00 Contestant Binder Fee

12. **Number of Entries:** Each exhibitor will be allowed to **exhibit** two (2) market entries of the same species excluding rabbits. Market rabbit exhibitors may only enter one (1) pen. All entries must meet their respective division minimum weights in order to be eligible for resale price less applicable shrink and commission fees unless the carcass is condemned which will void any sale proceed going to the exhibitor who raised the entry. Please refer to division rules for information about each species.

- a. Each exhibitor will be allowed to enter TWO (2) Market ANIMALS of the SAME SPECIES, excluding rabbits, in the Livestock Show. Market Rabbit exhibitors are allowed to enter only one (1) pen. The exhibitor must pay the required entry fee PER animal. If the exhibitor enters multiple animals they MUST complete the **MAR-KET ANIMAL ENTRY DESIGNATION FORM** and return to the NCJLS office, post marked or hand delivered by the **FIRST MONDAY FOLLOWING NCJLS** Rabbit Validation, designating what Division in which they will be participating. Each exhibitor is allowed TWO market projects of the same species to arrive at the show.
- b. If the project designated becomes injured or unable to be exhibited after the deadline, the exhibitor must file an appeal. If approved by the NCJLS Board, a project of a different division can be brought, providing an entry was paid for that division by the November 1st entry deadline.

(Failure to notify the NCJLS office of the division in which the exhibitor wishes to participate by the deadline WILL result in DISQUALIFICATION of ALL the exhibitor's market entries)

C. No limit exists relative to the number of breeding projects an exhibitor may exhibit except as stated under

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the respective breeding division rules. Breeding animals are not permitted to sell in the auction. Breeding classes in all divisions, except the horse division will be awarded ribbons.

D. Exhibitors should reference specific divisional rules for non-animal maximum number of entries.

13. **Erroneous Entry:** Animals or exhibits that have been erroneously entered **BY SHOW OFFICE** may be transferred to their proper class prior to judging, upon application to the Executive Committee, who will determine the matter upon its merits. If such classes have been judged, however, they will not be reopened.

14. **Livestock Judging Contest:** *The Livestock Judging Committee shall have the right to select from the livestock on exhibit those animals needed for use in the Livestock Judging Contest to be held on Friday January 16, 2026*

ETHICS.....

15. **Unethically Fitted Livestock/Foreign Substances:** The showing of any animal that has been administered any quantity of diuretic, unapproved growth stimulant or other unapproved medication, or that has not been properly withdrawn from approved drugs is prohibited. Unapproved is deemed to mean not approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and/or the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) for slaughter animals. As a condition for participation in the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show, every exhibitor must agree to submit any animal entered by the exhibitor to inspection by a veterinarian appointed by the management or a show designee and agrees to have such animal submitted to any tests as may be designated and requested by the veterinarian or show designee.

The Nueces County Junior Livestock Show specifically reserves the right to have tissue, blood or urine laboratory analysis made on any animal entered for competition. The conclusions reached by the attorney appointed by the NCJLS Board as to whether such animal has been administered a diuretic, unapproved growth stimulant or other unapproved medication, or has not been properly withdrawn from approved drugs shall be final, without recourse against the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show or any of its officers.

An exhibitor of an animal producing an analysis with a quantity of diuretic, unapproved growth stimulant or any other unapproved medication will be subject to penalties based on the severity of the violation:

- Level 1 - Loss of resale value of project
- Level 2 - Loss of resale value of project and forfeiture of premium money
- Level 3 - Loss of resale value of project, forfeiture of premium money, and permanent disbandment from participation in future shows.
- Exhibitors previously found in violation will have their violation level elevated on subsequent offenses.
- Two Level 1 violations will result in Level 2 punishment.
- Two Level 2 violations will result in Level 3 punishment.
- Any combination of a Level 1 and 2 violations will result in a Level 3 punishment.

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Penalties will be prescribed by the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show Board of Directors or its duly appointed representatives.

- a. The showing of unethically fitted livestock of any ineligible age for exhibition in the class entered is prohibited. Unethical fitting is deemed to mean any physical or physiological attempt to alter the natural conformation, musculature or weight of an animal by use of injections or ingested material not conducive to the continued health of the animal or marketability of its carcass. Animals showing, in the opinion of the judge, signs of having been unethically fitted will be disqualified. Over-age animals will also be disqualified. No changes in the major color pattern of an animal by painting or dyeing will be allowed. No grooming material that allows color to come off an animal will be allowed at the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show.

If the NCJLS veterinarian deems the animal healthy enough to show post-sift, then it will be allowed to show. If the NCJLS veterinarian believes the animal is not healthy enough to show post-sift, then it will place last in its class. The animal can sale as premium only and will not be allowed for resale.

As a condition for participation in the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show, every exhibitor must agree to submit any animal entered by the exhibitor to inspection. Exhibitor agrees to have such animal submitted to any tests requested by the Show. Exhibitor also agrees that the opinion reached by the Show or its officials as to whether such animal is unethically fitted shall be final and binding without recourse against the Show or any of its officers. Further, the Show specifically reserves the right to have tissue, blood, or urine laboratory analysis made on any animal entered for competition. The conclusions reached by the laboratory shall be final and binding without recourse against the Show or any of its officers.

- b. The NCJLS is not responsible for the death or injury to an animal while under the care of the Association pending drug test results. In the event an animal dies while waiting for results of drug testing, the NCJLS will reimburse the buyer the resale value of the animal.
- c. Residue Avoidance Superintendents and Division Superintendent for market steers, market lambs, market goats, market swine, broilers, and turkeys will assign a committee member to assist with drug testing for their respective division prior to the start of the NCJLS.
- d. Animals will not have a specimen collected unless they are with the designated testing team member. The exhibitor and/or parent/legal guardian or FFA/4-H leader and a Residue Avoidance team member must be present at all times. No other personnel are allowed to be with the animal/exhibitor during specimen collection. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- e. A minimum sample size of 40 ml (cc) is required per animal except broilers and turkeys where a fecal sample will be collected; no exceptions. Each 40 ml (cc) sample will be divided into two sample containers each containing 20 ml (cc). These samples will be logged and signed off on by the collecting Residue Avoidance Team member and exhibitor.

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- f. The number of animals to be tested will be Grand and Reserve and a total of 2% of animals. This will be determined by the Residue Avoidance Team using a computerized random number generator prior to the respective Divisions' judging.
- g. Divisions that will have specimens collected include Market Goat, Market Lamb, Market Swine, Market Steer, Broilers, Turkeys and Breeding Sheep. Specimens for ALL Grand and Reserve Grand will be done after the Grand Champion drive unless competing in showmanship, it will then be done after showmanship. Random testing will be done as usual. In order for Market Swine to be eligible for use in the Pee Wee Showmanship, drug testing for that animal must be complete prior to the start of the Pee Wee Show.

SIFTING and JUDGING.....

- 16. **Unruly Animals:** Any unruly animal will be disqualified and removed immediately from the show ring and issued a red ribbon if the animal is declared unruly by the superintendent and the judge.
- 17. **Validation Check:**
 - a. All market animals (steer, swine, lambs, goats) will be subject to having hair samples taken (for DNA testing) at validation and failure to comply with this will result in immediate disqualification.
 - b. All Grand & Reserve Champions will be subject to hair DNA testing or Re-Nose print. Parent/Legal Guardian **MUST** attend validation with exhibitor, or if unavailable to attend validation, parent/Legal Guardian **MUST** contact Show Office and sign necessary paperwork prior to validation.
 - c. All animals entering the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show must attend their respective species county validation. Regardless of state or county validation tag, all animals must have been presented at the county validation date selected by the respective committee to be eligible to participate in the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show.
 - d. Retagging of animals choosing to remain eligible for the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show must request re-tagging and that communication must include the show office via email in addition to any state validation re-tagging request protocol. Respective superintendent or a designated assistant or committee member will be present with the county extension agent or advisor at time of re-tagging. Each division reserves the right to choose if additional members should be present.
- 18. **Sifting/Judging Instruction:** All sifting judges/classifiers will be instructed by the administrating County Agriculture Agent on what determines the animal to be sifted. Only those things listed in the general and division rules are grounds for sifting. The judges will be given a written set of rules to go by from the administrating County Agricultural Agent.
 - a. No superintendent, board member, or any other person connected with the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show, has the authority to tell the grader or judge how many blue ribbons that he may give. Instructions will be given to the sifters and judges that

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only high quality animals will be accepted. The top administrating County Agriculture Agent will instruct the judges.

19. Judges and Sifters: Competent judges are selected and their decisions shall be considered final.

- a. No judge will be allowed an assistant in the judging ring at any time except when necessary in directing and assisting the exhibitors in compliance with the directions given by the judge himself.
- b. Judges will be permitted to judge two (2) consecutive years. All judges must be from outside Nueces County.
- c. All individuals who are invited to judge in the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show will be required to sign an affidavit stating that he has not knowingly or willingly sold animals to exhibitors in Nueces County.

20. Showmanship: Showmanship competition will be divided into three (3) categories as follows:

Junior -- Grade 3rd - 5th as of August 31, 2025

Intermediate – Grade 6th - 8th as of August 31, 2025

Senior – Grade 9th - 12th as of August 31, 2025

Exhibitors must show their **OWN** animal in the showmanship drive. Showmanship judges will select exhibitors who will come back into the arena for showmanship competition in all divisions except cattle, swine, lambs, poultry and rabbits. The livestock judge will be given the opportunity to call back exhibitors he/she feels qualified for showmanship. The final decision on showmanship winners will be made by the livestock judge. All showmanship call-back finalists will receive a recognition award.

- a. Each division superintendent will appoint a committee of two (2) showmanship judges who will select Junior, Intermediate and Senior showmanship finalists in all divisions except cattle, rabbits, horses, poultry and lambs. Finalists will be announced at the conclusion of each class. Those exhibitors selected shall return to the arena with the same animal shown during their respective class to compete for the Top Junior, Intermediate or Senior Showman to be selected by the Livestock Judge and will receive a belt buckle if sponsorship is available. Reserve showmen in each age category will also be selected and will receive a jacket if sponsorship is available.
- b. Showmanship competition will be held immediately following the selection of the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion of each division except rabbits.

21. Red Ribbon/Sifted Projects: Red Ribbon and Sifted market animals (beef cattle, swine, lambs and goats) can be sold at the resale price on request by the exhibitor. Animals not for resale must be removed from the show facilities immediately after judging/sifting. Red ribbon and sifted rabbits and poultry must be picked up by the exhibitor as there is no disposal of them. Exhibitors of Red Ribbon or Sifted Projects who receive add-on contributions through the Show are required to write thank you letters to those supporters. (See General Rule #38). **All animals not making the minimum**

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weight requirements at weigh-in will be issued a white ribbon and WILL NOT be eligible for add-on contributions.

STALLS, ANIMAL CARE.....

22. **Show Hours:** During the show, the Fairgrounds will open on Sunday 7:00 am—9:00 pm (Tack Only for Goats) Monday 7:00 AM - 9:00 PM; Tuesday through Saturday 6:00 AM - 10:00 PM. The premises will be cleared of all personnel and locked each night. A night watchman will be on duty during the night. Anyone found in the barn past 10:00 PM will be subject to General Rule #1; Page 12.

Parking: There will be absolutely no parking between the two barns, unless told by General Superintendent and acting Board President.

24. **Pen Assignments:** Pens and stalls will be grouped by clubs and chapters. Assignments will be given when the animal is checked in.

25. **Animal Care:** Water is available and wash racks are provided on the show premises. Each exhibitor will be responsible for feeding, watering and caring for his entry, which must be kept clean. The animal's safe keeping is the responsibility of its exhibitor until delivered to the resale buyer.

26. **Stalls, Pens and Equipment:** Feed and equipment must be kept in an orderly manner. Stalls must be cleaned and refuse disposed of before 9:00 AM daily. Each Division Superintendent will be responsible for enforcing the policies set for each division.

a. All shavings, feed, animal waste or debris must be disposed of in designated containers or designated area. No such items shall be dumped in the drainage system at the wash racks, lavatories, or any place that has not been designated as such.

b. **NO** animal project may leave the Fairground buildings after check-in without proper paperwork from division superintendent or designated representative.

27. **Bedding:** No hay will be allowed for bedding - only pine shaving or equivalent approved by General Superintendent will be allowed.

28. **No Pets:** No animals other than those on exhibition will be allowed in the Fairgrounds. No dogs with the exception of seeing-eye dogs will be allowed in the Fairgrounds.

CLUB NEATNESS COMPETITION

29. **Neatness Awards:** The award will be given to the Club/Chapter having the most attractive exhibit throughout the show. Daily inspections made by a judging committee will determine which club/chapter in their judgement, has the most attractive and best cared for exhibit, considering the following:

a. Orderliness and cleanliness of quarters, stalls, and animals.

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- b. Systematic and neat arrangement of feed and equipment.
- c. Promptness in stalls being cleaned by 9:00 AM daily or before.
- d. Personal appearance and conduct of exhibitors.
- e. Compliance with all rules and regulations.

\$100 PREMIUM and Neatness plaques will be awarded in the following divisions:

4-H Beef Cattle	FFA Beef Cattle
4-H Market Lambs	FFA Market Lambs
4-H Market Swine	FFA Market Swine
4-H Poultry	FFA Poultry
4-H Rabbits	FFA Rabbits
4-H Market Goats	FFA Market Goats

An Overall Sweepstakes Award will be given to the club or chapter winning The Neatness Award in the most divisions. The award for Overall Sweepstakes winner will be awarded \$100.

Judging will begin Wednesday morning with the Poultry Show and end Saturday morning. The NCJLS Board of Directors will select the Neatness Judges. Judges will rank each club in the livestock divisions. Winners will be announced prior to the Auction Sale.

PREMIUM ANIMALS, AUCTION PROCEDURES.....

- 30. **One Hour Rule/Resale Animals: ALL MARKET ANIMALS** will sell premium only, with the exhibitor retaining ownership of their animal. Lamb, swine, and goat exhibitors will have the options to have their animals sold via resale, Steers, poultry and rabbit projects remain the possession of the exhibitor). Exhibitors wishing to utilize the resale option must contact their respective committee members to obtain the necessary paperwork. All animals must be out of the barn by 9:00 AM Sunday, January 18, 2026. Swine Division—One hour rule/Premium animals: All premium Hogs & MUST be removed from the barn Thursday from 6:00—8:00 PM, WITH NO EXCEPTIONS after the release has been approved by the division superintendent.

All auction sale swine must be removed from the barn between 8:00 AM and 9:00 AM on Sunday. **Grand and Reserve Grand Champion animals MUST stay at the barn for the Parade of Champions on Saturday.**

The owner(s) of the retained animal(s) are responsible for the loading and transportation of said animal(s).

- 31. **Auction Sale:** An Auction Sale will be held for those animals earning such privilege. Exhibitors with more than 1 market entry are only allowed to sale 1 market animal. Exhibitor must sell their highest placing entry, if both entries have the same placing, the entry that showed first will be auctioned. To qualify for the Auction Sale, animals must have received a blue ribbon. Awards

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for all classes of market animals receiving blue ribbons shall consist of appropriate ribbons, plaques, and banners.

32. **Auction Sale Order:** Auction Sale Order will be as follows:
- a. All Grand Champion market projects.
 - b. All Reserve Champion market projects.
 - c. All Blue Ribbon projects will be sold by species and placing.
 - d. The last item of the sale will be a quilt, if available, made and donated to the show.
 - e. Species will be sold on a rotating basis as follows:

2026: Steers, Lambs, Swine, Broilers, Turkeys, Rabbits, Goats

2027: Goats, Steers, Lambs, Swine, Broilers, Turkeys, Rabbits

2028: Rabbits, Goats, Steers, Lambs, Swine, Broilers, Turkeys

*A portion of the Grand and Reserve Carcass steer – see carcass rules for specifics regarding auction sale.

The Scholarship Benefit Quilt: A scholarship benefit quilt made by the **Sew Gulls, a Local Quilting Club** will be donated to the NCJLS to be the final item sold in the Auction Sale. The sale of the quilt will equally benefit the General Scholarship Fund and the Homemaking Sweepstakes Scholarship.

33. **Auction Prices:** No animal sold in the Auction Sale is to sell higher than the Grand Champion. The Reserve Champion will not be allowed to sell higher than the Grand Champion, and no other animal will be allowed to sell for more than the Reserve Champion. Buyer must contribute a minimal of \$500 to be an eligible buyer of the Grand Champions & Reserve Champions
- a. **ALL MARKET ANIMALS** will sell premium only, with the exhibitor retaining ownership of their animal. Ownership does not transfer to buyer, rather the exhibitor retains ownership of the animal. Only Grand and Reserve Champion market animals must physically go through the sale ring.
 - b. Buyers **WILL NOT** have the option to retain animals for their own use.
 - c. All animals designated for pick-up must be picked up by 9:00 AM on Sunday following the Auction Sale or the animal becomes property of the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show and is subject to shipment at the discretion of the Division Superintendent.
 - d. All market animals opting for resale, except steers, poultry and rabbits, will be held by the show for shipment to the resale buyer. Steers, poultry and rabbits remain the property of the exhibitor and must be removed from the barn: A) after they move through the sale ring in the case of Grand and Reserve Champions.
 - e. Exhibitor **MUST** be present when sale lot is

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called. Any exhibitor or approved substitute **NOT PRESENT** when sale lot is called will not be able to sale. Exhibitor could still be eligible for add on(s).

- 34. **Resale:** All market animals will be sold **PREMIUM ONLY**. Those exhibitors not wishing to retain ownership of their animal (except steer, poultry and rabbits) will be eligible for resale
 - a. Division Superintendent has the authority to permanently mark all animals placed on the resale list. Any exhibitor refusing to have his/her animal marked will be barred from the blue ribbon sale.
- 35. **Buyer Registration Fee:** Refer to Financial Policies Rule #1 (a-e).
- 36. **Add-Ons:** Add-ons will only be accepted for market animal projects that have checked-in at the Fairgrounds, excluding white ribbon sifted projects. Add-ons and billing changes must be made in writing at the auction and/or no later than **five (5) working** days following the auction sale day. Show management will not require thank you letters from exhibitors or provide public recognition for add-ons received after five (5) working days.
- 37. **Commission:** From each lot sold or monies added on there will be withheld a commission to be determined by the NCJLS Board and voted on during the meeting at which the budget is approved each year. The percentage will be based on the need determined to meet NCJLS budget requirements. This number shall not exceed 9%. A shrinkage charge of three percent (3%) of the resale value will be charged to exhibitors on steers, lambs, swine, and goats. All premium animals will be exempt from the shrinkage charges.
 - a. The Show Association will furnish a photographer to take pictures of all Grand and Reserve Champions.
 - b. The NCJLS Board of Directors will meet in March following the Show to set a date for check release. Checks will be released to Ag-Science Teachers, FCS Teachers, or 4-H Club Managers to be distributed to their respective members.
 - c. Commission on rider animals: 10% or \$10.00, whichever is greater, will be withheld from "rider" payments.

THANK YOU LETTERS.....

- 38. **Thank You Letter Deadline for Sale Animals is March 15.**
All 4-H, FFA and FCCLA members are required to turn in their original thank you letter in an unsealed, addressed STAMPED envelope to their respective Club Manager, Ag Teacher or FCCLA leader on or before March 15. Club Managers, Ag Teachers or FCCLA Leaders may appoint a review committee from within their respective Club/Chapter. Each Club/Chapter will verify the number of letters and review letters to ensure they meet NCJLS Thank You letter guidelines. Club or Chapter Representative will provide the NCJLS Show Office with a list of exhibitors that have not turned in letters by 4:00 PM on the Friday following the deadline. After the letters have been reviewed by the club or chapter, each club or chapter will mail all letters. Any letter not turned in on or before March 15 will be subject to late penalties. Thank you letters are required from all exhibitors of blue ribbon, red ribbon or sifted projects to all buyers and add-on supporters. Information for writing thank you letters will be available to the Ag Science Teachers, Family & Consumer Science

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Teachers and 4-H Club Managers, who will be notified by the Show Office when they will be available.

Late Penalties: A 10% penalty will be deducted from the exhibitor's check for each week the letter is late and the exhibitor's check will be withheld an additional 30 days after the initial check release date.

Buyer/Add On Letter Guidelines: Thank you letters will be reviewed by a committee and MUST meet the following basic guidelines:

- a. All thank you letters must be on stationery or letterhead. **Notebook paper, writing tablets, plain copy paper, and Thank You cards will not be accepted.** Lined stationery or computer-generated letterhead with lines is acceptable.
- b. All letters must be original and handwritten by the exhibitor to each donor and must be 3 paragraphs with 3 sentences in each paragraph for a minimum of 9 sentences. Letters that are similar to another exhibitors will be returned for revision.
- c. Letters must not be scanned, typed, or computer generated.
- d. Exhibitors must provide their letter(s) in unsealed stamped addressed envelopes. All envelopes must have **exhibitor's name that was used to enter the show** and return address on them.
- e. Letters NOT complying with the guidelines will be returned to the exhibitor for revision. Letters returned for revision must be back to the exhibitor's club leader in five (5) working days or the exhibitor will be subject to late penalties.

Awards Thank You Notes



- a. All thank you letters must be on stationary, letterhead, or folded card that when opened is a minimum of 5"X7". If using a folded card, the handwritten note of thanks must be inside the card. Notebook paper, writing tablets, and plain copy paper will **not** be acceptable. Photos of exhibitors with project and/or prizes are encouraged.
- b. All letters must be original and handwritten by the exhibitor to each donor. Letters must be minimum of one (1) paragraph with a minimum of 5 sentences per paragraph. Each exhibitor must include the specific award the exhibitor won.

OTHER.....

39. **Executive Committee:** The President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and the Immediate Past President of the NCJLS Board of Directors will serve as the Executive Committee. The Board conveys to its Executive Committee the authority to enforce and interpret all rules and regulations and to make administrative decisions during the Show and at times when it is impossible for a quorum of the Board to be in attendance to act on emergency matters. Any three of the five members in attendance at a called meeting of the Executive Committee will constitute a quorum.

40. **Livestock Committee Meetings:** Each livestock committee will be required to meet prior to March 15th to evaluate the previous year's show. All committees will notify all 4-H clubs and schools when meetings are scheduled so that representatives from the organizations may attend. The committees will provide the NCJLS Board of Directors with a list of proposed rules changes and a list of proposed judges and sifters ranked in the order of the committee's

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preference by March 15th.

- a. **ONLY** Committee Members in good standing with the general membership may vote at committee meetings. The general public may voice their opinion but may **not** vote.
41. **Rule Changes:** Any changes proposed for any division must be presented in writing, in a Microsoft Word document and signed to the Board of Directors by March 15th at 4:00 pm via **email to ncjlsoffice@aol.com**. All rule changes received by the deadline will be emailed to each division superintendent or designated individual from said division by March 22nd. Division superintendents must submit any clarifications or changes to original submission by April 5th. The Board of Directors will vote on the rule changes during the April meeting. All rule changes approved by the Board must be sent to Division Superintendents, Extension Agents and Vocational Instructors no later than May 15th.
 42. All entries must comply with current Rules and Regulations as set forth by the Texas Animal Health Commission, U.S.D.A., and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration that apply to livestock shows, fairs, and exhibitions. Non - complying animals will be sifted and possibly subject to penalties prescribed by the regulatory agencies.
 43. No livestock trailers shall be parked at the Fairgrounds. Violators may be towed/removed at the owner's expense.
 44. **Parking/ Permit Parking - PERMIT VALID ONLY IF ADHEARED TO LEFT SIDE OF VEHICLE WINDSHIELD**
 - a. **Parking on the show grounds (north parking lot will be available on a first come basis with permits ONLY.**
 Exhibitors may purchase parking permits at a one time rate of \$20 per week per vehicle at the time of the online entry. All other parking permit purchases can be made at the rate of \$30 per week per vehicle and may be purchased at the show office or at the check in gate.
 - c. Permits are required beginning Tuesday, January 13, 2026 beginning at 12:00 PM.
 - d. Parking will be in designated places ONLY. Vehicles will be towed when parked in a NO PARKING ZONE at owner's expense.
 - e. **NO OVERNIGHT RV PARKING OR CAMPING ON FAIRGROUNDS**
 - f. The area between Barns A & B will be controlled and monitored by the General Superintendent. Only authorized vehicles with a permit will be allowed to park in this area. Any unauthorized vehicles without permit in this area will be towed at the owner's expense.
 - g. Any vehicles found parked in the grass areas and Fire Lane, marked by a red line around the barns will be towed at the owner's expense.
 45. **Complimentary Parking Passes** - Complimentary parking passes for the week exhibitors are showing will be issued to each AST and 4-H Club Manager based on the following number of exhibitors as shown on summary sheets for the supervision of projects. Limit to one complimentary parking pass club/chapter per leader. **LIMIT TO ONE CLUB/CHAPTER PER LEADER.**

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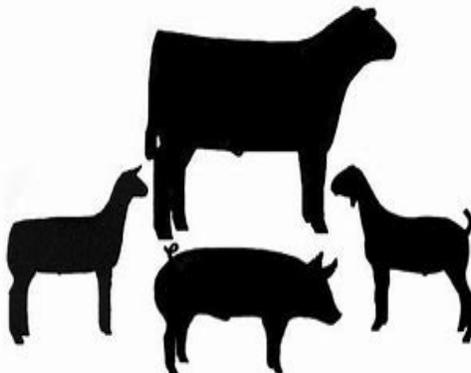
# of Exhibitors	# of Parking Pass
1- 50	2 Parking Passes
51 - 100	3 Parking Passes
101 - 150	4 Parking Passes
151 or more	5 Parking Passes

- 46. **Photographs:** Exhibitors will have the option to present their animal(s) at the backdrop for photos with the official photographers at their discretion immediately following the judging of said animal with the exception of all Grand and Reserve Champion Market and Breeding animals. All Grand and Reserve Champion animals are required to take a photograph at the backdrop. Official backdrop photos must only be taken by the official photographer or their appointees. No cell phone photos allowed at the backdrop while the official photographer is working. The official photographer reserves the right to limit the number of photos taken and/or individuals allowed at the backdrop at the time of official photography. All photographs taken by the Official Photographer become the property of the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show. Unofficial (i.e. personal) photographs may not be published without written approval of Management. Exhibitors wishing to purchase photographs must contact the Official Photographer.
- 47. **Personal Unethical Behavior** - The Executive Committee reserves the right to impose penalties to any exhibitor or adult conducting themselves in an unprofessional or unethical manner. Penalties may range from a letter of reprimand to lifetime disbarment from participation/attendance from the NCJLS. This is zero tolerance policy and each incident will be reviewed individually.
- 48. **Cooking:** Cooking by exhibitors/parents will NOT be allowed on the grounds at any time. No cookers, crock-pots, microwaves, coffee pots, warmers, or any other cooking utensils are permitted on the grounds. Any cooking utensils, including coffee pots, brought onto the grounds will become the property of the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show & Sale.
- 49. **NO** tables can be brought inside the Richard Borchard Fairgrounds for use of exhibitors/club/chapters or family members. Any tables brought inside the grounds will become the property of NCJLS. NO chairs are allowed down the aisles where animal projects are housed. This area is needed to feed, groom and prepare animal projects for Show.
 - a. **NOTHING** will be allowed in the arena alley in the red lines indicating fire lanes.



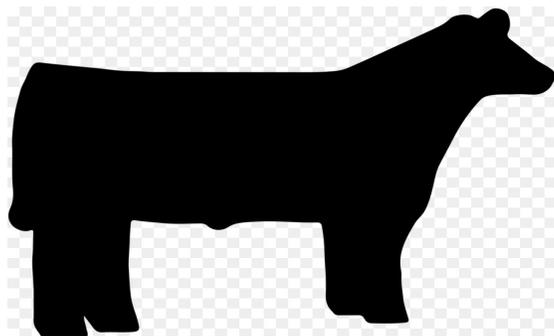
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50. The selection of a division judge should be one that would give each exhibitor an equal and unbiased chance to win. If any conflict of interest is known about a prospective judge, it should be provided in writing with evidence prior to contract signing. Committees should make judge recommendations known to NCJLS Office by March 15th and NCJLS Board will approve judges at March Board meeting.
51. **Parade of Champions:** To allow each division to publicly congratulate the winners of various non-market divisions of the NCJLS, each division will have the opportunity to present their winners on a voluntary basis. It will be up to the Parade of Champions Committee to line up the exhibitors. The Parade will begin promptly at 10:00 AM on the morning of the auction. The presentation will be on a continuous basis and if an exhibitor is not in their designated space in line when it is their time, they will not be recognized. No animals or projects will be taken into the arena during the presentations. The following lineup does not include the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market or Carcass Animals. Those winners will be presented during the Blue Ribbon Auction.
52. If deadline dates throughout this rulebook fall on a Saturday or Sunday or holiday; deadline for submission will be the Monday immediately following said date. If the office is closed for a Federal Holiday on published deadline; said deadline date will be the next business day.
53. No animal that will be sold at the auction or sent to a packer shall be decorated with paint, glitter, or any type of material applied to the hair or skin by adhesive. Non glitter, ribbon, bandana, etc. will be allowed.
54. ALL NCJLS division scales MUST BE officially calibrated by official approved by NCJLS Show Superintendent or Show Officials. No other scales will be present at the time of check in, sift or show besides division scales designated by NCJLS, except in the swine division. Any other scales will be removed from the grounds at the discretion of each division superintendents.
55. **Livestock Sweepstakes Award**
Livestock sweepstakes award will be awarded to the Chapter/Club with the most points following the point system listed. All animals must be shown under the same Chapter/Club to be eligible. Points are non-transferable.



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<p>Cattle Grand Champ Breeding Heifer-10 Grand Champ Steer-10 Res Champ Steer-7 Breed Champ Steer-5 Res Breed Champ Steer-3 Class winner other than Champs-1 Grand Champ Carcass Steer-5 Res Champ Carcass Steer-3 Class winner other than Champion-1</p>		<p>Res Champ Breeding Heifer-7 Division Champ Breeding Heifer-5 Res Division Champ Breeding Heifer-4 Breed Champ Breeding Heifer-3 Res Champ Breed Breeding Heifer-2 Class winner other than Champ-1</p>
<p>Swine Grand Champion Market Swine-10 Reserve Champion Market Swine-7 Breed Champion Market Swine-5 Reserve Champion Market Swine-3 Class winner other than champions-1</p>	<p>Rabbits Grand Champion Market Rabbits-10 Reserve Champion Market Rabbits-7 3rd-5th place-3 6th-10th place-1</p>	<p>Grand Champion Fryer-5 Reserve Champion Fryer-3 3rd-5th place-1</p>
<p>Poultry Grand Champion Turkey-10 Grand Champion Broiler-10 Reserve Champion Turkey-7 Reserve Champion Broiler-7 3rd-5th place-3 Turkeys & Broilers 6th-10th place-1 Turkeys & Broilers</p>	<p>Grand Champion Breeder Rabbit-10 Reserve Champion Breeder Rabbit-7 Class Champion-5 Reserve Class Champion-3 Class winner other than champion-1</p>	
<p>Goats Grand Champion Market Goat-10 Reserve Champion Market Goat-7 Division Champion-5 Reserve Division Champion-3 Class winner other than champion-1</p>		
<p>Sheep Grand Champ Market Lamb-10 Reserve Champ Market Lamb-7 Breed Champ Lamb-3 Class winner other than champion-1</p>		<p>Supreme Champ Breeding Sheep-10 Res Supreme Champ Breeding Sheep-7 Breed Champ Breeding Sheep-5 Res Champ Breeding Sheep-3 Class Winner other than Champion-1</p>



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Jason Floyd.....Co Superintendent

2025 GRAND CHAMPION MARKET STEER
EXHIBITED BY: JASON GARCIA
FLOUR BLUFF/PADRE ISLAND 4-H CLUB

RULES: MARKET STEERS

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS and PARENTS

One Hour Rule: Exhibitors choosing to retain ownership of their **BLUE OR RED RIBBON** animal for future use must notify the division superintendent in writing within 1 hour after their Division judging. (Refer to General Rule #30 for further information.)

Thank You Letters: Thank you letters are required from all exhibitors of blue ribbon, red ribbon or sifted projects to all buyers, add-on supporters and sponsors of awards for all divisions. (Refer to General Rule # 38 for further information/penalties)

Property of the Exhibitor & On-Feed.....June 19, 2025
Validation.....June 19, 2025

1. **VALIDATION:** All market steers to be entered and eligible to show must be the property of the exhibitor, on feed and under the daily care of the exhibitor by June 19, 2025 and acknowledged to the boy or girl's respective supervisor (meaning County Agent or Vocational Agriculture Instructor). In order for steers to be eligible for the show, they must be validated by the Beef Committee on or before June 19, 2025 from 5:00 to 6:00 PM. This validation will qualify for both county and major shows. The validation date will be announced two weeks in advance. Any steer not present for validation will not be eligible for show.
 - a. Market steers may also become eligible for the carcass steer division by paying the additional entry fee, complying with validation and weigh-in provisions of the carcass contest, completing the entry form and carcass record form.
 - b. Physical address of animal's residency must be provided in writing during validation. Animal's may not be out of the exhibitor's care for a period exceeding 72 hours without prior approval from two of three, either County Extension Agent, Vocational Ag Science Teacher, or Validation Chairman who supervises the project.
2. **Move-In** Wednesday, January 14, 2026 from 1:00 PM to 8:00 PM and Thursday, January 15, 2026 from 6:00 AM to 10:00 AM. All cattle must be in RMB Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall A by 10 AM on Thursday, January 15, 2026.



Check-In: Market Steers will be classified and weight card will be due January 15, 2026 at 11:00 AM followed by Breeding Beef Heifers.

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3. **Unruly Animals:** Any unruly animal will be disqualified and removed immediately from the show ring and issued a red ribbon if the animal is declared unruly by the superintendent and the judge. **After the 3rd time that a steer/heifer gets loose in its class the exhibitor will then tie off to the side and gain control of their calf. The calf will place last in its class.**

4. **Judging:** Judging of Market Steers will begin at 9:00 AM Friday, January 16, 2026, in the order shown below:
 - American Division**
(Brahman, Brahman influence such as Santa Gertrudis, Beefmaster, Brangus, Simbrah and their crosses.)
 - British Division**
(Angus-Black & Red, Hereford-Horned & Polled, Short-horn and crosses between any of these breeds)
 - Exotic Division**
(All other breeds and their crosses not fitting in the other above divisions)

Determination of the steer's classification is based on predominant breed characteristics which indicate beyond a reasonable doubt that the subject animal has the required blood relating to the class to which he is entered. Sifting judge decisions are final.

 - A. 1st and 2nd place class winners will have a weight back of 5% on each of its weight.
 -  B. Any exhibitor weighing out of the 5% that the exhibitor declared on their weight card, either over or under the declared weight, will lose his/her placing in class and will be issued a blue ribbon. Any steer weighing less than 950 pounds at the time the steer goes across the scale will be sifted and will not receive a blue ribbon.
 -  C. Any exhibitor weighing out of the 5% that the exhibitor declared on their weight card, either over or under the declared weight, will lose his/her placing in class and will be issued a blue ribbon. Any steer weighing less than 950 pounds at the time the steer goes across the scale will be sifted and will not receive a blue ribbon.

5. **Classes:** Any breed having more than ten (10) steers will be broken into equal weight divisions with no class having more than ten (10) steers. A breed must have four (4) animals or more to be split into more than one class for that breed (any class with four or less head, will be shown as one class and not separated, regardless of weights).

6. **Weight Limit:** Minimum Written weight **MUST** be 1000 pounds. All steer exhibitors will turn in weight cards at time of classification.
 - A. First and Second place class winners will have a weight back of 5% on each of its weight.
 - B. Any exhibitor weighing out of the 5% that the exhibitor declared on their weight card, either over or under the declared weight, will lose his/her placing in class and will be issued a blue ribbon. Any steer weighing less than 950 pounds at the time the steer goes across the scale will be sifted and will not receive a blue ribbon.
 - C. All market steers must be castrated, dehorned and completely healed by the date of the Show.
 - D. Any animal with evidence of external and internal parasites will not be allowed in the show.

7. **Fitting: SLICK SHOW,** all steers being shorn to 1/4 inch throughout all locations of the body, excluding the tail switch. **NO Adhesives. Cordless clippers will be allowed.** Animals are to be shown in their natural conformation and color. This includes false hair, artificial color, or adhesives. All steers must be properly fitted before entering the show and must be kept in show condition during the entire show. Any steer having modification of dewlap or sheath; injection of oil, air and any other foreign substance that alters physical appearance to any part of the body will cause forfeiture of all monies and all future entries for the exhibitor. This does not include dehorning and tail docking. (Refer to rule #13 of General Rules).

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- a. **NO TRIM CHUTES ALLOWED**
- 8. Any animal harmed by a questionable act of husbandry will be grounds for disqualification by cattle superintendent(s).
- 9. **Placings:** All steers in each division will be judged and given a placing ribbon. The Grand Champion Market Steer will be selected from the Champion Market Steer of each breed division. The Reserve Champion from the breed division that the Grand Champion is selected shall move up to compete for the Reserve Grand Champion Steer of the Show. Therefore, the two top animals from each breed division shall return to the judging area for this judging.
 - A. Each division will have a Division and a Reserve Division Champion, followed by a third overall.
 - B. If an exhibitor wins Grand Champion and has another steer in the Reserve Drive, the other steer will be replaced by the other division winner or by the third overall.
 - C. No exhibitor is allowed to win both Grand and Reserve overall.
- 10. **Halters:** All steers must be tied with a suitable halter. Neckties will also be required when the animal is tied in the stall area.
- 11. The NCJLS Cattle Division will **not** accept any steers for resale. All steers must be removed from the show grounds by the exhibitor by Friday at 8 pm; with the exception of the Grand and Reserve Steer must remain in the barn.
- 12. Only the judge, designated ring Steward(s) and the exhibitors with their steer will be allowed into the show ring at the time of judging.
- 13. **Market Steer Showmanship:** Refer to General Rules #20. Exhibitor must show his/her entry in the showmanship ring. Winners of the Top Junior, Top Intermediate and Top Senior Showman awards will then compete for the Top Showmanship Award and the winner will receive a plaque.
- 14. No electronic or communication devices allowed while in show arena.
- 15. There will be **NO** harassment of the sift judge/judge and cattle committee prior to, during or after the show. Judge's reasons for their placing will be considered adequate explanation for their placings.

AWARDS - MARKET STEER DIVISION

- Grand Champion Market Steer.....Buckle, Banner & Award
- Reserve Champion Market Steer.....Buckle, Banner & Award
- Third Overall Champion Market Steer.....Banner
- Top Showmanship Award - Market Steers.....Award
- Top Senior Showman - Market Steers.....Buckle
- Runner-Up Senior Showman - Market Steers.....Award
- Top Intermediate Showman - Market Steers.....Buckle
- Runner-Up Intermediate Showman - Market Steers.....Award
- Top Junior Showman - Market Steers.....Buckle
- Runner-Up Junior Showman - Market SteersAward
- Showmanship Finalists.....Recognition Award
- Champion of Breed Division(3 possible).....Buckle & Rosette
- Reserve Champion of Breed Division(3 possible).....Buckle & Rosette
- 1-10 Placings (10 possible).....Placing Ribbons1st-10th
Blue, Red & White Ribbons awarded accordingly.

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Rules: Breeding Beef Females

2025 GRAND CHAMPION BREEDING BEEF FEMALE

EXHIBITED BY: JANE LAWRENCE

BLUNTZER 4-H CLUB

Property of the Exhibitor and On-Feed.....October 16, 2025

Validation.....October 16, 2025

1. **Property of Exhibitor:** All breeding cattle to be entered and eligible to show must have been the property of the exhibitor, on feed and under his or her daily care by October 16, 2025 , 5:00-6:00 p.m. All heifers must be present at validation to be eligible to show. Exhibitors may enter max of two (2) breeding beef female. Tattoo/brands will be verified at validation.
2. **Designation of registered/non-registered at time of validation.**
 - a. Non-registered females ear tagged with an NCJLS validation tag and be permanently marked (tattoo) at the time of validation, if none exists. Non-registered females will be shown in the cross class of their division as determined by sifting judge.
 - b. Heifers that are registered must be state validated at the time of validation. **Or official registration papers in exhibitors name presented for identification at the time of validation**
 - c. Exhibitors will be able to show a maximum of two (2) heifers.
 - d. Physical address of animal(s) residence must be provided in writing during validation. Animal(s) may not be out of the exhibitor's care for a period exceeding 72 hours without prior approval from two of three, either County Extension Agent, Vocational Science Teacher or Validation Chairman who supervises the project.
3. **Move-In:** Wednesday, January 14, 2026 from 1:00 PM to 8:00 PM. and Thursday, January 15, 2026 from 6:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Cattle MUST be in RMB Fair grounds Exhibit Hall A by 10 AM on January 15, 2026.
4. Only the judge designated ring Steward(s) and the exhibitor with their steer will be allowed in the show ring at the time of judging.
5. **Check-In:** Breeding beef females will be checked in and classified immediately following the Market Steer check-in Thursday, January 15, 2026 at 11:00 AM
 - a. No heifer past the age of 30 months will be eligible to show in the NCJLS/.
 - b. All Registered heifers must show proof of birthdate by submitting a copy of original registration papers at the time of validation.
 - c. All Commercial (non registered) heifers will be subject to a tooth examination at the time of heifer check in on Thursday January 15, 2026.
6. **Judging:** Judging will be Friday, January 16, 2026 immediately after the Carcass Awards. The Superintendent(s) will release heifers after the show.
7. **Unruly Animals:** Any unruly animal will be disqualified and removed immediately from the show ring and issued a red ribbon if the animal is declared unruly by the superintendent and the judge. **After the 3rd time that a steer/heifer gets loose in its class the exhibitor will then tie**

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off to the side and gain control of their calf. The calf will place last in its class.

- 8. **Halters:** All Breeding beef must be tied with a suitable halter. **Neckties will also be required when the animal is tied in the stall area.**
- 9. **Awards:** Banners, rosettes and ribbons will be awarded in breeding classes. Premiums will be awarded if available. Buckles will be awarded to division winners, overall grand champion and overall reserve champion, if available.
- 10. **Breed Categories:** Entries will be judged according to breed within three divisions. A minimum of **TWO** head will be required to be judged as an individual breed, fewer than **TWO** head will be exhibited with the breed of their respective division.

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DIVISION	DIVISION	DIVISION

Breeding beef females without registration papers will be classified according to predominant division characteristics as determined by the sifting judge.

The Sifting Judge shall review registration papers and determine the breed and/or division the heifer will be placed within.

- 11. **Champion Selection:** Breeding beef females in each class will be judged and given a placing ribbon. Class winners will compete for Breed Champion. The second place female of the class from which the champion is selected will move up to compete for Reserve Breed Champion. Breed Champions will compete for division champion. The Reserve Breed Champion of the breed from which the division champion was selected will move to compete for Reserve Division Champion. Division Champions will compete for overall grand champion. The reserve division champion of the division from which the overall Grand Champion is selected will move to compete for overall Reserve Grand Champion.
- 12. **Classes:** The classes in order of judging will be as follows:
 - 1. Jan 1 to Feb 28—(8 months to 10 months)
 - 2. March 1 to April 30—(10 months to 12 months)
 - 3. May 1 to June 30—(12 months to 14 months)
 - 4. July 1 to Aug 31—(14 months to 16 months)
 - 5. Sept 1—October 31—(16 months to 18 months)
 - 6. Nov 1—December 31—18 months to 20 months)
 - 7. 20 months -24 months
 - 8. 24 months- 30 months
- 13. **Showmanship:** Refer to General #20. Exhibitor must show his/her entry in the showmanship ring. Winners of the Top Junior, Top Intermediate and Top Senior Showman awards will then compete for the Top Showmanship Award and the winner will receive a plaque.
- 14. **Fitting:** This is a Blow and Go Show. NO Adhesives. Cordless clippers will be allowed. Grooming or fitting with foreign materials, including painting, powdering, oiling, artificial coloring, or adhesives is prohibited. Water base products are allowed. All heifers must be properly fitted before entering the show and must be kept in show condition during the entire show. Any heifer having modification of dewlap or sheath; injection of oil, air and any other foreign substance that alters physical



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appearance to any part of the body will cause forfeiture of all monies and all future entries for the exhibitor. This does not include dehorning and tail docking. (Refer to rule #13 of General Rules). **NO TRIM CHUTES ALLOWED**

- 15. Any animal harmed by a questionable act of husbandry will be grounds for disqualification by cattle superintendent(s).
- 16. **There will be NO harassment of the sift judge/ judge and/or cattle committee prior to, during or after the show. Judge's reasons for their placing will be considered adequate explanation.**

AWARDS - BREEDING BEEF FEMALES

- Grand Champion Breeding Beef Female
Buckle, Banner & Award
- Reserve Champion Breeding Beef Female
Buckle, Banner & Award
- Champion of Breed (15 possible classes).....Rosette



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**NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW
COMMERCIAL OPEN HEIFER DIVISION**

COMMERCIAL OPEN HEIFER SHOW AND SALE

Steven Kocurek Co. Superintendent
Shalane Pinkston..... Co. Superintendent

**2025 GRAND CHAMPION COMMERCIAL
OPEN HEIFER
EXHIBITED BY: KENEDY WEST
BLUNTZER 4-H CLUB**

**Property of the Exhibitor and On-FeedSeptember 2, 2025
Validation September 2, 2025**

1. **PURPOSE:** The purpose of the Commercial Open Heifer Show and Sale is to provide a project that will expose the exhibitors to commercial cattle production. This includes the purchasing, development, exhibition, and marketing of commercial heifers. This project is not part of the Junior Livestock Premium Auction. **Therefore, 4-H and FFA members can sell in this program as well as the NCJLS Premium Auction. However, exhibitors must abide by the General Junior Livestock Show Rules.**
2. This show is limited to projects owned, fed and under the daily care of Nueces County 4-H and FFA members in good standing and under the supervision of the Agriculture Science Teachers and County Extension Agents. The Junior Commercial Heifer Show and Sale is an opportunity to show and sell commercial heifers. Any heifer exhibited in the Commercial Heifer Show will not be allowed to compete in any other Junior Beef Heifer Show of the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show (NCJLS).
3. No more than five heifers may be tagged at validation per exhibitor. Exhibitors must own heifers 100% throughout feeding period starting at validation through time of show. Only two head will be allowed to compete in the show and sale. If an exhibitor does not have a complete pen (two head), then the exhibitor is ineligible to sell, compete for awards or prize money.
4. **Validation:** To be eligible to show All junior commercial heifer entries will be tagged at RMBRF on September 2, 2025 at 4:00 PM—7:00 PM. **ALL CATTLE MUST BE SEPARATED IN TRAILER BY PEN/EXHIBITOR.** Each exhibitor is limited to show one pen of heifers (2 heifers). **Each exhibitor may validate no more than 5 head.** Any bred heifer will be disqualified. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** Family validation is permitted. **Exhibitor must feed and care for his/her pen in Nueces County. Any exhibitor caring for or taking their pen of heifers out of the county must receive permission from the NCJLS Board per the NCJLS General Rules. Any exhibitor found to be feeding animals out of the county without proper consent from the NCJLS Board will be disqualified without refund of entry or nomination money. A nomination/validation fee of \$40 per pen will be required by August 1, 2025 . Late nominations will be accepted but will be assessed a late fee of \$40.00. Cattle will be classified at validation. Classification determination is at the Judge's discretion and is final.**

Four divisions will be classified at validation:

- * Brahman—100% pure
- * F1—50% - 99%
- * ABC—Less than 50%
- * AOB—British/Exotic

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5. An average weight of no less than 600 and no more than 850 pounds per head will be allowed at validation. **Heifers will be weighed by pen or individually, but the average will be on all heifers in the pen.**
6. Animals may be grazed or fed and will be judged as replacement heifers.
7. **Weigh-In & Check In: Final weigh in and check in will take place together on Wednesday, January 7, 2026 between the hours of 4:00 - 7:00 PM at RMBRF. ALL CATTLE MUST BE SEPARATED IN TRAILER BY PEN/EXHIBITOR FOR LOAD OUT.** Heifers will be palpated at that time at exhibitor's expense of \$10 per head (**payable to show vet directly-please have exact amount**). All heifers are to be guaranteed open by a licensed veterinarian. Any bred heifer will be disqualified. Heifers must average a 1# per day weight gain from validation date to check in date or it will be sifted. Sifting for the show will be enforced at that time. Exhibitors are eligible for one re-weigh immediately following their first weigh in.
8. **Interview & Record Book:** Interviews will be based on the exhibitor's knowledge of all areas of his/her exhibit. Interviews will be scored using a number ranking system. **Exhibitors will be required to participate in an interview on Thursday, January 8, 2026, starting at 8:00 AM. Judges will conduct interviews with the exhibitor's pen present.** Cattle and Interviews will have a time slot for judging. The Official Record Book provided by the committee must be used (with no alterations). Information should be correct and legible, with documentation including all expenditures. Each Exhibitor will turn in 3 copies of their record book (1 original & 2 copies). **Any exhibitor who does not participate in the Interview, Record Book and show are not eligible to sale.** Times are subject to change.
9. **Judging Guidelines and Selection for heifers:** The judges will use a number ranking system to score the heifers. The following will be considered when ranking the heifers: Quality, Conformation, Condition, Structural Soundness and Uniformity.
10. **AWARDS: Commercial Open Heifer Champion Pen (Banner & Buckle), Commercial Open Heifer Reserve Champion Pen (Banner & Buckle), Rosettes will be given for the top 5 places in each division.** These will result from the highest accumulation of heifer pen Premium/prize monies may also be awarded if donor is available. Salesmanship awards will be given for the 2 best combined Interview/Record Book scores in Junior, Intermediate, and Senior divisions. **Champion Junior Salesman, Reserve Champion Junior Salesman, Champion Intermediate Salesman, Reserve champion Intermediate Salesman, Champion Senior Salesman, Reserve Champion Senior Salesman, (Buckle).** The Salesmanship Awards are combined with Open & Bred Heifer entries. A monetary prize will also be awarded if a donor is

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available.

11. **Sale, Awards & Dinner:** Commercial Heifer Sale will be held Friday, January 9, 2026 7:00 PM. Preview of pens will be 4:00-6:00pm. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm and Awards will follow at 6:30 pm. All pens of heifers are required to sale. Beef checkoff fee will be deducted per the National Law on the beef check-off. A sales commission or 2% will/may be deducted from the sales price of each heifer to offset any marketing costs incurred by the sale contractor. Commercial heifer exhibitors are eligible to receive add-ons through the Premium Auction.
12. Only open heifers will be sold. Pen less than two will be placed last on the sale order. If there are less than two (2) heifers in a pen the score will be zero for the heifers.
13. There will be NO harassment of the judge(s) and/or commercial heifer committee prior to, during or after the show. Judge's reasons for their placing will be considered adequate explanation for their placings.
14. This program is designed to be educational and beneficial to the youth of NCJLS. Any parent or exhibitor not adhering to rules if the program will be subject to discipline per general and livestock rules.
15. ****All exhibitors are required to turn in a biography and a picture of heifers. Both will be due on November 1, 2025 . Please email to kayla.otahal@gmail.com. Bios should include: name, age, grade, chapter/club, hobbies, what you learned from project, and what you enjoyed most about working with your project.**

****2026 NCJLS Commercial Heifer Sale Terms & Conditions****

Bidding: Each sale lot will be sold to the highest bidder without reserve. The auctioneer will settle any disputes as the bids and his decision on such matters shall be final.

Terms: Payment **MUST** be made the **night of the sale** or prior to pick up. Each heifer becomes the risk of the purchaser as soon as sold, but seller will maintain care of the heifer until loaded out by 10:00 AM, Saturday, January 10, 2026. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Announcements: Any changes from the information of any kind in the catalog will be provided on sale day. Updated information will take precedence over cataloged information.

Pregnancy Determination & Vaccinations: All open heifer in this sale have been determined open by a physical palpation by a licensed veterinarian. Additionally, all bred heifers have been palpated and determined to be safe with calf unless noted on the lot. All heifers have been backgrounded with Brucellosis, Black Leg, BVD, IBR and P13 vaccinations.

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Rights & Obligations: The above terms and conditions shall constitute a contract between the buyer and the seller of each heifer sale lot and shall be equally binding on both. Each sale or resale of any heifer sale lot constitutes a separate transaction.

Load Out: Load out will begin immediately after the completion of the sale on Friday or Saturday morning from 8:00-10:00 am. The purchased heifers are the sole responsibility of the buyer. The seller is not responsible for any injury or loss after the heifers are sold. All purchased heifers must be off the grounds by 10:00 am, Saturday January 10, 2026. Any heifers remaining on the grounds or not paid for will be hauled to an undisclosed location. **A handling/stocking fee will be charged to the buyer in the amount of \$25.00 per day per head.**

Liability: All persons who attend this sale do so at their own risk. The owners, NCJLS or any other person connected with the sale assume no liability, legal or otherwise.



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COMMERCIAL BRED HEIFER DIVISION**

COMMERCIAL BRED HEIFER SHOW AND SALE

Steven Kocurek Co. Superintendent
Shalane Pinkerton Co. Superintendent



Property of the Exhibitor and On-FeedJune 9, 2025
Validation June 9, 2025

1. **PURPOSE:** The purpose of the Bred Heifer Show and Sale is to provide a project that will expose the exhibitors to bred cattle production. This included the purchasing, development, exhibition, and marketing of commercial heifers. **This project is not part of the NCJLS Premium Action. Therefore, 4-H and FFA members can sell in this program as well as the NCJLS Premium Auction. However, exhibitors must abide by the General NCJLS Rules.**
2. This show is limited to projects owned, fed and under the daily care of Nueces County 4-H and FFA members in good standing and under the supervision of the Agriculture Science Teachers and County Extension Agents. The Junior Commercial Heifer Show and Sale is an opportunity to show and sell commercial heifers. Any heifer exhibited in the Bred Heifer Show will not be allowed to compete in any other Junior Beef Heifer Show of the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show (NCJLS).
3. No more than five heifers may be tagged at validation per exhibitor. Exhibitor must own heifers 100% throughout feeding period starting at validation through time of show. Only two head will be allowed to compete in the show and sale. If an exhibitor does not have a complete pen (two head), then the exhibitor is ineligible to sale, compete for awards or prize money.
4. **Validation:** To be eligible to show All junior bred heifer entries will be tagged at RMBRF on **June 9, 2025** (5:00 - 7:00pm). Each exhibitor is limited to show one pen of heifers (2 heifers). Each exhibitor may validate no more than 5 head. Family validation is permitted. **ALL CATTLE MUST BE SEPARATED IN TRAILER BY PEN/EXHIBITOR. Heifers will be palpated at that time at exhibitor's expense of \$10 per head and MUST BE OPEN at validation (payable to the Show Veterinarian directly-please have exact amount).** Heifers must be a minimum of 14 months of age. Exhibitor must feed and care for his/her pen in Nueces County. Any exhibitor caring for or taking their pen of heifers out of the county must receive permission from the NCJLS Board per the NCJLS General Rules. Any exhibitor found to be feeding animals out of the county without proper consent from the NCJLS Board will be disqualified without refund of entry or nomination money. **A nomination/Validation fee of \$40 per pen will be required by May 19, 2025.** Late nominations will be accepted but will be assessed a late fee of \$40. Exhibitors can pasture cattle **not** in their direct possession for breeding purposes until 60 days prior to check-in. Cattle will be classified at validation. **Classification determination is at the judge's discretion and is final.**

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COMMERCIAL BRED HEIFER DIVISION**

Four divisions will be classified at validation:

Brahman—100% pure	F1—50%-99%
ABC—Less than 50%	AOB—British/Exotic

5. **Palpate & Check In:** Palpate check in will take place **Wednesday, January 7, 2026 between the hours of 4:00-7:00pm., at RMBRF. ALL CATTLE MUST BE SEPARATED IN TRAILER BY PEN/EXHIBITOR FOR LOAD OUT.** Heifers must be over **60 days bred at check in.** Cattle will be palpated at check in by a licensed veterinarian **to be guaranteed bred. Palpated heifers are the exhibitor's expense payable to the vet directly-please have exact amount \$10 per head.** All heifers are to be guaranteed bred by a licensed veterinarian. Any open heifer will be disqualified. NO EXCEPTIONS. Exhibitors can pasture cattle not in their direct possession for breeding purposes until 60 days prior to check-in.
6. **Interview & Record Book:** Interviews will be based on the exhibitor's knowledge of all areas of his/her exhibit. Interviews will be scored using a number ranking system. **Exhibitors will be required to participate in an interview on Thursday, January 8, 2026, starting at 8:00 AM.** Judges will conduct the interviews with the exhibitor's pen present. Cattle and interviews will have time slots for judging. The Official Record Book provided by the committee must be used (with no alterations). Information should be correct and legible, with documentation including expenditures. Each exhibitor will turn in 3 copies of their record book (1 original & 2 copies). **Any exhibitor who does not participate in the interview, Record Book and show are not eligible to sale.** Times are subject to change.
7. **Judging Guidelines and Selection for heifers:**
The judges will use a number ranking system to score the heifers. The following will be considered when ranking the heifers: Quality, Conformation, Structural Soundness and Uniformity
8. **Awards: Commercial Bred Heifer Grand Champion Pen (Banner & Buckle), Commercial Bred Heifer Reserve Champion Pen (Banner & Buckle), Rosettes will be given for the top 5 places in each division.** These will result from the highest accumulation of heifer pen Premium/prize monies may also be awarded if a donor is available. Salesmanship awards will be given for the best combined Interview/Record Book scores in Junior, Intermediate, and Senior divisions **Champion Junior Salesman, Reserve Champion Junior Salesman, Champion Intermediate Salesman, Reserve Champion Intermediate Salesman, Champion Senior Salesman, Reserve Champion Senior Salesman (Buckle).** The Salesmanship Awards are combined with Open & Bred Heifer entries. A monetary prize will also be awarded if a donor is available.
9. **Sale, Awards & Dinner:** Bred Heifer Sale will be held **Friday, January 9, 2026 at 7:00 PM.** Preview of pens will be 4:00-6:00 PM. **Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM and Awards will follow at 6:30 PM.** All pens of heifers are required to sell. Beef Checkoff fee will be deducted per the National Law on the beef check-off. A sales commission of 2% will/may be deducted from the sales price of each heifer to offset any marketing costs incurred by the sale contractor. Commercial heifer exhibitors are eligible to receive add-ons through the Premium Auction.
10. Only bred heifers will be sold. Pen less than two will be

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placed last on the sale order. If there are less than two heifers in a pen the score will be zero for the heifers.

11. There will be NO harassment of the judge(s) and/or commercial heifer committee prior to, during or after the show. Judges' reasons for their placing will be considered adequate explanation for their placings.
12. This program is designed to be educational and beneficial to the youth of NCJLS. Any parent or exhibitor not adhering to rules of the program will be subject to discipline per general and livestock rules.
13. **** All exhibitors are required to turn in a biography and a picture of heifers. Both will be due on November 1, 2025 . Please email to kayla.otahal@gmail.com.** Bios should include: name, age, grade, chapter/club, hobbies, what you learned from project, and what you enjoyed most about working with your project.

****2026 NCJLS Commercial Heifer Sale Terms & Conditions****

Bidding: Each sale lot will be sold to the highest bidder without reserve. The auctioneer will settle any disputes as the bids and his decision on such matters shall be final.

Terms: Payment **MUST** be made the night of the sale or prior to pick up. Each heifer becomes the risk of the purchaser as soon as sold, but seller will maintain care of the heifer until loaded out by 10:00 am, Saturday January 10, 2026. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

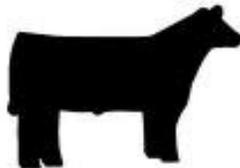
Announcements: Any changes from the information of any kind in the catalog will be provided on sale day. Updated information will take precedence over cataloged information.

Pregnancy Determination & Vaccinations: All open heifers in this sale have been determined open by a physical palpation by a licensed veterinarian. Additionally, all bred heifers have been palpated and determined to be safe with calf unless noted on the lot. All heifers have been backgrounded with backgrounded with Brucellosis, Black Leg, BVD, IBR and P13 vaccinations.

Rights & Obligations: The above terms and conditions shall constitute a contract between the buyer and the seller of each heifer sale lot and shall be equally binding on both. Each sale or resale of any heifer sale lot constitutes a separate transaction.

Load Out: Load out will begin immediately after the completion of the sale on Friday or Saturday morning from 8:00-10:00 am. The purchased heifers are the sole responsibility of the buyer. The seller is not responsible for any injury of loss after the heifers are sold. All purchased heifers must be off the ground by 10:00 am, Saturday January 10, 2026. Any heifers remaining on the grounds or not paid for will be hauled to an undisclosed location. **A handling/stocking fee will be charged to the buyer in the amount of \$25.00 per day per head.**

Liability: All persons who attend this sale do so at their own risk. The owners, NCJLS or any other person connected with the sale assume no liability, legal or otherwise.



NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW CARCASS STEER DIVISION

Tracy Wright.....Carcass Steer Superintendent

2025 GRAND CHAMPION CARCASS STEER
EXHIBITED BY: Jaxon Floyd
Annaville 4-H

Property of the Exhibitor and On-Feed.....June 26, 2025
Validation..... June 26, 2025

Thank You Letters: Thank you letters are required from all exhibitors of blue ribbon, red ribbon or sifted projects to all buyers, add-on supporters and sponsors of awards for all divisions. This rule includes the Grand and Reserve Champion Carcass Steer exhibitors. (See General Rule #38)

Rules: Carcass Steer

1. **PURPOSE:** The Carcass Steer Contest is to encourage 4-H and FFA members to participate in a practical and educational beef production program geared to the demands of the Beef Cattle Feeding Industry.
2. **VALIDATION:** Carcass steers must be the property of the exhibitor, on feed and castrated by June 26, 2025 . Steers will be weighed and validated on June 26, 2025 from 5:00 to 6:00 PM by the Carcass Superintendent in order to establish their official beginning record book weight. Market Steers can be double entered.
3. Steers entered into the market steer division may also be entered in the carcass steer division if they have paid the necessary entry fee in both divisions by the entry deadline.
4. **Entry Number:** Only one (1) steer may be exhibited per exhibitor. More than one carcass steer can be validated for the carcass contest.
5. **Check-In:** Carcass steers must be at a central location (to be designated by the Carcass Superintendent) between 5:00 and 6:00 PM Monday, January 5, 2026. **The first eligible steer weighed at check-in by an exhibitor will be the animal that is entered. There will be no backups.**
6. **Sifting:** The minimum live weight is 1000 pounds to be eligible for carcass contest prize money. No carcass calf weighing less than 1000 pounds will be sent to STX BEEF but will be disposed of by the Show Board at local livestock sale barns for market price less all NCJLS commission, scholarship deductions and sale barn fees unless exhibitor wishes to keep for future use.
7. **Record Form Deadline:** Completed record forms must be turned in at the interview.
8. **Interviews:** Interviews will take place on Saturday, January 10, 2026 at 1:00 PM at a location TBA. Interviews will be conducted one-on-one with only the exhibitor and the judge(s) present.
9. **Scoring:** The official scoring system used in this contest will be based on 140 points maximum and will be scored as follows:
 - 0 - 80 points.....Quality
 - 0 - 20 pointsYield
 - 0 - 10 points.....Record Book
 - 0 - 30 points.....Interview

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To compete in the contest and be eligible for premium money, exhibitors must compete in all three portions of the contest. Steers will be placed with the highest correlation between the best quality grade and the most desirable yield grade based on USDA standards. **There will be a ten point discount on the overall carcass grade if any negative attributes would lead to decreased consumer marketability of the carcass to grading circumstances.** These would consist of hard bone or age, abscesses, callos, dark cutter, bruising, or blood splash and any other defect that USDA would consider discountable. In the event two or more carcasses have the identical quality and yield grades, carcasses producing the highest dressing percent will receive the highest placing. Exhibitors must be in attendance at all carcass functions. Record Books and Interviews will be scored by the judge(s).

10. **Placings:** The exhibitor who accumulates the highest number of total points will be Grand Champion, the second highest total points will be Reserve Grand Champion, third highest total points will be third place, and so on. Carcass Steer contest awards will be presented after the Market Steer show. Pictures will be taken at that time. Premiums will be awarded if sponsorship is available; premium checks will be released to the exhibitor when all monies are received from donors and exhibitor has sent donor thank you letters. Packer checks will be released when received.
11. **Auction Sale:** A portion of only the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion carcasses will be sold at the auction sale to the highest bidder. (Refer to General Rule #29). *Proceeds from the Sale of these portions will benefit the NCJLS Scholarship fund. No bids will be accepted below the wholesale value paid by the packer.
12. **Sale Price/Commission:** The sale price of carcass steers will be determined by the grade of the steer. This shall apply to and include the remainder of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion steer carcasses. **Carcass Steer exhibitors are eligible to receive add-ons through the Premium Auction.**
13. **Terminal Project:** All carcass steers will go to slaughter and will not be able to be returned to the exhibitor.
14. **Red Ribbon/Sifted Market Steers:** Steers that were only entered in the market steer show but become ineligible to participate may be shipped to the packer with the carcass contest steers, but they will not be eligible for premium money or carcass awards. Exhibitors of ineligible market steers should notify the Carcass Superintendent of their intent to ship their steer to slaughter prior to the Monday morning final weighing of carcass steers. 10% or \$10.00, whichever is greater will be withheld from "rider" payments (Refer to General Rule #37c)
15. **Record Forms/Checks:** No checks will be issued without completed record forms turned into the Livestock Show Office. The Show will act as sales agents for the exhibitors. By entering in this division the exhibitors waive the right and agree not to hold the Show responsible for making payments within the time period designated by the Packers and Stockyards Act.
16. Steers in this contest will NOT be fed or administered a Beta-Agonist (Ractopamine) or any Animal-Derived Feedstuffs including Tallow.

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AWARDS - CARCASS STEER DIVISION

Grand Champion.....	Buckle, Jacket & Banner
Reserve Champion.....	Buckle, Jacket & Banner
3rd Place.....	Jacket & Banner
4th Place.....	Jacket & Banner
5th Place.....	Jacket & Banner
6th - 10th Place.....	Jacket & Banner

The High Point Showman (Senior, Intermediate & Junior) will receive a belt buckle (if sponsorship available).

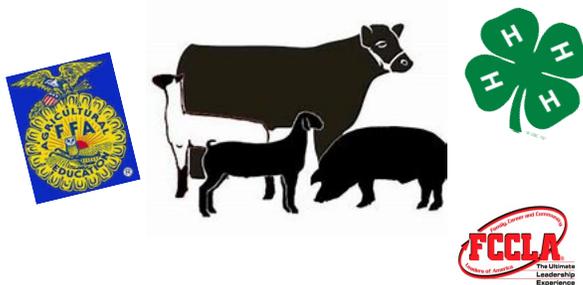
The High Point Rookie (first time carcass steer exhibitor) will receive a belt buckle (if sponsorship is available).



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NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW CALF SCRAMBLE DIVISION

Rules: Calf Scramble

1. **The Nueces County Junior Livestock Show will not be responsible for any accidents, which may occur to any contestant before, during, or after the Calf Scramble.**
2. **The NCJLS will only accept Minor's Release Forms from FFA Advisor or 4-H CEA/Club Manager.** Contestants will be notified of their acceptance through their FFA Advisor or 4-H CEA/Club Manager. Minor's Release MUST be complete. Faxed forms or copies WILL NOT be accepted.
3. **BOTH PARENTS must sign the Minor's Release.** If the parents are divorced or if one is deceased, one signature is sufficient and "divorced" or "deceased" must be noted on the Minor's Release. If one parent cannot sign in front of the Notary, an affidavit must accompany the Minor's Release. Incomplete forms WILL NOT be accepted, nor returned. If forms are incomplete, the Superintendent of the contest will be notified and the first available alternate will be assigned to that position.
4. **Medical survey forms will be required for each contestant.** These forms will be mailed to the contestant's FFA Advisor or 4-H CEA/Club Manager. Entry forms are due by Friday before performance (January 16, 2026) for each contestant. In addition, contestants requiring medical attention 30 days prior to the scramble date, must provide a doctor's release at check-in. Contestants WILL NOT be allowed to scramble if either of these requirements are not met.

The Interscholastic League State Executive Committee, in cooperation with the State Board of Vocational Education, has formulated a plan to permit Calf Scrambles and still protect the participant's amateur standing. This is accomplished by placing the matter under the supervision of the Agricultural Science Department of the participating school and the AST. Participants are prohibited from receiving anything of cash value for winning the athletic portion of the program.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. Participants must be able to run and perform procedure necessary to scramble.
2. Applicants must weigh at least **100 pounds**.
3. Participants appearing to have broken limbs or evidence of a recent injury (cast, ace bandage, support brace, etc.) will **automatically** be disqualified and replaced by the first eligible alternate.

CONTESTANT RULES:

1. Contestants must have reached their 13th, but not their 18th birthday on August 31, 2025 and not be enrolled beyond their Junior year in high school. FFA and 4-H members MUST re-side in Nueces County or be enrolled and a student in good standing in an accredited school IN Nueces County. They must be active members, in good standing, of an FFA Chapter or 4-H Club.
2. There will only be 1 performance during the 2026 NCJLS. With 10 (+ or -) participants (5 4-H members and 5 FFA members) with 4 (+ or -) calves, depending on sponsorship. Contestants and calves will be placed in the arena as determined by the NCJLS. (Subject to change).

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3. Contestants can only be awarded one (1) NCJLS Scramble Purchase Certificate during his or her FFA or 4-H career.
4. **Contestants can apply through either FFA or 4-H, but not both.**
5. Each 4-H Club and or FFA Chapter may only have one (1) participant per calendar year.
6. If a contestant is unable to scramble for any reason, the Calf Scramble Committee will assign an alternate.
7. **Approved applicants are considered eligible by the NCJLS for participation in the Calf Scramble at the time of entry. Eligibility forms MUST be signed and dated by the appropriate school officials and presented to the NCJLS Scramble Committee before entry to the arena. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.**

CERTIFICATE VALUE: \$1000.00 (As long as Donors are available), payable as \$750.00 to purchase animal and \$250.00 upon completion of 75% of tasks (ie: reports to sponsors, monthly expense reports, record book/scrap book, meetings, etc.)

ARENA RULES:

1. Participants must be checked in at the Scramble Meeting room prior to the start of the meeting. Any participant not present at the start of the meeting may forfeit their position and be replaced with an alternate. A notice including the scramble time and meeting time will be sent to all participants and alternates.
2. Contestants will carry a halter into the arena with an attached ten-foot rope supplied by the NCJLS. Neither the halter nor the rope may be used as a lariat. The halter must be placed on the animal as instructed by the NCJLS Scramble Orientation.
3. Contestants may not work as a "team". Each contestant will attempt to catch and halter one of the calves. Each contestant catching a calf is required to lead that calf across the finish line without assistance. After placing the halter on the calf, the contestants will NOT be permitted to fasten the rope to themselves in any manner.
4. If a contestant has hold of a calf, no other contestant will be allowed to touch the calf unless it breaks away. If two or more contestants catch the same calf, they will be ordered by the referee to release the calf.
5. If a calf is caught by the tail, the contestant will be allowed a reasonable amount of time to place the halter on the calf. However, at the direction of the referees, the contestant must let go.
6. **Poor sportsmanship will automatically disqualify the contestant! Undue roughness will NOT be tolerated whether towards participants or to the animal.**
7. **Proper attire MUST be worn.** Jeans, closed-toed shoes, and a long sleeve shirt are required. (Overalls, flip flops, sandals, shorts, and hats/caps are not allowed.)
8. There will be a MANDATORY meeting for all participants receiving a scramble certificate date to be determined after the completion of the livestock show. Certificate recipients and parents will be notified of meeting date and time. All consideration will be made to accommodate every participant, but attendance is required by both recipient and at least one parent.

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CALF SCRAMBLE DIVISION**

PURCHASE CERTIFICATE RULES:

1. **Calf Scramble winners are REQUIRED to mail a Thank You letter to their sponsor/sponsors and to the NCJLS office in order to receive their 2026 NCJLS Purchase Certificate.**
2. All Thank You letters to the sponsors and the NCJLS **MUST** be in the show office within **14 days** of contest.
3. Monthly reports, with or without pictures, showing your progress with your project, must be mailed to your sponsor/sponsors and to the NCJLS office. Monthly Reports will be required beginning **March 1, 2026** through **January 1, 2027**. All reports **MUST** be in NCJLS Office by the **10th** of the month, every month of the reporting period (Mar 1 -Jan 1).

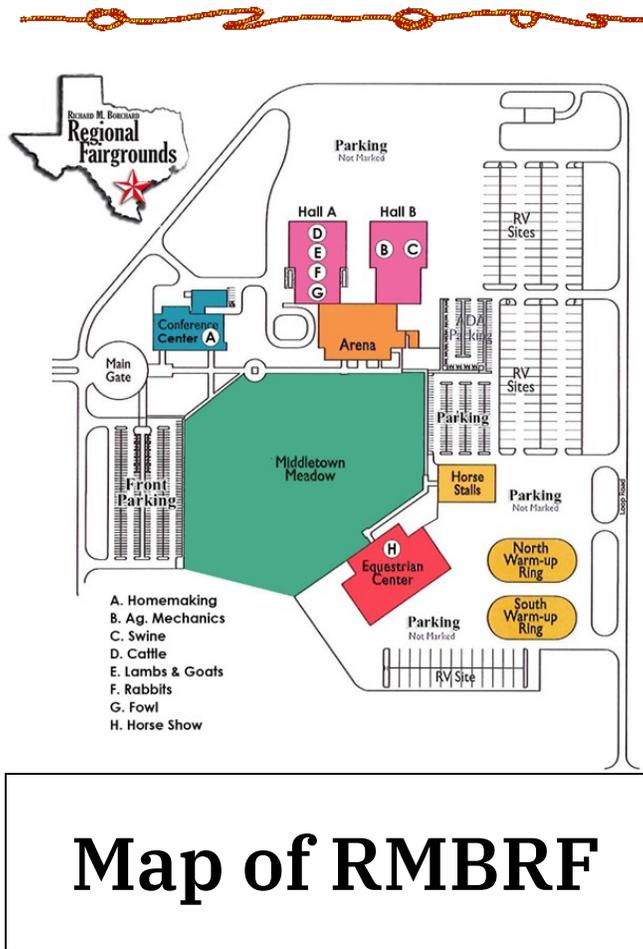
CERTIFICATE VALUE: \$1000.00 (As long as Donors are available), payable as \$750.00 to purchase animal and \$250.00 upon completion of 75% of tasks (i.e.: reports to sponsors, monthly expense reports, record book/scrap book, meetings, etc.)

4. 2026 NCJLS Purchase Certificates may be used to purchase a breeding heifer OR a market steer.
5. The animals purchased using the NCJLS Purchase Certificate **MUST** be approved by the Exhibitor's FFA Advisor or 4-H CEA/Club Manager and required to return and be exhibited at the 2026 NCJLS as the Exhibitor's 4-H or FFA project. In addition to showing the project, exhibitors are required to submit an official Record Book/ Scrap book by January 5, 2026.
6. **Dual ownerships or partnerships are not allowed. Registration papers should ONLY be in the scramble winner's name.**
7. **Exhibitors may NOT purchase animals from themselves, immediate family members (mother, father, brother, sister, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, grandfather, grand-mother, stepfather, stepmother, half brother, half sister, niece, nephew, aunt, uncle, cousin), family ranches or partnerships, or their AST / CEA / 4-H CLUB MANAGER.**
8. If the animal is purchased for less than the Purchase Certificate amount, a check will be issued to the seller for the actual cost of the animal. **Under any circumstance, checks WILL NOT be issued to the exhibitor, 4-H Club or Club Manager, FFA Chapter or Advisor, or exhibitor's parents.**
9. **The calf must be a FFA or 4-H project. The winner MUST return to the 2027 NCJLS and show the calf.**
10. Steer projects may not be entered in any show prior to the 2026 NCJLS that requires winning animals to be sold at auction.
11. Winners cannot purchase a calf that they have previously shown at the NCJLS in any given year or any calf that has previously been recorded in their name or in any immediate family member's name.

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12. Heifer certificates may be combined with certificates from other stock shows that occur between January 1 and March 31, 2026 as long as the animal is brought back to the NCJLS in 2026. If a combination of certificates is being used, the original transferred registration papers must be sent to the Show that is the earliest in the calendar year. The first Show will make copies of the original transferred registration papers and then forward the original transferred registration papers to the later Shows. The last Show of the calendar year will receive and hold the original transferred registration papers and forward the original transferred registration papers to the winner/exhibitor upon completion of his project at all the Shows involved.
13. Exhibitors, who fail to fulfill all or part of the obligations as listed, will result in the revocation of all rights to the Purchase Certificate and possible repayment of all or part of the value of the Purchase Certificate to the NCJLS and will be required to provide a letter of explanation to the donor/donors and the NCJLS office.
14. In addition to the rules and regulations listed, exhibitors are required to follow the guidelines as listed in the NCJLS General Rule Book.

This event will occur if sponsorships are secured at a time on January 16, 2026 or 1 hour after completion of the Livestock Judging Contest in the Equestrian Center.



NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW LAMB DIVISION

Mollie GoetzelCo-Superintendent
Tanya Lawhon.....Co-Superintendent

2025 GRAND CHAMPION MARKET LAMB
EXHIBITED BY: KALLIE DROZD
CALALLEN FFA

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS and PARENTS

 **One Hour Rule:** Exhibitors choosing to retain ownership of their **BLUE OR RED RIBBON** animal for future use must notify the division superintendent in writing within 1 hour after their Division judging.

Thank You Letters: Thank you letters are required from all exhibitors of blue ribbon, red ribbon or sifted projects to all buyers, add-on supporters and sponsors of awards for all divisions. (Refer to General Rule # 38 for further information/penalties)

Property of the Exhibitor and On-Feed.....October 21, 2025
ValidationOctober 21, 2025

1. **Validation:** All Market Lambs to be entered and eligible to show must be the property of the exhibitor and under daily feed and care of the exhibitor by October 21, 2025. In order for lambs to be eligible for the show, they are required to report to the RMBF to be validated by the lamb Committee ON OR BEFORE Tuesday, October 21, 2025 6:00—7:30 p.m. **ALL lambs must be in line by 7:30 PM or will not be validated.** At validation, after the lamb has been ear tagged, **NOSE PRINTED WITH A 3x5 CARD** the exhibitor or parent/legal guardian will sign his/her name verifying to the master books the validation eartag number. Any lamb not present for the validation will not be eligible for show.
 - a. Ewe lambs entered in the Market Lamb show are not eligible to show in the Breeding Show.
 - b. If the eartag is lost, one county agent or Ag. Science teacher and either the lamb superintendent or assistant superintendent must be notified and the lamb must be retagged within seven (7) days. The lamb will be re-nose printed or pull hair to what is required.
 - c. Any exhibitor who wishes to enter a major show must have his/her lambs validated with the Texas 4-H and FFA Lamb Validation Program. Exhibitors will be able to do this at the time of the NCJLS Lamb Validation. Any exhibitor wishing to have their lamb registered with the Texas Lamb Breeder Association (TLBA) must have the TLBA tag (Provided by the Breeder) in the lamb's ear at the time of the NCJLS Lamb Validation.
 - d. The lamb superintendent or assistant superintendent with two (2) committee members have the right to reject any lambs found to be violating show/lamb rules.

2.  **Check-In: Weigh & Sift** Lambs in this division will be accepted at the Fairgrounds between 10:00 - 11:00 AM, Tuesday, January 13, 2026 ONLY. **CLASSIFIERS ARE TO FOLLOW THE MAJOR SHOW CLASSIFYING GUIDELINES.** All lambs will be weighed on CERTIFIED scales and sifted by breed.
 - a. Weigh In & Sift will be in the order of:
 1. Southdown
 2. Fine Wool

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3. Fine Wool Cross
4. Dorper
5. Medium Wool (Hampshire, Shropshire, Suffolk, Columbia, Dorset, Corriedale, Cheviot)

MARKET LAMBS RULES

3. **Sifting:** All market lambs will be weighed and sifted upon arrival. Wether and ewe lambs may be shown in this division of Market Lambs. Lambs not being of show quality due to weight and overall body condition including lambs showing or displaying any signs of disease, external parasites, or physical abnormalities at time of check in, will be sifted at the classifier/sifting judge's discretion.
4. **Judging:** The market lambs will be judged starting at 6:00 PM, or 30 minutes after the Breeding Ewe Show concludes, but not earlier than 6:00 PM on **TUESDAY January 13, 2026** in the following class order.
 - a. There will be five major breed classifications as shown:
 - Division 1: Southdown
 - Division 2: Fine Wool
 - Division 3: Fine Wool Crosses
 - Division 4: Dorper
 - Division 5: Medium Wool (Hampshire, Shropshire, Suffolk, Columbia, Dorset, Corriedale & Cheviot)
5. **One Hour Rule:** Lamb exhibitors who choose to retain ownership have until one (1) hour following the conclusion of the Lamb Grand Champion selection to turn in the release form to the Superintendent to remove their animal from the barn. Once approved, animals can be removed at the conclusion of the show and must be off the premises by Friday, January 16, 2026 by 10 AM.
6. **Shearing:** All lambs must be shorn to the skin - slick shorn from the knee and hock up prior to entering the barn for weigh in or they will be subject to being sifted. The use of cordless clippers, scissors, or hand held shears will be allowed for touch ups below the knees and hock. Shearing of head or body will NOT be allowed. No painting, powdering, or artificial coloring is allowed. The use of battery operated blowers is allowed.
7. **Fitting:** Their tails must be docked or they will be sifted. Any lamb having belly wool or showing modification to the sheath; injection of oil, air or any other foreign substance that alters physical appearance to any part of the body will cause forfeiture of all monies and all future entries for the exhibitor. This does not include tail docking (Refer to General Rule #15). **NO** lambs will leave the barn (unless a designated walking area is provided by NCJLS Board).
8. **Ram Characteristics:** Any lamb showing evidence of live testicular tissue or exhibiting excessive ram characteristics will be sifted.
9. **Weigh-In:** Minimum weight for the Southdown and Dorper breed will be 90 pounds. Minimum weights for all other breeds will be 100 pounds, maximum weight for all breeds will be 175 pounds. The first weight counts and there will be no re-weighing of entries. All lambs will be weighed on certified scales.
 - a. The lamb superintendent will allow three (3) pounds over or under the established weights for the division. All animals will be paid on the minimum weight of the division if weights are less than the established weight limits for the division.

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10. **Weight Classes:** Weight classes will be broke into the number of Classes at the discretion of the Superintendents.

For the exhibitor's information, the classes with their entries will be posted in the sheep barn prior to 6:00 PM Tuesday January 13, 2026.

11. **Placings:** As many as twenty placings will be allowed in each class. Only lambs receiving blue ribbons will be entitled to sell in the auction. All lambs receiving a blue ribbon should be of show quality. Any lamb of inferior quality or that shows evidence that it has not been cared for in a manner proper for a show animal will be subject to receiving a red ribbon. The decision of the placing judge regarding distribution of red and blue ribbons is final.

12. **Champion Selection:** The Grand Champion Market Lamb will be selected from the champion animal from each of the five major breeds as shown above. The Reserve Champion of the Breed from which the Grand Champion is selected shall move up for competing for the Reserve Champion Market Lamb of the show. Therefore, the two top animals from each classification shall return to the judging area for this judging.

 a. If an exhibitor has two lambs of the same breed in the Grand Champion Drive, and one is selected as Grand Champion, their second lamb will be excused and the third (3rd) overall of that breed will come in for the Reserve Grand Selection.

 b. If an exhibitor has two lambs of different breeds in the Grand Champion Drive and one is selected as Grand Champion, their second lamb will be excused and the Reserve Grand Champion Lamb of that breed will come in for the Reserve Grand Champion selection.

13. **Showmanship:** Refer to General Rule # 20. Exhibitors must show their OWN animal in the showmanship drive. Begin with junior contestants, intermediate, and then senior. Winners of the Top Junior, Top Intermediate and Top Senior Showman awards will then compete for the Top Showmanship Award and the winner will receive a plaque

14. **Animal Care:** Each exhibitor is responsible to provide blankets, adequate bedding, feed and water for their lambs until they are taken home or until Saturday, January 17, 2026.

Awards - Market Lambs

Grand Champion Market Lamb	Buckle, Banner & Award
Reserve Champion Market Lamb.....	Buckle, Banner & Award
Third Overall Champion Market Lamb.....	Banner
Top Senior Showman - Market Lambs.....	Belt Buckle
Runner-Up Senior Showman.....	Award
Top Intermediate Showman - Market Lambs.....	Buckle
Runner-Up Intermediate Showman.....	Award
Top Junior Showman - Market Lambs.....	Buckle
Runner-Up Junior Showman.....	Award
Breed Champions- Market Lambs (5 classes).....	Buckle
Res Breed Champion - Market Lambs (5 classes).....	Buckle
1-10 Placings (12 possible divisions)...	1st-10th Placing Ribbons
Showmanship Finalists.....	Recognition Award
Blue, Red & White ribbons awarded accordingly.	

**NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW
LAMB DIVISION**

Breeding Sheep

Jeffrey Hunt.....Superintendent
Joe Willie Lee.....Assistant Superintendent

2025 GRAND CHAMPION BREEDING SHEEP

*EXHIBITED BY: Cameron Crawford
Bluntzer 4-H Club*

*Property of the Exhibitor and On-Feed.....October 21, 2025
Validation.....October 21, 2025*

Scrapie Premise ID tags must be in place by validation date. All Breeding Sheep must have a Scrapie tag to be eligible to compete in the NCJLS. These are required by USDA under their program and protects the NCJLS from enforced regulations. For further information contact the county extension agent.

1. **Validation:** Breeding Sheep must be the property of and under daily care of the exhibitor no later the October 21, 2025. All Breeding Sheep shall be required to report to the RMBRF (Equine Arena) on the Third Tuesday in October from 6:00 pm to 7:30pm . **SHEEP MUST BE IN LINE BY 7:30PM OR WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR VALIDATION. All Breeding Sheep must have a Scrapies Tag (Provided by the Breeder) In The Ear at the time of the NCJLS Lamb Validation.** At validation, the breeding sheep not having an existing breeder tag number will be tattooed for identification. After the lamb has been properly identified, the exhibitor or designated representative will sign his/her name verifying to the master books the validation ear tag or tattoo number. Any breeding sheep not present for the validation will not be eligible for show.
 - a. Breeding Sheep will not be eligible for the Market Show.
 - b. If the ear tag is lost, one county agent or Ag. Science teacher and either the lamb superintendent or assistant superintendent must be notified and the lamb must be retagged or tattooed (permanently identified) within seven (7) days.
 - c. Any exhibitor who wishes to enter a major show must have his/her breeding sheep validated with the Texas 4-H and FFA Lamb Validation Program. Exhibitors will be able to do this at the time of the NCJLS Lamb Validation. In accordance with major show rules, those breeding sheep must be registered in the Herd book of their Association in only the name of the Junior exhibitor (no family registrations/validations) on or before October 1, the year preceding the show.
 - d. Validate as a family for NCJLS unless ewe is registered to an individual exhibitor.
2. **Check-In:** Breeding Sheep in this division will be accepted at the RMBR Fairgrounds between **12:00-12:45 PM, Tuesday, January 13, 2026 ONLY.** Classification will occur during check-in. The Classifier's judgement is final. Purebred non-registered sheep may be shown with registered sheep. Maximum of 2 entries per exhibitor. Breeding Sheep will be judged at 4:30 pm January 13, 2026 in the Main Arena.
 - a. **Max: 2 HEAD PER CLASS**
 - b. With no more than 1 head per exhibitor per age class in same breed. (i.e., 2 entries in the Hampshire - lamb class

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Breeding Sheep

c. Registration papers on ewe lambs must be present at check in. The Classifier's and the Breeding Sheep Judge's decision will be final.

- a. Placing: The Exhibitor has the option to roll up a Ewe Class if needed to be able to separate the entries
- b. Breeding Sheep not being of show quality due to overall body condition including breeding sheep showing or displaying any signs of disease, external parasites or physical abnormalities at time of check in will be sifted at the Classifiers / Sifting Judge's discretion.

3. **Breeding Ages:** For the purpose of this show, toothing of sheep to determine the age class in which they are shown will be done at Check-in. Sheep with the following tooth development will show in the listed classes.

Ewe Lamb: Lambs must be carrying all milk teeth. (Lambs showing either or both of their first permanent incisors may not show in the lamb class)

Two-Tooth: Sheep must only show the first pair of permanent incisors

Aged Ewes: Sheep showing the first two pairs or three pairs of permanent incisors (four-to-six teeth)

Sheep showing more than three pairs (or six) permanent teeth are **NOT Eligible to exhibit in the show.

4. **Judging:** The breeding sheep will be judged starting at 4:30 PM, Tuesday, January 13, 2026 in the following class order:

- a. There will be 6 major breed classifications as shown: (i.e. Southdown, Dorset, Rambouillet, Suffolk, Hampshire, Dorper)
- b. Classes: (for each represented breed)
 - Ewe Lamb
 - Two-Tooth Ewe
 - Aged Ewe
 - Breed Champion
 - Reserve Breed Champion

For the exhibitor's information the classes with their entries will be posted in the sheep barn prior to 2:00 PM Tuesday, January 13, 2026.

5. **Champion Selection:** The Supreme Champion Breeding Sheep will be selected from the champion animal from each of the major breeds as shown above. The Reserve Champion of the Breed from which the Supreme Champion Breeding Sheep is selected shall move up to compete for the Reserve Supreme Champion Breeding Sheep of the show. Therefore, the two top animals from each classification shall return to the judging area for this judging.

6. **Shearing:** All breeding sheep must be shorn to the skin-slick shorn from the knee and hock up-prior to entering the barn for check-in. Rambouillet and Columbia breeds may have the wool and legs fitted and will be left to the discretion of the exhibitor. No clipping by electric clippers or **cordless clippers** will be allowed at the show. No painting, powdering, or artificial coloring is allowed.

7. **Fitting:** All breeding sheep tails must be docked or they will be sifted. Any lamb having belly wool (with exception of the specified breeds in Rule # 6) or showing modification of injection of oil, air or any other foreign substance that alters physical appearance to any part of the body will cause forfeiture of all monies and all future entries for the exhibitor. This does not include tail docking (Refer to General Rule #15). No breeding sheep will leave the Fairgrounds. All grooming, etc. will take place at the Fairgrounds.

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LAMB DIVISION
Breeding Sheep**

8. **Placings:** As many as twenty placings will be allowed in each class. All lambs receiving a blue ribbon should be of show quality. Any lamb of inferior quality or that shows evidence that it has not been cared for in a manner proper for a show animal will be subject to receiving a red ribbon. The decision of the placing judge regarding distribution of red and blue ribbons is final.

9. **One hour Rule/Breeding Sheep: All Breeding Sheep will be released to be removed from the barn the following**

<u>day</u> <u>the</u> <u>ing</u>	<u># Show</u>	<u>Class Placings</u>				<u>after</u> <u>Breed-</u> <u>Sheep</u> <u>Show</u> <u>tween</u> <u>9:00—</u> <u>10:00</u> <u>WITH</u> <u>EXCEP-</u> <u>TIONS</u> <u>ter the</u> <u>lease</u> <u>been</u>
		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	
<u>be-</u>	1 - 2	\$2				
	3 - 4	\$4	\$2			
<u>AM.</u> <u>NO</u>	5 - 8	\$6	\$4	\$2		
<u>af-</u> <u>re-</u> <u>has</u>	9 - 12	\$8	\$6	\$4	\$2	
	13+	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4	

approved by the Division Superintendent.

Premiums: The following sliding scale of placings and premiums apply.

Breed Champion \$10
Res Breed Champion..... \$5



***2026 Parade of Champions
and Blue Ribbon Sale***

*Come join us and support the 2026
Nueces County Junior Livestock
Show Blue Ribbon Sale!*

Saturday, January 18, 2026

*Parade of Champions begins at 10:00 AM
followed by the
Blue Ribbon Sale at 11:00 AM*

NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW MARKET SWINE DIVISION

RULES: MARKET SWINE

Matt O'BrienSuperintendent
Tony Nelson Assistant Superintendent

2026 GRAND CHAMPION MARKET SWINE
EXHIBITED BY: BLAKELY BROWN
BLUNTZER 4-H CLUB

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS and PARENTS

One Hour Rule: Exhibitors choosing to retain ownership of their **BLUE OR RED RIBBON** animal for future use must notify the division superintendent in writing within 1 hour after their Division judging. (Refer to General Rule #30 for further information.)

Thank You Letters: Thank you letters are required from all exhibitors of blue ribbon, red ribbon or sifted projects to all buyers, add-on supporters and sponsors of awards for all divisions. (Refer to General Rule # 38 for further information/penalties)

**Property of the Exhibitor and On-Feed.....November 8
Validation DatesNovember 4, 6, & 8**

1. **Validation:** All market swine to be entered and eligible to show must have been the property of the exhibitor, on feed and under his daily care by November 8, 2025 .
2. **Validation will take place at designated locations on three (3) days** to be determined by the Swine Validation Committee.
 - a. To be eligible to exhibit in the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show, all market swine must be validated in the Nueces County Swine Validation Program. Market swine must be in the possession and under the daily feed and care of the exhibitor no later than the validation date. *Validation will take place at the following dates and locations :*
 - **November 4th - 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM**
Banquete Ag Building
Calallen Ag Building
 - **November 6th - 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM**
Tuloso Midway Ag Building
 - **November 8th--8:00 AM to 9:00 AM**
Richard Borchard Regional Fairgrounds
 - b. Each exhibitor will be allowed to enter two (2) swine in the NCJLS. Exhibitors entering 2 market swine must be of different breeds. Please refer to General Rule #12 on page 16 .
 - c. All validation forms must be completed, accurate and in the hands of the county validation chair within 7 business days of the final county validation or pigs will be automatically disqualified.

Swine will be validated according to the latest guide lines set forth by the State Validation committee.

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Each entry must be recorded on the Swine Validation Form Master list completed by the County Swine Validation Committee. The committee will be composed of 1 Ag Science Teacher from each chapter in the county, 1 County Extension Agent and 1 representative from each school district. Failure to comply with the rules and regulations of the Nueces County Swine Validation Program in any manner will result in immediate disqualification.

3. **Barrows/Gilts:** Barrows and gilts may be shown in the Market Swine Division.
4. **Check-In:** Market swine must be on the show grounds starting at 3:00 PM, and no later than 6:00 PM, Tuesday, January 13, 2026. **Market Swine exhibitors MUST have eligibility voucher in hand in order to unload pigs. Vouchers for EVERY pig in trailer must be present at time of unloading. If vouchers cannot be presented for EVERY pig, the trailer will be sent to the end of the line. There will be NO partial unloading of trailers.** Animals will not be allowed into the barn during Tuesday check-in that are sick or show signs of external parasites. If swine shows signs of stress a veterinarian along with swine superintendents will make the decision if the swine is allowed into the show. All swine must be disqualified and removed from the show grounds by the exhibitor within one hour if the animal cannot move under their own power.

Pen assignment requests are due from Ag teachers and 4-H club managers by December 12, 2025. Pen assignments will not be changed without approval of swine superintendents. **PEN ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE POSTED ON THE NCJLS WEBSITE PRIOR TO SHOW.**

5. **Breed Determination:** Determination of the animal's classification is to be based upon the most predominate breed characteristic which indicates beyond a possible doubt that the animal has the required blood relating to the class in which he is entered. The classifier will classify animals as to breed and their decision will be final.

Market Swine Sifting Order:

1 - Berkshire	6 – Yorkshire
2 - Chester White	7 - Other Pure Breeds
3 - Duroc	8 - Light Crosses
4 - Hampshire	9 - Dark Crosses
5 - Spot/Poland	

6. **Exhibitors in Sifting Area: Exhibitors only in scale and sifting areas.**
7. **Weights/Sifting:** All swine will be weighed on **CERTIFIED** scales and sifted by breed in sifting order on Wednesday, January 14, 2026 starting at 8:00 AM. **All entries must report during their breeds designated time.** If an exhibitor is unable to get to their swine to the scale within the allotted time, and final LAST CALL, the animal will be disqualified from competition. The animal must be removed from the show grounds between 2:00 and 3:00 PM after the completion of the sift. **The Classifier, present the day of sift, will classify all animals.**

The superintendent will review animals for signs of external parasites and any animals will be disqualified and removed. All swine must weigh a minimum 220 lbs and a

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maximum of 300 lbs. A 5 pound tolerance will be given over or under minimum and maximum weights to compensate for scale differences.

8. Scales will be rebalanced between every breed and before each reweigh. Each reweigh will be the final weight.

a. All animals should be clean and washed prior to entering the weighing area and for the Show.

b. Pigs MUST weigh a minimum of 230lbs to meet the requirements for resale/truck loadout. All pigs weighing 229lbs or less must be removed Thursday, January 15th between 6:00 and 8:00 PM. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to pickup the animal during the allotted time.

9. **Blue Ribbons:** All animals that are judged to be of show quality will receive blue ribbons.

10. **Judging Times:** Market swine judging will begin at 8:00 AM, Thursday, January 15, 2026 in the class order shown below:

Class 1 - Berkshire
Class 2 - Chester White
Class 3 - Light Crosses
Class 4 - Dark Crosses
Class 5 - Duroc

Class 6 - Hampshire
Class 7 - Spot/Poland
Class 8 - Yorkshire
Class 9 - Other Pure Breeds

Judging: Exhibitors only in show ring and holding area.

The Swine Committee will ONLY allow exhibitors with special needs assistance beyond this point and that assistance MUST be another exhibitor. A parent would only be allowed beyond this point if a special needs exhibitor were to shut down and need to be consoled/comforted by that parent. The parent would be escorted by a designated Swine Committee member or board member.

11. **Weight Classes:** Breeds will be divided into weight classes at the superintendent's and his designated associates' discretion.

12. **Breed Champions/Reserve Breed Champions:** The Champion and Reserve Champion animal in each breed class will be eligible to compete for the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion, respectively of the Show.

13. **Champion Drive**

If a participant with two swine projects in the Grand Champion Drive has one selected as a Top 5 Market Swine, their second project will be excused and the reserve champion of that breed will be considered for placing in the Top 5.

- A. Showman with two market swine in the Grand Champion Drive must stay on the project that they first entered the drive with.

14. **Showmanship:** Exhibitors must show their **OWN** animal in the showmanship drive. Showmanship will be an open event for all swine exhibitors. Exhibitors **MUST** sign up at the time of sift by grade division and heats will be posted prior to showmanship. Grade division heats will be split with no more than 15 per class. The Top Junior, Top Intermediate and Top Senior showman awards will compete for the Top Showmanship Award.

A. Showmanship show order - Seniors, Intermediates, Juniors, followed by overall.

15. *****Care and Feeding of Swine:** The care (feeding and

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watering) of the exhibitors' swine projects is the responsibility of the exhibitor until Sunday morning at 9:00 AM. Any exhibitor in violation of not caring for the animals will deem to forfeit any money from the sale of that animal.***

- 16. Any swine showing signs of stress determined by the swine superintendent and committee prior to sale must be sold as a premium except for the Champion or Reserve. Swine Superintendent will inform the exhibitor of the determination; the swine will be removed at the designated time for premium animals in accordance with the NCJLS guide lines.

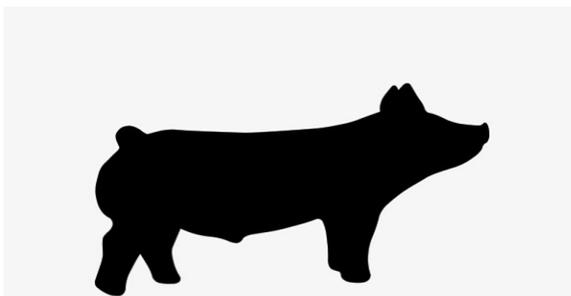
Breed Classification Guidelines:

Reference Swine Breed Classification Guidelines:

[https://www.texasffa.org/docs/Swine%20Classification%20%20Guidelines%20final.2%20\(3\)_69061.pdf](https://www.texasffa.org/docs/Swine%20Classification%20%20Guidelines%20final.2%20(3)_69061.pdf)

Awards - Market Swine

Grand Champion	Buckle, Banner & Award
Reserve Champion	Buckle, Banner & Award
Top Showmanship Award	Buckle & Award
Top Senior Showman	Buckle & Traveling Trophy
Runner-Up Senior Showman	Award
Top Intermediate Showman	Buckle & Traveling Trophy
Runner-Up Intermediate Showman	Award
Top Junior Showman	Buckle & Traveling Trophy
Runner-Up Junior Showman	Award
Showmanship Finalists.....	Recognition Award
Breed Champion	(8) Buckles & Banner
Reserve Breed Champion.....	(8) Buckles & Banner
3rd Overall	Banner
4th Overall.....	Banner
5th Overall	Banner



**NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW
POULTRY DIVISION**

POULTRY

Mark Jones.....Superintendent
Michelle Bockholt Gordon.....Assistant Superintendent
Michelle Charba.....Assistant Superintendent



SCHEDULE:

Check in/Sift Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM
Judging (Broilers followed by Turkeys) - Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at 10:00 AM
Showmanship..... Wednesday, January 14, 2026, immediately after Turkey Show.

Broilers - Property of exhibitor and on feed as of the designated delivery date (approx. 6 weeks before show day)

Turkeys - Property of exhibitor and on feed as of the designated delivery date (approx. 11 weeks before show day)

RULES: POULTRY DIVISION

Purpose: The Poultry Division is to encourage the production and marketing of better broilers and turkeys, and to demonstrate to 4-H, FFA and FCCLA members the importance of grading standards and selection techniques and to encourage them in the field of poultry science.

- 1. **Poultry Classes:** There will be two (2) classes of Poultry:
 - a. Class 1 - One Pen of Three (3) Broilers of the same or mixed sex
 - b. Class 2 - Turkeys - Entry will consist of only one (1) Tom or one (1) Hen

2. **Eligibility of Entry:**
Pick up of poultry must be done by participant or guardian. If neither are able to attend, prior arrangements must be made in the Show Office at least three (3) business days before arrival of poultry.

- BROILERS:**
- a. All broilers for the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show will be ordered by the poultry superintendent or his designate each year at the appropriate time and only these same broilers will be allowed to be entered in the County show. Broilers must originate from a minimum of 25 birds per exhibitor; exhibitors can order additional birds, but only in multiples of 25.
 - b. Each exhibitor must order a minimum of twenty-five (25) birds. Additional birds may be purchased in increments of twenty-five (25) with a maximum of seventy-five (75) total birds.

A minimum order per exhibitor 25 chicks and up to a maximum of 75 chicks. THEREFORE, each exhibitor may order 25, 50, or 75 BIRDS, Each exhibitor may order an individual set of birds (up to 75), and those wing band numbers will be assigned to that exhibitor.

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Up to three (3) siblings within the same household may order and share a set of birds (up to 75) and can show from any of the seventy-five (75). In the case of 4-6 siblings, they need to purchase an additional minimum order of 25 birds or up to 75 birds per exhibitor, and those wing band numbers will be assigned to that exhibitor, **OR** they may purchase another family set of 75 birds whose wing bands are assigned to the additional family members. In either case, the maximum number of birds in a set that an exhibitor can select from for the show is 75 birds. Please note: families with multiple exhibitors are **NOT** required to place a single order for the entire family. Family orders are an option.

- c. All broilers will be wing-tagged prior to the issuance to the exhibitor. Any broiler losing its wing band cannot show. If the band and/or wing web shows evidence of tampering or if the wing web is torn in any way, the bird will be disqualified. Only wing-band numbers originally assigned to individual exhibitors and/or brothers and sisters of a single family will be accepted. Any broilers that have died or lost their wing-bands prior to the time of issuance will be issued replacement broilers at the time of issuance as long as there are replacement broilers available. These replacement broilers will have a different series of wing-band numbers which will be recorded for any recipients.

TURKEYS:

- a. Each exhibitor must order a minimum of twenty-five (25). Additional birds may be purchased in increments of twenty-five (25) with a maximum of seventy-five (75) total birds.

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- b. Turkey toms and hens will be allowed. All turkeys for the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show will be ordered by the poultry superintendent or his designate each year at the appropriate time, and only these same turkeys will be allowed to be entered in the County Show. All turkeys will be wing banded prior to delivery to the exhibitor. Any turkey losing its wing band, cannot show. If the band and/or wing web shows evidence of tampering or if the wing web is torn in any way, the bird will be disqualified. Only the wing band numbers originally assigned to the exhibitor will be accepted.

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- C. If an exhibitor enters a second turkey, the exhibitor must bring opposite sexed, One (1) tom and One (1) hen.
- D. All turkeys will be major show birds. Rules for major shows can be obtained on the Texas A & M University Poultry Science Department website.
3. **Number of Entries:** Each exhibitor may show only two (2) entries under any class and may sell only one entry providing the proper standards are met.
 4. **Auction Sale Qualifications:** Only birds meeting USDA Grade A specifications and receiving a blue ribbon will be eligible for the premium only auction sale.
 5. **Check-In:** All poultry must be delivered to the Superintendent of the Poultry Division at the designated check in time and location.
 6. **Sifting:** Sifting of Live Birds - A qualified sifter will be appointed by the show and all birds will be examined by him/her to determine live market value. Entries showing symptoms of sickness, disease or external parasites will be excluded from exhibition at the discretion of the sifting judge or the judge if discovered during the show. Bruising and/or breast blisters to the degree that is determined objectionable by the sifting judge, poor feathering to the extent that is deemed undesirable by the sifting judge, poor market condition of the bird and/or birds determined undesirable by the sifting judge will be excluded from exhibition. Sick or diseased birds will absolutely be refused entry. Broilers deemed to be of show quality should not be sifted for non-uniformity. For such poultry prohibited to show there will be no refund of entry fee and all such birds must be removed from the Fairground immediately. The Show assumes no responsibility for the sifted or diseased birds and only birds approved will be judged.
 7. **Judging:** Judging will take place in the Main Arena, beginning with the broilers followed by the turkeys.
 8. **Attendance/Placing:** All exhibitors must be with their entry during sifting and judging. The judge will place the entries on the quality of live birds. If a bird expires between check-in/preliminary scoring and call back of its respective quality group, the pen will be placed at the bottom of its respective quality group. If a bird expires in the arena during the final evaluation, placing within its respective quality group will be left to the discretion of the judge.

Any exhibitor that has a second turkey or a second set of broilers, the lowest-placed of the two will be removed from the final placement lineup. Only the highest placing will make the sale order.

Ribbons will be awarded through ten places.

9. **Feed/Water Equipment:** The Stock Show will furnish Feed & Water Equipment. It is the responsibility of the exhibitors to feed and water their projects throughout the show. Feed and Water Equipment is to be left in the pen at the conclusion of the show.
 - A. All poultry pens need to be kept cleaned, fed and watered throughout the day. Committee members will check pens at 10:00 AM, 3:00 PM and 7:00 PM each day to make sure pens are clean and birds are fed and watered daily. Exhibitors may receive a warning if the pens are not cleaned and the birds are not fed and watered. A second warning could result in a financial

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POULTRY DIVISION**

10. **Showmanship:** Showmanship will begin after the judging of the turkey show in the main arena. All poultry exhibitors may compete for showmanship. Each participant will enter the show ring without a bird. Showmanship will consist of a verbal interview of poultry knowledge. Contestants will compete in age groups of Junior, Intermediate and Senior. The judge will select a winner from each age division and then select an overall top showman from the top of each age division.

11. **Release of Poultry Projects:** Broiler exhibitors may take one (1) bird home after the judging, maintaining two (2) birds in pen until release, except for Grand and for Reserve Champions. Turkeys that are entered into major shows will be allowed to be removed right after the judging with prior approval from the poultry superintendent. All turkeys going to majors must display a replacement turkey in the pen until all poultry is released. Red Ribbon Projects should be removed after judging is complete. All poultry projects must be removed from the Fairgrounds on Saturday, January 17, 2026 immediately after the exhibitor sales or 3 pm—4 pm whichever comes first

12. **Poultry projects will be sold premium only (Grand and Reserve Champions will enter sale ring. ALL other poultry projects will be sold by ribbon only).**

Awards - Poultry Division

Grand Champion (Broilers, Turkey).....Buckle, Banner & Award
 Reserve Champion (Broilers, Turkey)...Buckle, Banner & Award
 1st - 10th Placings (Broilers, Turkey)...1st-10th Placing Ribbons
 Blue, Red & White Ribbons awarded accordingly.

Showmanship

Top Senior.....Buckle
 Runner up Senior.....Banner
 Top IntermediateBuckle
 Runner Up Intermediate.....Banner
 Top Junior.....Buckle
 Runner Up Junior.....Banner
 Overall Poultry ShowmanTraveling Trophy & Banner

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Junior Livestock Show
“Kick Off”
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SATURDAY, JANUARY 10, 2026
BBQ COOKOFF,
PARADE, FUN & FREE DOG SHOW,
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*See y’all at the Show!***

NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW RABBIT DIVISION

RABBIT

Bruce ElamCo-Superintendent
Dianne HughesCo-Superintendent

2025 GRAND CHAMPION MARKET RABBITS
EXHIBITED BY: ADELYNN MARTINEZ
LAGUNA 4-H CLUB

**Market & Fryer Rabbits Property of the Exhibitor
and On-Feed.....December 13, 2025**
**Validation - Market and Fryer and
Breeder RabbitsDecember 13, 2025**
Breeder Rabbits - On Feed.....December 13, 2025

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS and PARENTS

Thank You Letters: Thank you letters are required from all exhibitors of blue ribbon, red ribbon or sifted projects to all buyers, add-on supporters and sponsors of awards for all divisions. (Refer to General Rule # 38 for further information/penalties.)

PURPOSE: The purpose of this division is to educate, demonstrate, and encourage 4-H, FFA, and FCCLA members in the importance of rabbit production, selection, standards of perfection and promote the interests of the rabbit industry.

RULES: RABBIT DIVISION

1. **Classes:** There will be three (3) classes in the rabbit division:
 - Class 1 Market Rabbits;** limit of one pen of three per exhibitor
 - Class 2 Single Fryers;** limit of two entries per exhibitor
 - Class 3 Breeder Rabbits;** no limit of entries
2. **Breeds:** All rabbits entered in the show must be pure-bred. A complete listing of breeds can be found in the ARBA Standard of Perfection. Class 1 Market Rabbits and Class 2 Single Fryers must be a recognized medium meat breed such as Californian and New Zealand. Class 3 Breeder Rabbits must be one of fifty (50) breeds recognized by the ARBA.
3. **Validation:**
 - A. December 13, 2025 from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM. **All rabbits must be in line by 10:00 AM** at the RMBRF (exact location to be determined). **ALL RABBITS** must be the property of, on feed and under the daily care of the exhibitor at the time of validation. All rabbits eligible for Class 1 Market Rabbits, Class 2 Single Fryers and Class 3 Breeder Rabbits will be tattooed at this time by a committee member for permanent identification. Breeder Rabbits already having a legible numerical and/or alphabetical tattoo will not need to be re-tattooed, but must still be brought to validation so that their numerical and/or alphabetical numbers can be recorded. **We encourage breeder rabbits be tattooed prior to validation.**

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RABBIT DIVISION

- B. All Rabbits must be presented for validation in a wire bottom cage or carrier with a suspended floor. No boxes, crates, pet taxis or any solid floors will be allowed. Rabbits must be clean and healthy and show no signs of diarrhea. Rabbits that are deemed unclean either by urine, feces, or illness will not be validated.
 - C. Rabbits weighing over **3 pounds** at time of validation will not be validated.
 - D. Per General/Show rule #6 on animal residency, a physical housing address must be provided at time of entry. All rabbits including market, fryer and breed rabbits, must be housed at this address. **Random spot checks conducted by two or more committee members.**
4. **Check-In/Weigh and Sift:** Market Rabbits Single Fryers will be weighed and sifted on Wednesday, January 14, 2026 from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM at the RMBRF. Breeder Rabbits will be weighed and sifted Wednesday, January 14, 2026 from 9:00 AM to 9:30 AM at the RMBRF. Exhibitors will present market/fryer rabbits to sifting judge. The committee will not pick pens or fryers during the sifting process. All rabbits must be presented for check-in in wire bottom cage or carrier with a suspended floor. No boxes, crates, pet taxis or any solid floors will be allowed. Rabbits must be clean and healthy and show no sign of diarrhea. Rabbits that are deemed unclean either by urine, feces, or illness will not be checked in. All rabbits will be weighed and sifted in the presence of a qualified judge and must meet weight standards for class and breed according to ARBA Standard of Perfection. **Market Rabbits and single fryers not weighing between three and one-half pounds to five and one-half pounds** or displaying any signs of disease, external parasites or physical abnormalities will be sifted. **If any rabbit in the pen is sifted, a qualified alternate must immediately be substituted in the presence of the sifting judge or the entire pen will be sifted.** All rabbits besides the market and fryer must be removed from the barn immediately following check-in. There will be no refund of entry fee for sifted animals.

- a. **No storing of any accessory items on top of cages.**

5. **Showmanship:** Showmanship will begin at approximately 6:00 PM following check in on Wednesday January 14, 2026 in the show arena. Showmanship will consist of a hands-on demonstration of rabbit knowledge to a qualified showmanship judge. Participants will need to demonstrate their ability to handle and care for their rabbits as well as general knowledge of rabbits in a verbal interview with the judge. Contestants will compete in age groups of Junior, Intermediate and Senior (refer to NCJLS Rule #20). The judge will select a winner from each age division and then select an overall top showman from the top of each age division.

Awards - Showmanship

Top Senior.....	Buckle & Award
Runner-Up Senior.....	Award
Top Intermediate.....	Buckle & Award
Runner-Up Intermediate.....	Award
Top Junior	Buckle & Award
Runner-Up Junior	Award
Top Overall.....	Traveling Cup Trophy & Award

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6. **Judging:** Market Rabbit judging will begin at 8:00 AM, Thursday January 15, 2026 in the show arena. Single Fryer judging will begin immediately following Market Rabbit judging conclusion. Breeder Rabbits judging will begin immediately following Breeder check-in on Wednesday, January 14, 2026 in the show arena. All exhibitors must be present with their rabbits at time of judging or the exhibitor's project will be subject to elimination. Should an exhibitor have a conflict and cannot be with his/her project at time of judging, he/she must contact Rabbit Committee Superintendent immediately for consideration. Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up after their animals and carriers are encouraged in the arena with water only, no feed, no chairs or stools will be allowed in arena due to limited room.
7. **ARBA Standards:** The rules of the American Rabbit Breeder Association (ARBA) Standard of Perfection latest edition will be used by the sifting judge and show judge. All ARBA disqualifications, eliminations and general faults will apply to each entry. Only qualified ARBA judges will be selected and their decisions shall be considered final. A judge shall not be required to place more than twenty five (25) entries in classes of fifty (50) or more. No committee member, board member or show associate will instruct the judge on the number of blue ribbons awarded. Instruction will however be given to the sifting and show judge that only high quality animals be accepted.
8. **Release:** Fryer Rabbits can be removed from the barn after judging is complete. Market Rabbit projects will be released from the Show grounds on Friday after judging 5:00 PM-7:00 PM. If an exhibitor plans to use a rabbit the day of Sale, the rabbit must be removed from the barn after the closing of the auction. Any exceptions to this rule must be approved by the Division Superintendent.
9. **Sale:** Grand and Reserve Champion Market Rabbits are required to participate in the Parade of Champions on Saturday. Grand and Reserve Champion Single Fryers and Grand and Reserve Champion Breeders may participate in the Parade of Champions on Saturday provided they are in line at designated time. Blue ribbon Market Rabbits will sell in the Blue Ribbon Sale (refer to General Rule #30) in alphabetical order according to club; this order will rotate from year to year. Exhibitors are expected to be with their rabbits 30 minutes prior to the market rabbit sale and are required to be with their rabbits at the time of sale.
PREMIUM SALE ONLY. All locks must be removed from the pens on the day of the sale.

RULES: MARKET RABBIT CLASS

1. **Market Meat Pens:** Meat Pens shall consist of three (3) rabbits, all of the same breed and variety. Meat Pen does not necessarily have to come from the same litter. Age limit 10 weeks, (70 days). Minimum of 3 1/2 pounds each. Maximum weight 5 1/2 pounds.

2.

**SCORECARD FOR JUDGING -- MARKET RABBIT CLASS
3 RABBITS TO EACH PEN**

Meat Type.....	40 points
Condition of Flesh.....	30 points
Uniformity in body and weight.....	20 points
Fur.....	10 points
TOTAL POINTS.....	100

AWARDS - MARKET RABBIT CLASS

Grand Champion Market Rabbits.....Buckle, Banner & Award
 Reserve Champion Market Rabbits.....Buckle, Banner & Award
 1st - 10th Placing.....1st - 10th Placing Ribbons
 Blue, Red and White Ribbons awarded accordingly.

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2025 GRAND CHAMPION FRYER RABBIT
EXHIBITED BY: ADELYNN MARTINEZ
LAGUNA 4-H CLUB

RULES: SINGLE FRYER

- 1. **Single Fryer:** Single fryers not over 10 weeks of age. Minimum weight of 3 1/2 pounds and maximum weight of 5 1/2 pounds. Entry for this class will not be taken from the Market Rabbit or Breeder Rabbit entries.

SCORECARD FOR JUDGING SINGLE FRYER

Meat Type.....	45 points
Condition of flesh.....	35 points
Condition of fur.....	<u>20 points</u>
TOTAL POINTS.....	100

AWARDS - FRYER RABBIT CLASS

Grand Champion Fryer Rabbits.....Buckle, Banner & Award
Reserve Champion Fryer Rabbits.....Buckle, Banner & Award
1st - 10th Placing1st - 10th Placing Ribbons

RULES: BREEDING RABBIT

2025 GRAND CHAMPION BREEDING RABBIT
EXHIBITED BY: KARLEE PEREZ
TULOSO MIDWAY FFA CHAPTER

Breeder Rabbits must be of a recognized breed as set forth by the latest edition of American Rabbit Breeders Association Standards of Protection. Entry from this class will not be taken from the Market Rabbit or Fryer Rabbit entries.

Class 6 Commercial Rabbits: including, but not limited to Californian and New Zealand will be judged as junior, intermediate and senior classes. See ARBA Standard of Perfection for all recognized commercial breeds.

Classes are as follows:

Senior Bucks	Senior Does (over 8 months)
Intermediate Bucks	Intermediate Does (under 8 months)
Junior Bucks	Junior Does (under 6 months)

See ARBA Standard for weight requirements per breed

Class 4 Fancy Rabbits: including, but not limited to, Mini Rex, Netherland Dwarf and Polish will be judged as Junior and Senior classes. See ARBA Standard of Perfection for all recognized fancy breeds.

Classes are as follows:

Senior Bucks	Senior Does (over 6 months)
Junior Bucks	Junior Does (under 6 months)

See ARBA Standard for weight requirements per breed

AWARDS - BREEDER RABBIT CLASS

Grand Champion Breeder Rabbit.....Buckle, Banner & Award
Reserve Champion Breeder Rabbit.....Buckle, Banner & Award
Champion of Class 4Rosette
Reserve Champion of Class 4Rosette
Champion of Class 6Rosette
Reserve Champion of Class 6Rosette
Blue, Red, and White Ribbons awarded accordingly.



NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW MARKET GOAT DIVISION

MARKET GOATS

Belle Huff.....Co-Superintendent
Sandra ValenciaCo-Superintendent



RULES: MARKET GOATS

Property of the Exhibitor and On-FeedOctober 15, 2025
ValidationOctober 15, 2025

1. **Validation:** Goats must be the property of and under the daily care of the exhibitor and on feed **WEDNESDAY, October 15, 2025**. All goats will be required to report to the RMBF on the third Wednesday in October, between the hours of 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM, to be validated. Goats may be validated by family name where more than one child in the immediate family is raising goats. All goats will be tattooed, tagged with special plastic ear tags and have hair sample pulled for DNA testing. The exhibitor or parent/legal guardian will sign his/her name in the master book verifying the ear tag number. Any goat not present for validation will not be eligible for show.

a. If ear tag is lost, a county agent or Ag Science teacher **and** either the goat superintendent or the assistant superintendent must be notified and the goat must be retagged within seven (7) days. If tag is lost or damaged, failure to notify superintendent will invalidate the goat for the show.

b. **ALL TAGS MUST BE REMOVED WITH THE EXCEPTION of TGBA AND SCRAPIE TAG.**

c. **All goats will be validated with the Texas 4-H and FFA Goat Validation Program.**

2. **Breeds:** The show is open to any breed or crossbred meat type goat.

3. **Judging:** Judging of this division will take place at 4:00 PM, Monday, January 12, 2026 in the Main arena.



a. There will be 4 divisions with 3 classes in each division for a total of 12 classes.

4. A substitute is only allowed if the exhibitor has another goat in the same class, Division Drive, or Grand Drive. This rule does not take the place of General Rule 9 c., but does clarify specific substitutions for the goat division. Please see General Rules in regards to substitutes for other reasons.



1. Any Substitute must be a current NCJLS Goat exhibitor. A substitute may assist multiple exhibitors if needed.



5. One hour rule: Premium animals can be removed with the approval of Superintendent at the conclusion of the show and must be out by Friday, January 16, 2026 by 10:00 AM. All tack must be removed by Saturday, January 17, 2026.

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6. **Check-In: Weight & Sifting - Mandatory:**



a. Entries will only be accepted between 4:00 PM and 6:30 PM on Sunday, January 11, 2026. All entries must be on exhibit at the designated place no later than 6:30 PM, January 11, 2026. Any exhibitor in line by 6:30 PM will be allowed to weigh in.

b. Only goats that have been validated, weighed at the show and checked in with the exhibitor will be allowed in the Fairgrounds prior to Sunday, January 11, 2026.

7. All animals not of show quality as to weight and overall body condition, **including goats showing or displaying any sign of disease, external parasites or physical abnormalities** will be sifted.

8. **Weight:** Minimum weight for all goats will be 60 pounds and the maximum weight will be 120 pounds. Any goat weighing under 60 pounds or over 120 pounds will be sifted. There will be one weighing for each goat. Goats will be divided into weight classes at the discretion of the Goat Committee for judging line up.

a. The Goat superintendent will allow 2 pounds over or under the established weights for the division. All animals will be paid on the minimum weight of the division, if weights are less than the established weight limits for this division.

b. Goats not meeting the minimum and/or the maximum weight will automatically be reweighed immediately on the same scale. Goats weighing within the minimum and maximum weight will **NOT** be reweighed.

9. **Wethers/Does:** Only castrated males, or un-bred doe kids may be shown. Any goat showing evidence of live testicular tissue or exhibiting excessive male characteristics will be sifted.

a. Does validated for Commercial Doe Show will not be eligible to be shown in Market Goat Show.

10. **Horns:** Exhibitors will be required to have horns tipped blunt before arrival on the grounds. Failure to do so will be grounds for sifting the animal.

11. **Shearing:** Goat must be shorn slick (approximately 3/8 inch, with no indication of blocking) above the knee and hock joints, excluding the tail switch, before arrival on the grounds. **All goats not sheered on the head, body and belly will be sifted.**



12. The use of handheld **battery operated** blowers and clippers are allowed for touch up only.



Placings: The top two (2) placing goats from each weight class will return to the judging arena for Division Champion and Reserve Division Champion. Light, Medium, Medium Heavy and Heavy Divisions will be utilized. The Grand Champion Goat of the show will be selected from one of the four (4) Division Champions. Once selected, the Reserve Division Champion from the Grand Champion Divisions will move up to compete for the Reserve Grand Champion Meat Goat of the show. All goats will be placed with a blue and/or red ribbon(s) awarded accordingly.



a. If an exhibitor wins both Division Champion and Reserve Champion, only the Division Champion will

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be shown in the Grand Drive.

b. If an exhibitor shows two goats, the goat that places highest or if there's a tie, the one shown first will qualify for The Blue Ribbon Sale.

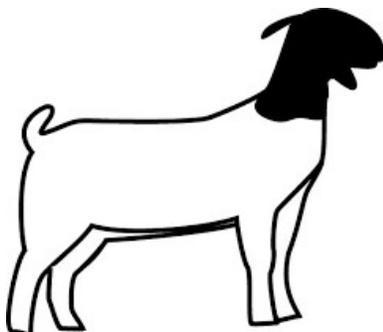
- 14. **Blue Ribbons:** All animals that are judged to be of Market Quality will receive Blue Ribbons.
- 15. **Showmanship:** Refer to General Rule 20. Exhibitor must show his/her entry in the showmanship ring drive. The winners of the Top Junior, Top Intermediate and Top Senior Showman will be awarded. These winners will then compete for the Top Showman Award.
- 16. **Animal Care:** (Refer to General Rule #25; Page 21)
- 17. **Stalls, Pens and Equipment:** (Refer to General Rule #26; Page 21)

Awards - Market Goats

Grand Champion Goat.....	Buckle, Banner & Award
Reserve Champion Goat.....	Buckle, Banner & Award
3rd Overall.....	Banner
Division Champion	Banner & Award
Reserve Division Champion	Banner & Award
Class Winners (If awards are available)....	Belt Buckle or Award
1st - 10th Placing (per class).....	1st - 10th Placing Ribbons
Top Showmanship Award-Market Goat	Traveling Trophy
Top Senior Showman.....	Belt Buckle
Runner-Up Senior Showman	Award
Top Intermediate Showman Award.....	Belt Buckle
Runner-Up Intermediate Showman Award.....	Award
Top Junior Showman.....	Belt Buckle
Runner-Up Junior Showman Award	Award
Showmanship Finalists.....	Recognition Award



Blue, Red and White ribbons awarded accordingly.



NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW COMMERCIAL DOE SHOW

Buck Fox.....Co-Superintendent
Mike Bammert.....Co-Superintendent

Property of the Exhibitor and on feed.....October 15, 2025
Validation.....October 15, 2025

2025 GRAND CHAMPION DOE
EXHIBITED BY: CONNER MARTINEZ
CALLEN FFA

COMMERCIAL DOE RULES

1. **Validation:** Breeding Doe(s) must be the property of and under the daily care of the exhibitor, on feed October 15, 2025 and Validation Wednesday, October 15, 2025 . Breeding Doe(s) will be required to report to the RMBRF on the third Wednesday in October, between the hours of 4:30 PM to 5:00 PM (Equestrian Arena), to be validated.
 - a. Does validated for Commercial Doe Show will not be eligible to be shown in the Market Goat Show.
 - b. If ear tag is lost, one county Agent or Ag. Science teacher and either the goat superintendent or assistant superintendent must be notified and the goat must be retagged within seven (7) days. Failure to notify Superintendent or Co-Superintendent in 7 days will result in doe not being allowed in show.
 - c. Does can be validated as a family if more than one family member in immediate family shows goats.
 - d. Show open to any breed or crossbred meat type goat.
 - e. Validation only open to Doe kids, All does must be carrying all milk teeth at the time of check in and show. (No Aged Does will be validated)
 - f. **Any exhibitor who wishes to enter a major show must have his/her goat validated with the Texas 4-H and FFA Goat Validation Program. Exhibitors will be able to do this at time of the NCJLS Goat Validation.**

2. **Check-In:** Breeding Goats in this division will be accepted at the RMBR Fairgrounds between 4:00 PM– 6:30 PM, Sunday, January 11, 2026. Maximum of 2 entry per exhibitor.
 - a. All ear tags, besides Scrapie and TGBA (Texas Goat Breeders Association), must be removed before check-in.
 - b. Breeding Goats not being of show quality due to overall body condition or displaying any sign of disease, external parasites, or physical abnormalities at time of check-in will be sifted at the sifting judge’s discretion.

3. **Shearing:** Goats must be shorn slick (Approximately 3/8 inch, with no indication of blocking) above the knee and hock joint, excluding the tail switch, before arrival on the grounds. **All goats not sheered on the head, body and belly will be sifted.**

4. Use of handheld battery operated clippers and blowers will be allowed, hand held clippers for touch ups only.



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- 5. **Weight:** Minimum weight for all goats will be 60 lbs and maximum weight will be 120 lbs. Any goat weighing under 60lbs or over 120 lbs will be sifted. Goats will be divided into weight classes at the discretion of the Goat Committee for judging line up.
 - a. The goat superintendent will allow a 2lb over or under the established weights for the division.
 - b. Goats not meeting the minimum and/or maximum weight will be reweighed immediately on the same scale. Goats weighting within the minimum or maximum weight will NOT be reweighed.

- 6. **Judging:** Judging will take place **Monday, January 12, 2026 at 12:00 PM** in the main arena.
 - a. Placings: The top two (2) placing goats from each weight class will return to the judging arena for Overall Grand and Reserve Overall Grand.

Awards—Commercial Doe

Grand Champion Doe.....Buckle & Banner
 Reserve Champion Doe.....Buckle & Banner
 Class Winners (If awards are available).....Belt Buckle
 1st –10th Placing (per class).....1st—10th Placing Ribbons
 Overall Showmanship Award.....Belt Buckle
 (Scholarship for Grand and Reserve Grand Doe
 if funds available)
 (All awards are subject to the availability of sponsors)



NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW HORSE DIVISION

Sharee Weaver.....Superintendent
Greg Truesdale..... Asst Superintendent

2025 HIGH POINT JR SPEED
EXHIBITED BY: REMI WILLESSEN
EAGLES 4-H CLUB

RULES: HORSES

1. **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:** In accordance with item #1 of the General Rules, the horse entered shall be approved by the exhibitor's supervisor as to complete eligibility. Should the entry be determined ineligible, the entry fee will be returned.

2. **ELIGIBILITY OF PARTICIPANTS:**
 - a. The exhibitor must manage at least one horse of any age or breed as a horsemanship project. The horse must be owned or leased by the member, member's parents, brother, sister, grandparent or guardian by October 31, 2025 . This horse must be under management of the exhibitor by October 31, 2025.
 - b. The horse must be owned or leased and certified as a 4-H, FFA or FCCLA project.

3. **Age Groups:** Exhibitors will be divided into Junior Classes, age 13 and under as of August 31, 2025 and Senior Classes, age 14 and over as of the date. (See General rule #5 for age requirements)

4. **ENTRY DEADLINE:**
 - A. **Project Entry:** Each Horse exhibitor must enter their Horse project online through the NCJLS Website from September 1, 2025 through November 1, 2025.
 - B. **Validation** Horse Validation is required for showing at the NCJLS and its purpose is to certify that ownership or lease requirements have been met. There is a \$10.00 validation fee **per exhibitor**, no matter how many horses are listed by that individual. The horse **MUST** be owned or leased solely by the Exhibitor, his/her parents (biological or stepparents), brother sister, grandparent, or legal guardian. Horses owned or leased in partnership or jointly with any person other than those previously listed do **NOT** meet ownership requirements. Lease horses: Official NCJLS Lease Agreement must be signed by the exhibitors, horse owner, and 4-H Leader/ Chapter Leader. Exhibitors will be required to validate their horse(s) by October 31, 2025. The proof of ownership or the NCJLS Lease agreement along with a front and side profile picture of each horse must be submitted to the NCJLS Show Office by October 31, 2025.
 - C. Exhibitors **MUST** sign NCJLS Entry form verifying they have received a copy of the **NCJLS Horse Show Rule Book**.
 - D. **Class entries must be postmarked by December 1, 2025 . These entries are to be mailed to the Horse Show Secretary PO Box 260968 Corpus Christi, TX 78426.** Entry fees for each class will be \$20.00 per class. **All cattle and goat classes will have an additional \$2.00 stock fee.**
 - E. Late class entries or changes will **NOT** be accepted. There will be no exceptions.

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2025 HIGH POINT JR PERFORMANCE
EXHIBITED BY: CASSIDY FLORES
RUN IN JM 4-H CLUB

5. **Dress Code:**
- a. Strictly western attire in the arena at all times.
 - b. Shirts must have a collar and full length buttons, snaps, or zipper in the front or back. Shirts must be long sleeved and cuffed and be worn with sleeves down and cuffs buttoned or snapped with no rolled up sleeves.
 - c. Shirts must be tucked in pants at the beginning of the run or riding event.
 - d. The wearing of western hats shall be left to the discretion of the arena director. When the hat rule is in effect, hat must be on head when attempting the run or riding event.
 - e. No caps or curlers will be worn.
 - f. Western boots must be worn in all events with the exception of English events. Lace up tennis shoes with a riding heel are not considered western boots.

2025 HIGH POINT SR SPEED
EXHIBITED BY: ELLA MORENO
CALALLEN FFA CHAPTER

6. **HORSE ENTRIES:**
- a. Contestants may enter more than one horse and pay an entry fee for each horse, or two contestants may compete on the same horse, provided each contestant validates and pays an entry fee for that horse. But no contestant or any horse may enter the same class more than one time. Further, a contestant must designate on his/her entry forms, which High Point Award he/she intends to compete for.
 - b. Contestant may enter as many horses and events as he/she chooses. However, a contestant may only compete for one High Point Award on one (1) designated horse.
 - c. Each horse must be entered on a separate entry form.
 - d. If entering more than one (1) Halter Class only one (1) will be eligible to count towards Performance High Point Awards.
 - e. In the event a class does not have at least three (3) entries that class will be combined with the other age group. Should there still not be at least three (3) entries the class will be cancelled.
 - f. Breaks will be as follows: 15 minutes between Halter & Performance Classes, 15 minutes between Performance & English Classes and 15 minutes between English & Speed Classes.
 - g. **In the event that your designated high point horse is injured and cannot compete, you may request to change your designated high point horse if you have a certified vet release. The horse you are requesting to change must have been validated under the contestant's name at the time of validation. Any horse that was not validated may not be entered.**

7. **PERFORMANCE CLASSES:**

Showmanship at Halter
Registered Mares under 5
Registered Mares 5 and over
Grade Mares all ages
Registered Geldings under 5
Registered Geldings 5 and over
Grade Geldings all ages
Ranch Halter
English Pleasure
English Equitation
Western Pleasure
Reining
Western Horsemanship
Trail

SPEED EVENT CLASSES:

Figure 8 Barrels
Cloverleaf Barrels
Pole Bending
Stake Race
Goat Tying
Tiedown Calf Roping
Breakaway Roping
Ribbon Roping

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Grand & Reserve Halter Classes WILL NOT count towards High Point Speed Event Awards.

8. REGISTRATION:

- a. Registration for Performance Classes will begin at 8:00 AM and their first class will begin at 9:00 AM on **Saturday, January 3, 2026.**
- b. Registration for Speed Classes will be held throughout the day of the show. Registration will close one (1) hour prior to the end of the last Performance Class.
- c. Required forms of registration will include current proof of Negative Coggins Test, Proof of Ownership and participant's eligibility voucher.

9. **Rules:** The Texas 4-H Horse Show Rules and Regulations will apply to all Performance Events on an individual event basis. See Performance Event Rules in **NCJLS Horse Show Rule Book**. Speed Events shall be class specific and are listed in the **NCJLS Horse Show Rule Book**.

Ground Rules:

- a. Horses will enter Speed Events from a designated entry gate and exit the same gate.
- b. All speed contestants will run in through an open gate back to a closed gate.
- c. In any Performance event, the number of horses in the arena at one time will be left to the judge's discretion.
- d. No stallions will be allowed.
- e. General Drag Rule - Drag after every 10 runs in speed events and Drag between age groups.
- f. **Contestants need to be ready to go when their event starts. If a contestant is not present when their event/class starts they will be called 3 times and if they are not present at the gate they will be disqualified.**

10. **POINT SYSTEM:** Points will be kept on the contestant for the award they have chosen to compete for.

11. HIGH POINT AWARD:

- a. There will be four (4) High Point Awards given:

High Point Junior Performance High Point Junior Speed
High Point Senior Performance High Point Senior Speed

(Reserve High Point Awards will be given if donors are available.)

- b. Points will be kept on (1) contestant/horse combination. Performance events are eligible for consideration towards the High Point Performance Award. The same will be in effect for Speed Event High Point Awards.
- c. Points received in Halter Classes & Showmanship at Halter shall NOT be eligible for Speed High Point Awards.

12. **In the event of an unbreakable tie, the Champion prize will be split equally between Champions and this will be determined by the Committee.**

13. **RIBBONS/BANNERS:** Rosettes will be given for 1st through 2nd places and ribbons will be given for 3rd through 10th place contestants in each class. These awards will be chosen by the Horse Committee based on financial resources available at show time. Banners only will be given to the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of each sex in the halter division.

14. **JUDGE:** The selection of a judge must be approved by majority vote of the NCJLS Horse Committee.

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2025 HIGH POINT SENIOR PERFORMANCE
EXHIBITED BY: JESSANIE SAENZ
RUN-IN JM 4-H CLUB

15. **Gail Cardwell Shanahan Sportsmanship Award:** Awarded to an individual displaying outstanding sportsmanship during the NCJLS Horse Show.

16. **APPEALS COMMITTEE** - If a contestant feels he/she has a legitimate complaint, he/she will be required to file a PROTEST FEE of \$200 with the arena director before the end of the event in which the incident in question occurred. The appeals committee will be comprised of the Horse Division Superintendent and General Superintendent and one NCJLS Board member. Ruling on the complaint will be final.

17. It will be at the discretion of the Horse Superintendent and the Show General Superintendents to decide when the arena will be opened and closed for practice the week of the show.

AWARDS - HORSE

- Highpoint Junior PerformanceBuckle
- Highpoint Senior Performance.....Buckle
- Highpoint Junior Speed.....Buckle
- Highpoint Senior Speed.....Buckle
- Reserve High PointsBuckles if donor is available
- Champion and Reserve Halter Gelding & Mare...Banners
- 1st - 2nd Class Placings.....Rosettes
- 3rd—10th Class Placings.....Ribbons
- Gail Cardwell Shanahan Sportsmanship Award....Trophy



Exhibitors & Families

Please take the time to review **ALL** rules prior to the 2026 Nueces County Junior Livestock Show!

For more information
Contact the Show Office
At 361-387-5395
See y'all at the barn!!!



**NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW
AG MECHANICS DIVISION**

AG MECHANICS

Matt Setliff.....Superintendent
Shayne Schroeder.....Assistant Superintendent
Traci Klepac.....Assistant Superintendent
Joe Newcomb.....Assistant Superintendent

2025 GRAND CHAMPION AG MECH
BRAYDEN LOWMAN
ANNAVILLE 4-H CLUB

**RULES: AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS PROJECT
SHOW**

Entry Deadline.....November 1, 2025

**Project Dimensions Deadline:
Tuesday, January 6, 2026**

Check In: Large projects, projects requiring assembly on site and /or projects where special lifting (**beyond a standard forklift**) shall be required to be delivered to the fairgrounds on Sunday, January 11, 2026 between 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM. Special assembly and/or lifting (**beyond a standard forklift**) may not be available on Tuesday, January 13, 2026. Contestant(s) are still required to check their projects in on Tuesday, January 13, 2026 with the Ag Mech Show Office. Lifting straps for large and/or heavy projects must be provided by the contestant.

Trailers & Large Projects - Tuesday, January 13, 2026 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

All other projects – Tuesday, January 13, 2026 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

IF PROJECTS ARE DROPPED OFF BEFORE TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2026 YOU MUST COME CHECK IN ON TUESDAY January 13, 2026 BEFORE 6:00 PM OR PROJECTS WILL NOT BE ENTERED IN THE SHOW.

Judging:

Junior Division - Wednesday, January 14, 2026 8:00 AM until complete

Senior Division - Wednesday, January 14, 2026 8:00 AM until complete

Showmanship:

Junior and Senior Divisions:
Wednesday, January 14, 2026 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Award Presentation:
Friday, January 16, 2026 1:30 PM (**Exhibit Hall B**)

Silent Auction:

Thursday January 15, 2026 8:00 am until Saturday, January 17, 2026 4:00 PM

Release Projects:

Saturday, January 17, 2026 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
(Project pick up at Committee discretion)

Sunday, January 18, 2026 7:00 AM - 9:00 AM
(Assisted project removal)

1. ENTRY NUMBER/DIVISION:

A PHOTO OF PROJECT MUST BE TURNED IN AT REGISTRATION. PHOTOS WILL NOT BE RETURNED. EXHIBITORS NAME/NAMES, CLUB/CHAPTER, & PHONE NUMBER MUST BE ON THE BACK OF THE PHOTO

TEAM PROJECTS WILL NOT BE OFFICIALLY ENTERED UNTIL ALL PROJECT TEAM MEMBERS VOUCHERS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED

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- a. **SENIOR:**
- i. Senior exhibitors are defined as grades 9-12 as of August 31, 2025
 - ii. Senior Exhibitors may enter three (3) individual shop projects. However, each project **MUST BE IN DIFFERENT SENIOR DIVISIONS.** Division I, Division II, Division III, or Division IV
 - iii. Division V is limited to Junior Exhibitors only.
- b. **JUNIOR:**
- i. Junior exhibitors are defined as grades 3-5 and grades 6-8. If they are in grades 3-5 and bump to grades 6-8, then they have to do that for any additional projects.
 - ii. Junior exhibitors may enter two (2) projects. Classes 11, 12, 13 or 14 one wood – non-metal and one metal.
 - iii. Junior exhibitors will have the option to compete in the senior division, however they may only show two (2) projects and both projects must be shown in same Age Division, either Junior or Senior Division. And all senior rules apply. **ALL JUNIORS WILL BE BUMPED UP TO SENIOR DIVISION. ANY ADDITIONAL PROJECT (Individual or team) must compete in the senior division as well. Once a junior moves up to senior division they will be considered Senior for 2026 NCJLS Ag Mech Show.**
- c. **Team PROJECTS:**
Team projects will be limited to three members of an FFA, FCCLA chapter and/or 4-H club. All names must be on the entry card; \$25.00 per member. If any member of a team project is a senior exhibitor that has junior exhibitor(s) part of the project, it will be considered a senior exhibited project. **ALL JUNIORS FROM THAT TEAM WILL BE BUMPED UP TO THE SENIOR DIVISION INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONAL GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS THAT THEY ENTER.** The project (Team) receives the premium and/or prizes, not each member of the team.
2. **CONSTRUCTION/DATES:** A project can be exhibited only one time at the Nueces County Junior Livestock and must begin and end construction within one calendar year of the exhibition date. Calendar year is from January 20, 2025 through January 12, 2026.
3. **PROJECT CONSTRUCTION:** Projects exhibited must have been constructed by FFA, FCCLA, or 4-H members either as a part of their agricultural mechanics instruction in agricultural science or as part of their 4-H project.
- Pre Fabricated, pre-packaged project kits that require only assembly are not qualified to be entered in the Ag-Mechanics and Handicraft Show.**
- Should you have any questions regarding this statement, please contact an Ag-Mech Committee Member.**
4. **RECORD BOOK REQUIREMENTS:**
- All Projects Must Be Accompanied by (2) TWO DRAWINGS**
1. An initial hand drawn, concept sketch showing the original idea.
 2. A Working Drawing of the project that includes dimensions, notes and any other information necessary to construct the project.

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THE WORKING DRAWING CAN BE:

- A. Drawn by hand with a **STRAIGHT EDGE, LEGIBLE WITH THE MEASUREMENTS LABELED**
 - B. CAD
 - C. Pre-Engineered plan
- MUST BE ABLE TO TAKE YOUR WORKING DRAWINGS AND BUILD THE PROJECT FROM YOUR MEASUREMENTS. Measurements may be spot checked)**
- **LABELED PHOTOGRAPHS SHOWING STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION.**
 - **PROJECTS NOT HAVING THE REQUIRED ITEMS DISPLAYED WILL AUTOMATICALLY DROP A RIBBON GRADE.**
 - List of materials with cost.
 - Estimated construction time.
 - **TRAILERS MUST HAVE INSPECTION AND PAPER WORK IN YOUR BINDER**
 - These are required and MUST be properly displayed in a three-ring binder.
 - NO POSTER BOARDS!
 - **PROJECTS NOT HAVING THE REQUIRED ITEMS DISPLAYED WILL AUTOMATICALLY DROP A RIBBON GRADE.**
 - **EACH EXHIBITOR MUST PROVIDE THEIR OWN STANDARD FFA OR 4-H EXHIBITOR'S CARD FOR THEIR PROJECTS TO INCLUDE NAME, CHAPTER OR CLUB, PROJECT DESCRIPTION.**

******All project books must be present at the start of judging Junior and Seniors Wednesday, January 14, 2026 8:00 AM.**

5. **PROJECT FINISHES:**

- All projects must be finished, painted, stained, properly treated, clean and in presentable condition even though they have been used or they will be dropped a ribbon grade.
- **All trailers MUST MEET DOT inspection and regulations. Must have a license plate at the time of showing. TRAILER INSPECTION AND DOCUMENTATION MUST BE IN YOUR BOOK.**

6. **DISPLAY SAFETY:**

- **PROPERLY & SAFE IS SUBJECT TO THE DISCRETION OF THE COMMITTEE. PROJECTS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED AND SIFTED FROM THE SHOW IF SAFETY GUIDELINES ARE NOT MET AT THE TIME OF CHECK IN.**
- Appropriate and safe display stands are to be provided for gates, panels, and other projects that need support.
- **ALL BBQ PIT LIDS AND OTHER PROJECTS THAT HAVE DOORS MUST BE SECURED OPEN OR CLOSED WITH CHAIN AND PADLOCK/ OR ZIPTIES TO PREVENT INJURY.**
- **Projects that must be hoisted from the top side are to be fitted with lifting eyes at balance points that will accommodate one-inch shackles.**
- Sharp edges and points are to be padded and/or covered as necessary to prevent possible injury.

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- There is to be no more than two (2) gallons of fuel in any fuel tank; the fuel tank cap is to be in place and sealed with tape; and the battery, if equipped, is to be disconnected. All Oxygen and Acetylene tanks must be empty and capped.
 - **PROJECTS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED AND SIFTED FROM THE SHOW IF SAFETY GUIDELINES ARE NOT MET AT THE TIME OF CHECK IN.**
 - Indoor display of projects is not guaranteed. (i.e. large trailers and other projects).
 - Barn door is 13' 6" wide by 20' tall. Projects that are larger could be subject to being placed outside.
7. **LIABILITY:** Every precaution will be taken to protect the projects entered; however, neither the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show nor the officials of this division will be responsible for any loss or damage to projects or persons.
8. **JUDGING STANDARDS:** Standard for judging will be the following:
- a. Workmanship and Variety of skills performed.....30%
 - b. Design and Structural balance.....30%
 - c. Degree of difficulty.....20%
 - d. Plans, with measurements, photos, bill of materials...10%
 - e. Ability to answer judges' questions.....10%
- 100%
- **** No penalty for not being there for questions by the judge if you are exhibiting other projects. (Ex. Swine)
9. All project classifications, or project placement are ultimately at the discretion of the executive committee (Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent) and they have the ability to change categories or make new classes if needed.
10. **DIVISIONS: SHOP PROJECTS WILL BE DIVIDED INTO FIVE DIVISIONS:**

DIVISION I: AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT

CLASS 1: HAY HAULING, SPRAYING EQUIPMENT, MOUNTED AND PULL TYPE TRACTOR EQUIPMENT, SELF-PROPELLED EQUIPMENT, AND HYDRAULIC EQUIPMENT.

CLASS 2: SHOP TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT, TRUCK, TRACTOR, AND AG EQUIPMENT ACCESSORIES.

CLASS 3: LIVESTOCK AND UTILITY TRAILERS

DIVISION II: LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT

CLASS 4: GATES, LIVESTOCK PANELS, SQUEEZE CHUTES, LIVESTOCK RESTRAINING, LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT, CHICKEN COOPS, TRIM CHUTES, BLOCK STANDS, LIVESTOCK CRATES, HEAD GATES, SADDLE RACKS, TACK BOXES, TACK.

CLASS 5: FEEDERS, SELF FEEDERS, CREEP FEEDERS, LIVESTOCK FEEDERS, STORAGE BUILDINGS

CLASS 6: WILDLIFE ACCESSORIES, DEER BLINDS, HOG TRAPS, WILDLIFE FEEDERS

DIVISION III: HOME & YARD CONVENIENCES & NON-AG PROJECTS

CLASS 7: HOME
CLASS 8: YARD

DIVISION IV: NON-AG PROJECTS BBQ PITS

CLASS 9: BBQ PITS, COOKING EQUIPMENT, AND FIREPITS
CLASS 10: BBQ PIT TRAILERS

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DIVISION V: JUNIOR DIVISION HANDICRAFTS

CLASS 11: WOOD & NON METAL PROJECTS
ELEMENTARY GRADES 3-5

CLASS 12: WOOD & NON METAL PROJECTS
ELEMENTARY GRADES 6-8

CLASS 13: METAL PROJECTS
ELEMENTARY GRADES 3-5

CLASS 14: METAL PROJECTS ELEMENTARY GRADES 6-8

Each class will compete for placing ribbons. Only First place winners of classes will compete for Division Champion. The Second place project in the class of the class winner will then compete for Reserve Division Champion with the other class winners of that Division.

11. **JUDGING:** Exhibitors/Parents are not to interfere with judging. It is recommended that the exhibitor be with their projects, as they are judged, to answer questions and demonstrate operation as requested by the judges. Family members are encouraged to attend judging, **but they cannot interfere with the judges or the exhibitors during the interview process. Advisor/Parental interference during judging/participant interviews can result in participant's score being reduced.**

12. **PLACING:** The official judge will rate each shop project according to rule #8. The judge will assign each project a ribbon color. Score cards will not be released to exhibitors.
Blue (Excellent).....100-90
Red (Good).....89-80
White (Fair).....79-70

In addition to the above award, the following prizes will be awarded in each of the five Divisions:

Division Winner.....Award
Reserve Division Winner.....Award

Division winner in each of the five divisions will compete for Grand and Reserve Champion of the show. The Reserve Division winner from which the Grand Champion is selected shall move up for competing for the Reserve Grand Champion Shop Exhibit.

Grand ChampionBuckle/Banner/Award
Reserve Champion.....Buckle/Banner/Award

13. **PREMIUMS, PRIZES, AND AWARDS:** The above statements are guaranteed. Additional prizes will be awarded if they become available. **WHITE RIBBONS ARE INELIGIBLE FOR ADDITIONAL PRIZES.**

14. **SILENT AUCTION:** The Ag Mechanics Committee will allow all entries to be entered into a silent auction. The auction will be held on Thursday January 15, 2026 from 8:00 AM til Saturday, January 17, 2026 at 4:00 PM. You will need to notify the Committee upon check-in if you would like to participate. The Ag Mechanics Committee will provide sheets and **YOU MUST CHECK OUT** the silent auction flags to be displayed at your project. Exhibitors must provide clip board and pen for bid sheets. But in no way will the Committee be responsible for negotiating, bargaining, or collecting money. Exhibitor **MUST** check on bid sheets and keep up with them throughout the Silent Auction time. **IF YOU ENTER THE SILENT AUCTION YOU MUST BE AT YOUR PROJECT SATURDAY AFTERNOON JANUARY 17, 2026 FROM 3:00 PM til 4:00 PM, THE LAST HOUR OF THE SILENT AUCTION TO PICK UP YOUR BID SHEETS and you must return the green silent auction flags to the ag mech office to be checked back in.** No "For sale" signs will be allowed on any projects.

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15. **SHOWMANSHIP:** There will be a showmanship award to a Senior Grand and a Senior Reserve Grand and a Junior Grand and a Junior Reserve Grand showman. The judges will be anonymous and will be in and out throughout the show from Wednesday, January 14, 2026, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM. Examples of showmanship included but are not limited to:

Examples:

- a. Presentation of project:
 - i. Neatness of project - Clean and free of dust and debris.
 - ii. Neatness of surroundings - Includes floor under and around the project.
 - iii. Safety - All safety procedures must be adhered to when displaying project.
 - iv. Documentation - plans, bill of materials, photographs, name cards.
 - v. All items listed in Rule #4; page 77-78
- b. Exhibitors Presentation:
 - i. Attire - Exhibitors should dress appropriately.
 - ii. Sportsmanship - Exhibitors should be courteous and helpful to those viewing their project including those exhibiting next to them.
 - iii. Knowledge - Exhibitors should be able to answer questions when their project is being judged. They should be well informed of the project they are representing, but should not be boisterous or argumentative.
 - iv. All items listed in Rule #4 Page 77-78.

16. **SWEEPSTAKES:** An award will be awarded to the FFA chapter and 4-H club that accumulates the most points based on the following:

Blue - 3 points
Red - 2 points
and club participation

17. **TOP PROJECT BOOK AWARD**
AG Mechanics show judges will review and award the Top Project Book for (one) senior and (one) Junior Division. One award per division.

Documentation: must have the following to be considered

- * **1 initial hand drawn concept sketch, 1 working drawing.**
- * **labeled photographs show stages of construction**
- * **list of materials with the cost**
- * **estimated construction time**
- * **trailers must have inspection with paperwork in your binder**
- * **neatly displayed in a three ring binder**

18. **Club Managers and FFA Advisors** are advised to submit to the show office by close of business on Tuesday, December 30, 2025, the quantity and descriptions of projects that their group will bring to the show. This gives the committee an idea of the space needed for the projects entered so arrangements can be made before check-in.

IMPORTANT:

Committee will not be responsible for any project not picked up Sunday, January 18, 2026 by 9:00 AM.
Projects will be left outside the building after that time.

NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

Warner Seidel Superintendent

RULES: LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

1. **ELIGIBILITY:** All qualified 4-H and FFA teams are eligible; only bonafide 4-H and FFA members are eligible. The judging contest will be open to all counties in Texas.
2. **ENTRIES:** Teams may enter the contest by writing to Nueces County Junior Livestock Show, P O Box 260968, Corpus Christi, Texas 78426.
3. **FEE/CONTEST DATE:** Livestock Judging Contest entry fee will be \$30.00 per team and \$10.00 per individual. The contest will be held Friday, January 16, 2026. Registration will begin at 3:00 PM, the contest will begin at 4:00 PM at the Richard M Borchard Fairgrounds (Exhibit Hall A).
4. **TEAMS:** Each individual FFA Chapter or 4-H Club will be permitted to enter as many teams as they wish.
 - a. Juniors are defined as 3rd - 5th grade; Intermediate is defined as 6th - 8th grade; Senior is defined as 9th - 12th grade.
 - b. Clubs will designate their team members at the time of registration on the day of the contest. Teams will consist of four (4) members. Low man on each team will be alternate, but three (3) members may make up a team without an alternate. Juniors and Intermediates may judge as a Senior; however, Seniors cannot judge as a Junior or Intermediate.
5. **Contest Area:** The contest areas will be closed to all Ag Science Teachers, Extension Agents, coaches, spectators, etc., during the judging contest.
6. **GRADING ROOM:** The grading room will be closed to all except the graders.
7. **PRIZES:** The following prizes will be awarded:
 - 1st Place Senior TeamBanner to Team
Award to each individual
 - 1st Place Intermediate Team.....Banner to Team
Award to each individual
 - 1st Place Junior Team.....Banner to Team
Award to each individual
 - 2nd Place Senior Team.....Banner to Team
 - 2nd Place Intermediate Team.....Banner to Team
 - 2nd Place Junior Team.....Banner to Team
 - 3rd Place Senior TeamBanner to Team
 - 3rd Place Intermediate Team.....Banner to Team
 - 3rd Place Junior Team.....Banner to Team
 - Highpoint Senior Individual.....Belt Buckle
 - Highpoint Intermediate Individual.....Belt Buckle
 - Highpoint Junior Individual.....Belt Buckle
 - 1st - 10th Place Senior Individuals.....Rosette & Cap
 - 1st - 10th Place Intermediate Individuals.....Rosette & Cap
 - 1st - 10th Place Junior Individuals.....Rosette & Cap

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Janet Coburn.....Homemaking Superintendent
 Lanicia Swetlick..... Arts and Crafts Superintendent
 Lesa Osborne.....Assistant Arts and Crafts Superintendent
 Gwen HigerdClothing Superintendent
 Shannon Clubb.....Assistant Clothing Superintendent
 Harriet ParkerCreative Stitchery Superintendent
 Lela HayekAssistant Creative Stitchery Superintendent
 Carol Huntsinger ...Assistant Creative Stitchery Superintendent
 Julee Brynestad.....Foods Superintendent
 DeeAnne Johnsrude.....Assistant Food Superintendent
 Sarah Gilliam.....Assistant Food Superintendent
 Angela Steagall..... Photography Superintendent

2025 OVERALL SR SWEEPSTAKES WINNER
GRAND: JULIA PARDY
TEXAS ROADRUNNER 4-H CLUB



**PHOTOGRAPHY ONLINE ENTRY DEADLINE:
 NOVEMBER 1, 2025 5:00 PM.**

Entry Check-In: **Monday**, January 12, 2026
 8:00 AM - 10:30 AM Conference Center
(all exhibitors/representatives MUST be in line prior to 10:30 AM)

Awards Program: **Wednesday**, January 14, 2026
 6:00 PM - Conference Center

Entries on Display: **Wednesday**, January 14, 2026
 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Thursday, January 15, 2026
 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM
Friday, January 16, 2026
 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Entry Release: **Friday**, January 16, 2026
 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM **Clothing, Creative
 Stitchery, Photography, Arts and Crafts
 ONLY**
Saturday, January 17, 2026
 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM in Conference Room

****After Saturday, items will be discarded or donated to local charitable organizations.****

PLEASE REFER TO YOUR HOMEMAKING QUICK CHECK SHEET!

RULES: HOMEMAKING DIVISION

1. Eligibility—See General Rules
2. Exhibitors will be divided into the following grade levels:
 - a. Junior - 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades
 - b. Intermediate - 6th, 7th, and 8th grades.
 - c. Senior - 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grades.
3. All rule changes affecting the homemaking division must be submitted and approved by the homemaking committee prior to submission to the NCJLS board.
4. Homemaking Entry Cards will be issued to ALL homemaking exhibitors with the containers. **COMPLETED entry card MUST accompany entry at check-in. It is the responsibility of the Exhibitor to acquire entry cards from Club Leaders.**

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5. Entries will be accepted at check-in from family members, teachers, adult leaders, friends or exhibitors. **ALL HOMEMAKING ENTRIES MUST BE ENTERED UNDER ONLY ONE (1) CLUB.**
6. Homemaking packets will be issued at check-in only with the presentation of a properly completed School Eligibility Voucher (General Rule #9). Completed entry labels and cards need to be attached (with safety pins, tape, etc.) to each entry prior to registration. Entries that do not follow the Homemaking Division Rules may be **disqualified**. Disqualification may occur during the judging. Acceptance of an entry at Check-in is not an acknowledgment that an entry meets all homemaking division rules.
7. All entries must be the work of one exhibitor and will be judged accordingly. Clothing, Creative Stitchery, Arts, Crafts and Photography items can only be entered one (1) time in the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show and no portion of any project may have been entered in the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show previously. All entries may be subject to a non-invasive marking system.
8. **ONLY** the number of Division (Arts, Crafts, Clothing, Creative Stitchery, Foods and Photography) entries marked on entry forms will be accepted at check-in. Exhibitors must declare the division and category of each item entered prior to time of check-in. All division Superintendents and Assistant Superintendents, at their discretion, may change a category, make new categories or combine categories as they deem fit. Committee superintendents and assistant superintendents have the ability to transfer a project to a more suitable category within a division.
9. Any entry deemed unpresentable by the division Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent will be removed from public display and/or disqualified. **Entries shall not include controlled substances. Visible branding of alcohol, tobacco and/or cannabis products are not acceptable and will be disqualified.**
10. Entries may not be presented with or accompanied by any external fixture or display (i.e. dress forms, jewelry displays or any other display item). **An external fixture or display is defined as an item accompanying the project that is not necessary to the function of the item (i.e. a vase for a flower arrangement is necessary for the function of the arrangement; however a shelf to set the arrangement on is not necessary to the function of the arrangement.)** Only the item/project to be judged shall be entered. No set-up is allowed of any item by exhibitor, parent, club manager or any other person. Project shall be relinquished at the check-in table and no further handling, special handling or set-up will be allowed.
11. No names, pictures, or other contact information can be evident on ANY entries, which includes school projects, 4-H Projects, etc. Paper may be used to cover the marking and will not negatively impact judging.
12. The judges of each of the categories may choose up to three (3) placing entries. The 1st place winners from each category will be judged and a Grand Champion selected. The 2nd place entry from the winning category will be brought forward to compete for Reserve Champion honors. Difficulty, uniqueness, time commitment, workmanship, design element and overall quality will be considered when placing projects. **All projects are subject to verification of rules.**

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13. Entrants who receive placing ribbons (1st, 2nd, 3rd) may receive additional prizes. Thank-You notes are required for all division placing prizes. Notes may be written on site Thursday 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM and Friday 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM to collect prizes immediately. Completed thank you notes will be accepted at the second chance pickup on Saturday, or completed thank you notes can be turned in by **February 1, 2026** to the show office or homemaking committee superintendents in order to collect prizes. **Any unclaimed prizes after the deadline will be recycled for the following year.**
14. **All Exhibitors** are subject to an interview and may be required to produce a pictorial evidence of the creation of each item. The interview will be conducted by designated members of the homemaking committee. Items and/or entrants which may remain in question, may be subject to disqualification.
15. **SENIOR GRAND SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS AND SENIOR RESERVE SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS:** To be considered for Sweepstakes, Exhibitors must be in the Senior Division (9th-12th grade) and must have a minimum of one (1) entry in each of the six (6) divisions: Crafts, Foods, Clothing, Creative Stitchery, Photography, and Arts. Exhibitor **MUST** select on the **entry form** that they are entering the Sweepstakes competition and must be present at check-in and must participate in an interview.
16. The following scoring and ranking system will be used:
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| 3rd Place - 1 point | 2nd Place - 2 points |
| 1st Place - 3 points | Reserve - 5 points |
| Grand - 7 points | Interview - 20% |
- The Exhibitor's top 4 placing values in each division will be utilized as the Project Score.
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| Projects Score | 80% | Interview Score | 20% |
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17. Homemaking Scholarship Awards will be provided to the Overall Senior Grand Sweepstakes and to the Overall Reserve Sweepstakes winners based upon available funds. The Homemaking Committee may award additional scholarships within the senior division based upon available funds. All recipients must have a minimum of one (1) entry in each of the six (6) divisions. Scholarship funds will be maintained according to the Maintenance Requirements (Rule numbers 2-7) under the NCJLS general scholarship information.
18. Clothing, Creative Stitchery, Photography, Arts, and Crafts items must be signed out by the exhibitor, family member, or adult leader and picked up at the designated time on Friday of the show from 4:00 PM-6:00 PM or on Saturday from 2:00 PM- 4:00 PM. **NO EARLY RELEASE OF PROJECTS.**
19. After Saturday of show week at 4:00 PM, unclaimed Clothing, Creative Stitchery, Photography, Arts and Crafts items will be discarded or donated to local charitable organizations. NCJLS or the Homemaking Committee will not be responsible for unclaimed items.

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ARTS DIVISION

ARTS CATEGORIES: TOTAL possible entries - eight (8) in any combination

1. **DRAWINGS** - Monochromatic and/or Polychromatic - Only one medium pencil, color pencil, pastels, ink pens, etc. A drawing is defined as using an instrument to mark paper or surface; does not include use of paint or brushes.
2. **LARGE OPAQUE PAINTINGS** - with the longest side twenty (20) inches or longer. Only one medium, oil, acrylic, tempera, etc. Painting is defined as pigment (usually in liquid form) applied with a brush or other tool.
3. **SMALL OPAQUE PAINTING** - with the longest side nineteen (19) inches **or smaller**. Only one medium, oil, acrylic, tempera, etc. Painting is defined as pigment (usually in liquid form) applied with a brush or other tool.
4. **AQUA MEDIA PAINTING** - Only one medium, watercolors, gouache, alcohol ink. Agua painting is defined as pigment suspended in a water-based solution applied with a brush or other tool.
5. **SPRAY ART** - Spray paint, airbrush, splatter art, etc.
6. **MULTI-DIMENSIONAL Art** - Sculpture, relief, Consisting of height, width, and depth. **NOTE—3-D Printed items go in the Computer/Technology category**
7. **MOSAIC** - Art image made from the assembling of small pieces of colored glass, paper, stone, wood or other materials.
8. **MIXED MEDIA** - Use of more than one medium. Including but not limited to paintings, drawing, collages, assemblages, etc.
9. **COMPUTER/TECHNOLOGY ASSISTED** - 3D printed, digital designs, specialty machines, etc. . Original computer art using software tools. **(Art created with use of computer software/digital Technology (Adobe Illustrator, Photo shop, 3D printer, etc.)**
10. **MISCELLANEOUS** - Stamping, calligraphy, printmaking, etc. Any project that does not fit into any other Arts category.

ARTS—GENERAL RULES

- A. All Arts entries must be the ORIGINAL work of the exhibitor.
- B. Arts entries must include a close-up photo (for documentation purposes) of the item entered, no smaller than 4" X 6", on paper or photo paper, with the exhibitor's name and year entered printed on the back of photo. Photo will not be judged and will not be returned. **ITEMS WILL NOT BE CHECKED IN WITHOUT A PHOTO.**
- C. The Homemaking Division will provide exhibitors with an Arts entry card for each entry upon which the exhibitor must write a brief synopsis of the instructions of the project. **DO NOT INCLUDE PERSONAL STORIES OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN THIS AREA. CARDS THAT CONTAIN ANY INFORMATION OUTSIDE OF INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE SUBJECT TO THAT PORTION OF THE ENTRY CARD BEING REDACTED, AND THE ITEM WILL BE SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION.**
- D. Flat artwork should have a mechanism that allows hanging, (i.e. sawtooth hanger, D-rings, can tabs, hanging strips, or any other mechanism that allows for quick hanging on the gridwall). All artwork should be submitted in a plastic sleeve or bag to help protect the artwork. Protective covering will not be returned and is not mandatory, but does

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provide protection of the item as it is being transported from place to place.

- E. Artwork may **not** include frames or matted borders. The artwork may be mounted for stability, however there should not be any matted borders: i.e., the mounting material must be the same size as the artwork surface.
- F. All Arts entries must have finished and smooth edges to avoid injury. Entries must be structurally sound and designed to be easily transported and displayed.
- G. Maximum weight of any Arts entry is thirty (30) pounds and maximum size is ninety (90) inches (length + width + height). Any item over the weight or size limit will be disqualified.

CRAFTS DIVISION

CRAFTS CATERGORIES: TOTAL possible entries - eight (8) entries in any combination

- 1. **FLORAL DESIGNS** - Live, dry or silk flower arrangements
- 2. **LEATHER WORK** - Tooled, carved, dyed/painted or lace/stitched.
- 3. **FIBER ART** - Use of thread, yarn, rope, string, etc.
- 4. **JEWELRY**—Jewelry entries must be submitted attached to an 8"x10" white, undercoated foam board or cardstock inside of a zipped bag to avoid loss of products.
- 5. **WOOD CRAFTS** - Projects constructed from wood by the exhibitor. Wood must be manipulated by the exhibitor, i.e. sawing, finishing or joining edges. Purchased wood items that have been embellished in some way do not belong in this category.
- 6. **WREATHS** - Exhibitor **MUST** provide a hanging loop or door hanger for display to indicate where the "top" of the wreath is located to ensure it is hung correctly.
- 7. **PAPER CRAFTS** - Scrapbooking, origami, cards, paper mache (No identifying photos allowed)
- 8. **METAL CRAFTS** - Projects constructed mostly of metal and/or decorated with metal by the exhibitor. Metal must be manipulated by the exhibitor. Purchased metal items that have been embellished in some way do not belong in this category.
- 9. **RECYCLED/REPURPOSED** - An item adapted to a new use or function.
- 10. **MISCELLANEOUS** - Any project that does not fit into any other Crafts category.

CRAFTS—GENERAL RULES

- A. All Crafts entries must be created from **SCRATCH**, except for those entries in the Recycle/Repurposed category.
- B. All Crafts must be the **ORIGINAL** work of the exhibitor.
- C. All Crafts entries must include a close-up photo (for documentation purposes) of the item entered, no smaller than 4" X 6", printed on paper or photo paper, with the exhibitor's name and year entered printed on the back



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of photo. Photo will not be judged and will not be returned. **ITEMS WILL NOT BE CHECKED IN WITHOUT PHOTO.**

- D. The Homemaking Division will provide exhibitors with a Crafts entry card for each entry upon which the exhibitor write ***MUST*** write a brief synopsis of the instructions of the project. Entry cards will be distributed prior to the show and must be turned in with the entry. No names or pictures on the entry card. **DO NOT INCLUDE PERSONAL STORIES OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN THIS AREA. CARDS THAT CONTAIN ANY INFORMATION OUTSIDE OF INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE SUBJECT TO THAT PORTION OF THE ENTRY CARD BEING REDACTED AND THE ITEM WILL BE SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION.**
- E. **All entries must have finished and smooth edges to avoid injury.**
- F. **Maximum weight of any Crafts entry is thirty (30) pounds and maximum size is ninety (90) inches (length + width + height). Any item over the weight or size limit will be disqualified.**

CLOTHING DIVISION

CLOTHING CATEGORIES - TOTAL possible entries - eight (8) entries in any combination

1. **APRONS**
2. **ATHLEISURE WEAR**-tracksuits, hoodies, yoga pants, joggers, swimwear, male and female apparel.
3. **COSTUMES**
4. **DRESSES** - Everyday wear and sundresses
5. **EMBELLISHMENTS** - enhancement of commercially made garment. Please identify what and how you embellished the garment on the description card.
6. **JACKETS, COATS, SUITS VEST** - male or female apparel
7. **MULTI-PIECE SETS** - Ensembles
8. **SEPARATES** - male or female apparel, one (1) single item
9. **SLEEPWEAR** - pajamas, sleep shirts, pants, robes
10. **SPECIALTY WEAR** - party, prom, after 5, wedding, male or female apparel

CLOTHING—GENERAL RULES

- A. Any item(s) purchased and/or commercially constructed and used in the design of the garment must be declared on the entry form (i.e. pre-quilted fabric, pre-shirred fabric)
- B. The Homemaking Division will provide exhibitors with a Clothing entry card prior to the show for each entry, and the entry card must be turned in with the entry. The exhibitor ***MUST*** write a brief synopsis of the instructions of the project. No Names or pictures on the entry card. **DO NOT INCLUDE PERSONAL STORIES OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN THIS AREA. CARDS THAT CONTAIN ANY INFORMATION OUTSIDE OF INSTRUCTION WILL BE SUBJECT TO THAT PORTION OF THE ENTRY CARD BEING REDACTED AND THE ITEM WILL BE SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION.**

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- C. All Clothing entries must include a close-up photo (for documentation purposes) of the item entered, no smaller than 4" X 6", printed on paper or photo paper, with the exhibitor's name and year entered printed on the back of photo. Photo will not be judged and will not be returned. **ITEMS WILL NOT BE CHECKED IN WITHOUT A PHOTO.**
- D. All Clothing entries should be submitted on individual garment hangers. Garment hangers may not be returned. No dress forms will be allowed.

CREATIVE STITCHERY DIVISION

CREATIVE STITCHERY CATEGORIES: - TOTAL possible entries - eight (8) entries in any combination

*** A QUILT IS AN ITEM THAT MUST HAVE BATTING BETWEEN TWO (2) LAYERS OF FABRIC AND ALL THREE (3) LAYERS STITCHED TOGETHER.**

- 1. **SMALL HAND QUILT/HAND-TIED QUILT*** - with the longest side sixty (60) inches or less. Top may be machine pieced or appliquéd, but must be hand quilted or tied.
- 2. **LARGE HAND QUILT/HAND-TIED QUILT*** - with the longest side longer than sixty-one (61) inches. Top may be machine pieced or appliquéd, but must be hand quilted or tied.
- 3. **SMALL MACHINE QUILTED QUILT*** - with the longest side sixty (60) inches or less. All stitching must be done by machine. The exhibitor must do quilting. No professional quilting allowed.
- 4. **LARGE MACHINE QUILTED QUILT*** - with the longest side longer than sixty-one (61) inches. All stitching must be done by machine. The exhibitor must do quilting. No professional quilting allowed.
- 5. **BLANKETS/FLEECE TROWS** - One or two layers of fabric with a finished edge, tied or stitched.
- 6. **NEEDLEWORK** - Embroidery, needlepoint, cross stitch, and punch needle. Item must be a completed project. This means the item must not have raw edges and must be ready to use. Entry may be framed or mounted with NO glass.
- 7. **PERSONAL ACCESSORIES** - Purses, bags, hats, scarves, etc.
- 8. **DOLLS & STUFFED ANIMALS**—Item with an outer layer created with textiles and filled with materials allowing for flexibility.
- 9. **HOME DÉCOR** - Table cloths, placemats, napkins, table runners, wall hangings and pillows.
- 10. **CROCHET & KNITTING**—Items made by the process of crochet or knitting.
- 11. **MISCELLANEOUS** – items that do not fit in any of the above categories. Item must be **STITCHED** by exhibitor.

CREATIVE STITCHERY—GENERAL RULES

- A. Creative Stitchery entries must be SEWN and/or STITCHED by hand, machine or combination (except for fleece tied throws) by the exhibitor. Items that are commercially made but modified/embellished by the exhibitor will be DISQUALIFIED.
- B. The Homemaking Division will provide exhibitors with a Creative Stitchery entry card prior to the show for each entry, and the entry card must be turned in with the entry. The exhibitor **MUST** write a brief synopsis of the instructions of the project. No Names or pictures on the entry cards. **DO NOT INCLUDE PERSONAL STORIES OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN THIS AREA. CARDS THAT CONTAIN ANY**

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INFORMATION OUTSIDE OF INSTRUCTION WILL BE SUBJECT TO THAT PORTION OF THE ENTRY CARD BEING REDACTED AND THE ITEM WILL BE SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION.

- C. All Creative Stitchery entries must include a close-up photo (for documentation purposes) of the item entered, no smaller than 4" X 6", printed on paper or photo paper, with the exhibitor's name and year entered printed on the back of photo. Photo will not be judged and will not be returned. **ITEMS WILL NOT BE CHECKED IN WITHOUT A PHOTO.**

FOOD DIVISION

FOOD CATEGORIES - TOTAL possible entries - eight (8) entries in any combination

REVIEW LIST OF ITEMS/INGREDIENTS THAT WILL RESULT IN ENTRY DISQUALIFICATION. See Food General Rule A below.

1. **YEAST BREADS** - Any bread leavened with yeast. Entry must be a whole **uncut loaf**, three (3) mini loaves or six (6) rolls removed from pans.
2. **QUICK BREADS** - Any bread leavened with leavening agents other than yeast (i.e. banana bread, pumpkin bread, etc.) Entry must be **a** whole **uncut** loaf, three (3) mini loaves or six (6) rolls or muffins removed from pans.
3. **CAKES** - Entry must be a whole cake made from scratch. Cakes that require icing while hot can be entered in disposable aluminum pans. Pans must fit inside plastic container provided by the Homemaking Division.
4. **CUPCAKES** - Entry must be six (6) cupcakes. Cupcake liners are acceptable.
5. **CANDY** - Entry must display a minimum of twelve (12) pieces of candy. Paper nut cups and cupcake liners are acceptable, for candy display purposes.
6. **COOKIES** - Entry must display a minimum of twelve (12) cookies. Commercially prepared ingredients such as caramels, marshmallows, almond bark or melted chocolate chips are acceptable.
7. **BAR COOKIES AND BROWNIES** - Entry must display a minimum of twelve (12) cookies.
8. **PIES STRUDELS AND PASTRIES** - Entry must be a whole pie or strudel, or six (6) pastries. **Pie crust must be made from scratch by exhibitor and pie crust recipe must be included.** Pie must be entered in a disposable aluminum pan. **Only cooked fillings and toppings will be accepted.**
9. **JAMS, JELLIES AND PRESERVES** - Display is one (1) jar of canned goods; one (1) additional jar may be presented at check-in if the 1st jar is disqualified.
 - A. **The jar must have a single undecorated label on the side of the jar with the recipe name and the date it was canned, either typed or clearly printed.**
 - B. All canned items must be in a standard canning jar NO SMALLER THAN A HALF PINT - eight (8) ounces with a two-piece canning lid and must have an airtight seal.
 - C. For safety precautions, a committee member at check-in, in the presence of the exhibitor, parent and/or leader, will open canned foods to check the seal qualification. Contact the Nueces County Extension Office for proper canning methods or <https://nchfp.uga.edu/how/can>
10. **SALSA AND SAUCES** - refer to Jams, Jellies and Preserves for rules.
11. **PICKLED ITEMS** - refer to Jams, Jellies and Preserve for the rules.

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FOOD DIVISION—GENERAL RULES

- A. All Food Division entries become the property of the division and will not be returned to the exhibitor.
- B. All Food Division entries must be prepared from scratch/homemade. If any commercially prepared items are used, they must be transformed into the entry (cookies to a cookie crust adding additional ingredients).

Use of the following items will result in disqualification.

- Alcoholic Beverages
 - Cannabis or its byproducts
 - Cream Cheese, Ricotta Cheese, Neufchatel Cheese, Cottage Cheese, Mascarpone Cheese
 - Canned Icings
 - Mixes or Doughs, including:
 - Biscuit or Baking Mixes
 - Cookie Doughs
 - Crescent Doughs
 - Pie Doughs
 - Cornbread Mixes
 - Fondants
 - Flavored Gelatins
 - Puddings
 - Cake Mixes
- C. No Food entry may require refrigeration. Any Food entry that is deemed to require refrigeration will be disqualified.
- D. Food items that appear unsafe to eat will be disqualified.
- E. Exhibitors must provide recipes for each Food entry on an 8 1/2" x 11" white paper, front side only, inserted into a clear sheet protector or gallon zip-top bag. No names on recipe. If the recipe is longer than one typed page, please indicate continuation at the bottom of the page (i.e Page 1 of 2). Recipes from the Top three (3) winners of each age division and Food category may be published in a cookbook. Recipes become property of NCJLS.
- F. All entries, except canned items, must use containers and boards provided by the Homemaking Division. All entries must fit inside the container and close securely. All entries, except canned items, must be displayed on the cake board provided by the Homemaking Division. Only white food grade paper may be used to cover the boards. **Cupcakes may use cupcake liners. Candies only may use either paper nut cups or Cupcake liners.** No other containers, bowls, plates or doilies are allowed. No decorations are allowed either inside or outside the Food containers or jars, including but not limited to ribbons, artificial flowers, toys, trinkets, etc.
- G. A baked good that is entirely gluten free and that has been judged "Best Gluten Free Baked Good" may receive an award. The recipe must be 100% gluten free and "Gluten Free" must be noted at the top of the recipe. Baked goods include yeast breads, quick breads, cakes, cupcakes, cookies, bar cookies, brownies, pies and strudels.

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PHOTOGRAPHY DIVISION

PHOTOGRAPHY CATEGORIES: TOTAL possible entries - eight (8) entries in any combination

1. **PEOPLE** - Images of a person or group of people, including babies, children, teens and/or adults. May be alone or in a group, candid or posed, or inactive. Fashion/modeling (to include hands, feet and facial features) and sports images are included in this category. (Color images only)
2. **ANIMALS** - Animal life, including domestic, wild, and underwater creatures. These photos should focus on the various animals that have been tamed for a human environment and / or not tamed, commonly found in the wilderness or bodies of water. (Color images only)
3. **LANDSCAPES** - Both nature and urban landscapes - Images focusing on the beauty of the outdoors, including landscapes, outdoor scenes, nature images, sunsets, seascapes and farms. Images focusing on the architecture, design and structures of cities and urban areas, including cityscapes, architectural images, buildings, monuments, industrial areas and factories. (Color images only)
4. **PLANT / FLORAL** - Photos of interesting, unique, and beautiful flowers and flora. Photography can occur outdoors or indoors. Photo subject should be that of a single flower, plant, bush, tree, etc. Large collections of plant/flora should be considered for entry into the Landscape category. (Color images only)
5. **DETAILS & MACRO** - Getting in close is the name of the game for this category. We welcome pictures of small details that suggest a larger story. This is also the place for macro photographs (although a macro image of a flower might equally go into the Flowers category). Examples for this category would be clocks, coins, ice crystals, insects, etc. (Color images only)
6. **DOMINANT COLOR** - Photos of a dominant color. The dominant element in the image must be a specific color, such as yellow, blue, white, black, etc. Black & White photos, duotones, are excluded from this category. (Color images only. Does not include digitally altered photos)
7. **BLACK & WHITE**- Images may be produced through camera settings or digital editing. Must be in grey-scale only. Sepia-tone and antiquing are not allowed, includes people, animals, landscapes, plants/flora, or details and macro.
8. **SPECIAL EFFECTS** - Images that have been altered to bring out dramatic or artistic qualities, including images manipulated with camera settings, the use of filters, or software programs. Digital editing must be the work of the exhibitor. (Color, sepia, antiqued or combination images)
9. **MOTION/ACTION** - The capture of movement within a single photo. This category should focus on specific techniques such as freezing or blurring motion.
10. **Still Life**-Images capturing a single image, or still, of a subject at a specific moment in time.

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PHOTOGRAPHY—GENERAL RULES

1. All photos will be electronically submitted at the time of online show entry September 1 through November 1, 2025 at 5:00 PM.
2. All photos must be printed and matted and physically submitted at check-in. Only 8" X 10" photos will be accepted. Photos must be matted on a mat board or a foam board with no visual border (i.e. the matting/foam board must also be 8" X 10". Exhibitor may indicate the orientation of the photo by drawing an arrow on the back of the photo mat board.
3. Entry cards are not required for photos.
4. Each Photograph **MUST** be submitted at check-in **individually** in zip-top bags.
5. No Frames, glass, mats or hangers will be accepted.
6. Content and Copyright: All photos must be original photographs taken by the exhibitor. Photographs are subject to all applicable copyright laws. Photos that are deemed obscene, vulgar, hateful, threatening, or otherwise in violation of law are strictly prohibited and will be disqualified.
7. Model and Property Release: The submission of a photograph acknowledges that the photographer has obtained a required permission of any recognizable locations or people appearing in their photograph(s). The entry into this contest acknowledges that the exhibitor has obtained this permission and that the photographer and the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show may publish and use the photos as desired. Written documentation should be retained by the photographer and may be requested by the Photography Division.



NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW QUEEN'S CONTEST

Penny Pillack.....Chairman
Tanya Lawhon.....Assistant Chairman

2025 NCJLS QUEEN
Leighton Lawhon
Bishop 4-H CLUB

RULES: QUEEN'S CONTEST

1. **Entry Qualifications:** Entry form must be in the Junior Livestock Show Office by the entry date set by the Board in General Rule #10. Only girls in grades 9 -12 are eligible to represent a 4-H Club, FFA, or FCCLA Chapter. Contestants must be at least 14 years of age; not married, nor ever have been married. Each contestant must have an entry in the Livestock Show.
 - a. If a contestant drops out prior to December 1, the club/ chapter has the option of substituting another girl. The deadline to have the contestant's name to the show office will be December 1.
 - b. There will be a non-refundable banner fee of \$35.00 to be paid by the club, chapter, or contestant. The fee must accompany the entry form.
 - c. Contestants must be a current member of the club or organization that the contestant represents. Contestants must submit a \$150.00 fee with the entry form that is refundable if all rules and obligations are met.
 - d. Each contestant must present her eligibility voucher to the chairman and assistant chairman the night of rehearsal.
2. **Club Representation:** Representative must be in good standing with the 4-H Club, FFA or FCCLA Chapter in order to represent that organization in the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show Queen's Contest. The club manager or chapter sponsor is responsible to see that all rules are met.
3. **Mandatory Assignments:** All contestants must attend the Queen's Contest rehearsal and parade, assigned shifts during the show, and assigned shifts during the auction. Conflicts for other livestock show events, school events, family obligations and illness are taken into consideration.
4. **Talent:** Each contestant must present a talent, not to exceed three (3) minutes. Violation of this rule will not result in loss of entry fee, but will cause 5 points deducted from talent score.
 - a. All costumes and props must be used during talent dress rehearsal. Whatever is used Friday night is all that can be used on Saturday night. (i.e. all clothing, including, but not limited to, jewelry, headpiece, shoes, tights/hose, and any other clothing or accessory). Digital photos may be taken at random at Friday's rehearsal. A deduction of five (5) points will be taken off the talent portion of the contest if this rule is broken.
 - b. No hay bales will be allowed at the contest.
 - c. Props used during the talent portion of the rehearsal and contest should be limited in number and size as the contestant will be required to move all props on and off the stage before and after her rehearsal performance and her Saturday night performance.
 - d. Props must be listed on the "Lighting and Sound Information for Talent Presentation" sheet and checked off by a committee member.

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- e. Props must not contain the contestant's name.
- f. All accompaniments used in talent must be on flash/jump/travel drive. Only one (1) version of the song may be submitted on the flash drive. No other computerized/digital media, including but not limited to laptop, MP3, cell phone, iPod, iPad, etc. will be allowed. All music must be on a flash/jump/travel drive. Music must be edited to stop within the time limit. The sound technician will not 'fade in/out' in order to fit the time limit. The committee will not provide any musical instruments, including piano. Two copies must be turned in at rehearsal.
- g. Talent is an individual item. All persons serving as an accompaniment must not be visible to the judges or the audience.
- h. Primary talent must be performed live. No live animals will be allowed as part of the talent portion of the contest.
- i. Each contestant must perform her entire talent at rehearsal.
- j. The questionnaire will be due on the day posted in the orientation booklet. Late paperwork will be assessed a penalty of 1 point per day that it is late.
- k. No power point presentation or slide show presentation (i.e. computer programmed presentation) will be allowed.
5. **Score Sheets:** Score sheets and judges' critique sheets will not be returned to contestants.
6. **Banners:** Each contestant must wear her club or chapter banner to all Livestock Show activities, except the event(s) in which the contestant is participating as an exhibitor.
7. **Assigned Events:** Contestants must be at assigned events during the livestock show's judging and award presentations, as well as the scheduled shifts at the show auction. A schedule of assigned show and auction shifts are sent to contestants the day after the contest.
8. **Pre-Sale Tickets:** Each contestant will be required to sell a minimum of 10 presale admission tickets. All tickets will be presale. **NO on-site tickets will be sold.** ALL tickets will be \$10.00. If contestant drops out, or is disqualified, the tickets and money must be returned to the Show Office.
9. **Top 5 Finalists:** The five (5) contestants having the highest score will be re-called and interviewed. The judges will then select a Queen, 1st Runner-Up, 2nd Runner-Up, 3rd Runner-Up, and 4th Runner-Up.
10. **Queens Alumni Association:** A former Queen may not enter this contest again, but will become a member of the Queen's Alumni Association.
11. **Miss Congeniality:** Miss Congeniality will be selected by the contestants the night of the contest.
12. **Miss Top Talent:** All contestants will be eligible for Miss Top Talent. Winner is the contestant who receives the highest talent points from the judges.

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13. **Miss Top Interview:** All contestants will be eligible for Miss Top Interview. Winner is the contestant who receives the highest interview score. In the case of a tie, both contestants will receive the title and awards.
14. **Staging Areas:** No one will be allowed on the stage or backstage after 5:30 PM the night of the contest except committee members, contestants, and crew members. No contestant may leave the backstage area after 5:50 PM the night of the contest.
15. **Judges' Decisions:** The decision of the judges, as announced at the contest, is final.
16. **Tie breaker to establish top 5:**
1. One with the highest points interview.
 2. One with the highest points opening number.
 3. One with the highest points talent
- Tie breaker to establish final ranking:**
1. Have each girl draw a new question to answer
 2. If still a tie, judges will rank the girls involved in the tie.
- There will be no tie breaker for Top Talent. If there is a tie for Top Talent, both girls will receive the title and awards.**
17. If a cell phone or any electronic device that can transmit and receive voice or any media of digital data is found backstage or in the possession of a contestant on Friday or Saturday night, the device will be immediately confiscated by the Queen's committee and held until the rehearsal is completed on Friday night or the contest is completed on Saturday night. Three points will be automatically deducted from the interview score.
18. While participating in any events of the NCJLS Queens Contest, Show, Auction, or anytime during their reign representing the NCJLS the following items are prohibited by Queens Contest contestants: visible tattoos, nose rings, nose studs and/or ear "gauges".
19. Miss Top Evening Gown and Miss Top Western Wear:
All contestants will be eligible for Miss Top Evening Gown and Miss Top Western Wear. The winners will receive a silver charm.

General Activities:

1. Orientation - The purpose is to familiarize contestants with the contest rules and requirements. The date will be determined by the committee.
 2. Dress Rehearsal - The purpose is to familiarize contestants with routines and procedures of the contest. There will be no organized practice on Saturday prior to the contest. The sound crew and light crew will not be available for practice on Saturday prior to the contest.
1. Parade
 2. Queen's Contest
 3. Livestock Show Events
 4. Auction Sale

NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW SCHOLARSHIP

2025 NCJLS TOP SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNER

Hannah Wright

Banquete FFA

Applications are available online at cbcfoundation.org. Refer to cbfoundation.org for application opening and deadline. NCJLS Scholarship will follow the same application period as Coastal Bend Community Foundation uses for other scholarships.

Applications MUST be submitted online on the Coastal Bend Community Foundation website:

cbcfoundation.org>[scholarships](#)>[outside scholarships](#)>[Nueces](#)

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. **Eligibility:** Any active member of a Nueces County FFA or FCCLA chapter or 4-H club who will graduate this academic year, and has actively participated in the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show for at least two of his/her high school years, is eligible to apply for the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show Scholarships. Applicants must have entered and exhibited three or more project categories within each year of the two required years.
2. **College Attendance Requirements:** It is mandatory that the scholarship winner attend a college, university or certified vocational trade school the fall semester immediately following selection and use the scholarship funds beginning that semester. Only with special permission from the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show Scholarship Committee may the use of the scholarship be deferred one year.
3. **Judging Criteria:** Criteria used in selecting scholarship recipients will include: (1) Coastal Bend Foundation scored application and (2) Interview
4. **Transcript:** Current official transcript from your school registrar must be uploaded into the scholarship application. If your school will not provide you with an official transcript (CCISD) you MUST request an unofficial transcript from the registrar. **DO NOT mail your transcript to the CBCF office.** It will not be accepted and your application will not be considered. **YOU WILL NEED TO REQUEST YOUR TRANSCRIPT FROM THE REGISTRAR, SCAN IT INTO A COMPUTER, SAVE IT AS A PDF, AND UPLOAD IT DIRECTLY INTO THE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION. DO NOT** submit the transcript you see on your student portal. **THIS IS NOT AN OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT.** You must request one from your registrar.
5. **ACT/SAT Scores:** The SAT and/or ACT scores report must be uploaded into the scholarship application.
6. **Interviews:** Not all applicants will be granted interviews, Applications will be judged objectively and interviews will be granted based on scoring of the applications. Written notification will be provided to all contestants as to their need to participate in an interview. The only approved absence from an interview will be a UIL, FFA, FCCLA or

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4-H competition. **ONLY an extenuating circumstance other than these approved events will be discussed and decided by the Scholarship Committee on a case by case basis.**

7. **Submission and Deadline:** Submit applications online on the Coastal Bend Community Foundation website, cbcfoundation.org

IMPORTANT INFORMATION Information for recipients concerning your scholarship

To maintain quality standards and ensure the stability of a viable scholarship program, please see the requirements below.

MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS

Individuals who have not provided the required documentation to THE COASTAL BEND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION by August 15th for the Fall Semester will forfeit all future scholarship payments.

Refer to Coastal Bend Community Foundation with rules and information for maintenance requirements. NCJLS scholarship will follow the same maintenance required and deadlines set by Coastal Bend Community Foundation. An recipient of the scholarship who fails to meet the necessary grade average or the full-time course load requirements will forfeit any further benefits from the scholarship program. If unable to meet the requirements, the recipient should contact the Coastal Bend Community Foundation immediately. Cases will be considered individually.

****SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES concerning your scholarship could be...grades below 2.0, illness, or injury, graduating early, etc.****

Additional Information

Student ID# - Please let the Coastal Bend Community Foundation know your Student ID# as soon as you know it. This will ensure proper payment of your Scholarship Funds. Coastal Bend Community Foundation and Universities no longer want you to use your Social Security Number for identification.

PLEASE look in your packets – IMPORTANT information is there for you. Each recipient MUST write their Thank You letters to Scholarship Donors and fill out the Coastal Bend Community Foundation Scholarship Acceptance Form the deadline listed on the form to insure payment of Fall 2026 Scholarship.

2025 NCJLS Scholarship Recipients

**Lorena Aguilar
Leaya Alaniz
Taylor Alaniz
Hayes Herrmann
Trista Johnson
Teagan Swartz
Hannah Wright**

**Robstown FFA
Cotton Community 4-H
Cotton Community 4-H
Bluntzer 4-H
Annaville 4-H
Run In JM 4-H
Banquete FFA**



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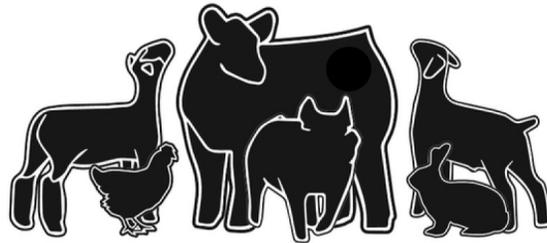
Mission Statement of the NCJLS Young Herdsmen:

Utilizing our outstanding youth exhibitors to set examples, be spokespersons and further their education in all areas of our Nueces County Junior Livestock Show.



Rules & Guidelines

1. Only current exhibitors who are active and in good standings with Nueces County 4-H, a Nueces County FFA Chapter and or a Nueces County FCCLA Chapter will be eligible to apply.
2. Applicants must be entering into the 9th grade or older.
3. Applicants must compete in at least 3 areas of the NCJLS (Livestock, Homemaking, Ag Mech, Alumni Contest, Queens, Horse, etc.) of the application year to be eligible to apply.
4. Applications will be due May 15, 2025 and notifications will be sent out no later than May 31, 2025.
5. Accepted youth will be responsible for 20 educational hours, 20 volunteer hours with NCJLS, and must complete 3 speaking activities with a focus on NCJLS promotion in the 2025-2026 year to be eligible to reapply.
6. Accepted youth will help at validations, clean up/set ups, one on one mentoring and the Blue Ribbon Sale.
7. Accepted youth must be willing to learn all areas of the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show.
8. Other requirements may be assigned throughout the year as needed.
9. Youth must apply each year.



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