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*"The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time."*  
- Thomas Edison

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## 2025-2026 4-H/FFA Livestock Show Deadlines

### ► 2025-2026 OWNERSHIP/ENTRY VALIDATION/CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE

	2025 MS State Fair			2026 District Shows & DNJR		
	Ownership, Tag & Entry	DNA Sample	Classify	Ownership, Tag & Entry	DNA Sample	Classify
Market Steers	Aug. 29	Sept. 8-10	Sept. 8-10	Aug. 29	Sept. 8-10	Sept. 8-10
Market Lambs	Aug. 29	Sept. 8-10	n/a	Aug. 29	Sept. 8-10	n/a
Market Goats	Aug. 29	Sept. 8-10	n/a	Aug. 29	Sept. 8-10	n/a
Mkt Hair Sheep	Aug. 29	Sept. 8-10	Sept. 8-10	Aug. 29	Sept. 8-10	Sept. 8-10
Breeding Hair Sheep	Aug. 29	Sept. 8-10	Sept. 8-10	Dec. 1	Dec. 8-11	Dec. 8-11
Commercial Beef Heifers	Aug. 29	Sept. 8-10	Sept. 8-10	Dec. 1	Dec. 8-11	Dec. 8-11
CMGD	Aug. 29	Sept. 8-10	n/a	Dec. 1	Dec. 8-11	n/a
Wether Dams	Aug. 29	Sept. 8-10	n/a	Dec. 1	Dec. 8-11	n/a
Market Hogs	Aug. 29	Sept. 8-10	n/a	Dec. 1	Dec. 8-11	Feb. 5
Commercial Gilts				Dec. 1	Dec. 8-11	Feb. 5
MS Bred Barrows				Dec. 1	Dec. 8-11	n/a
Beef Breeding	Aug. 29	n/a	n/a	Dec. 1	n/a	n/a
Dairy Goats & Cattle (purebred & commercial)	Aug. 29	n/a	n/a	Dec. 1	n/a	n/a
Registered Breeding Boer Does	Aug. 29	n/a	n/a	Dec. 1	n/a	n/a

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All market steers, commercial beef heifers, market lambs, market hair sheep, commercial meat goat does, wether dams, breeding hair sheep, market hogs, and market goats MUST BE validated (DNA hair sample collected) to show at the 2025 Mississippi State Fair and 2026 District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows during the week of September 8-10, 2025. During the validation period, steers, commercial beef heifers, market hair sheep, and breeding hair sheep will be classified as well. See the locations and times below. Make your exhibitors aware of these locations and dates so they can make plans to get their animals processed.

- Monday, September 8: Hattiesburg – 8:00 A.M. to 1:30 P.M.
- Tuesday, September 9: Raymond – 8:00 A.M. to 1:30 P.M.
- Wednesday, September 10: Greenwood – 8:00 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.
- Wednesday, September 10: Oxford – 2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

For the 2026 District/DNJR shows, all market hogs, commercial gilts, and MS Bred Barrows must be owned and entered by December 1 and MUST BE validated at the locations and times below. All market hogs and commercial gilts will be classified at the 2026 DNJR as listed on the schedule. For newly entered commercial beef heifers, wether dams, breeding hair sheep, and commercial meat goat does that were not processed in September, but were entered by December 1, these animals MUST BE validated, and the commercial beef heifers and breeding hair sheep will also be classified at the same time to show at the 2026 District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows during the week of December 8-11, 2025. See the locations and times below. Make your exhibitors aware of these locations and dates so they can make plans to get their animals processed.

- Monday, December 8: Hattiesburg – 8:00 A.M. to 1:30 P.M.
- Tuesday, December 9: Raymond – 8:00 A.M. to 1:30 P.M.
- Wednesday, December 10: Greenwood – 8:00 A.M. to 1:30 P.M.
- Thursday, December 11: Oxford – 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon

### **RESULTS FROM STATE 4-H HORSE NON-RIDING CONTESTS**

#### **SENIOR HIPPOLOGY CONTEST** (4 teams; 13 youth)

Individual Examination/Slide – 1<sup>st</sup> – Woodson Miller, Covington

Individual Station – 1<sup>st</sup> – Madalyn Shows, Covington

Individual Judging – 1<sup>st</sup> – Woodson Miller, Covington

1<sup>st</sup> Place High Individual – Woodson Miller, Covington

2<sup>nd</sup> Place High Individual – Madalyn Shows, Covington

3<sup>rd</sup> Place High Individual – Annalyn Cates, Lamar

Team Examination/Slide – 1<sup>st</sup> – Covington – Woodson Miller, Madalyn Shows, MC Anderson

Team Station – 1<sup>st</sup> – Covington – Woodson Miller, Madalyn Shows, MC Anderson

Judging Team – 1<sup>st</sup> – Covington – Woodson Miller, Madalyn Shows, MC Anderson

Team Problem – Lamar – Annalyn Cates, Lauren Holifield, McKenzie Griffon

### **SENIOR HIPPOLOGY CONTEST** (continued)

1<sup>st</sup> Place Overall Team – Covington – Woodson Miller, Madalyn Shows, MC Anderson

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Overall Team – Lamar – Annalyn Cates, Lauren Holifield, McKenzie

3<sup>rd</sup> Place Overall Team – Union – Adalyn Hogue, Eden Hogue, Karley Harrison

### **JUNIOR HIPPOLOGY CONTEST** (3 teams; 10 youth)

Individual Examination/Slide – 1<sup>st</sup> – Finley Pittman, Lamar

Individual Station – 1<sup>st</sup> – Finley Pittman, Lamar

Individual Judging – 1<sup>st</sup> – Aliah Thompson, Union

1<sup>st</sup> Place High Individual – Finley Pittman, Lamar

2<sup>nd</sup> Place High Individual – Aliah Thompson, Union

3<sup>rd</sup> Place High Individual – Katie Coker, Union

Team Examination/Slide – 1<sup>st</sup> – Union – Ryland McDaniel, Katie Coker, JC Hogue, Aliah Thompson

Team Station – 1<sup>st</sup> – Lamar A – Ella Claire Aycox, Finley Pittman, Maelee Ware

Judging Team – 1<sup>st</sup> – Union – Ryland McDaniel, Katie Coker, JC Hogue, Aliah Thompson

1<sup>st</sup> Place Overall Team – Union – Ryland McDaniel, Katie Coker, JC Hogue, Aliah Thompson

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Overall Team – Lamar A – Ella Claire Aycox, Finley Pittman, Maelee Ware

3<sup>rd</sup> Place Overall Team – Lamar B – Raylen Aycox, Khloe Williams, Kaylee Ware

### **SENIOR HORSE BOWL TEAM** (4 teams; 18 youth)

1<sup>st</sup>     Union  
Aubrianna Hutcheson, Adalyn Hogue, Lily Sacran, Eden Hogue, Lily Voyles

2<sup>nd</sup>     Chickasaw  
Colin McGary, Hayden Burgess, Kimble Clouse, Tatum McWhirter

3<sup>rd</sup>     Winston  
Emma Creel, Rebekah Schilling, Bobby Culwell, Shan Brannon, Martina Hoffmann

### **SENIOR HORSE BOWL HIGH POINT INDIVIDUALS**

1<sup>st</sup>     Aubrianna Hutcheson, Union

2<sup>nd</sup>     Rebekah Schilling, Winston

3<sup>rd</sup>     Tatum McWhirter, Chickasaw

**JUNIOR HORSE BOWL TEAM** (6 teams; 26 youth)

- 1<sup>st</sup>     Union A  
Aliah Thompson, Cooper Grissett, Samantha Grissett, Sammy Jay Potts
- 2<sup>nd</sup>     Chickasaw  
Bryer Clouse, Cheyenne Johnson, Jacob Murillo, Coy Cook, Dylan Branson
- 3<sup>rd</sup>     Tippah  
Lucy Griffin, Chloe Hill, Sarah Hill, Ella Grace McDonald

**JUNIOR HORSE BOWL HIGH POINT INDIVIDUALS**

- 1<sup>st</sup>     Aliah Thompson, Union
- 2<sup>nd</sup>     Bryer Clouse, Chickasaw
- 3<sup>rd</sup>     Emma Childs, Madison

**SENIOR HORSE JUDGING TEAM** (5 teams; 18 youth)

- 1<sup>st</sup>     Covington  
Madalyn Shows, MC Anderson, Woodson Miller
- 2<sup>nd</sup>     Hinds  
Haleigh Price, Travis Lord, Clara Anne Heard, Londria Hinton
- 3<sup>rd</sup>     Union  
Adalyn Hogue, Eden Hogue, Karley Harrison, Maddie Willard

**SENIOR HORSE JUDGING HIGH POINT INDIVIDUALS**

- 1<sup>st</sup>     Travis Lord, Hinds
- 2<sup>nd</sup>     Woodson Miller, Covington
- 3<sup>rd</sup>     Annalyn Cates, Lamar

**SENIOR HIGH INDIVIDUAL ORAL REASONS**

Travis Lord, Hinds

**JUNIOR HORSE JUDGING TEAM** (5 teams; 18 youth)

- 1<sup>st</sup>     Union  
Katie Coker, Aliah Thompson, Sammy Jay Potts, JC Hogue
- 2<sup>nd</sup>     Tippah A  
Chloe Hill, Sarah Hill, Ella Grace McDonald
- 3<sup>rd</sup>     Hinds  
Audrey Lay, Olivia Robertson, Jordan Fisher, Edward Watson

**JUNIOR HORSE JUDGING HIGH POINT INDIVIDUALS**

- 1<sup>st</sup>     Katie Coker, Union
- 2<sup>nd</sup>     Chloe Hill, Tippah
- 3<sup>rd</sup>     Ella Claire Aycox, Lamar

**JUNIOR HIGH INDIVIDUAL ORAL REASONS**

Katie Coker, Union

**SENIOR HORSE PUBLIC SPEAKING** (3 youth)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Annalyn Cates, Lamar  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Rebekah Schilling, Winston  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Karley Harrison, Union

**JUNIOR HORSE PUBLIC SPEAKING** (2 youth)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Raylen Aycox, Lamar  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Ella Claire Aycox, Lamar

**SENIOR HORSE INDIVIDUAL DEMONSTRATION** (6 youth)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Woodson Miller, Covington  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Taylor Phillipson, Smith  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Rebekah Schilling, Winston

**JUNIOR HORSE INDIVIDUAL DEMONSTRATION** (2 youth)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Finley Pittman, Lamar  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Aliah Thompson, Union

**JUNIOR HORSE TEAM DEMONSTRATION** (5 teams; 10 youth)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sarah Hill & Ella Grace McDonald, Tippah  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Ella Beard & Georgia Bennett, Itawamba  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Ryland McDaniel & Sklyar Wilson, Union

**SENIOR HORSE TEAM DEMONSTRATION** (3 teams; 6 youth)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Emma Creel & Rebekah Schilling, Winston  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Abby Grant & Levi Thompson, Union A  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Adalyn Hogue & Eden Hogue, Union B

**HIGH POINT SENIOR EDUCATIONAL CONTEST WINNER**

Woodson Miller, Covington 4-H

**HIGH POINT JUNIOR EDUCATIONAL CONTEST WINNER**

Katie Coker, Union 4-H

**► 2025 4-H CONGRESS WINNERS****Meats Judging Contest: Winning Teams**

1 team &amp; 4 participants

1<sup>st</sup> Pontotoc County

John Robert Wortham, Raylee Kate Kirby, Allie Mitchell, Aubrey Huddleston

**Meats Judging Contest: Individual Winners**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Raylee Kate Kirby, Pontotoc County  
 2<sup>nd</sup> John Robert Wortham, Pontotoc County  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Aubrey Huddleston, Pontotoc County

**Livestock Bowl Contest: Winning Teams**

5 teams &amp; 23 participants

- 1<sup>st</sup> Union County  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Lincoln County  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Winston County

Roxie Roberson, Mae Garrett, Levi Thompson, Maddie Willard, Lily Voyles  
 Julian Chavez, Samuel McDaniel, Abby Russell, Lilly Conn  
 Bobby Culwell, Emma Creel, Rebekah Schilling, Cade Gregory, Mimi Grierson

**Livestock Bowl Contest: Individual Winners**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Roxie Roberson, Union County  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Julian Chavez, Lincoln County  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Levi Thompson, Union County

**Dairy Bowl Contest: Winning Teams**

1 team &amp; 4 participants

1<sup>st</sup> Union County

Lily Sacran, Levi Thompson, Adalyn Hogue, Eden Hogue

**Dairy Bowl Contest: Individual Winners**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Levi Thompson, Union County  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Lily Sacran, Union County  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Adalyn Hogue, Union County

**Dairy Products Judging: Winning Teams**

10 teams & 38 participants

1 <sup>st</sup>	Rankin County	Abbye Buchanan, Reagan Hearn, Raylee Reed, Dalton Buchanan
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jasper County	Tori Bankston, Gracyn Foster, Matthew Holloway
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Prentiss County	Marlee Hutcheson, Anaston Stevens, Carl Taylor, Lee Taylor

**Dairy Products Judging: Individual Winners**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Gracyn Foster, Jasper County
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Anaston Stevens, Prentiss County
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Abbye Buchanan, Rankin County

**Beef Visual Presentations**

0 participants

**Sheep/Swine/Meat Goat Visual Presentations**

5 participants

1 <sup>st</sup>	Kelcey Beene, Alcorn County
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jordan Brooks, Holmes County
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jaden Claire Everett, Oktibbeha County

**Dairy Animals Visual Presentations**

4 participants

1 <sup>st</sup>	Aubrianna Hutcheson, Union County
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Auston Hughes, Yalobusha County
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Conner Stokes, Monroe County

**Dairy Foods Visual Presentations**

1 participant

1 <sup>st</sup>	Kaci Ladner, Marion County
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### ►SENIOR 4-H STATE DAIRY JUDGING CONTEST RESULTS

The Senior State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest held on March 28 at the MSU Bearden Dairy ran extremely smoothly and those that assisted with the contests are to be commended. We had 18 contestants and 4 teams that competed in the 4-H Dairy Judging contest.

▪	<b><u>Top 3 Senior Overall Individuals</u></b>	<b><u>Score</u></b>	<b><u>Top 3 Seniors – Jersey Division</u></b>	<b><u>Score</u></b>
	1. Lee Taylor, Prentiss 4-H	250	1. Lee Taylor, Prentiss 4-H	127
	2. Makayla Howard, Greene 4-H	249	2. Gracyn Foster, Jasper 4-H	126
	3. Lydia Everett, Greene 4-H	248	3. Teddy Haffey, Itawamba 4-H	125
▪	<b><u>Top 3 Seniors – Holstein Division</u></b>	<b><u>Score</u></b>	<b><u>Top 3 Seniors – Total Placings</u></b>	<b><u>Score</u></b>
	1. Ava Jacobs, Prentiss 4-H	138	1. Makayla Howard, Greene 4-H	191
	2. Lydia Everett, Greene 4-H	133	2. Ellie Haffey, Itawamba 4-H	189
	3. Jacob Everett, Greene 4-H	132	3. Teddy Haffey, Itawamba 4-H	182
▪	<b><u>Top 3 Seniors – Oral Reasons</u></b>	<b><u>Score</u></b>		
	1. Lee Taylor, Prentiss 4-H	72		
	2. Ava Jacobs, Prentiss 4-H	66		
	3. Lydia Everett, Greene 4-H	66		

### SENIOR DAIRY JUDDING TEAMS

1 <sup>st</sup>	<u>Greene</u> Jacob Everett, Makayla Howard, Lydia Everett, Rylee Arnold
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<u>Jasper</u> Addison Stringer, Gracyn Foster, Lucy Holloway
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<u>Prentiss B</u> Ava Jacobs, Gabe Tice, Marlee Hutcheson

## ►JUNIOR AND SENIOR 4-H STATE LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST RESULTS

The Junior and Senior State 4-H Livestock Judging Contest held on March 8 in Starkville ran extremely smoothly and those that assisted with the contests are to be commended. In the junior livestock judging contest, we had 49 contestants and 13 teams, while the senior contest had 38 contestants and 7 teams. Congratulations to the junior team from Tippah County who won 1<sup>st</sup> place and to the senior team from Jones County for winning the senior livestock judging contest. The winners in both contests are below.

▪ <u>Top 5 Junior Teams</u>	<u>Score</u>
1. Tippah A – Bella Alberson, Lola Jones, Jasey Sims	1306
2. Jones A – Alivia Upton, Wyleigh Holley, Cylie Knotts	1293
3. Itawamba B – Ali Clayton, Clara Beth Rogers, Claire Tigner	1277
4. Sunflower – Marley Parker, John Miller, Caroline Carman, Henry McPherson	1245
5. Union B – Skylar Wilson, Katie Coker, Burkley Holmes, Briton Holmes	1203

▪ <u>Top 10 Junior Overall Individuals</u>	<u>Score</u>
1. Ali Clayton, Itawamba 4-H	466
2. Bella Alberson, Tippah 4-H	459
3. Brayden Rhodes, Panola 4-H	454
4. Alivia Upton, Jones 4-H	450
5. Lola Jones, Tippah 4-H	448
6. Whitley Stanley, Tippah 4-H	442
7. Kyp Lofton, Lincoln 4-H	438
8. Skylar Wilson, Union 4-H	436
9. Wyleigh Holley, Jones 4-H	435
10. Massey McPherson, Sunflower 4-H	431



▪ <u>Top 5 Juniors – Beef Division</u>	<u>Score</u>
1. Massey McPherson, Sunflower 4-H	183
2. Ali Clayton, Itawamba 4-H	180
3. Lola Jones, Tippah 4-H	180
4. John Miller, Sunflower 4-H	173
5. Skylar Wilson, Union 4-H	171

▪ <u>Top 5 Juniors – Sheep/Goat Division</u>	<u>Score</u>
1. Bella Alberson, Tippah 4-H	225
2. Kyp Lofton, Lincoln 4-H	223
3. Brayden Rhodes, Panola 4-H	216
4. Callum Carr, Lincoln 4-H	214
5. Skylar Wilson, Union 4-H	206



▪ <u>Top 5 Juniors – Swine Division</u>	<u>Score</u>
1. Charley Haffey, Itawamba 4-H	88
2. Whitley Stanley, Tippah 4-H	86
3. Ali Clayton, Itawamba 4-H	83
4. Marley Parker, Sunflower 4-H	83
5. Aliah Thompson, Union 4-H	83



<b>Top 5 Juniors – Questions Classes</b>	<b>Score</b>
1. Marley Parker, Sunflower 4-H	115
2. Ali Clayton, Itawamba 4-H	115
3. Whitley Stanley, Tippah 4-H	110
4. Kash Goldman, Lincoln 4-H	100
5. Charley Haffey, Itawamba 4-H	100

<b>Top 5 Senior Teams</b>	<b>Score</b>
1. Jones – Hope White, Maggie Claire Todd, Sutton Burns, Anna Windham	1649
2. Union – Maddie Willard, Levi Thompson, Aubri Hutcheson, Karley Harrison	1580
3. Lincoln – Julian Chavez, Lilly Conn, Noah Johnson, Abby Russell	1570
4. Smith – Taylor Phillipson, Aimry Blackwell, Makynzee Harris, Brynn Boykin	1553
5. Jasper – Chance McCormick, Payton Farris, Lucy Holloway, Tori Bankston	1526

<b>Top 10 Senior Overall Individuals</b>	<b>Score</b>
1. Hope White, Jones 4-H	572
2. Maggie Claire Todd, Jones 4-H	557
3. Maddie Willard, Union 4-H	541
4. Trey Ladner, Scott 4-H	539
5. Macy Adams, Smith 4-H	535
6. David Martin, Rankin 4-H	535
7. Lilly Conn, Lincoln 4-H	531
8. Levi Thompson, Union 4-H	524
9. Taylor Phillipson, Smith 4-H	523
10. Aimry Blackwell, Smith 4-H	522



<b>Top 5 Seniors – Beef Division</b>	<b>Score</b>
1. Trey Ladner, Scott 4-H	240
2. Hope White, Jones 4-H	240
3. Julian Chavez, Lincoln 4-H	237
4. Macy Adams, Smith 4-H	235
5. Taylor Phillipson, Smith 4-H	233



<b>Top 5 Seniors – Sheep/Goat Division</b>	<b>Score</b>
1. Maggie Claire Todd, Jones 4-H	242
2. Hope White, Jones 4-H	240
3. Maddie Willard, Union 4-H	236
4. Chance McCormick, Jasper 4-H	233
5. David Martin, Rankin 4-H	229

<b>Top 5 Seniors – Swine Division</b>	<b>Score</b>
1. Trey Ladner, Scott 4-H	96
2. Lilly Conn, Lincoln 4-H	95
3. Maggie Claire Todd, Jones 4-H	93
4. Hope White, Jones 4-H	92
5. Taylor Phillipson, Smith 4-H	90

▪ <b>Top 5 Seniors – Oral Reasons</b>	<b>Score</b>
1. Maggie Clarei Todd, Jones 4-H	188
2. Hope White, Jones 4-H	184
3. Noah Johnson, Lincoln 4-H	183
4. Julian Chavez, Lincoln 4-H	182
5. Lilly Conn, Lincoln 4-H	181

► **REMINDER: NEW 4-H/FFA MEMBERS MUST BE ETHICS CERTIFIED TO SHOW!!**

The Mississippi State Fair will be here soon and the Mississippi Livestock Quality Assurance training for **NEW** exhibitors and parents or guardians must be completed by October 1, 2025. Code of Conduct Forms are available as an Extension publication.

► **OFFICIAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE – REMINDER AND IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR EXHIBITORS WITH LACTATING DAIRY CATTLE**

An Official Health Certificate with each animal identified will be required on all livestock showing at the 2025 Mississippi State Fair. This includes all market animals, beef breeding cattle, commercial beef heifers, dairy cattle (purebred and commercial dairy heifers), dairy goats (purebred and commercial), wether dams, breeding hair sheep, registered breeding Boer does, and commercial meat goat does.

There may be some additional information about lactating dairy cattle and the need for a negative test for Influenza A Virus, and that will be communicated as soon as I hear from the MS Board of Animal Health and Dr. Watson. If you know of open dairy cattle exhibitors who will travel with lactating dairy cattle across state lines for the Open Dairy Show at the 2025 MS State Fair, they must have a negative test for Influenza A Virus from an approved National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN) within 7 days of crossing the state line. This negative test result must be included on their CVI to get on the fairgrounds.

► **MISSISSIPPI STATE FAIR PREMIUM BOOKS**

A PDF file of the premium book will also be sent by email when it is finished. Please make sure your exhibitors and parents have a copy of the rules for the shows in which they participate. A copy of the schedule of events is included in this newsletter.

► **DAIRY SWEETHEART, MEAT GOAT PRINCESS, AND LAMB AMBASSADOR CONTESTS**

A Junior and Senior Dairy Cattle Sweetheart, a Junior and Senior Dairy Goat Sweetheart, a Junior and Senior Meat Goat Princess, and a Junior and Senior Lamb Ambassador will be announced during the Mississippi State Fair. Winners will be selected based on personality and knowledge of their project. Rules and regulations concerning the contest are found in the Mississippi State Fair premium book. Please have the entries postmarked by September 2, 2025. All interviews are planned to take place before the State Fair. Please encourage your girls who are enrolled in dairy and goat projects to enter this year and encourage your boys and girls in the lamb project to enter the ambassador contest.

► **COMMERCIAL HEIFER AND MARKET STEER EXHIBITORS – SPECIAL NOTICE!**

Check with your 4-H/FFA exhibitors that are exhibiting steers and commercial beef and dairy heifers about **horns**. All commercial heifers and steers showing at the Mississippi State Fair and District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows must be polled or dehorned with no scurs or re-growth to exceed 1½ inches above the skin line. Remember the minimum weight on commercial heifers is **500** pounds for the Mississippi State Fair. ALL exhibitors are responsible for weighing their commercial heifers and market steers and declaring their animal show weight in the online check-in app. Official scales will be made available for weighing livestock.

► **REGISTERED BREEDING BOER DOE EXHIBITORS – SPECIAL NOTICE!**

There is a newer show called the Registered Breeding Boer Doe Show for the Mississippi State Fair. ALL exhibitors are responsible for declaring which animals are at the show using the check-in app.

► **MARKET GOAT EXHIBITORS – SPECIAL NOTICE!**

Check with your 4-H/FFA exhibitors who are exhibiting market goats about horns. Goats may be shown that are polled, dehorned, or disbudded with no re-growth to exceed 1½” above the skin line. Removal of horns is not allowed on the show grounds. Remember the minimum weight of market goats is **40** pounds with no maximum weight for the Mississippi State Fair. ALL exhibitors are responsible for weighing their market goats and declaring their animal’s show weight in the check-in app. Official scales will be made available for weighing livestock.

► **COMMERCIAL MEAT GOAT DOE SHOW EXHIBITORS – SPECIAL NOTICE!**

Remember the minimum weight of commercial meat goat does is **40** pounds with no maximum weight for the Mississippi State Fair. ALL exhibitors are responsible for weighing their commercial meat goat does and declaring their animal’s show weight in the check-in app. Official scales will be made available for weighing livestock.

► **MARKET LAMB AND MARKET HAIR SHEEP EXHIBITORS – SPECIAL NOTICE!**

Remember the minimum weight of market lambs and market hair sheep is **70** pounds with no maximum weight for the Mississippi State Fair. ALL exhibitors are responsible for weighing their market lambs and market hair sheep and declaring their animal’s show weight in the check-in app. Official scales will be made available for weighing livestock.

► **WETHER DAM AND BREEDING HAIR SHEEP EXHIBITORS – SPECIAL NOTICE!**

Remember the minimum weight of wether dams and breeding hair sheep is **75** pounds with no maximum weight for the Mississippi State Fair. ALL exhibitors are responsible for weighing their wether dams and declaring their animal’s show weight in the check-in app. Official scales will be made available for weighing livestock.

► **MARKET HOG EXHIBITORS – SPECIAL NOTICE!**

Remember the minimum weight of market hogs is **200** pounds with no maximum weight for the Mississippi State Fair. ALL exhibitors are responsible for weighing their market hogs and declaring their animal’s show weight in the check-in app. Official scales will be made available for weighing livestock.

► **COMMERCIAL DAIRY HEIFER AND COW EXHIBITORS – SPECIAL NOTICE!**

Remember the minimum weight of commercial dairy heifers is **200** pounds for the Mississippi State Fair. ALL exhibitors are responsible for weighing their commercial dairy heifers and declaring their animal’s show weight in the check-in app. Official scales will be made available for weighing livestock. **This year, all commercial dairy cattle must have an 840 visual/EID combination ear tag ordered from the 4-H Livestock Program.**

► **COMMERCIAL DAIRY GOAT EXHIBITORS – SPECIAL NOTICE!**

Remember the minimum weight of commercial dairy goats is **40** pounds for the Mississippi State Fair. ALL exhibitors are responsible for weighing their commercial dairy goats and declaring their animal show weight in the check-in app. Official scales will be made available for weighing livestock.

Commercial dairy goat exhibitors have the option of purchasing the 840 visual/EID combination ear tag from the 4-H Livestock Program, or they can utilize an 840 animal ID microchip. If exhibitors of commercial dairy goats go the 840-microchip route, they should provide their own microchip reader.

Commercial dairy goat exhibitors can purchase 840 microchips online with the applicator and readers. There are a couple of steps to obtain the information needed to purchase the 840 microchips. First, the exhibitor/farm must have a premise ID number. To get this, you should go to <https://agnet.mdac.ms.gov/MBAHPremises> and complete the online premise ID registration. When a number is assigned, it will be emailed to you. This number should be saved in your records file, as you will need this again later. The next step is to obtain a flock or scrapie ID number. To get this, you can contact the MS Board of Animal Health at 601-359-1170 and give them your premise ID number. They can contact their person with the USDA to get a flock/scrapie ID number to email to you. Or you can call USDA’s toll-free tag line at 866-873-2824 and their staff will assign a flock ID to your flock/herd. If you have any trouble reaching their staff on the national toll-free line, you can contact them by email at [scrapie@usda.gov](mailto:scrapie@usda.gov). In your email, please include the State where your sheep/goats are located and your phone number. Once you have obtained your premise ID and flock/scrapie ID numbers, you can order the 840 ID animal microchip in varying quantities based on how many commercial dairy goats the exhibitor is seeking to nominate. Since the exhibitor is responsible for the microchip reader, there are different options there as well.

# 2025 MISSISSIPPI STATE FAIR LIVESTOCK SHOW SCHEDULE

(Prayer and Pledge held before each Show)

## Thursday, October 2, 2025

8:00 a.m.	Scales open for weighing market goats and commercial meat goat does
1:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Stall and pen assignments for early arriving lambs, steers, and breeding cattle <b>(All stall and pen assignments to be made by show management)</b>
1:00 p.m.	Scales open for weighing market lambs, wether dams, market hair sheep, breeding hair sheep, market steers, and commercial beef heifers
3:00 p.m.	Deadline for arrival of Market Goats, Commercial Meat Goat Does, & Registered Breeding Boer Does
3:00 p.m.	Deadline for Goat Showmanship (Market and Meat Goat Doe) entries using check-in app
3:00 p.m.	Deadline to enter weights for market goats and commercial meat goat does using check-in app
3:00 p.m.	Deadline to process registered breeding Boer doe entries/enter Boer Goat Showmanship in check-in app

## Friday, October 3, 2025

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon	Stall and pen assignments for lambs, steers, and beef breeding cattle
8:00 a.m.	Scales open for weighing all lambs, market steers and commercial beef heifers
8:00 a.m.	<b>Goat Showmanship (Market Goats and Commercial Meat Goat Does)</b> - Barn 14 <b>4-H/FFA Meat Goat Doe Show</b> - Barn 14 (Start 15 minutes after Goat Showmanship) <b>Junior Market Goat Show</b> - Barn 14; <u>released after showing</u> <b>Registered Breeding Boer Doe Showmanship and Show</b> – Barn 14 (Showmanship and Show; start 15 minutes after Market Goat Show)
12:00 Noon	Deadline for arrival of all junior lambs, steers, commercial beef heifers and beef breeding cattle
3:00 p.m.	Deadline to process beef breeding entries using check-in app
3:00 p.m.	Deadline to enter weights for market steers and commercial beef heifers using check-in app
3:00 p.m.	Deadline to enter weights for all lambs using check-in app
3:00 p.m.	Deadline for Lamb, Beef, and Hair Sheep Showmanship entries using check-in app

## Saturday, October 4, 2025

8:00 a.m.	<b>Junior Market Steer Show</b> - Judging Arena (Two rings – Progress Steers on one side and Prospect Steers on the other side); <u>steers released after showing</u> <b>Junior Commercial Beef Heifer Show</b> - Judging Arena (two rings); Start 15 minutes after Market Steer Show; <u>heifers released after showing</u>
1:00 p.m.	<b>Junior Lamb Shows</b> - Barn 8 – lamb show (showmanship; wether dams; market lambs) followed by hair sheep show (showmanship; breeding hair sheep; market hair sheep); <u>all lambs released after showing</u>
2:00 p.m.	<b>Open Hereford Show</b> - Judging Arena (RING 1) <b>Open Angus Show</b> – Judging Arena (RING 2)
5:00 p.m.	<b>Open Simmental Show</b> – Judging Arena
8:00 p.m.	Tri-State Rodeo – Equine Center

## Sunday, October 5, 2025

8:30 a.m.	Present 4-H/FFA Replacement Beef Heifer Development Contest Awards – Judging Arena
9:00 a.m.	<b>Beef Showmanship</b> - Judging Arena (two rings)
9:00 a.m.	Junior Cattlemen's Assn. Meeting - Sales Arena
9:00 a.m.	Devotional Service – Judging Arena
2:00 p.m.	Tri-State Rodeo – Equine Center
2:30 p.m.	Check-in for MS State Fair Livestock Judging Contest – Barn 14
3:00 p.m.	MS State Fair Livestock Judging Contest (or 30 minutes after Showmanship) – Barn 14

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## Monday, October 6, 2025

8:00 a.m. **Junior Beef Breeding Show** - Judging Arena (two rings); cattle released after showing

## Wednesday, October 8, 2025

8:00 a.m. 4-H Poultry Check-In – Barn 13  
9:00 a.m. 4-H Poultry Show – Barn 13  
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Stall early arriving Open Dairy Cattle Show animals  
1:00 p.m. Open Poultry Check-In – Barn 13  
2:00 p.m. Open Poultry Show – Barn 13

## Thursday, October 9, 2025

8:00 a.m. Arrival of Junior and Open Market Swine; scales open for weighing junior and open swine  
12:00 noon Deadline for arrival of Junior and Open Show dairy cattle  
12:00 Noon Deadline for arrival of Junior and Open Market Swine  
1:00 p.m. Deadline to process junior dairy cattle entries using check-in app  
1:00 p.m. Deadline to enter weights on commercial dairy heifers and cows using check-in app  
1:00 p.m. Deadline for Dairy Cattle Showmanship entries using check-in app  
4:00 p.m. Deadline to enter weights for market swine using check-in app  
4:00 p.m. Deadline for Swine Showmanship entries using check-in app  
4:00 p.m. Deadline for arrival of 4-H/FFA Dairy Goats  
4:00 p.m. Deadline to process dairy goat entries using check-in app  
4:00 p.m. Deadline to enter weights for commercial dairy goats using check-in app  
4:00 p.m. Deadline for Dairy Goat Showmanship entries using check-in app

## Friday, October 10, 2025

8:00 a.m. **4-H/FFA Dairy Goat Show** - Barn 8 – Showmanship, Commercial Dairy Goats, Sr./Jr. Does  
8:00 a.m. 4-H Rabbit Show Check-in – Barn 13  
8:00 a.m. **Open Market Swine Show** - Swine Barn/Barn 7  
8:15 a.m. **Junior Market Hog Show** - Swine Barn/Barn 7; (swine showmanship followed by market hog classes); all hogs released after showing  
**Open Junior Prospect Hog Show** – Swine Barn/Barn 7 (following Market Hog Show)  
9:00 a.m. **4-H Rabbit Show** – Barn 13  
9:00 a.m. **Open Dairy Cattle Show** - Judging Arena  
1:00 p.m. Two-Year-Old Holstein Futurity - Judging Arena  
1:30 p.m. Two-Year-Old Jersey Futurity - Judging Arena  
7:00 p.m. Special Dairy Classes (Pretty Cow Contest & Commissioner's Production Cup) - Judging Arena  
8:00 p.m. Arrival of Open Show dairy goats

## Saturday, October 11, 2025

8:00 a.m. **MGA Open Dairy Goat Show** - Barn 8  
8:30 a.m. **Junior Dairy Cattle Show** - Judging Arena  
(Showmanship followed by the Commercial Dairy Heifer and Cow Shows and Junior Dairy Purebred Show)  
4:00 p.m. Release all dairy cattle

## Sunday, October 12, 2025

8:00 a.m. Devotional Service – Judging Arena  
9:00 a.m. MGA Open Dairy Goat Show; released after the show – Barn 14