

# McLennan County Livestock Newsletter

April 2026 Edition

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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.

### 2026/2027 Major Show Steer & Heifer Validation

Major Show Steer & Heifer Validation will be held at the following dates. Locations & Times will be sent as we confirm them.

Also please bring registration papers with you to validation so we can verify and scan them in.

- June 23<sup>rd</sup>
- June 29<sup>th</sup>

*If you have issues or conflicts, please contact the validation committee prior to June to make arrangements.*

### 2026 State Fair of Texas & Heart O' Texas Fair Validation Sheep, Goats & Swine

For the 2026 all State Fair & Heart O' Texas Fair Swine (breeding gilts only) validation will be held at the dates and locations listed below. We ask that you make plans to attend one of these set validation dates, if there is a major conflict, please contact us ASAP and we will have to address it with the validation committee. Packets will be available to pickup prior to validation

If you have registered animals please have the papers with you at time of validation if possible.

- June 17<sup>th</sup> 5-6pm at Extension office (all state fair & HOT animals only)
- June 29<sup>th</sup>

# 2025-2026 McLennan County Validation Dates & Tag Orders

## Steers

Validation June- 23<sup>rd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>

## Heifers

Validation- June 23<sup>rd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>

Fall Validation Tag Orders Due August 14<sup>th</sup>

Fall Validation- October

## Sheep & Goat

Validation – June 17<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>

Major Tag Orders Due- August 14<sup>th</sup>

Major Validation- October

## Swine

Validation- June 17<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>

Major Tag Orders Due

Major Validation- November

## Broilers

State Fair 2026 orders due May 15<sup>th</sup>

Major Broiler Orders due- August 28<sup>th</sup>

## Turkeys

MCJLS Orders Due May 1<sup>st</sup>

Major Orders Due May 15<sup>th</sup>

## Rabbits

## Show Entry Information

Fall Major Show Entry - West Texas Fair- July 15<sup>th</sup> HOTFR/State Fair- August 5<sup>th</sup>

Spring Major Show Entry – November 4<sup>th</sup>

MCJLS Entry- December 4<sup>th</sup>

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

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

## Poultry Order Information

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

- **MCJLS Turkey Orders- Due May 1<sup>st</sup>**
- **Major Show Turkey Orders- Due May 15<sup>th</sup>**
- **State Fair Broiler Orders- Due May 15<sup>th</sup>**
- **Major Show Broiler- August 28<sup>th</sup>**
- **MCJLS Broiler- October 1<sup>st</sup>**

Order forms can be found at the following link:

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## MCJLS Jr. Director Applications

Applications are now available for 2026-2027 Jr Directors. Applications due April 15th. Application available in link.

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

# Scholarship Opportunities

- Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo Scholarship- Due April 1<sup>st</sup> Click to apply  
<https://www.brazosvalleyfair.com/p/about/scholarships>
- McLennan County Go Texan Scholarship- Due April 27<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

**TEXAS A&M  
SUMMER  
POULTRY  
JUDGING  
CAMPS**

**JULY  
2026**

**SESSION 1: ~~TEACHERS & COACHES~~**  
~~July 24-25, 2026~~

**SESSION 2: AGES 9-13**  
**July 27-28, 2026**

**SESSION 3: AGES 14-18**  
**July 28-30, 2026**

**VISIT  
TX.AG/POSCSUMMERCAMPS26  
FOR MORE INFO!**



# Sheep & Goat

## PROJECT WORKSHOP

Come join us to learn about the sheep & goat project to help you prepare for the County & Major Shows.

Topics will include: Daily Care, Selection, Feeding, Health, Equipment Need, & Important Dates



**MAY 18<sup>TH</sup>**



**6:00PM**



McLennan  
County Extension  
Office



Please RSVP to  
254-757-5180



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# TEXAS 4-H LIVESTOCK AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

KINGSVILLE, TX | CANYON, TX & LUBBOCK, TX | COLLEGE STATION, TX

Since its founding in 2007, the Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador Program has developed knowledgeable, articulate youth who help bridge the growing gap between consumers and agriculture. Through collegiate-level training and immersive, hands-on experiences, students gain exposure to the many facets of the livestock industry while exploring higher education and career pathways. Advocacy is the common thread throughout the program, preparing Ambassadors to share research-based information and the true story of agriculture across local, regional, national, and international platforms. As a result, participants emerge equipped to serve as educators, community leaders, and dedicated stewards of the livestock industry.

## EMBRACING OUR PAST. ENGAGING OUR PRESENT. DEFINING OUR FUTURE.

THE TEXAS 4-H LIVESTOCK SHORT COURSE PROVIDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPAND MY KNOWLEDGE BASE WITHIN VARIOUS AGRICULTURE PRODUCTION SYSTEMS. I WAS ABLE TO MEET PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER THE STATE WITH DIFFERENT BACKGROUNDS, AND WE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO COLLABORATE ON SEVERAL ISSUES CONCERNING MODERN AGRICULTURE. OVERALL, THE TEXAS 4-H LIVESTOCK SHORT COURSE SUPPLIED ME WITH THE KNOWLEDGE BASE AND CONNECTIONS I NEED TO LEAVE A LEGACY WITHIN THE AGRICULTURE INDUSTRY.

- Current Texas 4-H Livestock Ambassador

## DEVELOPING THE NEXT GENERATION OF LEADERS

- Obtain opportunities to serve in advocacy roles for animal agriculture, 4-H, and junior livestock programs
- Experiences in the university setting through intensive, science-based instructions and hands-on learning
- Develop a heightened understanding of career opportunities in animal agriculture and advocacy

## OUR MISSION IS TO PREPARE YOUTH TO SERVE THE LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY THROUGH ADVOCACY, LEADERSHIP AND MENTORSHIP.

TODAY, THE AVERAGE AMERICAN IS AT LEAST THREE GENERATIONS REMOVED FROM THE FARM. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THE UPCOMING GENERATION BE ABLE TO BRIDGE THE GAP BETWEEN CONSUMERS AND FARMERS.

THROUGH COLLEGIATE-LEVEL TRAINING COMBINED WITH HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE, AMBASSADORS WILL BE EQUIPPED WITH THE SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE NEEDED TO SERVE AS STEWARDS OF THE LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY.

### TO APPLY AND BE ELIGIBLE TO SERVE STUDENTS MUST BE:

- Freshman-Senior (2026-2027 school year)
- Demonstrate leadership in the livestock and agriculture industry
- Passion for communication and advocacy
- Rank in the top 25% academically

### 2026 PROGRAM DATES

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE  
June 15-18, 2026

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY  
July 13-16, 2026

TEXAS TECH/WEST TEXAS A&M  
July 20-23, 2026

### 2026 PROGRAM FEES

\$450- includes all branded apparel, meals, lodging, and traveling during the short course

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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### TO APPLY

VISIT [WWW.TEXASYOUTHLIVESTOCK.COM](http://WWW.TEXASYOUTHLIVESTOCK.COM)

APPLICATIONS OPEN  
FEBRUARY 15, 2026

APPLICATIONS CLOSE  
APRIL 15, 2026



# HOW TO HANDLE SPRINGTIME SHEDDING

Springtime. The trees grow new leaves and the yard sprouts fresh blades of grass, but did you know your calf is growing a new coat too? No matter if you have just purchased that new show steer, new show heifer, or preparing for the second show season with your current heifer, getting that winter coat and baby hair off is an important step to remember.

In order for your calf's new hair to grow in healthy and shiny for show season, it's important to begin a daily shedding regimen — usually around March or April. Body clipping isn't necessary for the removal of dead hair; all you need is a high-quality shedding comb. While most of the calf's body will shed a lot of hair that will need removed, never use a shedding comb on the legs, tailhead or flank hair because this hair is hard to grow back. If you do choose to body clip one to remove the hair remember to leave the belly, legs, and tail head hair.

When using your shedding tool, brush your calf in the direction of hair growth to remove the dead hair. Brushing against the direction of hair growth with a sharp tool could damage or remove healthy hair. We recommend a livestock shedding comb because the rounded tips of the teeth will not get caught or pull out the good healthy hair yet the evenly spaced teeth ensure the dead hair follicles get removed (Side note: This comb is great for dogs too!). The non-slip rubber grip is also a great safety feature. Sullivan's and Weavers both make a version of this comb that works really well.

When you comb your calf every day, your chances of having the best coat come show season go way up! Be sure to continue your daily rinsing/washing and drying routine during and after shedding and throughout show season for the best results.



# Things to Avoid While Halter Breaking Cattle

There are many approaches to halter breaking but we've found that there are some key mistakes to avoid.

## 1. Keep them from getting their head away from you.

Let's be honest, a halter on a calf is a great big bluff. You may weigh all of 90 pounds while your calf weighs 650. If they really want to or learn to get away, they will. The key is to trick them into thinking they can't get away. One way of accomplishing this is to keep control of their nose. If a calf gets his head down and away from you, only Superman will have the strength to get control again. When they are trying to avoid leading, they will sometimes drop their heads, hug a fence or try to run through you. All of these are horrible habits that you can't allow. Out smart your calf and learn to anticipate what he is going to do before you allow it to become a problem. For example, if he leans toward or rubs on the fence as you lead him, keep pulling or pushing him away until he figures out where you'll allow him to walk comfortably.

## 2. Don't lead him too close to his head at first.

Cattle get intimidated when you are too close to their heads before they are used to it. Unlike dogs, cats or horses, cattle don't really like you to touch their heads, especially when you are first handling them. Your local county weigh in is the best place to see this in action. There is a kid's dad leading his calf with a 10 foot rope that's covered in mud, leather gloves and a death grip on the halter. The calf is green broke at best and it becomes a big wrestling match. The dad "leads" the calf down the alley. As the calf speeds up, so do the feet of the guy leading him. The dad has no leverage on the calf. If he'd just get back on that rope, he'd give the calf a little time to process what is happening. Plus, as long as the calf doesn't get his head down and away, he has more leverage. Think about it from the calf's perspective: There is a guy hanging on my face and as I try to move away, he stomps his feet while running toward me and scares me more.

## 3. Don't use a rope that is too thin when halter breaking.

Frank makes halter breaking halters out of thicker rope than what we use later on. When you tie them up for the first few times, they will pull against the rope. Depending upon how stubborn they are, they may lay back on the rope for quite some time. They can break their ears or develop nasty lumps under their jaws if you use a regular rope halter during this stage.

## 4. Don't start out tying them up with heads too high

When we first put halters on babies, we like tie them in a narrow ally with heads level to allow them to get used to the halter and being tied. We do this for several days for 2-3 hours at a time. Once they stop fighting the halter, we will take them out of the ally and continue to tie head level until they become comfortable with this and then we will transition to tying their heads higher.

## 5. Don't just tie and leave them alone

While calves are tied up we like to work to desensitize them, we will scratch on them with a show stick, we will use blow dryer on them, and comb on them to help get them used to these different things. Go slow and don't rush things, this is all new to them and some take longer to adjust than others.



Caring for show livestock in the winter definitely has its advantages. Hair typically grows better. You don't have to wait until late at night to turn out due to the heat. Flies are not a nuisance. However, there is a small, wingless creature that can have a significant impact on cattle, sheep, goats and pigs if it is not prevented – lice. These insects can wreak havoc on your livestock herds and flocks and cause significant financial loss. Lice cause intense itching. Livestock will spend a tremendous amount of time rubbing and licking in an effort to relieve their discomfort. They spend so much time focused on rubbing and licking that it decreases their feed intake, feed efficiency, weight gain and growth. This lack of performance results in a significant financial loss for the enterprise.

**Addressing Show Livestock Lice is Vital**

Imagine the devastation that excessive rubbing and licking will cause from the itching in your show livestock. You have spent countless hours washing, brushing and working skin and hair. Losing hair due to a little pest like lice or mites on goats is the last thing you want to happen in the winter.

Lice live on the skin and in the hair of animals. Their life cycle is typically about a month long. Once lice and nymphs fall off of an animal, their survival rate is not very long since they need the skin/blood to survive. Adults feed for about a month, then lay eggs known as nits and die. Nits attach tightly to hair shafts, and eggs hatch in one to three weeks. Those nymphs metamorphose into adults.

**Types of Livestock Lice**

Depending on the livestock you have in your barn, there are various species of lice. However, lice are divided into two families: biting and sucking. Adult biting lice and nymphs eat dead skin cells, hair and other debris found on the skin. Adult sucking lice and nymphs penetrate skin and consume blood. Sucking lice can cause anemia in very young animals.

Both sucking and biting lice can impact various livestock species. See Table 1.

**Livestock Lice Treatment**

Not all livestock lice treatments are created equally. However, the most important thing to remember is to double up on your treatments. Treat all adults and nymphs on your livestock with an initial treatment. Then, three weeks later, follow up with a second application to treat any new nymphs and adults that have hatched since the initial treatment. You will likely find this two-step approach to livestock lice treatment incredibly effective for saying goodbye to lice populations on your animals.

Remember, lice are transmitted from animal to animal. It is important to treat every calf, lamb, goat or pig you have in the show barn at the same time. Otherwise, your treatments are probably not going to be super effective.

**Recommended Treatments**

Both topical and injectable treatments are recommended for livestock lice treatment. The most important things to remember are to 1) always read and follow the label, and 2) consider withdrawal times on any injectables. Most insecticides, like Ivermectin and Dectomax, work to treat lice. Remember that injectable products will only kill sucking lice. The biting lice do not ingest blood, which is where the drug is contained. Pour-on dewormers are another effective treatment for lice. Clean-up contains an insect growth regulator (IGR), and it is great at breaking the lice lifecycle on cattle. Keeping wool shorter will also help reduce lice infestations.

Table 1. Animal hosts and their lice species

Animal host	Biting lice		Sucking lice	
	Species	Location	Species	Location
Cattle	cattle biting louse	head, ears, neck, topline, brisket	longnosed cattle louse	head, ears, neck, topline, brisket
			little blue cattle louse shortnosed cattle louse	
Goats	goat biting lice (3 species)	base of tail, between legs, head, neck, topline	goat sucking lice	neck, underline, udder
Equines	horse biting louse	at roots of forelock and mane, base of tail, hairs above hoof	horse sucking louse	side of neck, flanks, base of tail
Sheep	sheep biting louse	all over body	sheep foot louse	on foot
			face and body louse African blue louse	hairy parts of skin on flanks
Swine			hog louse	in or behind ears, in neck folds, inside legs, inner flanks, under scurf of skin

Sources: Merck Veterinary Manual 2010 online and www.pested.msu.edu.

# Major Show Judges

## West Texas Fair & Rodeo

- Steers- Tyler Stutsman
- Youth Swine- Mike Fischer
- Mkt Goat- Mike Gann
- Mkt Lamb- Kase LeRow & Clay

## State Fair of Texas

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

## Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo

- Steers- Ausitn Nauman & Tyler Mackey
- Swine- Lincoln Hart & Kade Pendley
- Mkt Lamb- Chad Coburn & Wayne Morse
- Mkt Goat- Wayne Morse & Chad Coburn
- Breeding Heifer- Tyler Mackey & Austin Nauman

## Heart O' Texas Fair

- 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 Results

## Rodeo Austin Livestock Show

### - **Market Steer**

- Duke Groschke- Reserve Champion British
- Paisley Groschke- Champion Brahman
- Brighton Meurer- 3<sup>rd</sup> place AOC
- Stockton Mynarcik- 8<sup>th</sup> place AOC

### - **Market Sheep**

- Jake DeLeon- 10<sup>th</sup> place Finewool Cross

### - **Market Goat**

- Carter Williams- 7<sup>th</sup> place
- Cort Nevills- 9<sup>th</sup> plac

### - **Market Swine Show**

- Mabri Lewis- 6<sup>th</sup> place Duroc
- Hartley Kutscherousky- 2<sup>nd</sup> place Berkshire
- Jacob Bustillos- 8<sup>th</sup> place Berkshire
- Kenleigh Petrich- 9<sup>th</sup> place OPB Dark
- Bailey Bruner- 9<sup>th</sup> place OPB Light
- Cooper Flynn- 10<sup>th</sup> place Hampshire
- Allison Elliott- 9<sup>th</sup> place Yorkshire
- Peyton Weithorn- 8<sup>th</sup> place Yorkshire
- Landry Mabry- 3<sup>rd</sup> place Light Cross

# Jackpot Shows



**TEXAS  
YOUTH  
EXPO**

May 1st-3rd, 2026

**OVER \$50,000 IN CASH & PRIZES**  
TWO RINGS FOR ALL SPECIES

**Progress Steers**  
851lbs & Over  
American/British /European  
Pays Top 5

**Market Lambs & Breeding**  
Pays Top 5

**Prospect Steers**  
850lbs & Under  
Breed classified  
Pays Top 5

**Market Goats & Breeding**  
Pays Top 5

**Breed classified**  
Pays Top 5

**Breeding Heifers**  
Breed Classified  
Pays Top 5

**Market Goats & Breeding**  
Pays Top 5

**Ag Mechanics**  
Build-offs • Project shows



**New this Year!**  
-Youth Cook-off  
-Pay out to Top 5 heifers in each division (Amv/Eng/Exotic)  
-Breeding Lamb & Goat show

SCHOLARSHIPS/SHOWMANSHIP/ADULT SHOWMANSHIP

**MIKE MACKAY** (512) 237-0538  
**HEATH SIEGMUND** (979) 540-0967  
**WHITNEY WHITSEL** (979) 716-2500  
Lamb & Goat Supervisor

**Brazos County Expo Center**  
3827 Leonard Rd, Bryan, TX 77807  
Texas Youth Expo  
www.texasyouthexpo.com  
Texasouthexpo@gmail.com

## GAP SPRING FLING 4-18-26

Clifton Fairgrounds  
108 E 7th St  
Clifton, Texas

**LAMBS**  
SHOWN BY WEIGHT & BREED  
FW, FWX, SD, DORPER & MW  
EWE WELCOME-SHOW AS MARKET  
JUDGE: EVAN SYLVESTER

**PIGS**  
SHOWN BY WEIGHT & BREED  
DOPB, WOPB, BERK DUROC,  
HAMP, YORK, DARK CROSS  
OTHER CROSS  
GILTS WELCOME-SHOW AS MARKET  
JUDGE: JAYDYN WEHMER

**GOATS**  
SHOWN BY WEIGHT & DIVISION  
LIGHT, LED, HEAVY  
DOES WELCOME-SHOW AS MARKET  
JUDGE: EVAN SYLVESTER

**Buckles & Prizes**

Enter on Showman App  
Entry Fee: \$40 per head  
Showmanship: \$10  
Pee Wee 2<sup>nd</sup> grade & under  
Jr-3rd-5<sup>th</sup> grade  
Int-6th-9<sup>th</sup> grade  
Sr-10th-12<sup>th</sup> grade  
NO GRADUATES

Schedule: Check in / Register 6:30A  
Weights due a 8A for all species  
Lamb Pig Showmanship a 8:30, classes follow  
Goat show follows Lamb show  
NO BEDDING IN LAMB/GOAT BARN  
BEDDING IN PIG BARN MUST BE REMOVED BEFORE LEAVING

Contact Beth Gann a 972-832-5745 with any questions

## Freestone County Classic

Steer & Heifer Jackpot Show  
Saturday, May 16, 2026

Moody Reunion Fairgrounds  
839 East Commerce, Fairfield, Texas

**HEIFERS**  
3 Divisions (shown in this order)  
American \* British \* Exotic  
No Heifers older than 30 months  
Entry Fee - \$30

**STEERS**  
3 Divisions (shown in this order)  
American \* British \* Exotic  
Classify and weigh your own  
Entry Fee - \$30

Check in: 7:30-8:30a.m.  
Heifer Show: 9:00 a.m.  
Heifer/Steer Combined Showmanship (Divisions: Junior 3rd-8<sup>th</sup> grade, Senior 9th-12<sup>th</sup> grade)  
Steer Show: will start immediately following Showmanship

**Overall Buckles**  
**Class Prizes**  
**Banners**

Judge: Blane Warnken

Show off your trailer or stalling in NEW CATTLE BARN  
Friday arrivals welcome, Emmons Showmanship Clinic Friday Night!  
Please clean stalls after the show!  
No pee-wee showman, No stalling in Red Wood covered areas

Food Vendor on Site!

Sullivan's Show Supply Trailer

FMI-903-389-3496 or erin.davis@ag.tamu.edu

## FALLS COUNTY 2026 SUMMER SHOWDOWN GOAT & LAMB SHOW

**FOOD TRUCKS SHOW TRAILER ON SITE**

**2 RINGS**  
MUST SHOW IN RING A TO SHOW IN RING B

**GOATS**  
3 MAKE A CLASS  
GOAT SHOWMANSHIP  
3 DIVISIONS  
DOES WELCOME IN MARKET SHOW  
JUDGES: TODD MAYES & CHRIS DREWS

**LAMBS**  
LAMB SHOWMANSHIP  
5 BREED FORMAT  
EWES WELCOME IN MARKET SHOW

**PRIZES BANNERS BUCKLES**

**SHOWMANSHIP \$10 AT THE GATE**

STARTS AT 8:30AM  
SENIOR INTERMEDIATE JUNIOR PEE-WEE

**CONTACT:**  
CODY WILTON: 254-883-7644  
BRIAN HEFELFINGER: 254-640-8340  
KATHY WOOLEY: FCYOUTHFAIR@GMAIL.COM

**JUNE 27**  
GATES OPEN 6AM  
CHECK IN 6AM-8AM  
SHOW STARTS AFTER SHOWMANSHIP  
REGISTER AT SHOW  
ENTRY FEE \$30 EACH RING  
BLOW & GO  
SHOW OFF TRAILER  
WASH RACKS AVAILABLE  
GENERATORS RECOMMENDED

FALLS COUNTY YOUTH FAIR PARK  
319 WILLIS ST.  
MARLIN, TX 76661

## Central Texas Youth Fair

108 E 7th St Clifton TX

**RABBIT**  
JUDGE: TBD  
Check In 8am-10am  
Showmanship 11am  
Shown by Breed then Age  
Class 4 and Class 6  
\$5/Head

**SWINE**  
JUDGE: PATRICK McDONALD  
Check In 5pm-7pm  
Showmanship 7:30pm  
Shown by Breed than Weight  
8 Breed Format  
\$40/Head

**Banners Buckles Prizes**

**SHOWMANSHIP**  
\$10 entry  
PEEWEE 8 AND UNDER  
JUNIOR 9-11 INTERMEDIATE 12-14 SENIOR 15-18

Contact: Beth Ann Gann 972-832-5745 Shealyn Monroe 817-981-9855

All entries completed on showman.app

Limited Trailer Parking  
NO spots will be sold, Arrive early  
Supply Trailer Available  
No min/max weights, random weighbacks

**June 3rd**

## Central Texas Youth Fair

108 E 7th St Clifton TX

**LAMB**  
JUDGE: TBD  
Check In 6am-7:30am  
Showmanship 8am  
Shown by Breed then Weight/Age  
\$40/Head

**STEER**  
JUDGE: TBD  
Check In 11am-1pm  
Showmanship 2pm  
Shown by 3 Division Breed  
\$40/Head

**GOAT**  
JUDGE: TBD  
Check In 7am-8:30am  
Showmanship 30min after conclusion of Lamb show  
Shown by Division then Weight  
\$40/Head

**HEIFER**  
JUDGE: TBD  
Check In 12pm-2pm  
Showmanship conclusion of Steer Show  
20 Breed Format/15 Head Make Breed  
\$40/Head

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**June 4th**

**McLennan County  
Extension Office**

4224 Cobbs Drive.  
Waco, Texas 76710

Phone: 254-757-5180  
Fax: 254-757-5097  
E-mail:

[McLennan@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:McLennan@ag.tamu.edu)

*We're on the Web!*

<https://mclennan.agrilife.org/>

**Upcoming Events:**

**Tag Order Deadlines:**

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August 28<sup>th</sup>

**Validation Dates:**

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

Cattle Validation-  
June 23 & 29

**Show Entry Dates**

West Texas Fair- July 15<sup>th</sup>

State Fair & HOTFR  
Entries due August 5<sup>th</sup>

# Show Dates

**2026 West Texas Fair & Rodeo**

**September 10-19**

Heifers (Hereford, Angus, R Angus) 9/4-9-5

Goat- 9/4-9-5

Lambs- 9/5-9/6

Heifers (Shorty, Brangus, Beefmaster) 9/11-9-12

Heifers( Simi, ORB, ARB) 9/12-9/13

Steers- 9/17-9/19

Breeding Sheep- 9/18-9/19

**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

**2026 Brazos Valley Fair**

**October 23-25, 2026**

Goats- 10/24

Lambs- 10/24

Heifers- 10/24

Steers- 10/25

Swine- 10/25

**2027 Sandhills**

**January 9<sup>th</sup>**

**2027 Ft. Worth Livestock Show**

**January 15-February 6**

**2027 MCJLS**

**February 1-5**

**2027 San Angelo**

**2027 Elite Gilt Showcase**

**2027 San Antonio Livestock Show**

**February 11-28, 2027**

**2027 Houston Livestock Show**

**2027 Rodeo Austin**

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