



McLennan County Livestock Newsletter

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CHANGES FOR 2026/2027 YEAR

ALL LIVESTOCK WILL BE MAJOR SHOW VALIDATED
STARTING IN JUNE 2026.

No longer will there be a county only option for validation on steers, sheep, goats, or swine.

Please share this with your exhibitors as we start the tag ordering process because this is a major change for some and we will need to make sure everyone orders tags accordingly. All tags cost \$30 each.

2026/27 Major Show Steer Tag Orders

It is time once again to start planning for the 2026 & 2027 Major Show Season. Tags will be **\$30** each and are due to West FFA by **March 27th**. These Tags are good for all major shows & MCJLS (Fall 2026 & Spring 2027)

Order forms can be found at the following link:

<https://agrilifeextension.tamu.edu/counties/mclennan-county/>

Validation will be in June.

2026 State Fair of Texas Sheep & Goat Tag Orders

It is time once again to start planning for the 2026 State Fair of Texas. Tag orders for sheep and goats will be due to the Extension office by **March 27th**. Tags will cost \$30 per tag and checks need to be made payable to McLennan County 4-H.

Order forms can be found at the following link:

<https://agrilifeextension.tamu.edu/counties/mclennan-county/>

Validation will be in June.

2026 Summer Major Show Heifer Tag Orders

It is time once again to start planning for the 2026 Major Show Season. All heifers must be validated, unless you have already been tagged and no ownership or breed has changed. There are no carry over tags from last fall so if you need a tag for this summer you must order at this time to have tags in June. This year Tags will be **\$30** each and are due to the Extension office by **March 27th**

Order forms can be found at the following link:

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Validation will be in June.

2025-2026 McLennan County Validation Dates & Tag Orders

Steers

Major Show Tag orders due March 27th
Validation June- 23rd & 29th

Heifers

Summer Validation Tag Orders Due March 27th
Validation- June 23rd & 29th
Fall Validation Tag Orders Due August 14th
Fall Validation- October

Sheep & Goat

State Fair Tag Orders Due- March 27th
Validation – June 17th & 29th
Major Tag Orders Due- August 14th
Major Validation- October

Swine

State Fair/HOT Tag Orders Due- March 27th
Validation- June 17th & 29th
Major Tag Orders Due
Major Validation- November

Broilers

State Fair 2026 orders due May 15th
Major Broiler Orders due- August 28th

Turkeys

MCJLS Orders Due May 1st
Major Orders Due May 15th

Rabbits

Show Entry Information

Fall Major Show Entry - West Texas Fair- July 15th HOTFR/State Fair- August 5th
Spring Major Show Entry – November 4th
MCJLS Entry- December 4th

All tag order forms can be found at the following link:

<https://agrillifeextension.tamu.edu/counties/mclennan-county/>

2026 State Fair of Texas & HOT Swine Tags

It is time once again to start planning for the 2025 State Fair & Heart O' Texas Fair Gilt Show. Tag orders for these swine will be due to West FFA by **March 27th**. Tags will cost \$30 per tag and checks need to be made payable to West FFA.

Order forms can be found at the following link: <https://agrillifeextension.tamu.edu/counties/mclennan-county/>
Validation will be in June.

Poultry Order Information

Here are order deadlines coming up for different shows Poultry Projects:

- **MCJLS Turkey Orders- Due May 1st**
- **Major Show Turkey Orders- Due May 15th**
- **State Fair Broiler Orders- Due May 15th**

Order forms can be found at the following link:

<https://agrillifeextension.tamu.edu/counties/mclennan-county/>

Scholarship Opportunities

- Texas Farm Bureau Scholarship- Due March 2nd To apply click link: <https://texasfarmbureau.org/youth/scholarshipapps/>
- San Angelo Livestock Show Foundation Scholarship due March 10th . apply click link: <https://www.sanangelorodeo.com/p/about/scholarship>
- Ag Trust Farm Credit Scholarship- Due March 13th To apply click link: <https://agtrustaca.com/agtrust-farm-credit-scholarship-application/>
- Sullivan Supply/Stock Show U Scholarship- Due March 15th To apply click link: <https://www.sullivansupply.com/scholarships/>
- Trans Ova Genetics Scholarship- Due March 15th Click to apply <https://4yqzv.share.hsforms.com/2BkENEkGjQUmLt4nqfOquMw>
- Capital Farm Credit Scholarship- Due March 16th Click to apply <https://www.capitalfarmcredit.com/about-us/community-outreach/youth-scholarships/>
- Heart O Texas Fair & Rodeo Scholarship- Due March 31st Click to apply <https://www.hotfair.com/p/education--fundraisers/scholarship-program>
- Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo Scholarship- Due April 1st Click to apply <https://www.brazosvalleyfair.com/p/about/scholarships>
- McLennan County Go Texan Scholarship- Due April 27th Click to apply <https://agriflifeextension.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/2026-McLennan-County-Go-Texan-Scholarship-Application.pdf>
- McLennan County 4-H Adult Leaders Scholarship due April 1st apply click link: <https://agriflifeextension.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/Adult-Leaders-Scholarship-App-Fillable.pdf>

More Scholarships will be added as they are sent to us, or become available. There are many other scholarship opportunities out there if you need help please let us know.

Major Show Results

Ft. Worth Livestock Show

- **Market Steer**
 - Duke Groschke- 2nd place Angus
 - Paisley Groschke- 9th place Angus
- **Breeding Heifer**
 - Kate Swain- Reserve Division Maine
 - Maverick Beaman- 3rd place Shorthorn
 - Whitney Beurlein- 8th place Angus
 - Paige Denniston- 8th place Hereford
 - Brighton Meurer- 5th place Hereford
 - Jace Ellis- 2nd place Gert
 - Laney Ellis- 6th place Gert
 - Makennan Makovy- 4th place ORB
 - Alissa Mayfield- 9th place Angus
 - Duke Groschke- 1st place Charolais
 - Paisley Groschke- 4th place Charolais
 - Emily Flup- 5th place Charolais
 - Jacob Fulp- 3rd place Charolais
 - Karsen Fussel- 3rd place ORB
- **Breeding Sheep**
 - Jed Boehme- 3rd place Dorset
 - Lucille Niles- 3rd place Southdown
 - Wylie Jager- 6th place White Dorper
 - Wyatt Jager- 2nd place White Dorper

San Angelo Livestock Show

- **Market Steer**
 - Paisley Groschke- 1st place AOC
- **Market Swine**
 - Kelon Brown- 8th place Cross
 - Grace Scott- 5th place York
- **Breeding Heifers**
 - Brooklyn Beard- 1st place ARB
 - Aubrey Johnson- 4th & 2nd place Beefmaster
 - Makenna Makovy- Reserve Division Brahman & Simbrah & 2nd place Chi
 - Paytyn Welle- 2nd place Brahman
 - Noah Anthony- 1st place Charolais
 - Aryanna Anthony- 2nd place Charolais
 - Brooklyn Miller- 4th place Chi
 - Kate Swine- 3rd place Maine & Shorthorn
 - Emma Caffey- Reserve Division ORB
 - Laney Ellis- 3rd place Gert
 - Emerson Willimas- 5th place Gert
 - Jace Ellis- 3rd place Gert
 - Blaine Allen- 2nd place Shorthorn

San Antonio Livestock Show

- **Market Steer**
 - Duke Groschke- 4th place Red Cross
 - Brighton Meurer- 5th place Black Cross
 - **Market Goat**
 - Logan Bowers- 3rd place
 - Clegg Bays- 2nd place
 - Brinlee Williams- 5th place
 - **Market Lamb**
 - Logan Bowers- 5th place Southdown
 - **Market Swine**
 - Kail Black- 3rd place Dark Cross
 - Grace Scoot- 3rd place Light Cross
 - Calee Scoggins- 4th place York
 - Cooper Flynn- 5th place Berkshire
- Breeding Animal Final Results are Released online

advice

FOR SELECTING YOUR NEXT SHOW HEIFER OR STEER

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You've decided you want to show a steer or heifer, and it is prime time to start the selection and purchase process for your new project. There are magazines nearly two inches thick promoting every show steer open house in the Midwest; and then you start looking at all the online sales. It is easy to become overwhelmed with so many options.

However, before you even start looking for that next show prospect, you need to consider three factors and have a plan in place. Jessica Judge, BioZyme® Inc., Marketing Brand Manager, grew up showing cattle across the country and earned the title of High Individual at the 2017 North American International Livestock Exposition Intercollegiate Livestock Judging Contest, representing Oklahoma State University. She offers these considerations:

- **Know your endpoint and end goal.** If you are showing a steer, it might be county or state fair you are targeting for. If it is a heifer, it might be a similar show scenario, or you might have different goals for her, different places to show like a breed junior national and breeding goals. Know why you are ultimately purchasing your animal and you will have a better direction on size, age, breed and other specifics to look for.
- **Know your budget.** Some people simply have more money than others. An established, realistic budget will help you decide where you can go and determine what type of animal you can buy.
- **Know the breeder/seller.** Who have you formed a good relationship with? Who will help with feeding/prep advice after the sale? Be sure you have a solid relationship built on trust with the person you would like to do business with.

Once you have established the above criteria, you can start thinking about selection criteria for your animal. Regardless if you are looking to buy a steer or a heifer, the primary evaluation tool should be skeletal correctness or structure.

"At the end of the day, it doesn't matter how heavily muscled they are or how attractive they are, if they can't walk, it's a wash. Structure is the most important characteristic to evaluate and select for," Judge said.

Structural soundness should be evaluated from the ground up. First look at the animal's foot size. Does the animal have a little, tiny foot on a small amount of bone? Or does it set down on a big, square foot and adequate bone? You want an animal that stands on a nice square foot, with a good set to its pastern and plenty of flexibility, which is why it is always important to watch them walk. Moving up the skeleton, you want to make sure that the animal has a good set to its shoulder angle and knee; there should be a 45-degree angle to its shoulder and the knee should have the proper curvature of a banana or crescent shape. Make sure the steer or heifer can get out and move with plenty of flexibility to its hip and hind leg. Finally, make sure the animal has natural, smooth joints as big joints indicate potential structural concerns which can lessen the long-term future and value of the animal.

Once you have evaluated structure, Judge offers specific traits a person should look for when selecting both steer and heifers.

Heifer Highlights

Judge said that when selecting a show heifer prospect, that after structure, you want to make sure the heifer has a productive and maternal look. This entails having a good rib shape, curvature to her rib design, softness to her overall skeleton and power. The heifer needs to have long-tying muscle shape and dimension, and not be just one-dimensional or flat.

The next selection criteria for a show heifer is balance and eye appeal – you want her to look like a lady.

"She should have a feminine shape to her head and neck and be clean through her throat. When selecting a female as a calf be sure to pay attention to her freshness and condition. She doesn't need to be the bloomiest in terms of condition as a calf. You should look for a female who is genuine in her condition, but still shows potential for dimension and fleshing ability as she grows," Judge said.

Other factors to consider on heifers include breed and age. Breed is truly a personal preference, as is age. Some ages will only be able to show at a national show or state fair once in a show season or calendar year, on the rules.



Steer Strategies

When evaluating potential show steer prospects, after structure, you will want to look at muscle shape. You don't need to pick out the heaviest muscled, stoutest calf, but you do need to select one with indicators for future muscle development.

"Look for width of chest, some clearance or width at the ground, added body and rib shape, and a genuine shape or turn at the top side of his skeleton. These are good indicators that as he grows and develops, he will continue to have some muscle as he reaches his desired endpoint," she said.

In addition to structure and muscle shape, you want a steer that is balanced and eye appealing. He doesn't need to be the "coolest or freakiest fronted," according to Judge, but he does need to have parts that are put together in a proportional package that give him a balanced, fat steer look.

Study the Past, Eyes on the Present

Judge recommends asking about the past performance of siblings and half siblings of the calves you are looking at buying, which goes back to having a good relationship with the seller. Find out how other calves from specific sires and cows have performed. Did they eat well and grow efficiently? Or were they hard keepers? If they took a while to gain, they might not be the right calf for your earlier endpoint. On the flip side, if they grow quickly and are earlier maturing, you may have to pump the breaks on your feeding strategy.

And although many people post photos and videos of their sales online, Judge recommends always studying the cattle in person. If you can't get to a specific location in person, be sure that someone you trust looks at the cattle in person before you make a big investment in your project animal.

"If you see a calf you like, find someone you trust go see the animal in person. A lot of small details can be missed on videos, like foot size and joint shape. When you have steers that need to get to heavy weight or you are looking for a breeding female to bring value to your herd, those details can make all the difference," Judge said.

You've established a budget; an endpoint and you've created relationships with reputable breeders. Now it is time to go select your next show heifer or steer project. With simple selection criteria, you can evaluate the groups of calves available for sale this fall and find your next champion.



Livestock exhibitors across much of the country have just wrapped up another year with their livestock projects, while in other regions young exhibitors are just thinking about buying their next set of animals for winter shows. Before you introduce any new livestock into your barn, make sure you have properly cleaned and disinfected it to help prevent disease from the get-go.

In addition to cleaning the barn, make sure to properly clean and disinfect the supporting materials you use with your livestock on a regular basis – feed pans, water buckets, feed scoops, combs, brushes, pitchforks and even halters. It is imperative to keep your equipment and your facilities clean to prevent sickness.

Before you clean and disinfect your barn, be sure to have anything organic like hay, bedding or feed out of the area you are going to disinfect. Dispose of old bedding and start with fresh after you have cleaned the barn.

Scrape any caked-on manure or mud off panels, gates and walls before you start. Then once you do start, wash your facility from top to bottom so the dirt and grime gets from ceiling to floor and off the walls.

Rinse your walls and floors down prior to using a disinfectant. Remember, bleach can eat through some building materials, so use caution if using bleach. Pine-sol or a disinfectant from your veterinarian will work too. Once you have disinfected your facilities, be sure to have good ventilation to help dry the surfaces. Once your facilities are dry, start bedding with clean, fresh bedding to prepare for the arrival of your new show prospects.

If you give your barn a deep disinfecting job both at the beginning and end of your normal show season, you should see a significant reduction in sickness with proper regular cleaning. If you do bring a sick animal home from a show, consider disinfecting your barn again.

The key to moving forward is never to go backward. Taking the time to ensure you have a clean facility is vital to preventing sickness in your livestock show projects. Combine this with a proper nutrition program and the likelihood of having sick animals decreases significantly.



3 Most Important THINGS TO CONSIDER WHEN BUYING LIVESTOCK



Recently, I came across an online thread asking, “What are the three most important things to consider when buying livestock?” This got me thinking. Even though the person posing the question was focused on the county level, I think my advice can apply to all levels of competition.

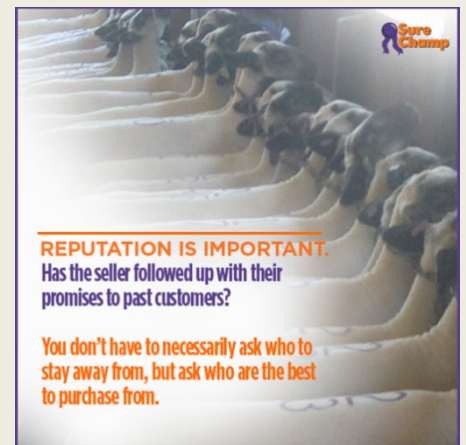
1. Who you are buying your livestock from.

This by far is the MOST important piece of the puzzle, especially if you are new to showing livestock, inexperienced or haven’t exhibited this particular species before. There is SO much to learn when showing livestock. You want to make sure that the seller is going to be there to offer suggestions and advice throughout the entire project.

Will they give feeding advice? Do they want you to send them pictures of your project so they can give feedback? Can they help line someone up to clip your calf or help you fit them on show day? If it is a breeding project, will they give advice on who you should breed your heifer, gilt, ewe or doe to?

Reputation is also important. Has the seller followed up with their promises to past customers? Are they willing to back an animal if they become a non-breeder? You don’t have to necessarily ask who to stay away from, but ask who are the best to purchase from.

Keep in mind online sales are amazing because as buyers we now have access to thousands of head of livestock. However, make sure you pick up the phone before you start clicking to bid. You want to make sure the seller is the right match for you and your needs.



2. Structure

It doesn’t matter what species, if they are a pink, purple or polka dotted – if that animal is not structurally sound to begin with, your project will never be as successful as you hope. Structure is the one thing that we can’t fix with feed or hair, and a small problem as a baby or young animal only becoming magnified as they get older. Joint supplements are designed to promote joint health, not cure structure problems.

3. It is up to you

This is where more debate comes in. I believe three is your personal preference. It could be a phenotypic trait such as muscle, balance or eye appeal. It could be breed of animal. This is especially important if you are looking for particular showing opportunities or if you plan to keep this animal in your herd to bred. If the animal is going to remain in your herd you might look at EPDs, the sire or dam.

If you follow the advice in step 1, the right seller will actually give you advice on the other things you should be taking into consideration when making your selection.

As you go out to purchase your next project keep these three tips in mind to find ultimate success.

Houston Weight Breaks

Market Steers				
Breed	2026	2025	2024	2023
Charolais	Sell 9 per class	1000-1124	1000-1130	1000-1147
		1125-1219	1131-1239	1148-1229
		1220-1297	1240-1321	1230-1283
		1298-1359	1322-1398	1284-1340
		1360-1600	1399-1575	1341-1596
Limousin	Sell 6 per class	1000-1219	1000-1220	1080-1229
		1220-1322	1221-1305	1230-1305
		1323-1525	1306-1450	1306-1459
Simmental	Sell 7 per class	1000-1215	1000-1230	1000-1224
		1216-1324	1231-1349	1225-1389
		1325-1672	1350-1563	1390-1631
Shorthorn	Sell 8 per class	1000-1189	1000-1169	1000-1180
		1190-1287	1170-1275	1181-1275
		1288-1536	1276-1462	1276-1523
Hereford	Sell 6 per class	1000-1247	1000-1227	1150-1250
		1248-1328	1228-1339	1251-1299
		1329-1617	1340-1600	1300-1550
Angus	Sell 4 per class	1000-1221	1000-1184	1047-1207
		1222-1359	1185-1300	1228-1342
		1360-1610	1301-1695	1343-1477
Red Angus	Sell 3 per class	1000-1240	1000-1141	1041-1143
		1241-1305	1142-1265	144-1258
		1306-1620	1266-1367	1259-1571
Simbrah	Sell 6 per class	1000-1260	1000-1205	1000-1196
		1261-1350	1206-1289	1197-1299
		1351-1599	1290-1585	1300-1519
Santa Gertrudis	Sell 5 per class	1000-1219	1000-1199	1000-1200
		1220-1343	1200-1318	1201-1320
		1344-1600	1319-1590	1321-1550
Polled Hereford	Sell 5 per class	1000-1220	1000-1238	1126-1239
		1221-1327	1239-1330	1240-1333
		1328-1550	1331-1559	1334-1530

Market Steers				
Breed	2026	2025	2024	2023
Brangus	Sell 5 per class	1000-1207	1000-1210	1000-1219
		1208-1319	1211-1320	1220-1310
		1320-1590	1321-1548	1311-1581
Brahman	Sell 4 per class	100-1199	1000-1205	1000-1189
		1200-1325	1206-1294	1190-1289
		1326-1540	1295-1745	1290-1471
Maine Anjou	Sell 7 per class	1000-1168	1000-1175	1000-1189
		1169-1279	1176-1289	1190-1290
		1280-1530	1290-1578	1291-1625
ABC	Sell 9 per class	1000-1092	1000-1115	1000-1079
		1093-1160	1116-1168	1080-1150
		1161-1244	1169-1246	1151-1241
		1245-1343	1247-1330	1242-1339
Black Cross	Sell 9 per class	1344-1582	1331-1507	1340-1533
		1000-1219	1000-1159	1000-1163
		1220-1300	1160-1276	1164-1250
		1301-1377	1277-1399	1251-1379
Red Cross	Sell 8 per class	1378-1620	1400-1669	1380-1600
		1000-1199	1000-1200	1000-1200
		1200-1299	1201-1299	1201-1299
Other Cross 1	Sell 6 per class	1300-1569	1300-1615	1300-1575
		1000-1240	1000-1064	1000-1070
		1241-1339	1065-1145	1071-1158
Other Cross 2	Sell 9 per class	1340-1500	1146-1209	1159-1211
			1210-1277	1212-1263
			1278-1379	1264-1346
			1380-1599	1347-1560
Other Cross 2	Sell 9 per class	1000-1063		
		1064-1149		
		1150-1220		
		1221-1297		
		1298-1377		
		1378-1598		

Market Goats				
2026	2025	2024	2023	2022
Sell 15 goats per class	65-72	65-72	65-74	65-74
	73-79	73-78	75-80	75-78
	80-84	79-83	81-84	79-82
	85-88	84-87	85-87	83-85
	89-91	88-91	88-90	86-89
	92-95	92-94	91-93	90-91
	96-98	95-97	94-96	92-94
	99-101	98-100	97-99	95-97
	102-104	101-104	100-102	98-101
	105-108	105-109	103-105	102-105
	109-114	110-114	106-111	106-111
	115-120	115-120	112-120	112-120

Houston Weight Breaks

Market Barrows				
Breed	2026	2025	2024	2023
Berkshire	Sell 10 per class	250-255 256-273 274-283 284-300	250-252 253-262 263-278 279-300	250 251-263 264-282 283-300
Spot	Sell 12 per class	250 251-270 271-279 280-300	250 251-263 264-279 280-300	250 251-265 266-284 285-300
Hampshire	Sell 9 per class	250-253 250-253 254-261 262-266 267-272 273-277 278-283 284-289 290-299 300	250-251 250-251 250-251 252-259 260-267 268-272 273-279 280-287 288-296 297-300	250-253 250-253 250-253 254-259 260-265 266-272 273-277 278-283 284-290 291-300
Duroc	Sell 10 per class	250-258 259-269 270-279 280-283 284-292 293-299 300 300	250-254 255-263 264-270 271-277 278-284 285-295 296-300 296-300	250-252 253-263 264-270 271-277 278-285 286-295 296-300
Poland China	Sell 12 per class	250-261 262-300	250-262 263-300	250-263 264-300
Yorkshire	Sell 9 per class	250-259 260-270 271-282 283-295 296-300	250 251-265 266-279 280-299 300	250 251-268 269-280 281-288 289-300

Market Barrows				
Breed	2026	2025	2024	2023
Other Cross 1	Sell 10 per class	250 250 251-253 254-257 258-262 263-267 268-272 273-276 277-279 280-284 285-288 289-294 295-299 300 300	250-253 250-253 250-253 250-253 254-258 259-262 263-266 267-270 271-274 275-278 279-285 286-289 290-295 296-300 296-300	250 250 250 250 251-255 256-261 262-265 266-270 271-274 275-279 280-284 285-289 290-299 300
Chester White & OPB	Sell 11 per class	250-268 269-289 290-300	250-255 256-273 274-300	250-255 256-273 274-300
Other Cross 2	Sell 11 per class	250-254 250-254 250-254 255-259 260-265 266-269 270-273 274-276 277-279 280-283 284-287 288-295 296-300 296-300	250 250 250 251-255 256-260 261-264 265-268 269-271 272-274 275-277 278-282 283-287 288-297 298-300	250-254 250-254 250-254 250-254 255-258 259-263 264-266 267-269 270-274 275-277 278-280 281-287 288-296 297-300

Market Lambs				
Breed	2026	2025	2024	2023
Finewool	sell 15 per class	111-138 139-145 146-177	116-131 132-144 145-171	100-131 132-147 148-193
Fine Wool X	sell 16 per class	120-138 139-150 151-179	121-139 140-151 152-174	102-139 140-152 153-204
Southdowns	sell 19 per class	90-128 129-141 142-173	98-122 123-133 134-170	95-123 124-134 135-170
Dorper	sell 10 per class	100-116 117-129 130-175	90-109 110-123 124-159	90-109 110-124 125-175

Market Lambs				
Breed	2026	2025	2024	2023
Medium Wools	sell 18 per class	100-134 135-143 144-148 149-153 154-157 158-162 163-168 169-177 178-218	100-132 133-139 140-145 146-150 151-155 156-159 160-164 165-174 175-216	100-132 133--140 141-147 148-152 153-157 158-163 164-170 171-180 181-208

Rodeo Austin Weight Breaks

Market Steers				
Breed	2026	2025	2024	2023
British	Sell 3 per class	1140-1238 1239-1353 1359-1599	1002-1251 1258-1393 1395-1640	1043-1272 1284-1549
Shorthorn	Sell 4 per class	1121-1345 1349-1523	1010-1219 1220-1599	1010-1222 1229-1549
ABC	Sell 4 per class	1002-1150 1153-1237 1238-1311 1313-1389 1390-1635	1050-1169 1187-1240 1242-1319 1320-1388 1396-1691	1000-1137 1139-1244 1249-1325 1327-1401 1418-1625
Brahman	Sell 3 per class	1225-1339 1365-1589	1140-1325 1343-1624	1016-1258 1323-1525
AOB Black	Sell 4 per class	1025-1171 1173-1299 1340-1425 1428-1599	1006-1183 1197-1300 1316-1426 1436-1597	1000-1178 1184-1289 1297-1428 1435-1551
AOB Red 1-3	Sell 3 per class	1050-1190 1244-1342 1350-1620	1050-1191 1200-1360 1369-1500	1080-1250 1254-1489
AOB Other Color	Sell ?? per class	1001-1130 1137-1181 1190-1229 1235-1302 1315-1355 1365-1441 1445-1679	1000-1068 1069-1167 1173-1229 1231-1285 1289-1344 1345-1427 1439-1644	1000-1077 1095-1181 1185-1240 1245-1293 1296-1347 1349-1419 1421-1595

Market Lambs				
Breed	2026	2025	2024	2023
Finewool	Sell 4 per class	121-132 133-141 142-165	111-134 135-145 146-168	107-135 136-145 146-180
Fine Wool X	Sell 4 per class	115-141 143-162 163-185	113-139 140-153 154-197	114-139 140-152 153-181
Southdowns	Sell 4 per class	105-127 128-144 145-186	105-124 125-135 136-169	108-126 127-137 138-170
Dorper	Sell 3 per class	90-127 128-176	93-131 132-167	97-122 125-177
Medium Wools	Sell 6 per class	102-139 140-147 148-153 154-158 159-164 165-172 173-181 182-237	106-138 139-144 145-150 151-156 157-161 162-168 169-175 176-207	101-140 141-146 147-151 152-155 156-160 161-165 166-172 173-210

Market Barrows				
Breed	2026	2025	2024	2023
Duroc	Sell 3 per class	250-259 260-274 277-290 292-300	250-260 261-273 275-289 290-300	250-262 263-273 274-286 290
Dark OPB	Sell 3 per class	250-257 258-277 284-300	250-250 250-250 253-269 270-280 281-300	250 252-265 266-280 281-290
Berk	Sell 3 per class	250-258 259-278 280-300		
White OPB	Sell 3 per class	250-282 286-300	250-273 276-300	250-272 273-290
Hampshire	Sell 3 per class	250 252-262 263-272 273-279 280-293 294-300	250 250 253-263 264-270 272-280 282-293 294-300	250 250 252-259 260-264 265-274 275-284 290
Yorkshire	Sell 3 per class	250-259 260-280 281-300	250-262 263-283 284-300	250 254-267 270-286 287-290
Light Cross	Sell 3 per class	250-254 255-263 264-276 277-286 287-297 300	250 252-263 264-273 274-279 280-291 293-300	250 253-263 264-270 271-278 279-288 289-290
Cross	Sell 3 per class	250 250 252-259 260-266 267-269 270-275 276-279 280-285 286-292 293-299 300	250 250 250 252-259 260-265 266-271 272-278 279-282 283-290 291-297 300	250 250 252-257 258-262 263-269 270-274 275-276 277-282 283-288 289-290 289-290

Market Goats				
2026	2025	2024	2023	2022
Sell 6 per class	61-73 74-79 80-83 84-86 <u>87-89</u> 90-93 94-96 97-98 99-100 <u>101-103</u> 104-105 106-108 109-111 112-115 116-120	60-73 74-80 81-84 85-87 <u>88-89</u> 90-93 94-95 96-97 98-99 <u>100-102</u> 103-105 106-108 109-111 112-118 119-120	60-74 75-78 79-83 84-86 <u>87-89</u> 90-92 93-94 95-96 97-98 <u>99-101</u> 102-103 104-106 107-110 111-116 117-120	60-71 72-77 78-81 82-84 <u>85-86</u> 87-89 90-91 92-93 94-95 <u>96-98</u> 99-101 102-104 105-107 108-111 112-120

Major Show Judges

Houston Livestock Show

- Steers- Blake Nelson
- Mkt Goat- Miles Gibbs
- Mkt Lamb- Brent Jennings
- Mkt Swine- Brian Arnold & Kane Austin
- Mkt Broiler- Jacob Leopold(Pullet) Jason Mooney(cockerels)
- Mkt Turkey- Dustin Morgenroth (Hen) Kyle Morgenroth (Tom)
- Jr Breeding Heifer
 - Tim Schaeffer-Angus, Hereford, P. Hereford, R. Angus, Shorthorn
 - Christy Collins- Brangus, Gert, Simbrah ARB
 - Blake Blomberg- Beefmaster, G. Brahman, R. Brahman, R. Brangus
 - Will Coor- Char, Chi, Limi, Maine, Simi, ORB
- Breeding Gilt- David Ammann
- Breeding Sheep- Mike Salisbury

Rodeo Austin Livestock Show

- Steers- Dr. Scott Greiner
- Mkt Goat- Jimmy Davis
- Mkt Lamb- Dan Willoughby
- Mkt Swine- Justin Rodibaugh
- Breeding Heifer-
 - Macey Scotten – Beefmaster, Brahman, Gert, Angus, Hereford, R. Angus, Shorthorn
 - Tyler Winegardern- Brangus, R.Brangus, Simbrah, ARB, Char, Limi, Maine, Simi, ORB
- Wether Dam- Connor Brew
- Wether Doe- Colby Redifer
- Mkt Broiler- Keith Scott
- Mkt Turkey- Jacob Price

State Fair of Texas

- Steers- Shane Bedwell
- Mkt Barrow- Blake Danner
- Mkt Lamb- Barrett Carlisle
- Mkt Goat- Payton Dahmer

State Fair of Texas

- Scholarship Steer – Scott Werning
- Premium Steer – Brady Ragland
- Scholarship American Heifer- Kolten Thigpen
- Premium American Heifer – Glenn Martin
- Scholarship Brith/Exotic Heifer- Krish Geffert
- Premium Brit/Exotic Heifer- Chad Breeding
- Scholarship Goat- Caleb Boden
- Premium Goat- Kase Lerow
- Scholarship Lamb- Craig Beckmie
- Premium Lamb – Dr. Shawn Ramsey
- Scholarship Swine – Garrit Sproull
- Scholarship Gilts- Zachary Schwecke
- Premium Swine – Todd Beyers

Major Show Updates

Rodeo Austin Livestock Show

- Steer show schedule change
- Barrow show no longer Texas Bred and will include the addition of the Berkshire breed
- Mkt Dorpers will add a class to allow for 2 more sale slots and 3 more TLBA premiums

Houston Livestock Show

- Entry fee increase on all species
- No Health Certificates required for all Jr Show entries
- Jr. Gilts will add Hereford breed
- Show Indemnity form is multiple pages and will require additional signatures

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Upcoming Events:

Tag Order Deadlines:

State Fair Sheep, Goat, &
Swine- March 27th

Steer- March 27th

Summer Heifers- March 27th

MCJLS Turkey Orders-
May 1st

Major Show Turkey Orders-
May 15th

State Fair Broilers- May 15th

Fall Heifer Tag Orders-
August 14th

Major Sheep & Goats
August 14th

Major Show Broilers
August 28th

Validation Dates:

State Fair Sheep/Goat/Swine
June- 17 & 29

Cattle Validation-
June 23 & 29

Show Entry Dates

West Texas Fair- July 15th

State Fair & HOTFR
Entries due August 5th

Show Dates

2026 Houston Livestock Show

March 2-22, 2026

Breeding Gilt- 3/5-3/6
Broilers -3/12
Turkeys- 3/13
Breeding Sheep 3/2-3/4
Mkt Goat- 3/10-3/12
Mkt Lamb- 3/10-3/12
Breeding Heifer Wave1- 3/9-3/11(American)
Breeding Heifer Wave 2-3/12-3/14 (Brit/Exotic)
Mkt Swine Wave 1- 3/14-3/16 (Dark)
Mkt Swine Wave 2- 3/17-3/19 (Light)
Steer Wave 1- 3/15-3/17 Maine, Char, Simi,
Americans
Steer Wave 2- 3/18-3/20- British, Limi, RX, BX, OX

2026 Rodeo Austin Livestock Show

March 13-28, 2026

Steers- 3/11-3/13
Wave 1 Heifers- American 3/25-3/26
Wave 2 Heifers- Brit/Exotic 3/27-3/28
Mtk Lamb & Goat- 3/19-3/20
Mkt Swine – 3/21-3/23
Breeding Sheep & Goat- 3/17-3/18
Poultry- 3/16

2026 West Texas Fair & Rodeo

September 10-19

2026 State Fair of Texas

September 25-October 18

2026 Heart O' Texas Fair
September 25- October 18

Heifers- 10/1-10/3
Steers- 10/5-10/7
Lambs- 10/9-10/11
Goats- 10/12-10/14
Swine- 10/15-10/18

2027 Sandhills

January 9th

2027 Ft. Worth Livestock Show

January 15-February 6

2027 MCJLS

February 1-5 2027

2027 San Angelo

2027 San Antonio Livestock Show

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