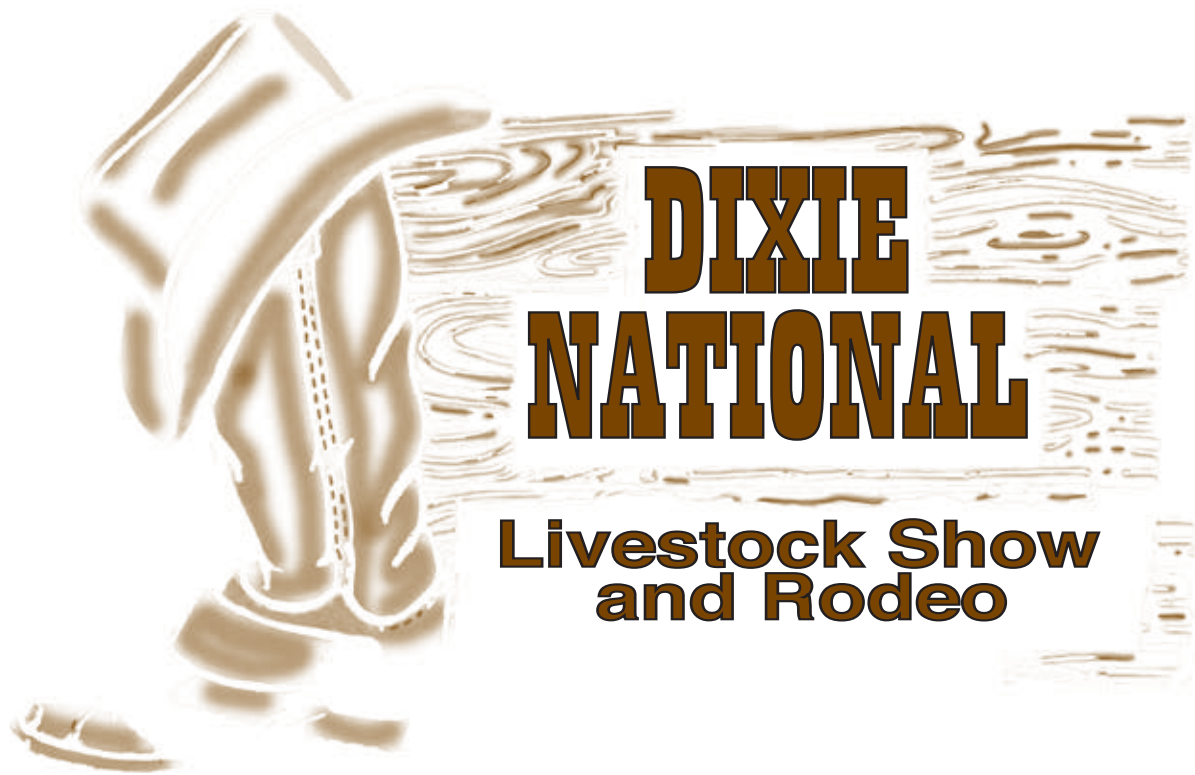


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**DIXIE NATIONAL JUNIOR ROUND-UP
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Ejection from Livestock Event

101 Any person(s), while attending or participating in a livestock event being conducted under the auspices of the Mississippi Livestock Show (“Show”), including but not limited to, the Dixie National Junior Round-Up or the Mississippi State Fair Junior Livestock Show, whether during show time or not, who engages in any conduct that poses a clear and present danger to the public health, safety or welfare, including but not limited to, fighting, intoxication (alcohol or drugs), use of profanity, acts of terrorism, discharge of weapons or disorderly or threatening conduct, may be immediately ejected from the premises where the event is being held by the Show’s duly authorized agents or designees for the duration of the livestock event, including but not limited to, the Dixie National Junior Round-Up or the Mississippi State Fair Junior Livestock Show.

The ejected person(s) shall then have thirty (30) days to request an informal administrative review before the Deputy Commissioner of the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce, or his designee, who shall act as a reviewing officer. At this informal administrative review, subpoena power shall not be available, witnesses shall not be sworn or be subject to cross examination and no record shall be made of the proceedings. The reviewing officer’s decision shall be in writing and shall be delivered to the parties by certified mail. If the accused does not request a hearing within thirty (30) days, then he is deemed to have waived his right to a review.

If any party is aggrieved by the decision of the reviewing officer, he shall have thirty (30) days after his receipt of the reviewing officer’s decision to appeal to the Show for a full evidentiary hearing before the Show’s directors or their designee. Witnesses shall be sworn and be subject to cross examination. A written record shall be made of the proceedings. The decision of the Show directors shall be in writing and shall be delivered to the parties by certified mail.

If either party is aggrieved by the decision of the Show directors, he shall have thirty (30) days after receipt of the directors’ order to appeal to the circuit court of the county where the event was held. Any appeal to circuit court shall be made in accordance with existing state laws and regulations governing such appeals.

(Adopted January 20, 2014.)

Source: *Miss. Code Ann.* §69-5-101 *et seq.*

2018 DIXIE NATIONAL JUNIOR ROUND-UP SCHEDULE

Thursday, February 1, 2018

8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Pens/stalls assigned for dairy animals & market swine (assignments made by show manager)
10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Process dairy entries – Livestock Office/Barn 14
12:00 noon	Deadline for arrival of market swine
12:00 noon	Deadline for arrival of dairy cattle
12:00 noon-8:00 p.m.	Scales open for weighing and/or classifying market hogs – Swine Barn/Barn 7
1:00 p.m.	Deadline for <u>corrections</u> in Dairy Cattle Showmanship entries
1:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m.	Weigh commercial dairy heifers
2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	PREMIER DAIRY EXHIBITOR CONTEST – Farmers Market
8:00 p.m.	Deadline for <u>corrections</u> in Swine Showmanship entries
8:00 p.m.	Deadline to turn in weight cards for MS bred barrows and market hogs – Swine Arena/Barn 6

Friday, February 2, 2018

8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.	PREMIER SWINE EXHIBITOR CONTEST – Farmers Market
8:00 a.m.	DAIRY CATTLE SHOW (Showmanship, Commercial Dairy Heifers, Purebreds) – Judging Arena
9:00 a.m.	SWINE SHOWMANSHIP – Swine Arena/Barn 6
15 minutes after Swine Showmanship	MS BRED BARROW SHOW & START OF MARKET HOG SHOW – Swine Arena/Barn 6

Saturday, February 3, 2018

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	Scales open for weighing market steers and commercial breeding heifers
8:00 a.m.	MARKET HOG SHOW (continuation) – Swine Arena, Barn 6
12:00 noon	Deadline for arrival of market steers
1:00-3:00 p.m.	** Check hair length and turn in weight cards for market steers
1:00-6:00 p.m.	Stall assignments for early arriving beef breeding animals and commercial breeding heifers

Sunday, February 4, 2018

8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	Scales open for weighing market lambs and goats
8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	Scales open for weighing market steers and commercial breeding heifers
9:00 a.m.	Devotional Service – Sales Arena (conducted by Cowboys for Christ)
10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	PREMIER BEEF EXHIBITOR CONTEST – Farmers Market
11:00-a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Process beef breeding entries – Livestock Office/Barn 14
11:00-a.m.-2:00 p.m.	** Turn in weight cards for commercial beef heifers – Livestock Office/Barn 14
12:00 p.m.	Deadline for arrival of beef breeding animals and commercial breeding heifers
12:00 p.m.	MARKET STEER SHOW – Coliseum
1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	** Deadline to turn in weight cards for market lambs
2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	PREMIER LAMB EXHIBITOR CONTEST – Farmers Market
2:00 p.m.	Deadline for <u>corrections</u> in beef showmanship entries
4:00 p.m.	SHEEP LEAD CLASS – Judging Arena/Barn 14

NOTE: ** Follow directions posted outside show office and scales for times and location to turn in weight cards for each show.

2018 DIXIE NATIONAL JUNIOR ROUND-UP SCHEDULE

Monday, February 5, 2018

7:30 a.m.	ANGUS SHOWMANSHIP – Coliseum
8:00 a.m.	BEEF SHOWMANSHIP – Coliseum
8:00 a.m.	Scales open for weighing market goats, commercial meat goat does, lambs and heifers
8:00 a.m.	LAMB SHOWMANSHIP – Judging Arena/Barn 14
15 minutes after Lamb Showmanship	MARKET LAMB SHOW – Judging Arena/Barn 14
10:00 a.m.	Deadline for arrival of market goats and commercial meat goat does
12:00 noon	Deadline for <u>corrections</u> in goat showmanship entries
12:00 noon-2:00 p.m.	** Deadline to turn in weight cards for market goats and commercial does
1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	PREMIER MEAT GOAT EXHIBITOR CONTEST – Farmers Market
2:00 p.m.	
2:30 p.m. or 30 min after Beef Showmanship	COMMERCIAL BEEF HEIFER SHOW – Coliseum
3:00 p.m. or 15 minutes after Lamb Show	GOAT SHOWMANSHIP – Judging Arena/Barn 14

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

8:00 a.m.	BEEF BREEDING SHOW – Coliseum
8:00 a.m.	COMMERCIAL MEAT GOAT DOE SHOW – Judging Arena/Barn 14
15 minutes after CMGD Show	MARKET GOAT SHOW – Judging Arena/Barn 14

Wednesday, February 7, 2018

8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.	Check dairy goat papers – Livestock Office/Barn 14
8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.	PREMIER DAIRY GOAT EXHIBITOR CONTEST – Farmers Market
10:00 a.m.	Deadline for arrival of dairy goats & <u>corrections</u> in dairy goat showmanship entries
Not to start before 12:00 Noon	DAIRY GOAT SHOW – Judging Arena/Barn 14

Thursday, February 8, 2018

10:00 a.m.	Sale of Champions Reception – Trade Mart Building
11:30 a.m.	Welcome and Presentation of Scholarships from Sale of Champions – Trade Mart Building
	SALE OF CHAMPIONS (following scholarship presentations) – Trade Mart Building

NOTE: ** Follow directions posted outside show office and scales for times and location to turn in weight cards for each show.

DIXIE NATIONAL SALE OF CHAMPIONS

Thursday, February 8, 2018, 11:30 a.m.

Trade Mart Building

The Dixie National is the showcase of the livestock industry in Mississippi. Both 4-H and FFA contestants exhibit their livestock in the largest junior market livestock show in Mississippi. The champions and reserve champions of the Junior Market Steer Show (8 steers), the Junior Market Lamb Show (10 lambs), the Junior Market Swine Show (12 hogs), the Junior Mississippi Bred Barrow Show (2 hogs) and the Junior Market Goat Show (10 goats) are singled out for a special tribute at the Dixie National and are eligible for this sale – a just reward for the exhibitors of these animals for an exceptional job.

In addition to these show champions, the Overall Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Mississippi Bred Market Steers (2 steers), Market Lambs (2 lambs) and Market Goats (2 goats) are eligible for the sale, if they are not one of the regular show champions or reserve champions. This means there could be a total of 42 to 48 animals that qualify for the Sale of Champions.

The Dixie National Sale of Champions Promotion Committee also presents scholarships to livestock and dairy exhibitors at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up that do not have an animal in the Sale. In 2017, the committee presented 37 youth with scholarships totaling \$58,500. Winners of the Premier Exhibitor Contests, in addition to exhibitors having an animal in the 2018 Sale of Champions (this applies to multiple owners of animals too, even if the animal was shown by the exhibitor's brother or sister), will not be eligible to receive one of the Sale of Champions Scholarships awarded to high school seniors.

List of livestock that qualify for the Sale of Champions

Market Steers (8-10)

- Champion & Reserve Champion American Steers
- Champion & Reserve Champion English Steers
- Champion & Reserve Champion Lightweight European Steers
- Champion & Reserve Champion Heavyweight European Steers
- MS Bred Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Steers (if not already in sale)

Market Lambs (10-12)

- Champion & Reserve Champion Division 1 Lambs
- Champion & Reserve Champion Division 2 Lambs
- Champion & Reserve Champion Division 3 Lambs
- Champion & Reserve Champion Division 4 Lambs
- Champion & Reserve Champion Division 5 Lambs
- MS Bred Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Lambs (if not already in sale)

Market Goats (10-12)

- Champion & Reserve Champion Lightweight Goats
- Champion & Reserve Champion Light Mediumweight Goats
- Champion & Reserve Champion Mediumweight Goats
- Champion & Reserve Champion Light Heavyweight Goats
- Champion & Reserve Champion Heavyweight Goats
- MS Bred Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Goats (if not already in sale)

Market Swine (14)

- Champion & Reserve Champion Duroc Hogs
- Champion & Reserve Champion Chester Hogs
- Champion & Reserve Champion Yorkshire Hogs
- Champion & Reserve Champion Hampshire Hogs
- Champion & Reserve Champion Spotted Hogs
- Champion & Reserve Champion Crosses & Other Breeds Hogs
- Champion & Reserve Champion MS Bred Barrows

2017 BUYERS
DIXIE NATIONAL SALE OF CHAMPIONS

The Dixie National Sale of Champions Promotion Committee salutes the following buyers and contributors that made the 2017 Sale of Champions another outstanding sale.

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2017 SALE OF CHAMPIONS SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Scholarship Recipients - L-R: Front row, Molly Welch, Rankin 4-H/Puckett FFA; C.J. Weddle, Calhoun 4-H/Vardaman FFA; Gabrielle Simpson, Mantachie FFA; Kalyn Smith, Leake Central FFA; Baleigh Sifford, Hinds 4-H; Shelby Jones, Pike 4-H/North Pike FFA; Mattie Ford, Smith 4-H. Middle row, Joseph Windham, Covington 4-H; Sherman Timbs, Sunflower 4-H; Emma Grace McGrew, Prentiss 4-H/Booneville FFA; Rachel Harris, Pearl River 4-H/Poplarville FFA; Mikayla Shelton, Calhoun 4-H/Bruce FFA; Ag Comm. Cindy Hyde-Smith; Gov. Phil Bryant; Myleah Woods, Hinds 4-H; Lyndsey Hill, Simpson 4-H/Puckett FFA; Hayley Meriwether, Leflore 4-H; Jacob Phillips, Jasper 4-H; Austin Winter, Calhoun 4-H. Back row, Colt Prisock, Oktibbeha 4-H; Will Cornelius, Nettleton FFA; Will Watts, Lincoln 4-H/ Loyd Star FFA; Tucker Thrash, Covington 4-H; Brant White, Enterprise FFA; Adam Dixon, Jasper 4-H; Kenny Price, Marion 4-H; Zane Rushing, Lincoln 4-H/West Lincoln FFA.

SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Code of Conduct: Each exhibitor and his/her family participating in Mississippi Junior Livestock Shows is a representation of several thousand 4-H and FFA Beef, Dairy, Sheep, Goat and Swine Project Members in the State of Mississippi. Each exhibitor and his/her family must accept the responsibility of creating a positive image that reflects the 4-H and FFA ideals. All exhibitors, parents, guardians, volunteers, and anyone else associated with the Mississippi Junior Livestock Shows must participate in the Mississippi Youth Livestock Producer Quality Assurance Program to be eligible to show in the Mississippi State Fair, District Shows, and Dixie National Junior Round-Up. The show management reserves the right to send any junior exhibitor home with his/her exhibit if he/she or any other family member is guilty of conduct unbecoming the junior livestock shows. Also, any exhibit shown prior to misconduct will not be eligible for premium money, placings or awards. The next high placing animal will not be advanced.

Criticizing, interfering with, or improper contact with the judge before, during, or after the event; criticizing or interfering with other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during or after the event is a violation of the Code of Conduct. This may result in an individual, his family or group being expelled, placed on probation, declared ineligible or barred from exhibiting at or attending an event or future events.

2. Code of Ethics: Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship in order to maintain a high degree of confidence and integrity of our Mississippi Junior Livestock Shows. By entering an animal in the Dixie National Junior Roundup, the exhibitor and their parents/guardians acknowledge that they have read and will abide by this Code of Ethics below as adapted from the National Code of Show Ring Ethics.

Animal Inspection

As a condition for participation in the show and sale, every exhibitor, by entering an animal, agrees his/her animal may be inspected and subject to any laboratory analysis or any other tests as determined by the Show Management or Rules Committee. Specifically, management has the authority to inspect any animal, its hide or carcass; to collect blood, urine, body fluid, or tissue; and/or perform any other laboratory analysis deemed necessary. The exhibitor, and his/her parent(s) or guardian(s) or designated volunteer leader, must be present during the collection of samples for testing, sign necessary paperwork, and verify the sample to be properly collected and prepared for analysis. All specimens, which are taken randomly and from sale animals, will be collected and submitted for laboratory analysis following approved standard operating procedures.

Drug Use Rule

Animals shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules. In the event that a show is designated as terminal, animals must present to the show free of drugs in accordance with drug withdrawal times. Legal or illegal substances used to physically alter the appearance, behavior, and/or performance of an animal entered in livestock events are prohibited. Performance enhancing drugs (including, but not limited to; steroids, diuretics, anti-inflammatories, tranquilizers and pain killers) may not be administered 5 days prior to showing the animal.

As an exception at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up Junior Dairy Cattle and Junior Dairy Goat Shows, a veterinarian from MSU's College of Veterinary Medicine or the State Veterinarian or a veterinarian designated by the State Veterinarian, may administer medication(s) he or she deems necessary to treat an acute health condition in a lactating and or pregnant dairy heifer, cow, doeling or mature female dairy goat and the animal be allowed to show provided that: (1) the treating veterinarian determines that showing the animal does not place the animal's health or the health of other animals at risk and does not mask any pre-existing condition that could otherwise alter the gait or performance of the animal, and (2) after all entries in the class in which the treated animal is to be shown have entered the show ring and before judging begins there shall be an announcement made on the show ring's public address system to all entries in the class and to the judge stating which animal(s) has (have) been treated if any of the medication(s) administered is (are) considered potential "performance enhancing drug(s)."

Violation of Drug Use Rule

If the laboratory report on the chemical analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medications that have not been listed on the health form, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested (by the approved laboratory to which it is sent) is the one taken from the animal in question. Its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise at any hearing in regard to the matter conducted by the fair or livestock show.

In the event of a drug violation, the DNJR Drug Committee will collect all pertinent information regarding the violation, hold a hearing, and recommend sanctions to the Show Directors. Violation of the Drug Use Rule will result in the disqualification of the animal being shown and may result in disqualification of the exhibitor. Violations of the Drug Use Rule may also result in an exhibitor forfeiting any premium, awards, or auction proceeds and being prohibited from further competition at officially sanctioned livestock shows in Mississippi.

The use of animal drugs or other substances in any manner other than in accordance with the labeling approved by the Food & Drug Administration (FDA), the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), and/or the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is a violation of federal law. Any animal that exceeds acceptable levels established by the appropriate regulatory agencies, such as the USDA, FDA, and EPA, will be in violation of these rules and appropriate action will be taken. Furthermore, any information obtained on the practice of illegal alteration of an animal will be turned over to the proper authorities for criminal prosecution. The use of illegal drugs is considered a pre-meditated act.

Mississippi Livestock Exhibition Health Form

All exhibitors at the Mississippi State Fair or Dixie National Junior Round-up Livestock Show will be required to complete and turn in a Health Workbook for their animals (one per project/species). Exhibitors shall also document the use of any drugs and/or medications administered to animals entered into these livestock shows within 60 days prior to or during the Dixie National Junior Round-Up by completing the appropriate animal Health Record forms from the MSU Extension Service. All products and treatments received must be recorded with their recommended or established withdrawal times, including, but not limited to, over-the-counter medications, medicated feeds, vaccinations, dewormers, prescription medications, and extra-label drug use medications. Exhibitors presenting with incomplete or incorrect health forms will not be accepted for check-in.

Treatment of Animals on the State Fairgrounds

No medications or substances, as well as tools or equipment used to administer medications or other substances, are allowed on the property known as the Mississippi State Fair Grounds during the Mississippi State Fair and Dixie National Junior Livestock Shows, except those in the possession of a Mississippi-licensed veterinarian.

At any time after an animal arrives at the Mississippi State Fair or Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Show premises, a Mississippi-licensed veterinarian shall administer all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications ONLY after consultation with and in the presence of an appointed MSU-CVM veterinarian and a written medication record must be filed with the Livestock Show Management Office. Animals treated with performance-enhancing drugs (including, but not limited to, steroids, diuretics, anti-inflammatories, tranquilizers and pain killers) while on the show grounds are ineligible for competition based on the Drug Use Rule unless it is a dairy animal as indicated above or more than 5 days will lapse between treatment and show.

There shall be a licensed MSU-CVM veterinarian on call during the above-mentioned livestock shows. The appointed MSU-CVM veterinarian will be available on the fairgrounds during specified hours as posted outside the veterinarian office in Barn 15. Parents or guardians of the exhibitors will be responsible for the cost of medications only.

Extra-label Drug Use Information

Any deviation from approved label indications for disease treated, species of animal, dosage, route of administration, duration of administration, etc. constitutes "extra-label" drug use. All extra-label uses (including use in a non-label species) of medications must be by or under the direction of a licensed veterinarian in order to comply with FDA guidelines for extra-label drug use. Federal regulations prohibit animal owners from administering medications in any manner not consistent with the approved label. Extra-label use of any medicated feed is strictly prohibited.

Veterinarians should follow the criteria outlined by the FDA Animal Medicinal Drug Use Clarification Act (AMDUCA) when using extra-label drugs on livestock. This requires that the veterinarian identify the animal treated, the condition(s) being treated, the name and active ingredient of the drug used, along with its dosage and appropriately extended withdrawal period. Withdrawal periods for extra-label drug use must be must be obtained from the issuing veterinarian and may be found at the Food Animal Residue Avoidance Database (FARAD).

Unethical Fitting

Unethical fitting is not acceptable and is considered to a violation of the Code of Ethics. Any owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or other responsible persons found to be practicing unethical fitting will be subject to disciplinary action. Unethical fitting shall include, but not be limited to:

- A. Any injection of air, gas, liquid, solid or any other foreign material under the hide or into the muscle.
- B. Surgery of any kind to change the natural contour or appearance of the animal's body. Not included are the removal of warts, teats, horns, docking of tails, trimming of hooves, clipping of hair or wool, or any medical practice deemed necessary for health reasons, performed and verified by a veterinarian.
- C. Using any product, such as but not limited to, ice, ice water, alcohol, aerosol coolants, ether, ice packed towels, wet towels, etc.; and any other abnormal/artificial procedure or practice to change the degree of firmness, muscle tone or mass, and/or weight of the animal.
- D. Any attempts to disrupt or change normal dental development.
- E. Using dying, coloring or color masking products as grooming products. Not included are the dressings applied to horns and hooves.
- F. Using any illegal substance or procedure that results in condemnation of the carcass.
- G. Any use of added hair or hair-like material, natural or manmade. This includes, but not limited to, artificial tail heads, polls, switches, and gluing of natural hair to any part of the body.
- H. Striking an animal to cause swelling.
- I. Drenching or administering substances internally or treating an animal, externally with an irritant, counterirritant or other substance used to artificially change the natural conformation or appearance of the animal or to cause swelling or change in contour or handling qualities for show is considered unethical, inhumane, and is prohibited.
- J. Balancing the udder by any abnormal means including the use of a mechanical contrivance or the injection of fluid or drugs, setting the teats and/or occluding (sealing the ends) with a mechanical contrivance or with the use of chemical preparation, treating, or massaging the udder or its attachments with an irritant or counter-irritant will not be permitted. The use of common products such as fly spray, ointment or liniment in excess to the extent that it is irritating is included as an irritant.
- K. Misrepresenting the age of the animal for the class in which it is shown. Commercial heifers must follow the tooth rule as stated in the premium book of the show. Birth dates, transfer dates, and other information on registration certificates of registered animals must be correct.
- L. Switching animals between exhibitors, groups, or any individuals, or changing ear tags or other forms of identification.
- M. Showing an animal for another individual by claiming ownership.
- N. The use of inhumane fitting, showing and/or handling practices or devices.

The Rules Committee for the Dixie National Junior Round-Up will be responsible for enforcing the Code of Conduct and Code of Ethics. It will consist of the following people: (1) Co-manager of junior show (4-H), (2) Co-manager of the junior show (FFA), (3) Show Superintendent of division involved, (4) Livestock Director, Mississippi Fair Commission, (5) Extension agent (appointed by Extension Director), (6) FFA advisor (appointed by State FFA Coordinator), and (7) veterinarian (appointed by State Veterinarian).

By enrolling an animal in the show, every exhibitor and exhibitor's parents and/or guardians agree that:

- (1) They are absolutely responsible for the care and custody of their animals during the duration of the show.
 - (2) The drug test results of the testing laboratories are final and binding upon the exhibitor and the exhibitor's parents and/or guardians. Even if the source of the drug is unknown, the Show Management shall be entitled to disqualify the animal and/or exhibitor and take further action as appropriate.
 - (3) The conclusions reached and actions taken by the Rules Committee and Drug Committee regarding Code of Conduct or Code of Ethics violations shall be final, without recourse against the Show Management, the Rules Committee, the Drug Committee, or buyers.
 - (4) Any animal found to have been fitted, cared for, or shown in an unethical manner shall be disqualified and the exhibitor shall forfeit all awards, premiums and sale money. The exhibitor and his/her parent(s) or guardian(s) may be barred from participating in future shows. A second offense in the same immediate family may result in the barring of the entire family of the exhibitor from further participation in any state supported livestock show. Furthermore, the Show Management and Rules Committee may impose such penalties as the Committees deem appropriate.
- 3. Exhibitors, leaders and agents should present a positive image for the junior livestock program and dress accordingly in the show ring and at the Sale of Champions. All exhibitors are required to wear collared shirts, which must be tucked into pants or knee-length skirts while exhibiting in the show ring and/or participating in the Sale of Champions. No T-shirts, sagging pants, sandals, halter or open front tops, or other inappropriate type attire will be allowed in the show ring or at the Sale of Champions.
 - 4. Each exhibitor shall clip, groom, and dress his/her own animal throughout ownership period and while at the Mississippi State Fair, Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Show and any District Junior Livestock Show ("shows"). However, an exhibitor may be assisted in the clipping, grooming or dressing of his/her animal by his/her immediate family (limited to parents, legal guardians, grandparents, brothers, sisters, aunts, and uncles), county extension agents, agricultural educational teachers, other eligible 4-H or FFA exhibitors or volunteer leaders (un-paid), who are permanent residents of Mississippi and are officially certified by the county extension agent or agricultural education teacher. It is unethical to pay anyone to assist in grooming or fitting of animals. In addition, exhibitors and their animals may attend dressing, grooming and showmanship workshops or clinics where experienced

persons may teach exhibitors how to prepare themselves and their animals for shows. However, no animal to be shown at any of the shows shall be taken to any such workshop or clinic within 10 days prior to the show at which the animal will be shown. An educational workshop or clinic is defined as a group training session which is available to all exhibitors within a certain county, area or district. Such educational workshops or clinics may consist of lectures, demonstrations, and hands-on experience by the participants. This rule does not apply to the removal of horns or the trimming of hooves.

5. Stalling Procedures: Stall space for beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, goats and hogs will be assigned by the show management. Reserving stall space will not be allowed. Check with stalling superintendent upon arrival for stall assignments.
6. Only youth residing in Mississippi, ages 8 through 18, who are bona fide members of a 4-H club or FFA chapter within the state are eligible to show. Exhibitors must be at least 8 years old before January 1st of the current year and must not have passed his/her 18th birthday before January 1st of the current year. The only exception to the eligibility rule is for exhibitors who have not passed his/her 19th birthday before January 1st of the current year and are currently enrolled in high school are also eligible to show. Exhibitor's age is determined by the exhibitor's age on January 1st of the current calendar year in which the show is held (not necessarily age on show day.)
7. All livestock entries must be made by the exhibitor's supervising Extension Agent or FFA Advisor. Entry instructions will be provided to the Extension Agents and FFA Advisors prior to deadlines.
8. The eligibility of exhibitors will be determined by the supervising Extension Agent/FFA Advisor who certifies that the youth exhibitor is taking care of his/her animal. Exhibitors must maintain continuous ownership, and care of his/her animals from the time of ownership deadline until show day.
9. Animals, which are owned jointly on a partnership basis with an adult, are not eligible to show in the State Fair, District Shows or Dixie National Junior Round-Up. FFA and 4-H members must be individual owners of any animal which they exhibit unless 2 or more brothers or sisters (or legal foster child), each 18 years of age and under as of January 1 of the current show year, of a family, constitute a partnership in ownership of the animal. Animals must be registered in individual names and not in the name of a farm, partnership or other entity.
10. All registered beef and dairy breeding animals must be accompanied by original registration certificate showing that animal is owned by the junior exhibitor. Such certificate must be presented to the show superintendent or entry clerk for checking positive identification and to establish eligibility for showing. Animals without registration papers presented will not be permitted to show. Breed associations and management reserve the right to check animal tattoos or brand with registration papers.
11. All registered beef and dairy breeding animals with pending registration information after January 5, 2018, will not be allowed to show at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up unless extenuating circumstances are presented in writing to the Rules Committee within 5 days of the above deadline. Animal registration information will be verified electronically before the Dixie National Junior Round-Up. Updated registration information for each pending animal must be submitted to the supervising Extension Agent/FFA Advisor by January 5, 2018.
12. Before any breeding animal is shown by a junior at the State Fair, District Livestock Shows and the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the animal must be entirely owned by and cared for by the exhibitor. After ownership deadline, the animal shall not be shown in its individual class at any show by anyone other than the junior owner, a member of the immediate family, or another junior. And further, before any animal shown by a junior is entered upon the books of the respective show, the Extension Agent in charge of the county 4-H work or FFA Advisor will certify that this animal has been in the junior exhibitor's possession for the length of time as heretofore stated and that the agent or instructor has checked the tattoo number of the breeding animal to be shown against the registration papers of said animal and that the tattoo number and date of birth in the registration papers corresponds with the information on the entry.
13. (A) For the District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows, the ownership deadline for market steers, market lambs and market goats is September 1, 2017. However, for commercial breeding heifers, market hogs, beef breeding animals, dairy cattle, commercial meat goat does and dairy goats, the ownership deadline for the District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up is December 1, 2017.

(B) Entries for commercial breeding heifers, market hogs, beef breeding animals, dairy cattle, commercial meat goat does and dairy goats must be received in the County Extension Office by December 1, 2017, and copies should be sent to the Department of Animal and Dairy Science – State 4-H Livestock Office, postmarked by the entry deadline.

(C) All market steers and commercial breeding heifers will be classified by professional classifiers as to breed in September 2017. A second classification period for commercial breeding heifers will take place on December 12-13, 2017. Market hogs will be shown by weight at the Mississippi State Fair. Market hogs will be classified on February 1, 2018, at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up.
14. Classification and approved animal I.D. method (retinal imaging) shall be determined by the show management. The dates and locations for classification and retinal imaging for 2017-2018 are as follows:

Verona	Tuesday, September 12 (8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.)
Senatobia	Tuesday, September 12 (2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
Greenwood	Wednesday, September 13 (8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon)
Raymond	Thursday, September 14 (8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.)
Hattiesburg	Friday, September 15 (8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.)

Pittsboro
Raymond

Tuesday, December 12 (8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon)
Wednesday, December 13 (8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon)

Participation at one of the five locations is required to be able to show in the MS State Fair, District Shows and Dixie National Junior Round Up. Classification will be conducted by professionals. Classification in September will stand through Dixie National Junior Round Up. Commercial beef heifers entered after the September 1 deadline, but prior to the December 1 deadline, must be classified on December 12 or 13. Commercial beef heifers and commercial meat goat does entered after the September 1 deadline, but prior to the December 1 deadline, must be retinal imaged on December 12 or 13.

Exhibitors are allowed to attend the location that is most convenient for them. Exhibitors that are traveling to a site outside of their district should notify the State 4-H Livestock Office to make them aware of this.

All Champion and Reserve Champion market animals (except hogs), commercial breeding heifers and commercial meat goat does will be retinal imaged at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up to confirm that the retinal image of the animal matches the one on file taken during September or December 2017 when the initial retinal image was recorded. First and second place animals in each class of market lambs, market goats, market steers, commercial breeding heifers, and commercial meat goat does will be retinal imaged. In addition, the Champion and Reserve Champion Mississippi Bred animal for each of these market animals, commercial breeding heifers, and commercial meat goat does will also be retinal imaged if these animals were not first or second in their class. If the image captured at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up does not match the one on file, that animal will be disqualified and will not be eligible for the Sale of Champions or Supreme Animal scholarships.

15. All animals in the junior division must meet health requirements governing admission of livestock entering fairs or livestock shows. Official Health Certificates will be checked on all breeding and market animals by the Mississippi Board of Animal Health. If papers are not in order, animals cannot be unloaded.
16. All animals must show a reasonable amount of fitting to be eligible for premium money.
17. All bulls being shown at the 2018 District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up livestock shows must have a permanent nose ring with the exhibitor having the nose lead in hand when leading the bull anywhere on the fairgrounds. Nose leads will not be allowed in showing heifers or steers.
18. All beef and dairy cattle (beef breeding, commercial breeding heifers, commercial dairy heifers, purebred dairy cattle, and steers) will be shown with a leather or nylon show halter in the show ring. No rope halters or rope leads will be allowed by exhibitors in the show ring.
19. Any beef breeding animal not having a legible tattoo, correct tattoo, or brand will be disqualified.
20. If a breed (breeding or market) shows fewer than 10 animals for 2 consecutive years, then that breed will lose its separate classification and be shown in the other breeds classification. If a breed shows 10 or more for 2 consecutive years, then that breed will receive a separate (breeding or market) classification.
21. No market animal shall be shown at any state supported show that has been shown in any other show outside of Mississippi under different ownership.
22. Protests: All protests must be made on an official protest form available at the livestock show office. Protests must be made and signed by the person(s) protesting. The protest must designate the exhibitor and animal involved and the specific rule or regulation that the exhibitor and /or animal is violating. Protests not requiring carcass inspection and/or laboratory tests must be accompanied by a **\$100** cash deposit (which will be forfeited, if protest is not sustained) and submitted to the show manager before official placings of the class involved are announced. Protests concerning unethical procedures, the basis of which requires inspection of hide, carcasses, and/or laboratory tests must be accompanied by a **\$500** cash deposit (which will be forfeited, if protest is not sustained) and submitted to the show manager within one (1) hour after the end of the show involved.
23. No adult, other than ring man, show officials, and judge, are allowed in show ring.
24. Exhibitors must show their own animal or animals. The only exceptions are in cases where the exhibitor has two entries in the same class, is showing in another breed or specie at the same time, if the exhibitor is physically disabled (illness or injury) at the time of the show, or in case of the death of a junior exhibitor after the ownership deadline or in the case of death of an exhibitor's immediate family member (father, mother, brother, sister, grandfather, or grandmother). In such cases, the exhibitor or parent may request a substitute show person. It is the responsibility of the parents, adult leaders, Extension Agents, and FFA advisors, not only to see that their exhibitors abide by these rules, but that others do so also. All exhibitors must report to the class make-up area, whereby animals and exhibitors are checked to determine that the owner is showing his/her own animal before they enter the show ring. It is the responsibility of exhibitors to know when they must be in the makeup area or show ring. Not hearing or understanding class calls, etc., is not an excuse for missing one's heat or class. The PA system is used to help the show move as smoothly as possible, but it is only a courtesy.
25. Exhibitor or parent requesting a substitute show person must make such request to show management before time of class and complete a request form available at the livestock office. This form must be completed and presented to show management prior to animal entering the holding area. Substitute show person must be another junior exhibitor who qualified at District and is also showing his/her own animal in the same show. Failure to present request prohibits animal from showing.

26. Animals which are not properly trained and under the control of the exhibitor may be dismissed from the show ring.
27. Where a heifer has calved and the calf is exhibited with its dam, the calf must be on halter and under control of the exhibitor or the exhibitor's assistant.
28. All cattle must be tied in stalls with a halter and "neck rope." Exhibitors not following this rule will forfeit premium money.
29. Exhibitors must show their own animal in showmanship classes and animals must be properly entered in show.
30. All registered beef breeding animals must meet the minimum percentage accepted by the respective breed association in their association sponsored shows. Certificates must be presented to the entry clerk to verify that the animal meets the minimum percent required by that breed association.
31. Straw is not allowed for bedding beef and dairy cattle in the stalls. All cattle will be bedded on bedding material furnished by the Mississippi Fair Commission.
32. Any exhibitor or parent who individually, or through some other person, violates any of the show rules, and that violation is upheld by the show management and Rules Committee, may be subject to forfeit all premium money, may be barred from participation in future shows, and to such other penalties that the show management and Rules Committee may deem in order.
33. Arrival and release times are determined by the show management and the Mississippi State Fair Commission in an effort to make the best use of available space and to provide the best possible show for all exhibitors, and the general public. Exhibitors are expected to keep their livestock on display until designated release time.
34. Decisions of judges will be final.
35. Ribbons will be awarded as designated in the catalog.
36. Exhibitors of livestock, to be eligible to receive premiums, will, upon request of the show management, permit use of their animals for scheduled judging contests.
37. No tie-outs of cattle permitted until 5:00 p.m. each day.
38. Barn Rules: Exhibitors of livestock are required to keep the area occupied by them (stalls, pens, aisles) neat and attractive in appearance. Area must be cleaned before 9:00 a.m. each day. Show arena is to be used only for showing and exercising animals. No tying out or feeding of animals in show arena is allowed. Also, no animals are to be fed or tied out in area next to arena or along walkways. Exhibitors who violate these rules are subject to penalties as outlined in Rule 32.
39. No scooters, roller skates, roller blades, skate boards, bicycles, motorized scooters or hover boards will be allowed in the barn except for equipment for the handicapped.
40. No electric power generators are allowed in the livestock stall barns.
41. All livestock judges that are selected will be publicly announced by September 1 or as soon as confirmed. Preference will be given to judges who have judged a major show.
42. Exhibitors may use fans on racks above the cattle provided the fans are firmly affixed to the rack. These fans may be mounted to blow toward the front, side, or rear of the animal. The fans must be mounted high enough for the animal to pass freely under the fan(s) without contacting the bottom of the fan(s) in order to prevent a hazard to persons or animals. Persons using fans assume all responsibility.
43. All aisles must remain open for safety and ease of moving animals in the barns.
44. No dogs are allowed in any barn or building on the show grounds. Exception: dogs which are aiding the handicapped.
45. As a condition for participation in state supported shows, each exhibitor and his/her parent(s) or guardian(s) must agree to allow any employee of the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce, Board of Animal Health, Extension Service, or an FFA Advisor to inspect the exhibitor's show animal(s) after the ownership deadline date at any reasonable time without advance notice, provided, however, that the exhibitor, parent or guardian, or property owner be present. If the animal is not at the physical location listed on the nomination form, without justifiable cause, the animal is subject to disqualification following a review by the Rules Committee.
46. Mississippi youth livestock shows must adopt any breed association's rules regarding fitting and grooming provided that the particular breed appropriates funds for premiums to the junior livestock show. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to know and follow the breed association's fitting rules for the breed that they are showing.
47. All cattle must be tied in assigned area in the barn from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., except cattle that are being groomed, washed, exercised or shown. No cattle are to be tied in alleyways, walkways, or show arena. All other livestock must remain in their assigned pens except animals that are being washed, groomed, shown, or exercised. Animals taken to be exercised must remain in their assigned barn or in their respective show arena. After entering the show grounds, at no time will animals be allowed in a trailer except for loading to leave.
48. Only junior exhibitors may compete in the Dixie National Junior Round-Up Show. Their animal must have qualified through their respective Mississippi District Livestock Show. There will be no exceptions to this rule.
49. All market hogs will be classified from 12:00 noon, Thursday, February 1, 2018, until all pigs have been classified. All market hogs will be classified according to breed (except barrows entered in the barrow division which show by weight) and the decision of the Classification Judge or Committee will be final.
50. Show Management will not be responsible for any pigs that do not qualify for the show. These pigs must be removed from the barns (Swine Arena, barn 6; Swine Barn, barn 7; Sheep Barn, barn 8) prior to showmanship.
51. Exhibitors must declare the show weight of all steers, lambs, market hogs, MS Bred Barrows, commercial breeding heifers, market goats, and commercial meat goat does that are to be shown. Certified scales will be available at times set by show management as

outlined in the schedule. If the animal's weight does not come within the required weight range, they cannot show. This includes animals that are underweight as well as those that are overweight. There will be no reweighs on animals failing to meet weight range on first weighing.

52. The first and second place animals in each class of market animals, commercial breeding heifers, and commercial meat goat does will be required to weigh back immediately after their respective class. The animal must weigh within 5% of the overage or it will be disqualified. Animals will be weighed once (no re-weighs). If either or both, of the first or second place animals are disqualified, weighing through the order of the class will continue until an official first and second are determined. Show management will designate an individual to accompany each animal and exhibitor to the scales for weigh back.
53. Exhibitors will be expected to furnish feed and necessary equipment.
54. Individual exhibitors at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up Show may exhibit and earn state appropriated monies on only three (3) market animals per species (provided that one market animal in that species is MS Bred and tagged appropriately; if not, only two (2) market animals per species) and/or only six (6) breeding animals, not to exceed three (3) entries per class.
55. Only three (3) market animals per specie will be officially weighed for show (provided that one market animal in that species is MS Bred and tagged appropriately; if not, only two (2) market animals per species will be officially weighed). All market steers and commercial breeding heifers will be classified by professional classifiers as required in rule 14. Market hogs will be classified at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up prior to showing.
56. No tents or similar structures are allowed in any livestock barns. Tables, chair, or other leisure items will not be allowed in stall areas until after arrival deadline in case stall assignments need to be made.
57. In instances where a single animal is shown in a breed or division, if the judge deems it worthy to be a champion, the animal should be awarded the champion award for that breed/division and be allowed to compete in the Supreme drive.
58. Exhibitors may use UL approved heat lamps above animals provided they are firmly affixed to a rack. The heat lamps must be mounted high enough for the animals to pass freely under them without contacting the bottom of the heat lamp(s) or power cords and to prevent a fire in the bedding area that could pose a hazard to persons or animals. Persons using heat lamps assume all responsibility.

LIABILITY OF EXHIBITORS

59. All property of every character entered for competition, display or other purpose, or being anywhere in the fairgrounds, shall be subjected to the control of the fair management.
60. If the property owners or others interested in the property, desire protection against loss, damage or injury from fire or from any other cause, they must make their own arrangements and pay for any such insurance.

CLAIMS FOR INJURY

61. No claim for injury to any person or property shall ever be asserted, no suit instituted or maintained against the Dixie National, its officers or their agents, by or on behalf of any persons, firm or corporation or their agents, representatives, servants or employees having license or privilege to exhibit on the fairgrounds or occupy any space thereon.
62. If any damage, loss or injury to person or property shall be caused by reason of any neglect or willful act of any person, firm or corporation, or their agents, representatives, servants or employees having license or privilege to exhibit on said grounds or occupying space thereon, the Dixie National shall in no manner be responsible therefore and in case it be subjected to any expense or liability, all persons causing same are liable therefore and shall indemnify the same Dixie National.

LIVESTOCK LIABILITY BILL

63. **WARNING:** Under Mississippi law, an equine or livestock activity sponsor or an equine or livestock professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participate in equine or livestock shows resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities or livestock shows pursuant to House Bill #416.
64. The Dixie National Sale of Champions will be held on Thursday, February 8, 2018, on the MS Fairgrounds in Jackson. The champions and reserve champions of the Junior Market Steer Show, the Junior Market Lamb Show, the Junior Market Swine Show, the Junior Mississippi Bred Barrow Show and the Junior Market Goat Show are singled out for a special tribute at the Dixie National and are eligible for this sale. In addition to these show champions, the Overall Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Mississippi Bred Market Steers, Market Lambs and Market Goats are eligible for the sale, if they are not one of the regular show champions or reserve champions. Exhibitors with champions will be responsible for the health and care of their animals until the sale is over. Exhibitors are encouraged to invite potential buyers to the sale. Buyers pay a premium price for animals in the sale, and carcasses of all animals sold become the property of the buyer and will be disposed of at his or her will. All animals sold will be slaughtered and no contact should be made with the buyer in order to re-purchase the animal. If the exhibitor does not want the animal sold, then the animal should not be put in the sale. Furthermore, this is an open sale with absolutely no guarantees made as to the selling price. If any of these champions have sold previously in a county sale, then it is the exhibitor's responsibility to secure a release by the county buyer in order to participate in the Dixie National Sale of Champions. Show Management reserves the right to send

any junior exhibitor home with his/her exhibit if he/she or any other family member is guilty of conduct unbecoming to the show or sale. Such exhibit(s)/exhibitor(s) will not be eligible for placings, premiums, awards, or entry into the sale and the next high placing animal WILL NOT be advanced.

65. The Mississippi Fair Commission will pay premiums listed below in the junior beef, dairy cattle, sheep, swine, meat goat, and dairy goat division to the county group, 4-H Club or FFA Chapter that keeps the cleanest aisle and most attractive display. To qualify for these special prizes, the county group must consist of at least six animals or more. Items taken into account for judging will include, but not be limited to, orderliness and cleanliness of quarters, stalls, and animals, promptness in having stalls and animals cleaned each morning, neatness of feed, equipment, and forage arrangement, and personal appearance of herdsman and helpers.

Premiums for Clean Aisle Award

1st Place: \$100; 2nd Place: \$75; 3rd Place: \$50

Premiums paid to exhibitors may be adjusted due to any budget reductions.

DIXIE NATIONAL PREMIER COUNTY LIVESTOCK AND DAIRY AWARDS

Sponsored by the Mississippi State Fair Commission, these awards will be presented to a county group that has the most outstanding total livestock (beef, swine, lamb, and goat) and dairy exhibit at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Show.

The winner will be determined by a point system. Each of the first ten awards in a class will be given one point for each animal placing below it, plus one point. Points are not to exceed ten for first place. Animals not placing in the top ten in a regular class will not receive points. Points will not be awarded for champions, showmanship, best fitted classes, etc. In case of a tie, the winner will be determined by the county having the greatest number of exhibits. Ties still existing will be broken by counting the total number of animals beaten in all classes, not to include champions, showmanship, classes, etc.

**MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH
HEALTH REQUIREMENTS GOVERNING ADMISSION OF LIVESTOCK
FOR THE DIXIE NATIONAL JUNIOR ROUND-UP SHOWS**

An Official Health Certificate shall accompany all animals with each animal individually identified (except nursing calves and kids) and be apparently free of any contagious, infectious, or communicable disease. As long as Mississippi remains a Brucellosis & Tuberculosis Free State, there will be no Brucellosis or Tuberculosis testing requirements for the Mississippi Junior Round-Up. No entry permit is required.

These regulations issued in compliance and cooperation with the Mississippi Fair Commission for the prevention of contagious diseases.

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MISSISSIPPI FAIR COMMISSION RULE

Officials of the State Fire Marshal's Office have worked very closely with the staff of the Mississippi Fair Commission to help insure your safety and enjoyment while at the fairgrounds.

For your safety and the safety of others, the livestock exhibitors and visitors will be required to use only heating and cooking devices that are described as follows:

All heating devices used in livestock buildings must be UL approved and equipped with an oxygen shutoff sensor (ODS) and auto shutoff. No heating or cooking fuels can be stored in barns. Any cooking devices left unattended will be removed from barns. No charcoal grills or smoke stack type heaters that use any type of liquid fuel will be allowed in the barns. All cooking and heating devices must be kept away from hay or other flammable materials.

We ask your cooperation in observing these safety measures.

BEEF CATTLE DIVISION

Beef Superintendent..... Shelby Bearden
Beef Superintendent..... Brad Jones
Beef Superintendent..... Cobie Rutherford
Beef Superintendent..... Ellen Russell



2017 GRAND CHAMPION STEER
Exhibited by Triston/Kylie Roberts, Smith 4-H
Purchased by Blue Cross/Blue Shield of MS; Haley & Marsha Barbour; MGD Holdings; Ergon

MARKET STEER SHOW

Sunday, February 4, 2018, at 12:00 noon – Coliseum

Lots and Order of Show (1) English Breed Crosses; (2) American Breed Crosses; (3) European Breed Crosses; (4) Champions

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Exhibitors are allowed to nominate the number of animals they desire. At the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the number of steers that one can check-in/weigh-in and exhibit is three (3), provided that one steer is Mississippi Bred; if not, only two (2) steers can be checked-in/weighed-in and exhibited.
2. Show Management will make stall assignments. **Reserving stall space will not be allowed!** Check with Show Management upon arrival for stall assignments.
3. All cattle must be tied in assigned area in the barn from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except cattle that are being groomed, washed, exercised or shown. No cattle are to be tied in alleyways, walkways or show arena. Animals taken to be exercised must remain in their assigned barn or in their respective show arena. After entering the show grounds, at no time will animals be allowed in a trailer, except for loading to leave.
4. No grooming chutes allowed in beef barn until all cattle are stalled. Show management will assign areas where grooming chutes can be placed.
5. Steers must have ear tag. Steers must be tagged prior to making entry.
6. Steers must be polled or dehorned with no scurs or re-growth to exceed 1½ inches above the skin line. Checking of horn length will be done at the District Shows and steers eligible for District will be eligible for the Dixie National Junior Round-Up.
7. Nose leads will not be allowed when showing steers.
8. For the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the minimum weight of steers is 1,000 pounds. Show management will issue a weight card to those exhibitors whose steer meets the minimum weight. Exhibitors will then declare the show weight of their market steer. Certified scales will be available at times set by show management as outlined in the schedule. Weight cards for market steers must be turned in between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 3 at the location posted outside show office/scales.

9. Exhibitors may use fans on racks above the cattle provided the fans are firmly affixed to the rack. These fans may be mounted to blow toward the front, side, or rear of the animal. The fans must be mounted high enough for the animal to pass freely under the fan(s) without contacting the bottom of the fan(s) in order to prevent a hazard to persons or animals. Persons using fans assume all responsibility.
10. The first and second place animals in each class of market steers will be required to weigh back as soon as possible after their respective class. The animal must weigh within 5% of the overage or it will be disqualified. Animals will be weighed once (no re-weighs). If either or both of the first or second place animals are disqualified, weighing through the order of the class will continue until an official first and second are determined. Show management will designate an individual to accompany each animal and exhibitor to the scales for weigh back.
11. First and second place animals in each class of market steers will be retinal imaged at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up to confirm that the retinal image of the animal matches the one on file taken during September 2017 when the initial retinal image was recorded. In addition, the Champion and Reserve Champion Mississippi Bred market steers will also be retinal imaged if these animals were not first or second in their class. If the image captured at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up does not match the one on file, that animal will be disqualified and will not be eligible for the Sale of Champions.
12. Exhibitors in the steer show may enter beef showmanship classes.
13. Steers will be released after showing.
14. All cattle must be tied in stalls with a halter and “neck rope.” Exhibitors not following this rule will forfeit premium money.
15. Steers will be classified according to breed-type as follows:
 - A. American Breeds Cross**
 - i. Acceptable Breed Characteristics: any color or color pattern; progression of importance to include Bos indicus-influenced head, eye, ear of adequate length, slightly drooping and opening down and forward, and showing Bos indicus-influenced sheath; crest or slick neck; with adequate Bos indicus head, eye, and ear characteristics.
 - ii. Discriminatory Breed Characteristics: Bos taurus head; Bos taurus short ear; Bos Taurus eye.
 - iii. Absolute Disqualifications: a combination of a Bos taurus head, eye, and ear; without adequate Bos indicus head, eye, and ear characteristics.
 - B. English Breeds Cross**
 - i. Acceptable Breed Characteristics: shall have high set ears; small head; should exhibit elongated muscle pattern; should exhibit medium bone with smooth joint.
 - ii. Discriminatory Breed Characteristics: no diluted color patterns (yellows); no double muscling; extreme muscle definition (freakish); no crooked neck; no long heads; no brindles.
 - iii. Absolute Disqualifications: no one characteristic will disqualify but a combination of these will.
 - C. Any other steer not meeting these breed characteristics will be shown in European Breeds Cross.**
16. Each exhibitor shall clip, groom, and dress his/her own animal throughout ownership period and while at the State Fair, Dixie National Junior Livestock Show and any District Junior Livestock Show (“shows”). However, an exhibitor may be assisted in the clipping, grooming or dressing of his/her animal by his/her immediate family (limited to parents, legal guardians, grandparents, brothers, sisters, aunts, and uncles), county extension agents, agriculture education teacher, other eligible 4-H or FFA exhibitors or volunteer leaders (un-paid) who are permanent residents of Mississippi and are officially certified by the county extension agent or agricultural education teacher. It is un-ethical to pay anyone to assist in grooming or fitting of animals. In addition, exhibitors and their animals may attend dressing, grooming, and showmanship workshops or clinics where experienced persons may teach exhibitors how to prepare themselves and their animals for shows. However, no animal to be shown at any of the shows shall be taken to any such workshop or clinic within 10 days prior to the show at which the animal will be shown. An educational workshop or clinic is defined as a group training session which is available to all exhibitors within a certain county, area or district. Such educational workshops or clinics may consist of lectures, demonstrations, and hands-on experience by the participants. This rule does not apply to the removal of horns or the trimming of hooves.
17. For steers to be eligible for the market steer show, the hair shall be clipped to no more than ¼ inch in length on any location of the body, excluding the tail switch, which may be ratted and balled or may be bobbed off. Steers will be checked at weigh-in for ¼ inch hair length. **If hair length is over ¼ inch, the exhibitor will have one opportunity to shear the steer to the correct length and will have two hours to report back to the weigh-in committee for compliance with the clipping requirements.** The opportunity to re-shear to meet the hair length will be available for the 2018 Dixie National Junior Round-Up. All steers entering the market steer show must meet the ¼ inch hair length at weigh-in. After one re-comb, steers that do not meet the clipping requirement of ¼ inch will be disqualified from showing in the market steer show. The decision of show management will be final. Hair length of market steers will be checked from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 3 at the location posted outside show office/scales.
18. An exhibitor must earn a blue ribbon with his/her steer at their district livestock show based on the 4-H club or FFA chapter in which they participate.
19. All entries are to abide by and subject to the general rules and regulations.

Premiums

1st Place – \$50.00; 2nd Place – \$45.00; 3rd Place – \$40.00; all others receive equal premiums.

**Champions and Reserve Champions Awards
Sponsored by Mississippi Fair Commission**

**Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Awards
Sponsored by Mississippi Fair Commission**

MISSISSIPPI BRED STEER PROGRAM

1. The rules and regulations governing the Dixie National Junior Round-Up as published in the show catalog will apply.
2. All Mississippi Bred Steers must be conceived, calved, and raised in Mississippi.
3. After the regular show, a Breed Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected. All Mississippi Bred Breed Champions and Reserves will compete for the Mississippi Bred Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion after the regular show champions have been selected.
4. All Mississippi Bred Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market Steers will be required to weigh back as soon as possible after being selected unless a weight was previously recorded. The animal must weigh within 5% of the overage or it will be disqualified. Animals will be weighed once (no re-weighs). Show Management will designate an individual to accompany each animal and exhibitor to the scales for weigh back.
5. Show Management shall have the authority to inspect all Mississippi Bred Market Steers entered in the Sale of Champions, its hide or carcass, to collect blood, urine, body fluid, tissue and/or any other laboratory analysis deemed necessary. Refer to the Animal Inspection section of the SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS for additional information.

Mississippi Bred Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Awards Sponsored by Mississippi Beef Council

**BEEF CATTLE SHOWMANSHIP
Monday, February 5, 2018, at 8:00 a.m. – Coliseum**

(There will be only one beef showmanship contest. Any exhibitor showing a steer, commercial heifer, or registered beef animal is eligible to participate.)

Order of Show Ring 1 – Ages 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13
Ring 2 – Ages 14, 15, 16, 17, 18

1. Exhibitor in showmanship classes must show his/her own animal and animal must be entered in the show.
2. The age of the exhibitor entering showmanship classes will be determined by his/her age as of January 1, 2018.
3. Showmanship entries must be pre-registered. Entries must be completed by Extension Agent/FFA Advisor for exhibitors under their direct supervision. Deadline for entries will be December 1, 2017. Exhibitors will be assigned into heats for each class as needed. Deadline for corrections in beef showmanship entries is 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 4, 2018.
4. In beef showmanship, animals should be clean and dry. Other grooming techniques (such as oiling, boning, etc.) are not recommended.
5. Exhibitors may show the cow of a cow/calf pair in showmanship; however, the calf cannot be brought into the show ring.

Age as of January 1, 2018

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| 1. Age 8 | 4. Age 11 | 7. Age 14 | 10. Age 17 |
| 2. Age 9 | 5. Age 12 | 8. Age 15 | 11. Age 18 |
| 3. Age 10 | 6. Age 13 | 9. Age 16 | |

Premiums

1st Place – \$15.00; 2nd Place – \$12.00; 3rd Place – \$10.00; 4th Place – \$8.00; 5th to 10th Place – \$5.00. Increased showmanship premiums are dependent upon funding availability.

Beef Cattle Showmanship Awards Sponsored by Mississippi Commissioner of Agriculture



2017 ERIC BIEDENHARN BEEF SHOWMANSHIP SCHOLARSHIP WINNER
Exhibited by Courtney Cox, Tippah 4-H
Presented by Jamie Laird, Dixie National Booster Club

DIXIE NATIONAL BOOSTER CLUB
Eric Biedenharn Showmanship Scholarship

The Dixie National Booster Club, Inc. sponsors a \$1,200 academic scholarship to the Champion 2018 **graduating senior** beef showmanship winner. **Competing for the scholarship will be the highest placing graduating senior from any class.** Winner must place in the top ten. This scholarship can be received by an individual only once and will be payable to the two or four-year College the winner attends. College or university must be in Mississippi. Utilization of the scholarship must begin within three years of the award.

COMMERCIAL BEEF HEIFER SHOW

Monday, February 5, 2018, at 2:30 p.m. (or 30 minutes after Beef Showmanship) – Coliseum

Lots and Order of Show

Ring 1

1. English Commercial Beef Heifers

Ring 2

1. American Commercial Beef Heifers
2. European Commercial Beef Heifers

Selection of Supreme and Reserve Supreme Champion Commercial Beef Heifers

- Supreme Champion Commercial Beef Heifer (Champion English, European and American Heifers competing; Supreme Champion Commercial Beef Heifer does not compete for Supreme Champion Beef Heifer against the Beef Breeding Champions)
- Reserve Supreme Champion Commercial Beef Heifer

Supreme Champion and Reserve Supreme Champion Awards
Sponsored by Mississippi Beef Council and Mississippi Livestock Council

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Exhibitors are allowed to nominate the number of animals they desire. At the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the number of animals that one can check-in/weigh-in and exhibit include a total of six (6) breeding animals (combination of registered beef breeding animals and commercial beef heifers).
2. Show Management will make stall assignments. **Reserving stall space will not be allowed!** Check with Show Management upon arrival for stall assignments.
3. All cattle must be tied in assigned area in the barn from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except cattle that are being groomed, washed, exercised or shown. No cattle are to be tied in alleyways, walkways or show arena. Animals taken to be exercised must remain in their assigned barn or in their respective show arena. After entering the show grounds, at no time will animals be allowed in a trailer except for loading to leave.
4. No grooming chutes allowed in beef barn until all cattle are stalled. Show Management will assign areas where grooming chutes can be placed.
5. Commercial beef heifers will be classified according to breed-type as follows:
 - A. **American Breeds Cross**
 - i. Acceptable Breed Characteristics: any color or color pattern; progression of importance to include Bos indicus-influenced head, eye, ear of adequate length, slightly drooping and opening down and forward, and showing Bos indicus-influenced sheath; crest or slick neck; with adequate Bos indicus head, eye, and ear characteristics.
 - ii. Discriminatory Breed Characteristics: Bos taurus head; Bos taurus short ear; Bos Taurus eye.
 - iii. Absolute Disqualifications: a combination of a Bos taurus head, eye, and ear; without adequate Bos indicus head, eye, and ear characteristics.
 - B. **English Breeds Cross**
 - i. Acceptable Breed Characteristics: shall have high set ears; small head; should exhibit elongated muscle pattern; should exhibit medium bone with smooth joint.
 - ii. Discriminatory Breed Characteristics: no diluted color patterns (yellows); no double muscling; extreme muscle definition (freakish); no crooked neck; no long heads; no brindles.
 - iii. Absolute Disqualifications: no one characteristic will disqualify but a combination of these will.
 - C. **Any other commercial beef heifer not meeting these breed characteristics will be shown in European Breeds Cross.**
6. Age of commercial beef heifers will be determined by milk teeth. Mouthing of heifers will be done at the District Shows and heifers eligible for District will be eligible for the Dixie National Junior Round-Up. Commercial beef heifers that have lost the center temporary incisor teeth (baby teeth), but have no visible permanent incisors, are eligible to show. Any visible permanent incisor tooth disqualifies the heifer.
7. Heifers must be polled or dehorned with no scurs or re-growth to exceed 1 ½" above the skin line. Checking of horn length will be done at the District Shows and heifers eligible for District will be eligible for the Dixie National Junior Round-Up.
8. Commercial breeding heifers must be tagged prior to making entry with a tag purchased from the ADS Office.
9. All entries are subject to the general rules and regulations.
10. For the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the minimum weight of commercial beef heifers is 500 pounds. Show Management will issue a weight card to those exhibitors whose commercial beef heifer meets the minimum weight. Exhibitors will then declare the show weight of their commercial beef heifer. Certified scales will be available at times set by Show Management as outlined in the schedule. Weight cards for commercial beef heifers must be turned in between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 4 at the location posted outside show office/scales. Each breed designated will be divided into weight breaks as nearly equal in number as possible.
11. The first and second place animals in each class of commercial beef heifers will be required to weigh back as soon as possible after their respective class. The animal must weigh within 5% of the overage or it will be disqualified. Animals will be weighed once (no re-weighs). If either or both of the first or second place animals are disqualified, weighing through the order of the class will continue until an official first and second are determined. Show Management will designate an individual to accompany each animal and exhibitor to the scales for weigh back.
12. Exhibitors in the commercial beef heifer show may enter beef showmanship.
13. When a heifer has calved and the calf is exhibited with its dam, the calf must be on halter and under control of the exhibitor or exhibitor's assistant.
14. Exhibitors may use fans on racks above the cattle provided the fans are firmly affixed to the rack. These fans may be mounted to blow toward the front, side, or rear of the animal. The fans must be mounted high enough for the animal to pass freely under the fan(s) without contacting the bottom of the fan(s) in order to prevent a hazard to persons or animals. Persons using fans assume all responsibility.
15. Nose leads will not be allowed in showing commercial beef heifers.



2017 DIXIE NATIONAL JUNIOR ROUND-UP SUPREME COMMERCIAL BEEF HEIFER
Exhibited by Jace Welborn, Jasper 4-H
\$1,500 Scholarship provided by Dixie National Sale of Champions

16. Registered heifers are not eligible for the commercial beef heifer show.
17. All cattle must be tied in stalls with a halter and “neck rope.” Exhibitors not following this rule will forfeit premium money.
18. Each exhibitor shall clip, groom, and dress his/her own animal throughout ownership period and while at the State Fair, Dixie National Junior Livestock Show and any District Junior Livestock Show (“shows”). However, an exhibitor may be assisted in the clipping, grooming or dressing of his/her animal by his/her immediate family (limited to parents, legal guardians, grandparents, brothers, sisters, aunts, and uncles), county extension agents, agriculture education teacher, other eligible 4-H or FFA exhibitors or volunteer leaders (un-paid) who are permanent residents of Mississippi and are officially certified by the county extension agent or agricultural education teacher. It is un-ethical to pay anyone to assist in grooming or fitting of animals. In addition, exhibitors and their animals may attend dressing, grooming, and showmanship workshops or clinics where experienced persons may teach exhibitors how to prepare themselves and their animals for shows. However, no animal to be shown at any of the shows shall be taken to any such workshop or clinic within 10 days prior to the show at which the animal will be shown. An educational workshop or clinic is defined as a group training session which is available to all exhibitors within a certain county, area or district. Such educational workshops or clinics may consist of lectures, demonstrations, and hands-on experience by the participants. This rule does not apply to the removal of horns or the trimming of hooves.
19. Commercial beef heifers will be released after showing.
20. First and second place animals in each class of commercial beef heifers will be retinal imaged at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up to confirm that the retinal image of the animal matches the one on file taken during September or December 2017 when the initial retinal image was recorded. If the image captured at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up does not match the one on file, that animal will be disqualified.
21. An exhibitor must earn a blue ribbon with his/her commercial beef heifer at their district livestock show based on the 4-H club or FFA chapter in which they participate.
22. There shall be no more than 15 heifers in a class in the commercial beef heifer show.
23. The exhibitor of the Grand Champion Commercial Beef Heifer will receive the Supreme Champion Commercial Beef Heifer Scholarship from the Sale of Champions.

Premiums

1st Place – \$35.00; 2nd Place – \$30.00; 3rd Place – \$25.00; all others receive equal premiums

Champion and Reserve Champion English Breeds Cross Heifer
Awards Sponsored by Mississippi Beef Council and Mississippi Livestock Council

Champion and Reserve Champion European Breeds Cross Heifer
Awards Sponsored by Mississippi Beef Council and Mississippi Livestock Council

**Champion and Reserve Champion American Breeds Cross Heifer
Awards Sponsored by Mississippi Beef Council and Mississippi Livestock Council**

**Supreme and Reserve Supreme Champion Commercial Beef Heifer
Awards Sponsored by Mississippi Beef Council and Mississippi Livestock Council**

**Champions and Reserve Champions will receive banners.*

**SPECIAL CLASS WINNER AWARDS
Sponsored by
MISSISSIPPI CATTLEMEN'S FOUNDATION**

The Mississippi Cattlemen's Foundation will present a special award to the first place winner in each class of beef showmanship, the beef breeding show, the market steer show and the commercial beef heifer show. The awards will aid in promoting youth involved in the cattle industry and the Mississippi cattle industry.



**2017 DIXIE NATIONAL JUNIOR ROUND-UP
SUPREME CHAMPION BULL
Exhibited by Lexie Gibson, Newton 4-H
\$1,500 Scholarship provided by
Dixie National Sale of Champions**



**2017 DIXIE NATIONAL JUNIOR ROUND-UP
SUPREME CHAMPION HEIFER
Exhibited by Austin Davis, Yazoo 4-H
\$1,500 Scholarship provided by
Dixie National Sale of Champions**

**JUNIOR BEEF BREEDING SHOW
Tuesday, February 6, 2018, at 8:00 a.m. – Coliseum**

Order of Show

- Ring I** Other Breeds (American Influence), Angus, Hereford, Shorthorn, Red Angus, Other Breeds (Non-American Influence)
Ring II Percentage Simmental, Simbrah, Beefmaster, Brangus, Gelbvieh, Charolais, Simmental, Brahman, Santa Gertrudis

SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Exhibitors are allowed to nominate the number of animals they desire. At the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the number of animals that one can check-in/weigh-in and exhibit include a total of six (6) breeding animals (combination of Beef Breeding Animals and Commercial Beef Heifers).
2. Show Management will make stall assignments. **Reserving stall space will not be allowed!** Check with Show Management upon arrival for stall assignments.
3. No grooming chutes allowed in beef barn until all cattle are stalled. Show Management will assign areas where grooming chutes can be placed.
4. Each class of beef breeding cattle will be judged numerically, 1,2,3,4. Premiums as set up with appropriate ribbons in each lot will be awarded.

5. Beef breeding cattle will be released after showing.
6. Exhibitors may use fans on racks above the cattle provided the fans are firmly affixed to the rack. These fans may be mounted to blow toward the front, side, or rear of the animal. The fans must be mounted high enough for the animal to pass freely under the fan(s) without contacting the bottom of the fan(s) in order to prevent a hazard to persons or animals. Persons using fans assume all responsibility.
7. Exhibitors in the beef breeding show may enter beef showmanship.
8. All bulls being shown at the 2018 District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up livestock shows must have a permanent nose ring with the exhibitor having the nose lead in hand at all times. Nose leads will not be allowed in showing heifers.
9. When the heifer has calved and the calf is exhibited with its dam, the calf must be on halter and under control of the exhibitor's show assistant.
10. All cattle must be tied in stalls with a halter and "neck rope." Exhibitors not following this rule will forfeit premium money.
11. All breeding cattle must positively be accompanied by original registration certificate from breed association showing that same is owned by the junior exhibitor. Such certificate must be presented to the entry clerk for checking and positive identification to establish eligibility for showing. Animals without registration certificates will not be permitted to show. Certificates will be checked from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 4, 2018.
12. All registered beef breeding animals with pending registration information after January 5, 2018, will not be allowed to show at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up unless extenuating circumstances are presented in writing to the Rules Committee within 5 days of the above deadline. Animal registration information will be verified electronically before the Dixie National Junior Round-Up. Updated registration information for each pending animal must be submitted to the supervising Extension Agent/FFA Advisor by January 5, 2018.
13. All entries are subject to the general rules and regulations.
14. Each exhibitor shall clip, groom, and dress his/her own animal throughout ownership period and while at the State Fair, Dixie National Junior Livestock Show and any District Junior Livestock Show ("shows"). However, an exhibitor may be assisted in the clipping, grooming or dressing of his/her animal by his/her immediate family (limited to parents, legal guardians, grandparents, brothers, sisters, aunts, and uncles), county extension agents, agriculture education teacher, other eligible 4-H or FFA exhibitors or volunteer leaders (un-paid) who are permanent residents of Mississippi and are officially certified by the county extension agent or agricultural education teacher. It is un-ethical to pay anyone to assist in grooming or fitting of animals. In addition, exhibitors and their animals may attend dressing, grooming, and showmanship workshops or clinics where experienced persons may teach exhibitors how to prepare themselves and their animals for shows. However, no animal to be shown at any of the shows shall be taken to any such workshop or clinic within 10 days prior to the show at which the animal will be shown. An educational workshop or clinic is defined as a group training session which is available to all exhibitors within a certain county, area or district. Such educational workshops or clinics may consist of lectures, demonstrations, and hands-on experience by the participants. This rule does not apply to the removal of horns or the trimming of hooves.
15. Breeding cattle must have a legible and correct tattoo or brand. Tattoo in ear of breeding cattle or brand may be checked.
16. An exhibitor must earn a blue ribbon with his/her beef breeding animal at their district livestock show based on the 4-H club or FFA chapter in which they participate.
17. If a beef breeding class consists of more than 15 animals, that class will be divided into two classes as near equal as possible. When an uneven number of animals occur, the odd number will go in the first heat.
18. The exhibitor of the Supreme Champion Beef Heifer and Supreme Champion Beef Bull will receive a scholarship from the Sale of Champions.

Premiums

1st Place – \$35.00; 2nd Place – \$30.00; 3rd Place – \$25.00; all others receive equal premiums

Classes

1. Late Summer Heifer Calf – born July 1 to August 31, 2017
2. Early Summer Heifer Calf – born May 1 to June 30, 2017
3. Winter Heifer Calf – born March 1 to April 30, 2017
4. Junior Heifer Calf – born January 1 to February 28, 2017
5. Late Senior Heifer Calf – born November 1 to December 31, 2016
6. Early Senior Heifer Calf – born September 1 to October 31, 2016
7. Late Summer Yearling Heifer – born July 1 to August 31, 2016
8. Early Summer Yearling Heifer – born May 1 to June 30, 2016
9. Late Junior Yearling Heifer – born March 1 to April 30, 2016
10. Early Junior Yearling Heifer – born January 1 to February 29, 2016
11. Champion Heifer (1st place winners competing)
12. Reserve Champion Heifer (2nd place winner from same class as Champion eligible to show for Reserve)
13. Late Summer Bull Calf – born July 1 to August 31, 2017

14. Early Summer Bull Calf – born May 1 to June 30, 2017
15. Winter Bull Calf – born March 1 to April 30, 2017
16. Junior Bull Calf – born January 1 to February 28, 2017
17. Late Senior Bull Calf – born November 1 to December 31, 2016
18. Early Senior Bull Calf – born September 1 to October 31, 2016
19. Late Summer Yearling Bull Calf – born July 1 to August 31, 2016
20. Early Summer Yearling Bull Calf – born May 1 to June 30, 2016
21. Late Junior Yearling Bull Calf – born March 1 to April 30, 2016
22. Early Junior Yearling Bull Calf – born January 1 to February 29, 2016
23. Champion Bull (1st place winners competing)
24. Reserve Champion Bull (2nd place winner from same class as Champion eligible to show for Reserve)

Champion and Reserve Champion Awards (Heifer and Bull) Sponsored by the following:

Mississippi Simmental/Simbrah Association
 Mississippi Hereford Association
 Mississippi Angus Association
 B & D Awards Company
 Mississippi Santa Gertrudis Association
 Mississippi American Association
 Ridge Point Ranch
 SE Beefmaster Breeders Association
 Mississippi Brangus Association
 Mississippi Livestock Council
 Mississippi Gelbvieh Breeders Association
 Mississippi 4-H Foundation
 B & B Cattle company

Supreme Champion Heifer, Reserve Supreme Champion Heifer, and Best Five Head – Beef Heifers
 (only Champion heifers of all breeds competing for these awards;
 Supreme Commercial Beef Heifer does not compete for the Supreme Champion Heifer)

Supreme Champion Bull, Reserve Supreme Champion Bull, and Best Five Head – Beef Bulls
 (only Champion bulls of all breeds competing for these awards)

Supreme Champion Heifer and Supreme Champion Bull Awards Sponsored by Mac & Serita Johnson
Reserve Supreme Beef Heifer & Reserve Supreme Beef Bull Plaques and Banners Sponsored by Red Fox Farm
Best Five Head – Beef Bulls Banners and Best Five Head - Beef Heifers Banners Sponsored by PMCC, LLC

Angus

The American Angus Association®, 3201 Frederick Avenue, St. Joseph, Mo., will participate in premiums offered in individual classes for junior Angus heifers, as included in its standard show classifications, according to the premium schedule based on the number of head shown. The premium assistance provided by the American Angus Association for participation in this show is in addition to the premiums offered by the show itself. The premium assistance should not be used to offset show expense and shall be included in the premium payments distributed by the show to the exhibitors.

A minimum of fifteen (15) head must be shown in the junior Angus heifer classes to receive American Angus Association premium participation. The show is not required to have all classes to be eligible for premiums.

Separate classes for bred and owned heifers may be held if the size of the show merits a separate class.

To be eligible for Association premiums the entries must be recorded in the sole name of the junior exhibitor and the issue date on the registration certificate must conform to the individual show's requirements regarding ownership. The Association's contribution is included in the total premiums listed in each class.

Premiums from the Association are paid only to registered Angus cattle and only if the registration number is a part of the show report provided to the Association. Therefore, all cattle should be registered at the time of entry to make certain they receive the Association's portion of premiums. The Association does not pay on premiums offered in championship classes. An animal may only be counted one time toward the total count for premium participation by the Association.

Exhibitors must have the original registration certificate issued by the American Angus Association available for inspection at the show for each animal or another current proof of ownership issued by the American Angus Association pedigree look up. Any animal, upon check-in, which does not have a legible permanent identification mark (ear tattoo marks, freeze-branded marks or hot-branded marks) corresponding to the permanent identification mark on the registration certificate, is ineligible to show. Once disqualified due to

an incorrect or illegible permanent identification mark, animals cannot be re-identified (tattooed/branded) and rechecked at the show.

Any female shown with a calf at side: the calf must be the cow's most recent natural calf, and the calf must be registered by show day and have proof of registration at check in.

Only one person at a time shall lead an animal into the show ring.

Exhibitors who participate in shows that accept premium monies contributed by the American Angus Association are subject to the Association Rules as found in the Breeders Reference Guide of the Association. These rules are found in Part 2; Association Rules. The rules relating directly with the exhibition of Angus cattle are Part 2: Association Rules; Rule 800 Series; including Rule 800 - 810. These rules can be found at www.angus.org.

Altering the conformation and/or appearance of an animal for exhibition is prohibited. This includes the use of chin straps, covering of white skin, false tail heads (or use of any false hair), with the exception of false tail switches. The use of graphite, powders, hemp or other similar substances used externally are also prohibited. Other prohibited products include those used internally such as steroids, illegal or unlicensed pharmaceuticals or artificial filling. Any animal found to be in violation will be barred from showing.

At any show for which the American Angus Association appropriates funds toward the payment of premiums, no exhibitors, individuals assisting exhibitors or member owners at such show shall be allowed to use any coloring agents, on any animal exhibited. The Association may adopt and implement various tests designed to monitor this prohibition, including but not limited to a "white towel" or "white glove" test. No aerosol cans or other pressurized containers will be allowed in designated line up areas.

All animals exhibited are subject to DNA marker or blood type test to verify accuracy of parentage as covered under the Association Rules and for other testing as required by the individual show.

Authorized representatives of the Association have the authority to enforce the rules set forth herein as well as in the Association Rules, including the barring of a registered animal from a livestock show at which it is to be shown, if there are reasonable grounds to believe a violation has occurred.

The **Mississippi Angus Association** will conduct their showmanship contest for members 14 years of age and over to select their delegates for the national contest. This competition will be held at 7:30 a.m. on Monday, February 6, 2017, in the Coliseum.

The **Mississippi Angus Association** will be awarding a MS Bred Champion and Reserve Champion Bull and Heifer award at the Dixie National Roundup. To be eligible for this award, the junior exhibitor must be a member of the MS Junior Angus Association and be exhibiting a MS Bred bull or heifer.

The **Junior Beefmaster Breeders Association** of San Antonio, Texas will provide 20% of the premium for the Junior Heifer Show, not to exceed \$250.00 total. They will pay our portion directly to the exhibitors.

The **Southeast Beefmaster Breeders Association** will provide \$300 for the Champion Beefmaster Female and Champion Beefmaster Bull. Sponsors of these awards include the following: Clark Jones, Savannah, TN; Mike Savage, Hamilton, MS; Jerry Thomas, Henderson, TN; Steve Dodds, Lexington, TN; and Ronnie Teague, Ramer, TN.

The **Mississippi Hereford Association** will be awarding a MS Bred Champion and Reserve Champion Bull and Heifer award at the Dixie National Roundup. To be eligible for this award, the junior exhibitor must be a member of the MS Junior Hereford Association and be exhibiting a MS Bred bull or heifer.

The **Mississippi Junior Simmental/Simbrah Association** will make a special cash award to the Grand and Reserve Grand Simmental and Simbrah Champions if the exhibitor is an active member of the Mississippi Junior Simmental/Simbrah Association.

The **Mississippi Simmental/Simbrah Association** will make a special award to the "Herdsman of the Year" which will be a rotating trophy and permanent plaque presented to the exhibitor that the Association Committee feels does the best overall job. (This includes knowledge of cattle, feeding, grooming, etc.)

The **Mississippi Simmental/Simbrah Association** will also sponsor Best 5 MS Bred Heifer and Best 5 MS Bred Bull Classes in the Simmental, Simbrah and Percentage Simmental shows.

MARKET HOG DIVISION

Swine Superintendent.....Dr. Mark Crenshaw
Swine Superintendent.....Bubba Vandevere

SWINE SHOW DEADLINES

Thursday, February 1, 2018

12:00 noon Deadline for arrival of market swine
8:00 p.m. Deadline for corrections in Swine Showmanship entries
8:00 p.m. Deadline to turn in weight cards for MS Bred Barrows and Market Hogs – Swine Arena/Barn 6

SWINE SHOWMANSHIP

Friday, February 2, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. – Swine Arena, Barn 6

1. Exhibitor in showmanship classes must show his/her own animal and the animal must be entered in the Dixie National Junior Round-Up.
2. The age of the exhibitor entering showmanship classes will be determined by his/her age as of January 1, 2018.
3. Showmanship entries must be pre-registered. Entries must be completed by Extension Agent/FFA Advisor for exhibitors under their direct supervision by December 1, 2017.
4. Deadline for corrections in swine showmanship will be 8:00 p.m., Thursday, February 1, 2018.

Age on January 1, 2018

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| 1. Age 8 | 4. Age 11 | 7. Age 14 | 10. Ages 17-18 |
| 2. Age 9 | 5. Age 12 | 8. Age 15 | |
| 3. Age 10 | 6. Age 13 | 9. Age 16 | |

Premiums

1st Place – \$15.00; 2nd Place – \$12.00; 3rd Place – \$10.00; 4th Place – \$8.00; 5th to 10th Place – \$5.00. Increased showmanship premiums are dependent upon funding availability.

Swine Showmanship Awards Sponsored by Mississippi Commissioner of Agriculture



2017 DR. BEN CLOWER SWINE SHOWMANSHIP SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

Exhibited by Mari Bess Carter, Humphreys 4-H

Presented by Tracy Lester, Dixie National Booster Club Member

DIXIE NATIONAL BOOSTER CLUB
Dr. Ben Clower Swine Showmanship Scholarship

The Dixie National Booster Club, Inc. sponsors a \$1,200 academic scholarship to the Champion 2018 **graduating senior** swine showmanship winner. **Competing for the scholarship will be the highest placing graduating senior from any class.** Winner must place in the top ten. This scholarship can be received by an individual only once and will be payable to the two or four-year College the winner attends. College or university must be in Mississippi. Utilization of the scholarship must begin within three years of the award.

MISSISSIPPI BRED BARROW SHOW

Friday, February 2, 2018, 15 minutes after Swine Showmanship – Swine Arena, Barn 6

Order of Show

Mississippi Bred Barrow Show

1. All barrows eligible for entry in the Mississippi Bred Barrow Show must be Mississippi bred pigs and tagged with Mississippi bred tags according to the rules and regulations of the Mississippi bred contest.
2. Swine exhibitors showing market hogs and/or MS Bred barrows are required to have a premise ID number at the time of entry.
3. Exhibitors must have a completed 4-H Health Form listing all medications, wormers, vaccine and their respective withdrawal time for each animal for the past 60 days prior to the show. Refer to the Mississippi Livestock Exhibition Health Form in the general show rules and regulations for more details.
4. An exhibitor must earn a blue ribbon with his/her Mississippi Bred Barrow at their district livestock show based on the 4-H club or FFA chapter in which they participate.
5. Market hogs will be classified from 12:00 noon - 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 1, 2018. All market hogs will be classified according to breed (except barrows entered in the barrow division which show by weight) and the decision of the Classification Judge or Committee will be final.
6. **Show Management will not be responsible for any pigs that do not qualify for the show. These pigs must be removed from the barns prior to showmanship.**
7. Barrows will be shown by weight and divided into weight classes not to exceed 15 pigs per class.
8. Barrows must weigh a minimum of 200 pounds and not exceed a maximum of 290 pounds. Barrows over 290 pounds will be allowed to show in their respective breed class in the Dixie National Junior Round-Up Market Hog Show.
9. The first and second place animals in each class of market animals will be required to weigh back as soon as possible after their respective class. The animal must weigh within 5% of the overage or it will be disqualified. Animals will be weighed once (no re-weighs). If either or both, of the first or second place animals are disqualified, weighing through the order of the class will continue until an official first and second are determined. Show management will designate an individual to accompany each animal and exhibitor to the scales for weigh back.
10. Barrows can only show in one class. Barrows cannot show in the barrow division and the breed classes.
11. Each exhibitor is allowed to show a maximum of three pigs (if one of the pigs is tagged Mississippi bred) at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up regardless if they make entries in the Market Hog Show or the Mississippi Bred Barrow Show or both.
12. The Champion MS Bred barrow will be selected from the first place barrows of each class. The Reserve Champion MS Bred will be selected from the remaining first place barrows and the second place MS Bred barrow from the class the Champion MS Bred barrow was selected.
13. The Champion and Reserve Champion MS Bred barrow will be the Mississippi Bred pigs placed in the Sale of Champions as approved by the Sale of Champions Sales Committee and both are eligible to compete for the Grand/Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog.
14. Mississippi bred premiums will be paid on the top five placing barrows in each class, the overall champion and overall reserve champion barrow or as determined by the Mississippi Pork Producers Association. Premiums from the Fair Commission will be paid on the barrow division the same as the breed classes.
15. Mississippi bred premiums will still be paid on Mississippi bred tagged pigs in the breed classes, breed champion, breed reserve champion, overall champion, and overall reserve champion. Each of these Mississippi bred pigs will still be eligible for the sale of champions but only if they qualify from their placing in the regular show.
16. Neither the Champion nor the Reserve Champion MS Bred Barrow is eligible to compete for the MS Bred Overall Champion or Overall Reserve Champion of the market hog show.
17. The barrow division will show first on the day of the show and will not be part of the normal rotation of the breed class show order.
18. Entries for the Mississippi Bred Barrow Show at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up must have qualified at their respective district show.
19. The Mississippi bred premiums are funded with Producer Checkoff funds. The Mississippi Pork Producers Association reserves the right to cancel the premiums or adjust the amount of premiums pending the availability of Checkoff funding.
20. Barrows entered in the barrow division at the Dixie National Junior Roundup are subject to all rules and regulations of the Dixie National Junior Round-Up Show.

**Champion and Reserve Champion Barrow Awards
Sponsored by Mississippi Pork Producers Association**

Premiums (Fair Commission)

1st Place – \$30.00; 2nd Place – \$25.00; 3rd Place – \$20.00; all others receive equal premiums

MS Bred Class Premiums

1st Place – \$40.00; 2nd Place – \$30.00; 3rd Place – \$20.00; 4th Place - \$10.00; 5th Place - \$10.00

Barrow Division, Champion and Reserve Champion

MS Bred Champion Barrow \$500

MS Bred Reserve Champion Barrow \$300

MARKET HOG SHOW

Friday, February 2, 2018, following MS Bred Barrow Show – Swine Arena, Barn 6

Order of Show

Chester (follows MS Bred Barrow Show)



2017 GRAND CHAMPION MARKET HOG

Exhibited by Landry/Cayleb Dyess, Newton 4-H

Purchased by MS Agriculture Commissioner Cindy Hyde-Smith; The First A National Banking Assoc.;
Ted Parker Cattle Co.; Havard Pest Control; N&H Electronics; Oldham Chemical

Order of Show

Duroc

Hampshire

Yorkshire

Crosses and Other Breeds

Spotted

Grand Championship Drive

- Grand Champion Market Hog (champion hogs from MS Bred Barrow Show and all breeds competing)
- Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog (reserve champion hog from same breed as Grand Champion eligible to show for Reserve Grand Champion)

1. Exhibitors are allowed to nominate the number of animals they desire. At the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the number of pigs that one can check-in/weigh-in and exhibit is three (3; combination of market hogs and Mississippi bred barrows), provided that one pig of the three is tagged Mississippi Bred; if not, only two (2) pigs can be checked-in/weighed-in and exhibited.
2. All market hogs showing at District Shows and the Dixie National Junior Round-Up must have been nominated and ear tagged. Nomination forms are due in the County Extension office by December 1, 2017. Nomination forms must be submitted by the Extension Agent or Vo-Ag Advisor verifying all hogs under their supervision.
3. Swine exhibitors showing market hogs and/or MS Bred barrows are required to have a premise ID number at the time of entry.
4. Exhibitors must have a completed 4-H Health Form listing all medications, wormers, vaccine and their respective withdrawal time for each animal for the past 60 days prior to the show. Refer to the Mississippi Livestock Exhibition Health Form in the general show rules and regulations for more details.
5. An exhibitor must earn a blue ribbon with his/her market hog (gilt or barrow) at their district livestock show based on the 4-H club or FFA chapter in which they participate. Animals must show at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up in the same class as they qualified at the district show unless re-classed by the classifier.
6. Show Management will make pen assignments. **Reserving pens will not be allowed!** Check with Show Management upon arrival for pen assignments. Pen assignments will also be posted.
7. All swine must be in barns by 12:00 Noon on Thursday, February 1, 2018.
8. At the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, an exhibitor may show a maximum of three (3) pigs, provided that one pig is tagged Mississippi bred. If not, an exhibitor may only show two (2) pigs.
9. For the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the minimum weight of market hogs is 200 pounds with no maximum weight except for the barrow division (maximum weight of 290 pounds). Certified scales will be available at times set by show management as outlined in the schedule.
10. **Show Management will not be responsible for any pigs that do not qualify for the show. These pigs must be removed from the barns prior to showmanship.**
11. Market hogs will be classified from 12:00 noon - 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 1, 2018. All market hogs will be classified according to breed (except barrows entered in the barrow division which show by weight) and the decision of the Classification Judge or Committee will be final. Classification criteria are based on the National Swine Registry Guidelines as follows.

Hampshire

- Must be black with a white belt starting on the front leg. The belt must totally encircle the body with at least white hairs touching.
- Must possess Hampshire Breed character (ears must be erect and not rounded)
- Must not have any white hair or indications of streaking on the forehead. White pigmentation is allowed on the front of the snout surrounding the nostrils, but the white is not allowed to break the rim of the nose. This includes no white on the tail.
- Must not have any white hair above the hock.
- Must not have any white hair past the navel.
- Must not have any red hair.

Yorkshire

- Must be white and possess Yorkshire Breed character (ears must be erect).
- Must not have any colored hair other than white.
- All colored skin pigmentation combined cannot be larger than one U.S. minted ½ dollar.

Duroc

- Must be red and possess Duroc Breed character (ears must be down and medium size).
- Must not have any white hair located on the animal.
- All black skin pigmentation combined cannot be larger than one U.S. minted ½ dollar.
- Must not have any shading or indication of a belt.

Chester White

- Must possess Chester White Breed character.
- Must be solid white, combined skin pigmentation other than white cannot be larger than one U.S. minted ½ dollar.
- Ears must be down and medium size.

Spotted

- Must be black and white.
- Must possess Spotted Breed character.
- Ears must not be erect.
- Any red tinted or sandy brown spots are ineligible.
- No distinct white belt pattern (hair or skin) encircling and extending down and onto each shoulder.

12. Show Management strongly discourages clipping of hogs on the fairgrounds.
13. Show Management discourages the use of oil on pigs for this show.
14. No dyeing, coloring, or color masking products shall be used as grooming products. Not included are the dressings applied to horns and hooves.
15. All livestock must remain in their assigned pens except animals that are being washed, groomed, shown, or exercised. Animals taken to be exercised must remain in their assigned barn or in their respective show arena. After entering the show grounds, at no time will animals be allowed in a trailer except for loading to leave.
16. Each exhibitor shall clip, groom, and dress his/her own animal throughout ownership period and while at the State Fair, Dixie National Junior Livestock Show and any District Junior Livestock Show (“shows”). However, an exhibitor may be assisted in the clipping, grooming or dressing of his/her animal by his/her immediate family (limited to parents, legal guardians, grandparents, brothers, sisters, aunts, and uncles), county extension agents, agriculture education teacher, other eligible 4-H or FFA exhibitors or volunteer leaders (un-paid) who are permanent residents of Mississippi and are officially certified by the county extension agent or agricultural education teacher. It is unethical to pay anyone to assist in grooming or fitting of animals. In addition, exhibitors and their animals may attend dressing, grooming, and showmanship workshops or clinics where experienced persons may teach exhibitors how to prepare themselves and their animals for shows. However, no animal to be shown at any of the shows shall be taken to any such workshop or clinic within 10 days prior to the show at which the animal will be shown. An educational workshop or clinic is defined as a group training session which is available to all exhibitors within a certain county, area or district. Such educational workshops or clinics may consist of lectures, demonstrations, and hands-on experience by the participants. This rule does not apply to the removal of horns or the trimming of hooves.
17. The first and second place animals in each class of market animals will be required to weigh back as soon as possible after their respective class. The animal must weigh within 5% of the overage or it will be disqualified. Animals will be weighed once (no re-weighs). If either or both, of the first or second place animals are disqualified, weighing through the order of the class will continue until an official first and second are determined. Show management will designate an individual to accompany each animal and exhibitor to the scales for weigh back.
18. Only authorized/approved ring men or show personnel are allowed in the holding area (class make-up pen) at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up Swine Show.
19. Class size in the MS Bred Barrow and Market Hog Shows should not exceed 15 hogs in a class.

Process of Painting Official Show Ear Tag Number on Market Hogs and MS Bred Barrows

All market hogs and MS Bred barrows must have that animal’s official show ear tag number painted across the middle of their back prior being exhibited in showmanship and/or weight class in the show.



**Champion and Reserve Champion Market Hog Awards
Sponsored by Mississippi Pork Producers Association**

**Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog Awards
Sponsored by MS Pork Producers Association**

Premiums

1st Place – \$30.00; 2nd Place – \$25.00; 3rd Place – \$20.00; all others receive equal premiums

MISSISSIPPI BRED SWINE CONTEST

The Mississippi Pork Producers Association (MPPA) sponsors a MS Bred Swine Contest to encourage youth exhibiting pigs to purchase show pigs from local producers.

1. Only swine producers residing in Mississippi can participate in this program and this program is open to all producers in Mississippi. Only the person who produced the pig can order MS Bred tags and nominate those pigs as MS Bred. Each Producer is responsible for ordering his/her tags, tagging the pigs, and certifying the tagged pigs by sending the signed MS Bred nomination form to MPPA. All Mississippi Bred pigs must be tagged with an official MPPA tag before leaving the farm and no later than the show deadline date established by MPPA.
2. A MS Bred pig must be conceived, farrowed and raised in Mississippi in order to be nominated. This means the sow or gilt must be bred in Mississippi, have the pigs in Mississippi and the pigs raised in Mississippi to be eligible for the MS Bred contest.
3. Failure to properly nominate pigs sold as Mississippi Bred, or nomination of ineligible pigs, or the misuse of Mississippi Bred tags will subject the Swine Producer to penalties set forth by MPPA.
4. The MPPA and Mississippi Bred Swine Awards committee reserves the right to interpret, amend and carry out the rules and regulations governing the Mississippi Bred Swine Awards sponsored by the Mississippi Pork Producers Association.

JUDGING

1. All pigs entered in the MS Bred Swine Shows will be judged within their respective classes during the regular class judging.
2. Only those pigs that are certified as MS Bred and recognized by MPPA are eligible to compete and receive MS Bred premiums. All MS Bred pigs must have the MS Bred Tag in their ear at the time of showing. If the tag has been lost, you must notify the show management before the pig enters the show.
3. A MS Bred Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected for the barrow division of the Dixie National Junior Round-Up.
4. The Champion and Reserve Champion MS Bred barrow will be placed in the Sale of Champions as approved by the Sale of Champions Sales Committee and both are eligible to compete for the Grand/Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog.
5. A MS Bred Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected for each breed division after selection has been made for the regular show breed division champion and reserve. The MS Bred breed division Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from only the first place pigs of the respective classes.
6. After the regular show Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion have been selected, the MS Bred Grand Champion will be selected from the MS Bred breed division champion animals. The MS Bred Reserve Grand Champion will be selected from the remaining MS Bred breed division champion animals and the MS Bred breed division reserve champion animal from the class the MS Bred Grand Champion was selected.
7. Neither the Champion nor the Reserve Champion MS Bred Barrow is eligible to compete for the MS Bred Grand or Reserve Grand Champion of the market hog show.
8. Neither the Grand Champion MS Bred nor the Reserve Grand Champion MS Bred pig from the breed divisions will be eligible for the Dixie National Sale of Champions unless it has qualified for the sale in the regular show.

MS Bred Premiums

Class premiums are to be paid for the top five Mississippi Bred pigs provided they do not place below 10th place of the regular show as follows:

1st Place – \$40.00; 2nd Place – \$30.00; 3rd Place – \$20.00; 4th Place - \$10.00; 5th Place - \$10.00

Breed Division, Champion and Reserve Champion

MS Bred Breed Champion	\$100
MS Bred Breed Reserve Champion	\$75

Breed Division, Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion

Grand Champion MS Bred	\$500
Reserve Grand Champion MS Bred	\$300

The MS Bred premiums are funded with Producer Checkoff funds. The MS Pork Producers Association reserves the right to cancel the premiums or adjust the amount of premiums pending the availability of Checkoff funding.

MARKET LAMB DIVISION

Lamb Superintendent.....Brandon Alberson
Lamb Superintendent.....Alex Shook

JUNIOR SHEEP LEAD CLASS

Sunday, February 4, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. – Judging Arena (Barn 14)

Class Committee

Anita Webb, Chairperson

Lisa Stewart

The objectives of the junior sheep lead class are to present a class of sheep in the most attractive manner, to give spectators an opportunity to view a class of beauty, to improve the image of sheep shows, and to develop a greater understanding and appreciation of the sheep industry in Mississippi.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. This class is open to any junior exhibitor (age 8 to 18), boy or girl, who has a lamb entered in the Junior Market Lamb Show at the 2018 Dixie National Junior Round-Up. Contestants must show his or her own lamb in this class.
2. There will be four classes – Juniors (age 8 to 9), Juniors (age 10 to 11), Juniors (age 12 to 13), and Seniors (age 14 to 18), based on contestant’s age as of January 1, 2018.
3. Contestants must lead a lamb that has been conditioned, fitted, and trained to show at halter.
4. Decorations may or may not be used on lambs.
5. Contestants must wear a garment made of wool or wool blend. Garment does not have to be constructed by contestant.
6. Former class winners cannot wear the garment that they used to win a previous state Lead Class.
7. The three-judge system will be used to arrive at official placing.
8. The following scoring standard will be used when judging the class:

(1) Contestant’s garment	33 1/3 percent
(2) Poise and appearance	33 1/3 percent
(3) Control and presentation of animal	33 1/3 percent
9. Entry forms will be sent via email and copies will be available at the show office. Forms must be turned in by 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 4, 2018. Entry must contain brief biography of contestant and garment description. **All entries must be legible.**
10. Contestants must come to the livestock office on Sunday, February 4, 2018, by 3:45 p.m. to pick up exhibitor numbers.

Premiums

1st Place – \$15.00; 2nd Place – \$12.00; 3rd Place – \$10.00; 4th Place – \$8.00; 5th Place – \$5.00

Classes

1. Ages 8 to 9 as of January 1, 2018
2. Ages 10 to 11 as of January 1, 2018
3. Ages 12 to 13 as of January 1, 2018
4. Ages 14 to 18 as of January 1, 2018

Class winners will receive an award sponsored by the Mississippi Sheep Producers Association

LAMB SHOWMANSHIP

Monday, February 5, 2018, at 8:00 a.m. – Judging Arena (Barn 14)

1. Exhibitor in showmanship classes must show his/her own animal and animal must be entered in the show.
2. The age of the exhibitor entering showmanship classes will be determined by his/her age as of January 1, 2018.
3. Showmanship entries must be pre-registered. Entries must be completed by Extension Agent/FFA Advisor for exhibitors under their direct supervision by September 1, 2017. Deadline for corrections in lamb showmanship is 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 4, 2018.
4. The primary purpose of showmanship is to present your lamb to the judge in such a position that will make the lamb look and handle it's very best. This should be done in an easy manner without exciting your lamb or disturbing the lambs and the exhibitors next to you.

Age on January 1, 2018.

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| 1. Age 8 | 4. Age 11 | 7. Age 14 | 10. Age 17-18 |
| 2. Age 9 | 5. Age 12 | 8. Age 15 | |
| 3. Age 10 | 6. Age 13 | 9. Age 16 | |

Premiums

1st Place – \$15.00; 2nd Place – \$12.00; 3rd Place – \$10.00; 4th Place – \$8.00; 5th to 10th Place – \$5.00. Increased showmanship premiums are dependent upon funding availability.

The Junior Mississippi Sheep Association will offer a \$25 premium to the first place showmanship winners of each class that are current members of the association as funds allow. Dues must be current by the start of the show to be eligible.

Lamb Showmanship Awards Sponsored by Mississippi Commissioner of Agriculture



2017 BILL DUPREE LAMB SHOWMANSHIP SCHOLARSHIP WINNER
Exhibited by Savannah Stevens, Rankin 4-H
Presented by Tyler Brown for the Dixie National Booster Club

**DIXIE NATIONAL BOOSTER CLUB
Bill Dupree Lamb Showmanship Scholarship**

The Dixie National Booster Club, Inc. sponsors a \$1,200 academic scholarship to the Champion 2018 **graduating senior** lamb showmanship winner. **Competing for the scholarship will be the highest placing graduating senior from any class.** Winner must place in the top ten. This scholarship can be received by an individual only once and will be payable to the two or four-year college the winner attends. College or university must be in Mississippi. Utilization of the scholarship must begin within three years of the award.



2017 GRAND CHAMPION MARKET LAMB
Exhibited by Savannah/Dane/Vivien Stevens, Rankin 4-H
Purchased by Southern Administrator & Benefits Consultants; Priority One Bank;
Community Bank, Forest; Steven Franks Chevrolet Buick GMC; Barksdale Cadillac;
Rankin First Economic Development; Rick's Pro Truck; Noel Daniels Motor Co.

MARKET LAMB SHOW

Monday, February 5, 2018, starting 15 minutes after Lamb Showmanship – Judging Arena (Barn 14)

Order of Show

1. Division 1
 - Class 1
 - Class 2
 - Champion Division 1 Market Lamb
 - Reserve Champion Division 1 Market Lamb
2. Division 2
 - Class 3
 - Class 4
 - Champion Division 2 Market Lamb
 - Reserve Champion Division 2 Market Lamb
3. Division 3
 - Class 5
 - Class 6

Champion Division 3 Market Lamb
Reserve Champion Division 3 Market Lamb

- 4. Division 4
 - Class 7
 - Class 8
 - Champion Division 4 Market Lamb
 - Reserve Champion Division 4 Market Lamb

- 5. Division 5
 - Class 9
 - Class 10
 - Champion Division 5 Market Lamb
 - Reserve Champion Division 5 Market Lamb

- 6. Grand Champion Market Lamb
- 7. Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb

1. The first and second place animals in each class of market lambs will be required to weigh back as soon as possible after their respective class. The animal must weigh within 5% of the overage or it will be disqualified. Animals will be weighed once (no re-weighs). If either or both of the first or second place animals are disqualified, weighing through the order of the class will continue until an official first and second are determined. Show Management will designate an individual to accompany each animal and exhibitor to the scales for weigh back.
2. First and second place animals in each class of market lambs will be retinal imaged at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up to confirm that the retinal image of the animal matches the one on file taken during September 2017 when the initial retinal image was recorded. In addition, the Champion and Reserve Champion Mississippi Bred Market Lambs will be retinal imaged if these animals were not first or second in their class. If the image captured at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up does not match the one on file, that animal will be disqualified and will not be eligible for the Sale of Champions.
3. An exhibitor must earn a blue ribbon with his/her market lamb (ewe or wether) at their district livestock show based on the 4-H club or FFA chapter in which they participate.
4. All livestock must remain in their assigned pens except animals that are being washed, groomed, shown, or exercised. Animals taken to be exercised must remain in their assigned barn or in their respective show arena. After entering the show grounds, at no time will animals be allowed in a trailer except for loading to leave.
5. Each exhibitor shall clip, groom, and dress his/her own animal throughout ownership period and while at the State Fair, Dixie National Junior Livestock Show and any District Junior Livestock Show ("shows"). However, an exhibitor may be assisted in the clipping, grooming or dressing of his/her animal by his/her immediate family (limited to parents, legal guardians, grandparents, brothers, sisters, aunts, and uncles), county extension agents, agriculture education teacher, other eligible 4-H or FFA exhibitors or volunteer leaders (un-paid) who are permanent residents of Mississippi and are officially certified by the county extension agent or agricultural education teacher. It is un-ethical to pay anyone to assist in grooming or fitting of animals. In addition, exhibitors and their animals may attend dressing, grooming, and showmanship workshops or clinics where experienced persons may teach exhibitors how to prepare themselves and their animals for shows. However, no animal to be shown at any of the shows shall be taken to any such workshop or clinic within 10 days prior to the show at which the animal will be shown. An educational workshop or clinic is defined as a group training session which is available to all exhibitors within a certain county, area or district. Such educational workshops or clinics may consist of lectures, demonstrations, and hands-on experience by the participants. This rule does not apply to the removal of horns or the trimming of hooves.
6. Individual exhibitors at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up may exhibit and earn state appropriated monies on only three (3) market lambs, provided that one lamb is tagged Mississippi bred. If not, an exhibitor may exhibit and earn state appropriated monies on two (2) market lambs.
7. Market lambs will be released after showing and **MUST BE REMOVED FROM PENS.**

Premiums

1st Place – \$30.00; 2nd Place – \$25.00; 3rd Place – \$20.00; all others receive equal premiums

Market Lamb Champion Awards
Sponsored by Mississippi Serum Distributors

Market Lamb Reserve Champion Awards
Sponsored by Mississippi Sheep Producers Association

Grand Champion Market Lamb Awards
Sponsored by the Family of Rogers G. Davis in "Memory of Rogers G. Davis"

Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb Awards
Sponsored by the Mississippi Fair Commission

MISSISSIPPI BRED LAMB PROGRAM

1. The rules and regulations governing the State Fair and the Dixie National Junior Round-Up as published in the show catalog for the show will apply.
2. The MSPA and the Mississippi Bred Lamb Show committee reserves the right to interpret, amend and carry out the rules and regulations governing the Mississippi Bred Lamb Show sponsored by the MSPA.
3. The Mississippi Bred Lamb Show committee will serve as the show protest committee to handle any protest formally filed with the Livestock Show Manager at the State Fair and the Dixie National Junior Round-Up concerning the Mississippi Bred Lamb Show. At least three members of the committee must be presented to rule on a protest.
4. The dam of a Mississippi Bred lamb must be owned by a member of the MSPA at the time of breeding. A Mississippi Bred lamb must be lambled and raised in Mississippi
5. All Mississippi Bred Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market Lambs will be required to weigh back as soon as possible after being selected unless a weight was previously recorded. The animal must weigh within 5% of the overage or it will be disqualified. Animals will be weighed once (no re-weighs). Show management will designate an individual to accompany each animal and exhibitor to the scales for weigh back.
6. Show management shall have the authority to inspect all Mississippi Bred Market Lambs entered in the Sale of Champions, its hide or carcass, to collect blood, urine, body fluid, tissue and/or any other laboratory analysis deemed necessary. Refer to the Animal Inspection section of the SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS for additional information.

JUDGING

1. All lambs entered in the Mississippi Bred Lamb Show will be judged within their respective classes during the regular class judging.
2. Only those lambs that are certified as MS Bred and recognized by MSPA are eligible to compete and receive MS Bred awards/premiums and compete for the Grand/Reserve Grand Champion MS Bred Market Lambs that are eligible for the Sale of Champions. **All MS Bred lambs must have the MSPA MS Bred tag in their ear at the time of showing.** If the tag has been lost, you must notify the Mississippi Bred Lamb committee before the lamb enters the show. Replacement tag cost is \$1.00 per tag. Any lost tags must be replaced on weigh day.
3. Class premiums will be paid as designated by the MSPA show committee.
4. After each regular show Division Champion and Reserve Champion have been selected, the Mississippi Bred Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected. All Mississippi Bred Champions and Reserve Champions will compete for the Mississippi Bred Grand and Reserve Grand Champion after the regular show champions have been selected.
5. The Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Mississippi Bred Lambs (2 lambs) will be eligible for the Sale of Champions. No additional state bred animals will be eligible for the sale unless it qualified for the sale in the regular show.

Awards

Breed Champions and Reserve Champions will receive a plaque
Grand and Reserve Grand Champions will receive an award

MISSISSIPPI JUNIOR SHEEP PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION

The Mississippi Junior Sheep Association will award one or two academic scholarships depending on sponsorships at the 2018 Dixie National Round-Up Junior Market Lamb Show. The 2nd and 3rd highest placing contestants in the Showmanship Classes meeting the qualifications will be the winners. Qualifications are: (1) must be a member of the Mississippi Junior Sheep Producers Association for 2 consecutive years and have participated in fundraising and annual meetings; (2) must be a high school graduating senior in 2018; and (3) must attend a two or four-year college in the fall of 2018.

DAIRY CATTLE DIVISION

Dairy Cattle Superintendent.....Dr. Amanda Stone
Dairy Cattle SuperintendentPatrick Poindexter
Dairy Cattle SuperintendentRichard Hay

Order of Show (1) Showmanship (Classes 1-5), (2) Commercial Dairy Heifer Show and (3) Purebred Show (Regular classes to start with junior calves of each breed going through county group)

DAIRY CATTLE SHOWMANSHIP

Friday, February 2, 2018, at 8:00 a.m. – Judging Arena (Barn 14)

(Exhibitors of Purebred Dairy Cattle and Commercial Dairy Heifers will show in the same showmanship competition)

1. Exhibitor in showmanship classes must show his/her own animal and animal must be entered in the Dixie National Junior Round-Up.
2. The age of the exhibitor entering showmanship classes will be determined by his/her age as of January 1, 2018.
3. Showmanship entries must be pre-registered. Entries must be completed by an Extension Agent or FFA Advisor for exhibitors under their direct supervision. Deadline for entries will be December 1, 2017. Deadline for corrections in dairy showmanship is 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 1, 2018.
4. Exhibitor will be judged on his/her skills in displaying his/her animal to the best advantage while in the arena, as well as on his/her neatness and attitude.

Premiums

1st Place – \$15.00; 2nd Place – \$12.00; 3rd Place – \$10.00; 4th Place – \$8.00; 5th to 10th Place – \$5.00. Increased showmanship premiums are dependent upon funding availability.

Classes

1. Ages 8 to 9 as of January 1, 2018
2. Ages 10 to 11 as of January 1, 2018
3. Ages 12 to 13 as of January 1, 2018
4. Ages 14 to 15 as of January 1, 2018
5. ** Ages 16 to 18 as of January 1, 2018

** Highest placing 4-H'er will receive an all-expense paid trip to the National 4-H Dairy Conference in Madison, Wisconsin, Courtesy of the Arlis Anderson 4-H Memorial Fund, provided that this 4-H'er has not been on this trip.

Dairy Cattle Showmanship Awards for Class 1 Sponsored by Wesley Farmer Memorial Fund
Dairy Cattle Showmanship Awards for Classes 2 and 3 Sponsored by Mississippi Commissioner of Agriculture
Dairy Cattle Showmanship Awards for Classes 4 and 5 Sponsored by Dairy Farmers of America



2017 SONNY & DORIS THOMPSON DAIRY SHOWMANSHIP SCHOLARSHIP WINNER
Exhibited by Rachel Harris, Pearl River 4-H
Presented by Dr. Jim Tomlinson on behalf of the Dixie National Booster Club

**DIXIE NATIONAL BOOSTER CLUB
Sonny & Doris Thompson Showmanship Scholarship**

The Dixie National Booster Club, Inc. sponsors a \$1,200 academic scholarship to the Champion 2018 **graduating senior** dairy showmanship winner. **Competing for the scholarship will be the highest placing graduating senior from any class.** Winner must place in the top ten. This scholarship can be received by an individual only once and will be payable to the two or four-year college the winner attends. College or university must be in Mississippi. Utilization of the scholarship must begin within three years of the award.

COMMERCIAL DAIRY HEIFER SHOW

Friday, February 2, 2018, immediately following Dairy Cattle Showmanship – Judging Arena (Barn 14)

(Picture of 2017 Champion Commercial Dairy Heifer)

Picture not available

**2017 CHAMPION COMMERCIAL DAIRY HEIFER
Exhibited by John Rivers/Ramsey Brown, Enterprise FFA**

1. Exhibitors are allowed to nominate the number of animals they desire. At the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the number of animals that one can check-in/weigh-in and exhibit include a total of six (6) dairy breeding animals (combination of registered dairy females and commercial dairy heifers).
2. Show Management will make stall assignments. **Reserving stall space will not be allowed!** Check with Show Management upon arrival for stall assignments.
3. An exhibitor must earn a blue ribbon with his/her commercial dairy heifer at their district livestock show based on the 4-H club or FFA chapter in which they participate.
4. Dairy heifers must be owned by the exhibitor on or before December 1, 2017.
5. Heifers must be identified with a clearly visible ear tag by December 1, 2017.
6. No more than six (6) head can be entered by an exhibitor (purebred and commercial heifers combined). Exhibitors may show only three (3) animals per weight division.
7. Heifers shall meet the following requirements to be eligible:
 - A. Animals eligible shall be Grade (not registered) heifer offspring of purebred dairy cattle or dairy breed crosses. No heifers registered by either a recognized breed association or crosses of dairy and beef breeds are eligible to show in the Commercial Dairy Heifer Show. Heifers exhibiting breed characteristics other than those of the major dairy cattle breeds will not be allowed to show.
 - B. Heifers weighing less than 200 pounds at the time of weigh-in at the show will be disqualified and considered under conditioned for their age. No commercial dairy heifer that has calved will be eligible to show.
 - C. All heifers must be dehorned. Heifers not dehorned will be disqualified.
8. Heifers will be weighed from 1:00 to 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 1, 2018. Heifers will be weighed only once (no reweighs). Heifers will be assigned to one of four classes based upon weight (Lightweight; Mediumweight; Lighthweight; Heavyweight). Show Management will divide heifers into classes to distribute the weights in a practical manner.
9. Commercial dairy heifer exhibitors will show in regular showmanship classes against exhibitors showing registered dairy animals.
10. Heifers shown in the Commercial Dairy Heifer Show are not eligible to be shown in any other division at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up.
11. Registered heifers are not eligible for the Commercial Dairy Heifer Show.
12. All cattle must be tied in assigned area in the barn from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except cattle that are being groomed, washed, exercised or shown. No cattle are to be tied in alleyways, walkways or show arena. Animals taken to be exercised must remain in their assigned barn or in their respective show arena. After entering the show grounds, at no time will animals be allowed in a trailer except for loading to leave.
13. Exhibitors may use fans on racks above the cattle provided the fans are firmly affixed to the rack. These fans may be mounted to blow toward the front, side, or rear of the animal. The fans must be mounted high enough for the animal to pass freely under the fan(s) without contacting the bottom of the fan(s) in order to prevent a hazard to persons or animals. Persons using fans assume all responsibility.
14. Each exhibitor shall clip, groom, and dress his/her own animal throughout ownership period and while at the State Fair, Dixie National Junior Livestock Show and any District Junior Livestock Show (“shows”). However, an exhibitor may be assisted in the clipping, grooming or dressing of his/her animal by his/her immediate family (limited to parents, legal guardians, grandparents, brothers, sisters, aunts, and uncles), county extension agents, agriculture education teacher, other eligible 4-H or FFA exhibitors or volunteer leaders (un-paid) who are permanent residents of Mississippi and are officially certified by the county extension agent or agricultural education teacher. It is un-ethical to pay anyone to assist in grooming or fitting of animals. In addition, exhibitors

and their animals may attend dressing, grooming, and showmanship workshops or clinics where experienced persons may teach exhibitors how to prepare themselves and their animals for shows. However, no animal to be shown at any of the shows shall be taken to any such workshop or clinic within 10 days prior to the show at which the animal will be shown. An educational workshop or clinic is defined as a group training session which is available to all exhibitors within a certain county, area or district. Such educational workshops or clinics may consist of lectures, demonstrations, and hands-on experience by the participants. This rule does not apply to the removal of horns or the trimming of hooves.

15. Abide by general rules and regulations.
16. Exhibitors will be required to furnish feed and hay. No bedding will be used.
17. Exhibitors are encouraged to wear neat, appropriate uniforms while showing animals in arena. White or 4-H and FFA uniforms are preferred.
18. Dairy cattle will be released after showing.

Classes

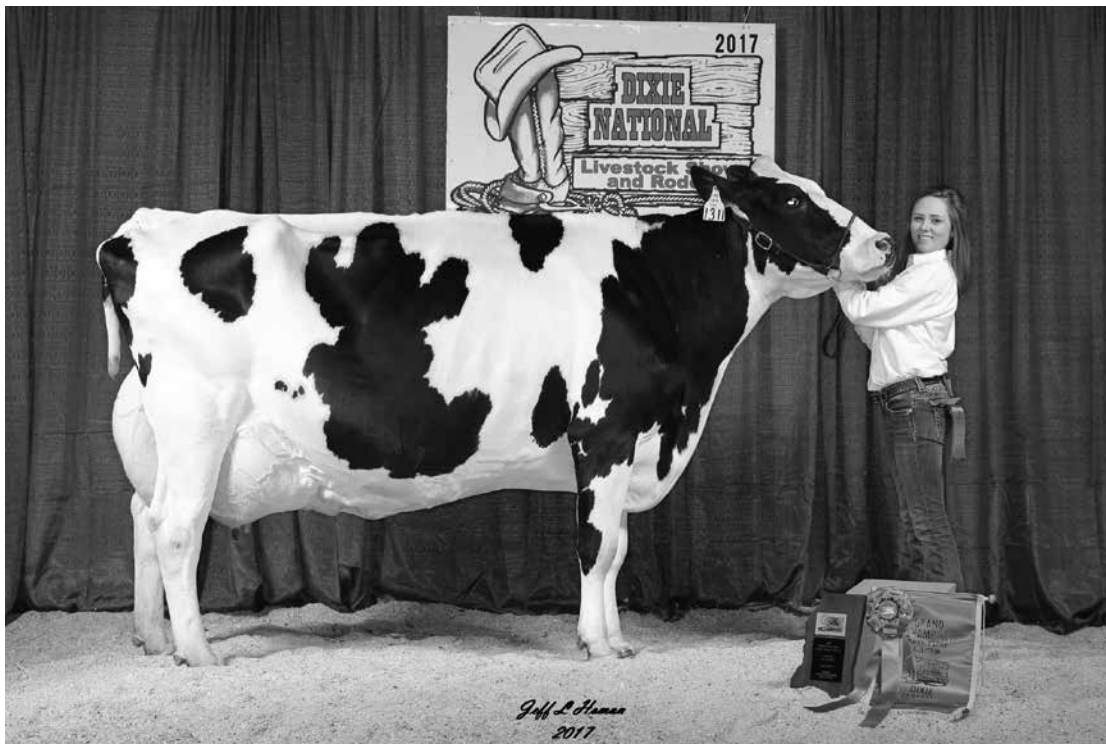
1. Lightweight
2. Mediumweight
3. Lighthheavyweight
4. Heavyweight
5. Champion Commercial Dairy Heifer
6. Reserve Champion Commercial Dairy Heifer

Champion Commercial Dairy Heifer Award Sponsored by Ware Milling, Inc.

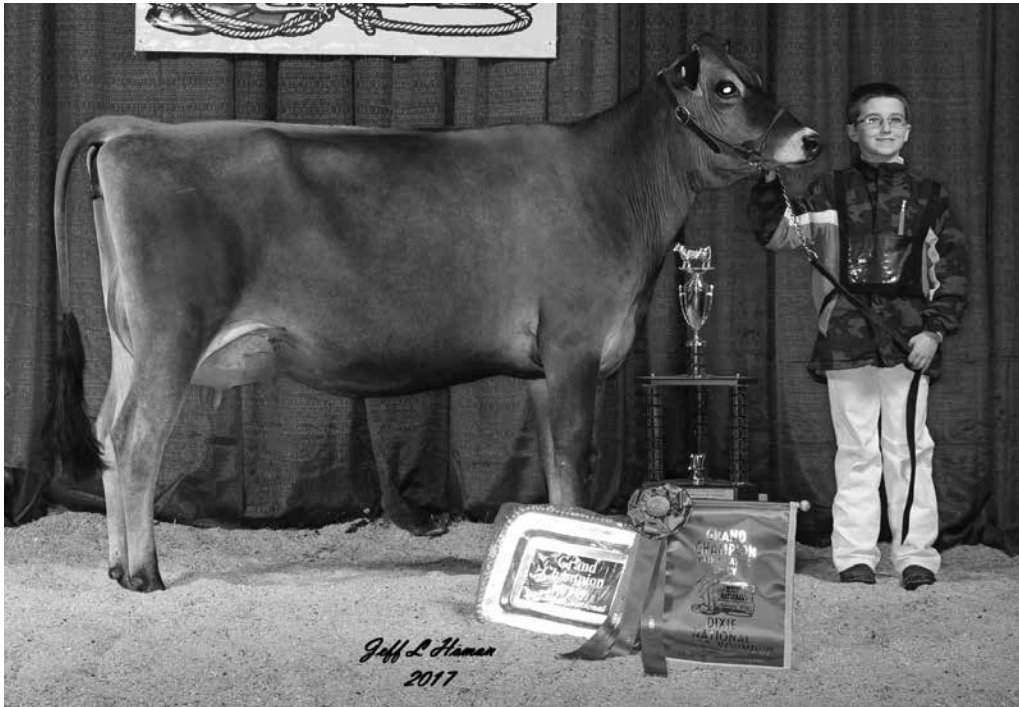
PUREBRED DAIRY CATTLE SHOW

Friday, February 2, 2018, immediately following Commercial Dairy Heifer Show – Judging Arena (Barn 14)

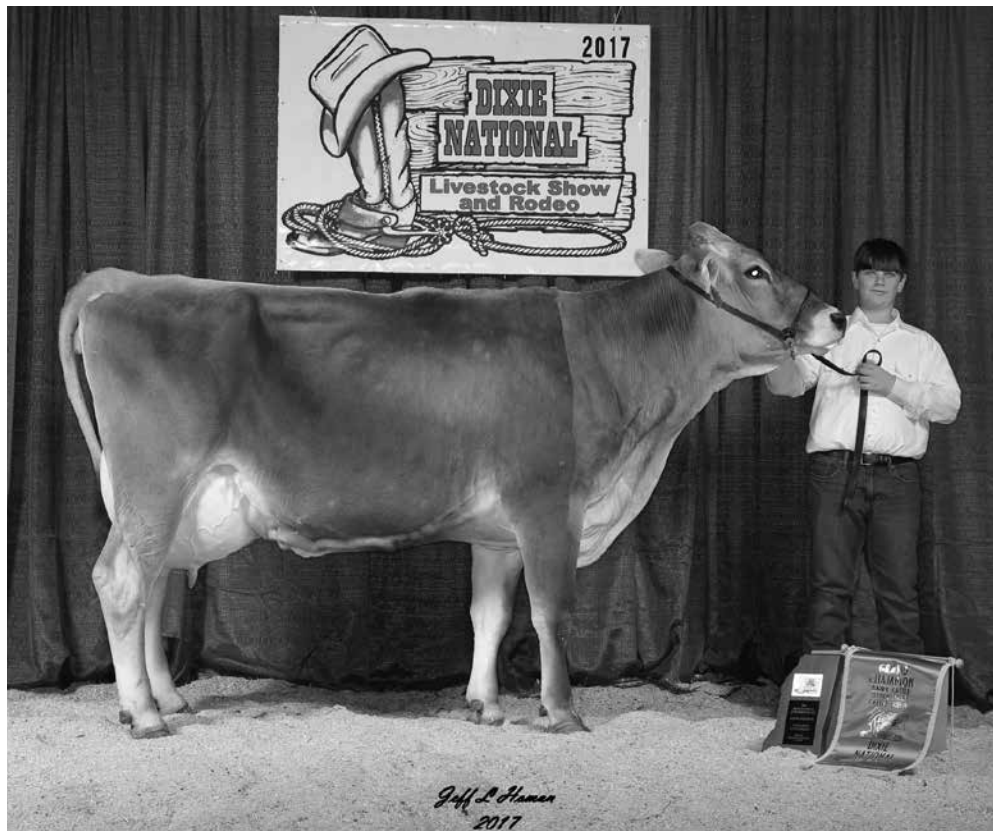
1. Exhibitors are allowed to nominate the number of animals they desire. At the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the number of animals that one can check-in/weigh-in and exhibit include a total of six (6) dairy breeding animals (combination of registered dairy females and commercial dairy heifers).
2. Show Management will make stall assignments. **Reserving stall space will not be allowed!** Check with Show Management upon arrival for stall assignments.
3. Competition is limited to registered dairy females of the Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, Jersey, Milking Shorthorn and Red and White breeds and commercial dairy heifers owned by youth residing in Mississippi who are 8-18 years of age as of



2017 GRAND CHAMPION HOLSTEIN
Exhibited by Oree Carmichael, Newton 4-H



2017 SUPREME CHAMPION DAIRY FEMALE & GRAND CHAMPION JERSEY
 Exhibited by Lee Taylor, Prentiss 4-H
 \$1,500 Scholarship provided by Dixie National Sale of Champions



2017 GRAND CHAMPION OTHER DAIRY CATTLE BREEDS
 Exhibited by Evan Powers, Tate 4-H

- January 1, 2018. If any purebred dairy breed does not have 10 or more animals exhibited for 2 consecutive years, that breed will be shown in an Other Dairy Cattle Breeds category.
4. An exhibitor must earn a blue ribbon with his/her purebred dairy female at their district livestock show based on the 4-H club or FFA chapter in which they participate.
 5. Animals must meet health requirements as set up in general regulations.
 6. No exhibitor may show more than three entries in a regular class.
 7. Each purebred animal must be accompanied by actual registration certificate showing ownership by junior exhibitor and recorded in the junior's name no later than December 1, 2017, in order for animals to show. However, for the 2018 Dixie National Junior Round-Up, there can be a signed affidavit by the current owner, exhibitor(s), exhibitor's parents or guardian, and Extension Agent/FFA Advisor that can stipulate to the fact that the exhibitor is in possession and has ownership of the animal for the purpose of showing at any Mississippi Junior Dairy Show for the dates recorded on the affidavit. All other rules concerning possession, housing and care of the animal still apply as per Dixie National Junior Round-Up rules and regulations. A copy of the affidavit and registration certificate must be sent to ADS by the ownership deadline (December 1, 2017).
 8. All registered dairy breeding animals with pending registration information after January 5, 2018, will not be allowed to show at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up unless extenuating circumstances are presented in writing to the Rules Committee within 5 days of the above deadline. Animal registration information will be verified electronically before the Dixie National Junior Round-Up. Updated registration information for each pending animal must be submitted to the supervising Extension Agent/FFA Advisor by January 5, 2018.
 9. Judging will be on a classification basis with all blue ribbon animals in each class being placed numerically but receiving the same money as other blue ribbon winners in their class, except the first place blue ribbon winner in classes of 5 or more. They will receive \$5 additional premium.
 10. Only blue ribbon animals are eligible to compete for a breed championship. Separate breed champions will be selected.
 11. Animals must be in place by 12:00 noon on Thursday, February 1, 2018, and must be removed from barn at the conclusion of the Dairy Cattle Show on Friday, February 2, 2018.
 12. All cattle must be tied in assigned area in the barn from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., except cattle that are being groomed, washed, exercised or shown. No cattle are to be tied in alleyways, walkways or show arena. Animals taken to be exercised must remain in their assigned barn or in their respective show arena. After entering the show grounds, at no time will animals be allowed in a trailer except for loading to leave.
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 15. Abide by general rules and regulations.
 16. Exhibitors will be required to furnish feed and hay. No bedding will be used.
 17. Exhibitors are encouraged to wear neat, appropriate uniforms while showing animals in arena. White or 4-H and FFA uniforms are preferred.
 18. SUPREME CHAMPION DAIRY FEMALE RULES: The exhibitor of the Supreme Champion Dairy Female will receive a \$1,500 Sale of Champions scholarship, provided said animal has not received the award in previous years. The scholarship can be attached to a dairy female only once in her lifetime – regardless of any change in ownership. An animal named Supreme Dairy Female in previous years remains eligible to compete for the Supreme Dairy Female title and award in the current year; however the **exhibitor of said animal IS NOT eligible** to receive the \$1,500.00 academic scholarship. Should a winning animal from previous years be named Supreme Dairy Female in the current year, the judge will declare a next highest placing animal and her exhibitor will receive the \$1,500 scholarship, provided that animal has not been named Supreme Champion Dairy Female in previous years. If necessary, selection will continue from the pool of Grand Champions and Reserve Grand Champions from each dairy breed until an animal that has not been named Supreme Champion Dairy Female in previous years is declared by the judge in order to award the academic scholarship.

CLASSIFICATION BREAKDOWN – ALL BREEDS

Lots

- I Holstein
- II Jersey
- III Other Dairy Cattle Breeds¹

¹ This class includes purebred animals of the Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Milking Shorthorn, and Red and White Dairy Cattle breeds.

Classes

1. Fall Heifer Calf – born September 1 to November 30, 2017
2. Summer Heifer Calf – born June 1 to August 31, 2017
3. Spring Heifer Calf – born March 1 to May 31, 2017
4. Winter Yearling Heifer – born December 1, 2016 to February 28, 2017
5. Fall Yearling Heifer – born September 1 to November 30, 2016
6. Summer Yearling Heifer – born June 1 to August 31, 2016
7. Spring Yearling Heifer – born March 1 to May 31, 2016
8. Junior Champion Female – Rosette
9. Reserve Junior Champion Female – Rosette
10. Junior, 2 Year Olds – born September 1, 2015 to February 29, 2016
11. Senior, 2 Year Olds – born March 1, 2015 to August 31, 2015
12. Cows, 3 Year Olds – born March 1, 2014 to February 28, 2015
13. Cows, 4 Year Olds – born March 1, 2013 to February 28, 2014
14. Cows, 5 Years Old and Older – born prior to March 2013
15. Senior Champion Female – Rosette
16. Reserve Senior Champion Female – Rosette
17. Grand Champion Female – Banner and Trophy
18. Reserve Grand Champion – Banner and Trophy
19. County Herd – six registered animals of the same breed, any age, owned by one Junior Show exhibitor from the same county. Basis of awards will be on the 3-2-1 basis (Blue, Red, White). Herds will not receive less than \$30 for Blue and \$20 for Red. White herds will not receive premium.

NOTE: All Dairy Cattle must be removed from barns at the end of the show.

Awards

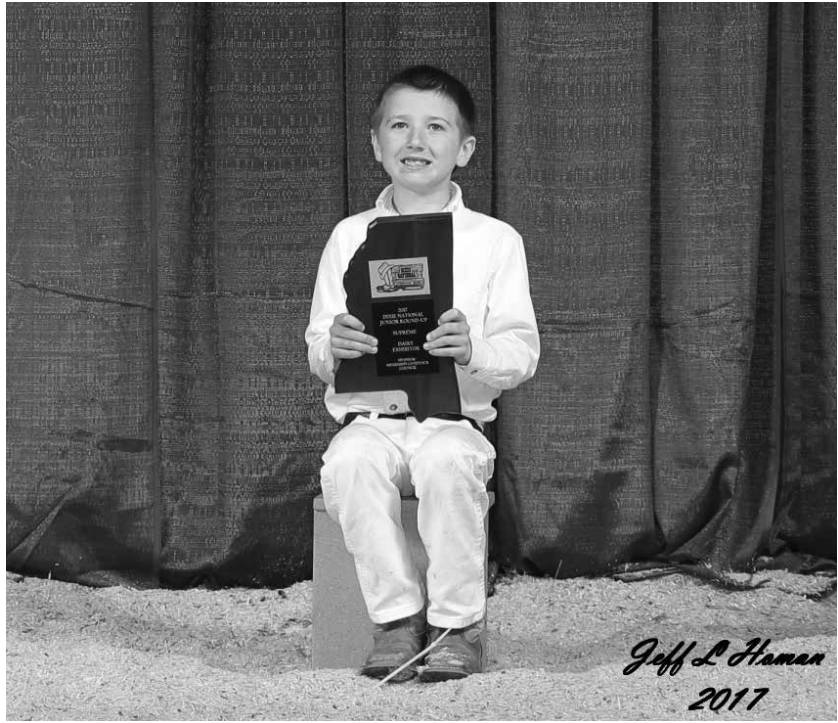
Grand Champion Holstein Award Sponsored by the Mississippi Holstein-Friesian Association
Grand Champion Jersey Award Sponsored by the Mississippi Jersey Cattle Club
Grand Champion Other Dairy Cattle Breeds Award Sponsored by Mississippi Livestock Council

BASIS OF AWARD

Blue, red and white groups. Divisions of premium money for the various ratings will be on a 3-2-1 basis. All animals of a given rating in any particular class will receive identical premium money, except for the 1st place blue ribbon animals in classes of 5 or more. They will receive an additional \$5 each. Two year old and older cows will receive an additional \$5 and \$3 respectively, over younger blue and red ribbon animals.

SPECIAL CLASS WINNER AWARDS Sponsored by Mississippi Cattlemen's Foundation

The Mississippi Cattlemen's Foundation will present a special award to the first place winner in each class of dairy showmanship, the purebred dairy cattle show, and the commercial dairy heifer show. The awards aid in promoting youth involved in the cattle industry and the Mississippi cattle industry.



**2017 Supreme Dairy Exhibitor Award
Exhibited by Carl Taylor, Prentiss 4-H**

Rules

1. Exhibitors must be present and showing dairy animals at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up.
2. Joint ownership will not be allowed to participate.
3. Exhibitors may show in the purebred show, commercial dairy heifer show, or both shows.

Awards

The Supreme Dairy Exhibitor Award goes to the exhibitor who accumulates the most points in the junior dairy show. Points will be awarded on the following basis.

1. Each of the first ten animals in a regular class will be given one point for each animal placing below it, plus one point. Points are not to exceed ten for first place.
2. The first five placings in the showmanship classes will be given one point for each animal placing below it, plus one point. Points are not to exceed five for first place.
3. Animals not placing in the top ten in a regular class or the top five in showmanship classes will not receive points for that class.
4. Junior and Senior Champions will receive five points.
5. Reserve Junior and Senior Champions will receive three points.
6. In the case of a tie, the winner will be determined on the most points earned in showmanship classes. If a tie still exists, the winner will be determined by the most points earned in the greatest number of classes (not including Champion classes). Ties still existing will be broken by counting the total number of animals beaten in all classes (not including Champion classes).

**1st Place – \$50 and plaque; 2nd Place – \$30; 3rd Place – \$20
Sponsored by Mississippi Livestock Council**

MARKET GOAT AND COMMERCIAL MEAT GOAT DOE DIVISIONS

Goat Superintendent.....	Lance Newman
Goat Superintendent.....	Jennifer Williams
Goat Superintendent.....	Margaret Webb-Franks
Goat Superintendent.....	Tracy Robertson

GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

Monday, February 5, 2018, starting at 3:00 p.m. (or 15 minutes after the Market Lamb Show) – Judging Arena (Barn 14)

1. There will be only one Goat Showmanship Show, with Market Goat exhibitors competing with Commercial Meat Goat Doe exhibitors.
2. Exhibitor in showmanship classes must show his/her own animal and animal must be entered in the Dixie National Junior Round-Up Market Goat or Commercial Meat Goat Doe Shows.
3. The age of the exhibitor entering showmanship classes will be determined by his/her age as of January 1, 2018.
4. Showmanship entries must be pre-registered. An Extension Agent or FFA Advisor must complete entries for exhibitors under their direct supervision. Deadline for entries for market goats will be September 1, 2017. Deadline for entries for commercial meat goat does will be December 1, 2017. Deadline for ALL corrections in goat showmanship is 12:00 noon on Monday, February 5, 2018.

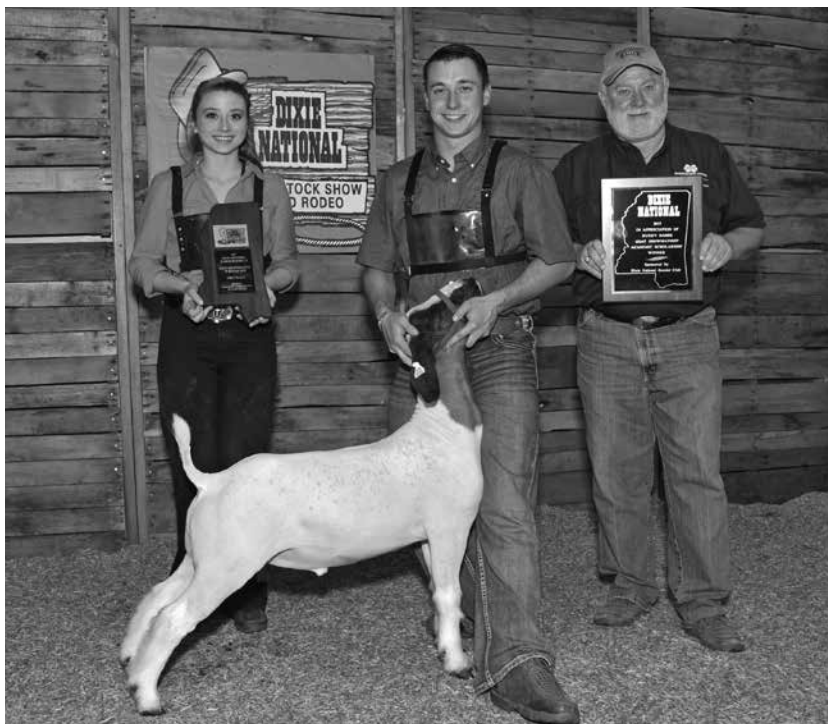
Age on January 1, 2018.

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| 1. Age 8 | 4. Age 11 | 7. Age 14 | 10. Age 17-18 |
| 2. Age 9 | 5. Age 12 | 8. Age 15 | |
| 3. Age 10 | 6. Age 13 | 9. Age 16 | |

Premiums

1st Place – \$15.00; 2nd Place – \$12.00; 3rd Place – \$10.00; 4th Place – \$8.00; 5th to 10th Place – \$5.00. Increased showmanship premiums are dependent upon funding availability.

Goat Showmanship Awards Sponsored by Mississippi Commissioner of Agriculture



2017 BUDDY BANES GOAT SHOWMANSHIP SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

Exhibited by Triston Roberts, Smith 4-H

Presented by Kipp Brown on behalf of the Dixie National Booster Club

DIXIE NATIONAL BOOSTER CLUB
Buddy Banes Showmanship Scholarship

The Dixie National Booster Club, Inc. sponsors a \$1,200 academic scholarship to the Champion 2018 **graduating senior** goat showmanship winner. **Competing for the scholarship will be the highest placing graduating senior from any class.** Winner must place in the top ten. This scholarship can be received by an individual only once and will be payable to the two or four-year college the winner attends. College or university must be in Mississippi. Utilization of the scholarship must begin within three years of the award.



2017 GRAND CHAMPION COMMERCIAL MEAT GOAT DOE
Exhibited by Cassidy Turbville, Madison 4-H
\$1,500 Scholarship provided by Dixie National Sale of Champions

JUNIOR COMMERCIAL MEAT GOAT DOE SHOW
Tuesday, February 6, 2018, starting at 8:00 a.m. – Judging Arena (Barn 14)

SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Exhibitors are allowed to nominate the number of animals they desire. At the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the number of animals that one can check-in/weigh-in and exhibit include a total of six (6) commercial meat goat does.
2. Show Management will make pen assignments. **Reserving pens will not be allowed!** Check with Show Management upon arrival for pen assignments. Pen assignments will also be posted.
3. Age of commercial meat goat does will be determined by milk teeth. Does will be mouthed at weigh-in at each District Livestock Show. Does that have lost the center temporary incisor teeth (baby teeth), but have no visible permanent incisors, are eligible to show. Any visible permanent incisor tooth disqualifies the doe.
4. Does may be horned, polled or dehorned.
5. Commercial meat goat does must be tagged prior to making entry with a tag purchased from the ADS Office. Does showing at the District Shows and the Dixie National Junior Round-Up must have been nominated and ear tagged before December 1, 2017.
6. All entries are subject to the general rules and regulations.
7. An exhibitor must earn a blue ribbon with his/her commercial meat goat doe at their district livestock show based on the 4-H club or FFA chapter in which they participate.
8. For the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the minimum weight of commercial meat goat does is 50 pounds with no maximum weight. Show Management will issue a weight card to those exhibitors whose commercial meat goat doe meets the minimum weight. Exhibitors will then declare the show weight of their commercial meat goat. Certified scales will be available at times set by Show Management as outlined in the schedule. Weight cards for commercial meat goats must be turned in between 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m. on Monday, February 6 at the location posted outside show office/scales.
9. The first and second place animals in each class of commercial meat goat does will be required to weigh back as soon as possible after their respective class. The animal must weigh within 5% of the overage or it will be disqualified. Animals will be weighed once (no re-weighs). If either or both of the first or second place animals are disqualified, weighing through the order of the class will continue until an official first and second are determined. Show Management will designate an individual to accompany each animal and exhibitor to the scales for weigh back.

10. First and second place animals in each class of commercial meat goat does will be retinal imaged at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up to confirm that the retinal image of the animal matches the one on file taken during September or December 2017 when the initial retinal image was recorded. If the image captured at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up does not match the one on file, that animal will be disqualified and will not be eligible to compete for weight division champion awards.
11. No commercial meat goat doe will be eligible to show in the market goat show.
12. Goats may be shown with hair or clipped.
13. All commercial meat goat doe exhibitors are to use halters, lead chains or collars with or without a lead in the show ring. No dog-spike or spike collar of any kind allowed in the show ring.
14. All livestock must remain in their assigned pens except animals that are being washed, groomed, shown, or exercised. Animal taken to be exercised must remain in their assigned barn or in their respective show arena. After entering the show grounds, at no time will animals be allowed in a trailer except for loading to leave.
15. Each exhibitor shall clip, groom and dress his/her own animal throughout ownership period. However, an exhibitor may be assisted in the clipping, grooming or dressing of his/her animal by his/her immediate family (limited to parents, legal guardians, grandparents, brothers, sisters, aunts and uncles), county extension agents, agriculture education teachers, other eligible 4-H or FFA exhibitors or volunteer leaders (un-paid) who are permanent residents of Mississippi and are officially certified by the county extension agent or agricultural education teacher. It is unethical to pay anyone to assist in grooming or fitting of animals. In addition, exhibitors and their animals may attend dressing, grooming and showmanship workshops or clinics where experienced persons may teach exhibitors how to prepare themselves and their animals for shows. However, no animal to be shown at any of the shows shall be taken to any such workshop or clinic within 10 days prior to the show at which the animal will be shown. An educational workshop or clinic is defined as a group training session which is available to all exhibitors within a certain county, area or district. Such educational workshops or clinics may consist of lectures, demonstrations, and hands-on experience by the participants. This rule does not apply to the removal of horns or the trimming of hooves.
16. Commercial meat doe goat classes will be set up in five divisions as near equal in number as possible (Lightweight, Light Mediumweight, Mediumweight, Light Heavyweight, and Heavyweight.) Each division will be divided into four classes as near equal in number as possible. A Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from each of the five divisions and the overall Grand and Reserve Grand will be selected from the division champions.
17. Commercial meat goat does will be released after showing and must be removed from pens.
18. The exhibitor of the Grand Champion Commercial Meat Goat Doe will receive the Supreme Commercial Meat Goat Doe Exhibitor Scholarship from the Sale of Champions.

Classes

1. Lightweight 1
Lightweight 2
Lightweight 3
Lightweight 4
Champion Lightweight Commercial Meat Goat Doe
Reserve Champion Lightweight Commercial Meat Goat Doe
2. Light Mediumweight 1
Light Mediumweight 2
Light Mediumweight 3
Light Mediumweight 4
Champion Light Mediumweight Commercial Meat Goat Doe
Reserve Champion Light Mediumweight Commercial Meat Goat Doe
3. Mediumweight 1
Mediumweight 2
Mediumweight 3
Mediumweight 4
Champion Mediumweight Commercial Meat Goat Doe
Reserve Champion Mediumweight Commercial Meat Goat Doe
4. Light Heavyweight 1
Light Heavyweight 2
Light Heavyweight 3
Light Heavyweight 4
Champion Light Heavyweight Commercial Meat Goat Doe
Reserve Champion Light Heavyweight Commercial Meat Goat Doe

5. Heavyweight 1
Heavyweight 2
Heavyweight 3
Heavyweight 4
Champion Heavyweight Commercial Doe
Reserve Champion Heavyweight Commercial Doe
6. Grand Champion Commercial Meat Goat Doe
7. Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Meat Goat Doe

Premiums

1st Place – \$30.00; 2nd Place – \$25.00; 3rd Place – \$20.00; all others receive equal premiums

**Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Meat Doe Awards
Sponsored by the Mississippi Club Goat Association
Champion and Reserve Champion Division Awards Sponsored by the Mississippi Club Goat Association**

MISSISSIPPI BRED GOAT AWARDS – COMMERCIAL MEAT GOAT DOES

1. The rules and regulations governing the Dixie National Junior Roundup as published in this rulebook and show catalogs for the show will apply.
2. The dam of a MS Bred goat must be owned by a member of the MCGA/MGA at the time of breeding. A MS Bred goat must be kidded and raised in Mississippi.
3. All Mississippi Bred Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Meat Does will be required to weigh back as soon as possible after being selected unless a weight was previously recorded. The animal must weigh within 5% of the overage or it will be disqualified. Animals will be weighed once (no re-weighs). Show management will designate an individual to accompany each animal and exhibitor to the scales for weigh back.
4. First and second place MS Bred animals in each class of commercial meat goat does will be retinal imaged at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up to confirm that the retinal image of the animal matches the one on file taken during September or December 2017 when the initial retinal image was recorded. If the image captured at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up does not match the one on file, that animal will be disqualified and will not be eligible to compete for division MS Bred awards.
5. All goats entered in the MS Bred Goat Show will be judged within their respective classes during the regular class judging.
6. Only those goats that are certified as MS Bred and recognized by MCGA are eligible to compete and receive MS Bred awards or premiums. **All MS Bred goats must have the MS Bred tag in their ear at the time of showing.** If the tag has been lost, you must notify the Mississippi Bred Commercial Meat Goat Doe committee before the goat enters the show. Replacement tag cost is \$1.00 per tag. Any lost tags must be replaced on weigh day.
7. After the regular show Champions and Reserve Champions have been selected, the Mississippi Bred Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected. All Mississippi Bred Breed Champions and Reserves will compete for the Mississippi Bred Grand and Reserve Grand Champion after the regular show champions have been selected.
8. The Mississippi Club Goat Association and the Mississippi Bred Commercial Meat Doe Show committee reserves the right to interpret, amend and carry out the rules and regulations governing the Mississippi Bred Commercial Meat Doe Show sponsored by the Mississippi Club Goat Association.
9. The Mississippi Bred Commercial Meat Doe Show committee will serve as the show protest committee to handle any protest formally filed with the Livestock Show manager at the State Fair and the Dixie National Junior Round-Up concerning the Mississippi Bred Market Goat Show. At least three members of the committee must be presented to rule on a protest.

**Mississippi Bred Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Belt Buckles Sponsored by the Mississippi Club Goat Association
Mississippi Bred Champion and Reserve Champion Division Awards Sponsored by the Mississippi Club Goat Association**



2017 GRAND CHAMPION MARKET GOAT
Exhibited by Triston/Kylie Roberts, Smith 4-H
Purchased by Trustmark Bank

MARKET GOAT SHOW

Tuesday, February 6, 2018, starting 15 minutes after Commercial Meat Goat Doe Classes – Judging Arena (Barn 14)

1. Exhibitors are allowed to nominate the number of animals they desire. At the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the number of goats that one can check-in/weigh-in and exhibit is three (3), provided that one goat is tagged Mississippi Bred; if not, only two (2) goats can be checked-in/weighed-in and exhibited.
2. Show Management will make pen assignments. **Reserving pens will not be allowed!** Check with Show Management upon arrival for pen assignments. Pen assignments will also be posted.
3. For the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the minimum weight of market goats is 60 pounds with no maximum weight limit. Show management will issue a weight card to those exhibitors whose market goat meets the minimum weight. Exhibitors will then declare the show weight of their market goat. Certified scales will be available at times set by show management as outlined in the schedule. Weight cards for market goats must be turned in between 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m. on Monday, February 5 at the location posted outside show office/scales.
4. An exhibitor must earn a blue ribbon with his/her market goat (wethers and does) at their district livestock show based on the 4-H club or FFA chapter in which they participate.
5. Goats showing at District Shows and the Dixie National Junior Round-Up must have been nominated, ear tagged, and retinal imaged in September 2017.
6. 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. Checking of horn length will be done at the District Shows and market goats eligible for District will be eligible for the Dixie National Junior Round-Up.
7. The first and second place animals in each class of market goats will be required to weigh back as soon as possible after their respective class. The animal must weigh within 5% of the overage or it will be disqualified. Animals will be weighed once (no re-weighs). If either or both of the first or second place animals are disqualified, weighing through the order of the class will continue until an official first and second are determined. Show Management will designate an individual to accompany each animal and exhibitor to the scales for weigh back.
8. First and second place animals in each class of market goats will be retinal imaged at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up to confirm that the retinal image of the animal matches the one on file taken during September 2017 when the initial retinal image was recorded. In addition, the Champion and Reserve Champion Mississippi Bred Market Goats will also be retinal imaged if these animals were not first or second in their class. If the image captured at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up does not match the one on file, that animal will be disqualified and will not be eligible for the Sale of Champions.

9. Goats may be shown with hair or clipped.
10. All market goat exhibitors are to use halters, lead chains or collars with or without a lead in the show ring. No dog-spike or spike collar of any kind allowed in the show ring.
11. It is preferred for exhibitors to use halters, lead chains or collars in the show ring with their market goats.
12. All entries are subject to the general rules and regulations.
13. All livestock must remain in their assigned pens except animals that are being washed, groomed, shown, or exercised. Animals taken to be exercised must remain in their assigned barn or in their respective show arena. After entering the show grounds, at no time will animals be allowed in a trailer except for loading to leave.
14. Each exhibitor shall clip, groom, and dress his/her own animal throughout ownership period and while at the State Fair, Dixie National Junior Livestock Show and any District Junior Livestock Show ("shows"). However, an exhibitor may be assisted in the clipping, grooming or dressing of his/her animal by his/her immediate family (limited to parents, legal guardians, grandparents, brothers, sisters, aunts, and uncles), county extension agents, agriculture education teacher, other eligible 4-H or FFA exhibitors or volunteer leaders (un-paid) who are permanent residents of Mississippi and are officially certified by the county extension agent or agricultural education teacher. It is un-ethical to pay anyone to assist in grooming or fitting of animals. In addition, exhibitors and their animals may attend dressing, grooming, and showmanship workshops or clinics where experienced persons may teach exhibitors how to prepare themselves and their animals for shows. However, no animal to be shown at any of the shows shall be taken to any such workshop or clinic within 10 days prior to the show at which the animal will be shown. An educational workshop or clinic is defined as a group training session which is available to all exhibitors within a certain county, area or district. Such educational workshops or clinics may consist of lectures, demonstrations, and hands-on experience by the participants. This rule does not apply to the removal of horns or the trimming of hooves.
15. Any market goat (wether or doe) grading in the blue ribbon group at a District Show is eligible to be shown at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up.
16. Individual exhibitors at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up may exhibit and earn state appropriated monies on only three (3) market goats, provided that one goat is tagged Mississippi bred. If not, an exhibitor may exhibit and earn state appropriated monies on two (2) market goats.
17. Market goat classes will be set up in five divisions as near equal in number as possible (Lightweight, Light Mediumweight, Mediumweight, Light Heavyweight, and Heavyweight). Each division will be divided into four classes as near equal in number as possible. A Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from each of the five divisions and the overall Grand and Reserve Grand will be selected from the division champions.
18. Market goats will be released after showing and **MUST BE REMOVED FROM PENS.**

Classes

1. Lightweight 1
Lightweight 2
Lightweight 3
Lightweight 4
Champion Lightweight Market Goat
Reserve Champion Lightweight Market Goat
2. Light Mediumweight 1
Light Mediumweight 2
Light Mediumweight 3
Light Mediumweight 4
Champion Light Mediumweight Market Goat
Reserve Champion Light Mediumweight Market Goat
3. Mediumweight 1
Mediumweight 2
Mediumweight 3
Mediumweight 4
Champion Mediumweight Market Goat
Reserve Champion Mediumweight Market Goat
4. Light Heavyweight 1
Light Heavyweight 2
Light Heavyweight 3
Light Heavyweight 4
Champion Light Heavyweight Market Goat
Reserve Champion Light Heavyweight Market Goat

5. Heavyweight 1
Heavyweight 2
Heavyweight 3
Heavyweight 4
Champion Heavyweight Market Goat
Reserve Champion Heavyweight Market Goat
6. Grand Champion
7. Reserve Grand Champion

Premiums

1st Place – \$30.00; 2nd Place – \$25.00; 3rd Place – \$20.00; all others receive equal premiums

**Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat Awards Sponsored by the Mississippi Goat Association
Champion & Reserve Champion Division Awards Sponsored by the Mississippi Club Goat Association**

MISSISSIPPI BRED GOAT AWARDS – MARKET GOATS

1. The rules and regulations governing the State Fair and the Dixie National Junior Roundup as published in this rulebook and show catalogs for the show will apply.
2. The dam of a MS Bred goat must be owned by a member of the MCGA/MGA at the time of breeding. A MS Bred goat must be kidded and raised in Mississippi.
3. All Mississippi Bred Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market Goats will be required to weigh back as soon as possible after being selected unless a weight was previously recorded. The animal must weigh within 5% of the overage or it will be disqualified. Animals will be weighed once (no re-weighs). Show management will designate an individual to accompany each animal and exhibitor to the scales for weigh back.
4. First and second place MS Bred animals in each class of market goats will be retinal imaged at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up to confirm that the retinal image of the animal matches the one on file taken during September or December 2017 when the initial retinal image was recorded. If the image captured at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up does not match the one on file, that animal will be disqualified and will not be eligible to compete for division MS Bred awards.
5. Show Management shall have the authority to inspect all Mississippi Bred Market Goats entered in the Sale of Champions, its hide or carcass, to collect blood, urine, body fluid, tissue and/or any other laboratory analysis deemed necessary. Refer to the Animal Inspection section of the SPECIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS for additional information.
6. All goats entered in the MS Bred Goat Show will be judged within their respective classes during the regular class judging.
7. Only those goats that are certified as MS Bred and recognized by MCGA are eligible to compete and receive MS Bred awards or premiums and compete for the Grand/Reserve Grand Champion MS Bred Market Goats that are eligible for the Sale of Champions. No additional state bred animals will be eligible for the sale unless it qualified for the sale in the regular show. **All MS Bred goats must have the MS Bred tag in their ear at the time of showing.** If the tag has been lost, you must notify the Mississippi Bred Market Goat committee before the goat enters the show. Replacement tag cost is \$1.00 per tag. Any lost tags must be replaced on weigh day.
8. After the regular show Champions and Reserve Champions have been selected, the Mississippi Bred Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected. All Mississippi Bred Breed Champions and Reserves will compete for the Mississippi Bred Grand and Reserve Grand Champion after the regular show champions have been selected.
9. The Mississippi Club Goat Association and the Mississippi Bred Market Goat Show committee reserves the right to interpret, amend and carry out the rules and regulations governing the Mississippi Bred Market Goat Show sponsored by the Mississippi Club Goat Association.
10. The Mississippi Bred Market Goat Show committee will serve as the show protest committee to handle any protest formally filed with the Livestock Show manager at the State Fair and the Dixie National Junior Round-Up concerning the Mississippi Bred Market Goat Show. At least three members of the committee must be presented to rule on a protest.

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DAIRY GOAT SHOW

Goat Superintendent.....Lance Newman
Goat Superintendent.....Jennifer Williams
Goat Superintendent.....Margaret Webb-Franks
Goat Superintendent.....Tracy Robertson

Order of Show (1) Showmanship, (2) Senior Doe Show, (3) Junior Doe Show

DAIRY GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

Wednesday, February 7, 2018, 12:00 Noon – Judging Arena (Barn 14)

1. Exhibitors in showmanship classes must show his/her own animal and animal must be entered in the Dixie National Junior Round-Up.
2. The age of the exhibitor entering showmanship classes will be determined by his/her age as of January 1, 2018.
3. Showmanship entries must be pre-registered. The Extension Agent or FFA Advisor must complete entries for exhibitors under their direct supervision. Deadline for entries will be December 1, 2017. Deadline for corrections in dairy goat showmanship is 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, February 7, 2018.

Premiums

1st Place – \$15.00; 2nd Place – \$12.00; 3rd Place – \$10.00; 4th Place – \$8.00; 5th to 10th Place – \$5.00. Increased showmanship premiums are dependent upon funding availability.

Classes

1. Ages 8 to 9 as of January 1, 2018
2. Ages 10 to 11 as of January 1, 2018
3. Ages 12 to 13 as of January 1, 2018
4. Ages 14 to 15 as of January 1, 2018
5. Ages 16 to 18 as of January 1, 2018

Dairy Goat Showmanship Awards Sponsored by Mississippi Commissioner of Agriculture

**DIXIE NATIONAL BOOSTER CLUB
Norman McCarty Showmanship Scholarship**



2017 NORMAN MCCARTY DAIRY GOAT SHOWMANSHIP SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

Exhibited by Madilyn Morris, Oktibbeha 4-H

Presented by Jennifer Williams on behalf of the Dixie National Booster Club

The Dixie National Booster Club, Inc. sponsors a \$1,200 academic scholarship to the Champion 2018 **graduating senior** dairy goat showmanship winner. **Competing for the scholarship will be the highest placing graduating senior from any class.** Winner must place in the top ten. This scholarship can be received by an individual only once and will be payable to the two or four-year college the winner attends. College or university must be in Mississippi. Utilization of the scholarship must begin within three years of the award.



2017 BEST IN SHOW SENIOR DOE AND SUPREME CHAMPION DAIRY GOAT
Exhibited by Tory Rollins, Franklin 4-H
\$1,500 Scholarship provided by Dixie National Sale of Champions

SENIOR DOE SHOW

Wednesday, February 7, 2018, immediately following Dairy Goat Showmanship – Judging Arena (Barn 14)

Does less than 24 months that have ever freshened and aged does that have ever freshened or any does that are in milk will show in the senior doe show

Lot

- I Alpine
- II Nigerian Dwarf
- III All Other Purebreds (AOP)
- IV Grades & Recorded Grade

Classes

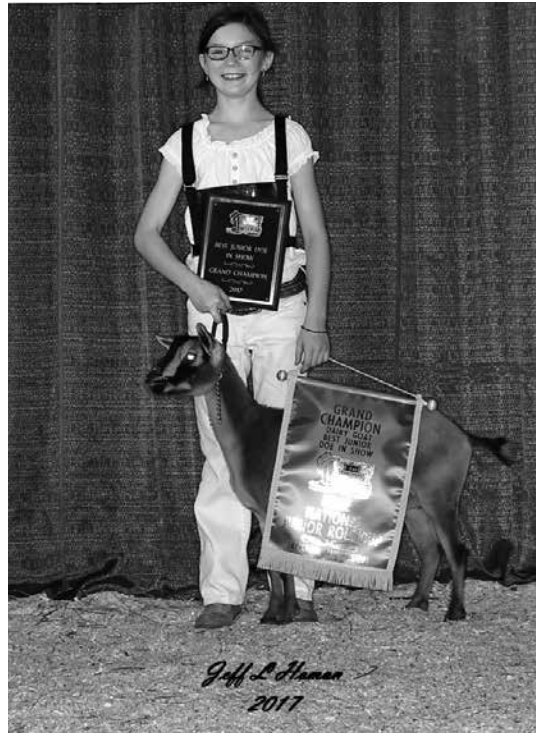
- 1. Under 2 years
- 2. 2 years and under 3 years
- 3. 3 years and under 4 years
- 4. 4 years and under 5 years
- 5. 5 years and older
- 6. Champion Senior Doe (Highest rated Senior Doe from all Senior Doe class winners for each lot)
- 7. Reserve Champion Senior Doe (Second highest rated Senior Doe from all Senior Doe class winners for each lot and the second place winner from the same class as the Champion Senior Doe)
- 8. Best in Show Senior Doe (Highest rated Senior Doe from Champion Senior Doe of each lot; will receive the Supreme Dairy Goat Exhibitor Scholarship from the Sale of Champions)
- 9. Reserve Best in Show Senior Doe (Second place winner from the same class as the highest rated Senior Doe eligible to show for Reserve Best in Show Senior Doe with other Champion Senior Does of each lot)

10. Best Udder
11. County Dairy Herd – 4 does that have ever freshened, all owned by 3 **Junior Show** exhibitors from the same county. Basis of awards will be on the 3-2-1 basis (Blue, Red and White). Herds will not receive less than \$30 for Blue and \$20 for Red. White herds will not receive premium.

Premiums

1st Place – \$30.00; 2nd Place – \$25.00; 3rd Place – \$20.00; all others receive equal premiums

Awards Sponsored by First South Farm Credit



2017 BEST IN SHOW JUNIOR DOE
 Exhibited by Ella Shepherd, Lowndes 4-H

JUNIOR DOE SHOW

Wednesday, February 7, 2018, immediately following Senior Doe Show – Judging Arena (Barn 14)

Does under 24 months that have never freshened

Lot

- I Alpine
- II Nigerian Dwarf
- III All Other Purebreds (AOP)
- IV Grades & Recorded Grade

Classes

1. Birth and under 3 months
2. 3 months and under 6 months
3. 6 months and under 8 months
4. 8 months and under 12 months
5. 12 months and under 18 months
6. 18 to 24 months
7. Champion Junior Doe (Highest rated Junior Doe from all Junior Doe class winners for each lot)

8. Reserve Champion Junior Doe (Second highest rated Junior Doe from all Junior Doe class winners for each lot and the second place winner from the same class as the Champion Junior Doe)
9. Best in Show Junior Doe (Highest rated Junior Doe from Champion Junior Doe of each lot)
10. Reserve Best in Show Junior Doe (Second place winner from same class as the highest rated Junior Doe eligible to show for Reserve Best in Show Junior Doe with other Champion Junior Does of each lot)

Premiums

1st Place – \$30.00; 2nd Place – \$25.00; 3rd Place – \$20.00; all others receive equal premiums

Awards Sponsored by First South Farm Credit

DAIRY GOAT SHOW GENERAL RULES

1. Exhibitors are allowed to nominate the number of animals they desire. At the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the number of animals that one can check-in/weigh-in and exhibit include a total of six (6) dairy goats.
2. **HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:** An official Veterinary Health Certificate must accompany each Dairy Goat.
3. In addition to the State Health Requirements found in the front part of this premium list goats will be examined by Fair personnel, committee or veterinarian for signs of infectious/contagious diseases - including but not limited to - sore mouth, pink eye, ringworm, and any evidence of abscesses - including enlarged lymph nodes or evidence of incised lymph nodes. Any of the above will be grounds for dismissal of the animal from the fairgrounds. Herd mates are also subject to dismissal. The decision to dismiss any animal will be made by the Fair veterinarian, committee and personnel. Please leave any questionable animal at home.
4. All purebred dairy goats exhibited must be registered with American Dairy Goat Association, American Goat Society, or the Canadian Goat Society. The original registration or recording certificate for all purebred animals of all ages is required.
5. All exhibitors showing animals in individual classes in the ring should wear white show uniforms.
6. Only animals entered in the show will be allowed to be penned in the barn.
7. **BUCKS:** Bucks over 3 months old will not be permitted in the barn.
8. **NO MANDATORY MILK OUT.** However, over distended udders will be discriminated against.
9. Exhibitors must show own animal in the showmanship classes and animal must be entered in the show except in under age showmanship.
10. All animals must be accompanied by an original registration certificate showing the junior exhibitor owns that animal. Grade animals must have original nomination form listing animal's tattoos and other permanent identification, signed by the Extension agent or FFA advisor.
11. All registered dairy breeding animals with pending registration information after January 5, 2018, will not be allowed to show at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up unless extenuating circumstances are presented in writing to the Rules Committee within 5 days of the above deadline. Animal registration information will be verified electronically before the Dixie National Junior Round-Up. Updated registration information for each pending animal must be submitted to the supervising Extension Agent/FFA Advisor by January 5, 2018.
12. Any doe 24 months of age or over that has never freshened shall not be shown.
13. Nomination forms for dairy goats must be sent to Extension Animal & Dairy Science office by December 1, 2017.
14. Dairy goats will be released after showing and **MUST BE REMOVED FROM PENS.**



2017 PREMIER EXHIBITORS

L-R: Cassidy Turbville, meat goat, Madison 4-H; Skylar Noblin-Laminack, dairy cattle, Hinds 4-H; Courtney Cox, beef cattle, Tippah 4-H/Pine Grove FFA; Ag Comm. Cindy Hyde-Smith; Gov. Phil Bryant; Jacob Bell, sheep, Hinds 4-H; Sarah Thomas Smith, swine, Sunflower 4-H; Madilyn Morris, dairy goat, Oktibbeha 4-H.

PREMIER EXHIBITOR PROGRAM

Written Exam, Skill-a-thon, and Interview Phases

Dairy – Thursday, February 1, 2018, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. – Farmers Market

Swine – Friday, February 2, 2018, from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. – Farmers Market

Beef – Sunday, February 4, 2018, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. – Farmers Market

Lamb – Sunday, February 4, 2018, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. – Farmers Market

Meat Goat – Monday, February 5, 2018, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. – Farmers Market

Dairy Goat – Wednesday, February 7, 2018, from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. – Farmers Market

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Entries for all Premier Exhibitor Contests must be postmarked by the Extension Animal and Dairy Sciences Office (send to Dean Jousan, Box 9815, Mississippi State, MS, 39762) by December 5, 2017.
2. Competition in this program is for senior level exhibitors only (14 to 18 years of age).
3. The Premier Exhibitor Program is optional for exhibitors.
4. The program is available for beef cattle, dairy cattle, lamb, swine, market goat and dairy goat exhibitors.
5. An exhibitor must qualify an animal for the Dixie National Junior Round-Up and exhibit that animal at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up in order to be eligible for the Premier Exhibitor Program.
6. Exhibitors may enter in more than one species. However, a separate entry will be required for each species. Entries should reflect project work for only the past three years and be species specific.
7. Exhibitors are permitted to show any animal they own that has been properly entered in the Dixie National Junior Round-Up to earn points toward the premier exhibitor contest in showmanship for that species. The animal exhibited in the regular show to compete for animal quality points based on its placing in its class must be the same animal nominated on the entry form. **The animal to be shown at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up to receive points for its class placing must be declared at check-in for that species.**
8. An exhibitor may win in only one species per year.
9. An exhibitor may win in each species only once.
10. To allow enough time to complete the contest, all participants must check in within the first hour of the contest. If conflicts exist with other shows, it is the participant's responsibility to inform the leaders of the premier exhibitor contest of such issues to work out a way to complete the contest within the designated contest times.

11. The guidelines for placing will be as follows:

	<u>%</u>	<u>Points</u>
Entry Form	5	50
Written Exam	20	200
Showmanship	20	200
Animal Quality	10	100
Skillathon	30	300
Interview	<u>15</u>	<u>150</u>
	100%	1000 points

12. In showmanship, exhibitors will receive points for entering the class and for their ranking in the showmanship class.
13. The animal nominated by the exhibitor will receive points on its ranking in its individual class.
14. The skillathon phase will consist of different stations relating to the species that they are exhibiting. This will allow exhibitors to demonstrate their knowledge of the species that they are showing.
15. The Dixie National Sale of Champions Promotion Committee will present a scholarship to the Premier Exhibitor from each show (beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, swine, meat goat, and dairy goat).
16. In the event of a tie between competitors, it will be broken based on the higher score of the Skillathon contest. If a tie still exists, it will be broken based on the Written Exam score followed by the Interview score.
17. The winners of the beef cattle, sheep, swine, and meat goat premier exhibitor contests will be eligible to compete on the Mississippi 4-H Skillathon team that will compete at the 2018 National 4-H Livestock Skillathon Contest in Louisville, KY. If the winner does not agree to participate on this team, the next person in that species contest will be given the opportunity to compete on this team.
18. The winner of the Dairy Premier Exhibitor Contest will receive an all-expense paid trip to the National 4-H Dairy Conference in Madison, Wisconsin, provided that this 4-H'er has not been on this trip. If the winner of the Dairy Premier Exhibitor Contest has received this trip, the next highest placing exhibitor that has not attended the National 4-H Dairy Conference will receive the trip.

Scholarships Sponsored by Dixie National Sale of Champions

ULTRASOUND STEER EVALUATION CONTEST

General Rules and Regulations

The ultrasound steer evaluation contest is a unique educational opportunity designed to provide participants with carcass performance information on the live animal. Real-time carcass ultrasound offers a non-invasive method for estimating economically important carcass traits in the live animal. This technology tool is currently being utilized in the beef industry, to make selection decisions for seed stock, to develop ultrasound-based carcass EPDs, and to sort cattle in the feedlot into more uniform groups for optimum carcass performance.

1. Participation is on a voluntary basis. Only market steers weighing a minimum of 1,000 pounds are eligible to compete. All steers will compete in a single class regardless of weight or breed classification. All steers that are entered and shown in the market steer show are automatically entered in the Ultrasound Steer Evaluation Contest.
2. Ultrasound measurements and weights will be taken immediately following the steer's class in the show. The procedure to obtain measurements will use any necessary oil or lubricant needed. A minimal amount of hair (at least 2 blade widths from the 10th to the 13th rib) will be clipped on the left side of the steer during the measurement process. It will be the exhibitor's responsibility to remove any residue from the hair after processing, as desired.
3. Measurements will be taken to determine ribeye area, back fat, and intramuscular fat. These measurements will then be used to determine quality grade and yield grade on each animal. Placing is based upon a formula used within the industry, which calculates percent retail cuts. Only steers grading low choice or higher and yield grade 3 or less will be eligible for premiums or awards.

Premiums

1st Place – \$1,000.00; 2nd Place – \$750.00; 3rd Place – \$500.00; 4th Place – \$250.00; 5th Place – \$100.00

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