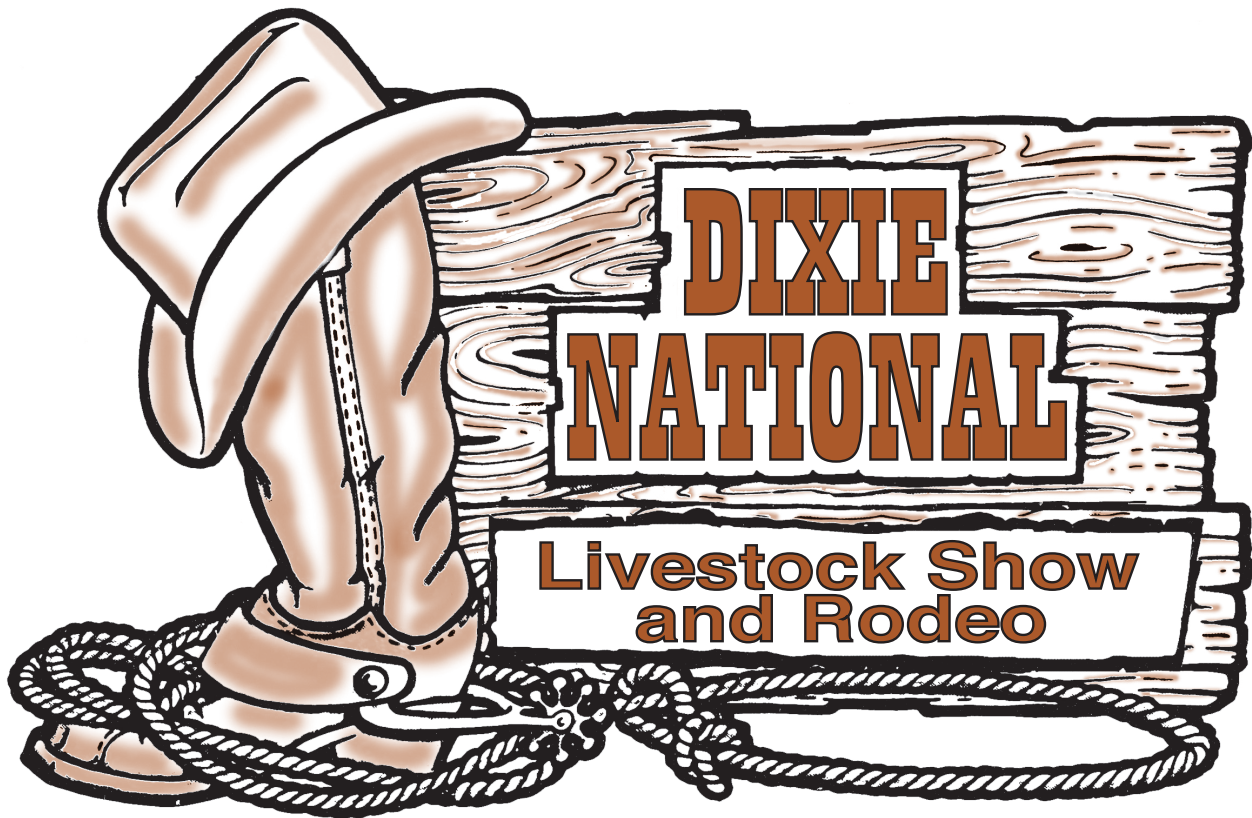


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**2024 DIXIE
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JUNIOR
ROUND-UP
RULEBOOK**

Reminders and Important Dates

Reminders

The rules in this 2024 Dixie National Junior Round-Up Premium Book supersede any rules published previously in a Mississippi State Fair or Dixie National Junior Round-Up Premium book. New rules and regulations passed by the Mississippi Livestock Council Show Directors will be underlined through this book.

An official show veterinarian from the Mississippi State University - College of Veterinary Medicine will be on site during the junior livestock shows (see page 6).

General Show and Animal Health Reminders:

- Health Certificate from a veterinarian is required to get on fairgrounds.
- 60-day health record forms are uploaded in MSU livestock show check-in app used for checking-in all livestock

Important Dates

- **Ownership of animal – December 1, 2023 (Friday)**
 - **Ownership for Dixie National Junior Round-Up**
 - Beef Breeding Animals, Commercial and Dairy Breeding Females, Market Hogs, MS Bred Bar-rows, Commercial and Registered Dairy Goats, Commercial Beef Heifers, Wether Dams, Commercial Gilts, Commercial Meat Goat Does, Breeding Hair Sheep, Registered Breeding Boer Does
 - Entries must be submitted to county office by December 1, 2023 (Friday, 12/1)
- **Classification/DNA Hair Collection Week, December 11 to 14, 2023**
 - Monday, December 11: Hattiesburg – 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.
 - Tuesday, December 12: Raymond – 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.
 - Wednesday, December 13: Greenwood – 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.
 - Thursday, December 14: Oxford – 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon
- **District Livestock Shows**
 - **NW District Show**, Batesville – January 18-20, 2024
 - **NE District Show**, Verona – January 19-20, 2024
 - **SE District Show**, Hattiesburg – January 18-20, 2024
 - **SW District Show**, Jackson – January 18-20/29-30, 2024
 - **Delta District Show**, Greenwood – January 22-24, 2024
- **Dixie National Junior Round-Up**, January 29 to February 8, 2024

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2024 DIXIE NATIONAL JUNIOR ROUND-UP SCHEDULE

Tuesday, January 30, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. Scales and pens open for commercial gilts and commercial dairy goats – Swine Barn/
Barn 7
- 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Classify commercial gilts.
- 12:00 noon Deadline for arrival of commercial gilts
- 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. **PREMIER DAIRY GOAT EXHIBITOR CONTEST** – location TBD
- 3:00 p.m. Deadline for arrival of all dairy goats
- 3:00 p.m. Deadline to enter commercial gilt weights and gilt showmanship using web app.
- 4:00 p.m. Deadline to check in all dairy goats (commercial and registered) and enter dairy goat
showman- ship using web app.

Wednesday, January 31, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. **DAIRY GOAT SHOW** (Showmanship; Commercial Sr. Does; Commercial Jr. Does; Sr.
Does; Jr. Does) – Judging Arena/Barn 14
- 8:00 a.m. Scales and pens/stalls open for dairy cattle (assignments made by show manager)
- 8:00 a.m. Scales open for weighing commercial dairy heifers and gilts.
- 9:00 a.m. **COMMERCIAL GILT SHOW** – Swine Arena/Barn 6
- 15 minutes after Gilt Show **COMMERCIAL GILT SHOWMANSHIP** – Swine Arena/Barn 6
- 12:00 noon Deadline for arrival of all dairy cattle
- 2:00 p.m. Deadline to check in all dairy cattle (purebred; commercial; showmanship) using web
app.
- 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. **PREMIER DAIRY EXHIBITOR CONTEST** – location TBD

Thursday, February 1, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. Scales and pens open for market hogs and MS Bred Barrows (assignments made by show
manager)
- 8:00 a.m. **DAIRY CATTLE SHOW** (Showmanship, FFA Dairy Cattle Handlers Class, Commer-
cial Dairy Heifers, Commercial Dairy Cows, Purebreds) – Judging Arena
- 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Classify market hogs.
- 12:00 noon Deadline for arrival of all swine
- 4:00 p.m. Deadline to enter MS bred barrow weights and swine showmanship using web app.

Friday, February 2, 2024

- 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. **PREMIER SWINE EXHIBITOR CONTEST** – location TBD
- 9:00 a.m. Deadline to enter market hog weights using web app.
- 9:00 a.m. **SWINE SHOWMANSHIP** – Swine Arena/Barn 6
- 15 min. after Swine Showman **MISSISSIPPI BRED BARROW SHOW** – Swine Arena/Barn 6

Saturday, February 3, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. Scales open for weighing market steers and commercial beef heifers.
- 8:00 a.m. **MARKET HOG SHOW** – Swine Arena/Barn 6
- 12:00 noon Deadline for arrival of market steers
- 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Check hair length of market steers.
- 1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Stall assignments for early arriving beef breeding animals and commercial beef heifers
- 3:00 p.m. Deadline to enter weights for market steers and commercial beef heifers using web app.

2024 DIXIE NATIONAL JUNIOR ROUND-UP SCHEDULE

Sunday, February 4, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. Scales open for weighing lambs, steers, and commercial beef heifers.
8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. **PREMIER BEEF EXHIBITOR CONTEST** – location TBD
9:00 a.m. Devotional Service – Sales Arena (conducted by Cowboys for Christ)
10:00 a.m. **MARKET STEER SHOW** – Coliseum
12:00 p.m. Deadline for arrival of beef breeding animals, commercial beef heifers and all lambs
12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. **PREMIER LAMB EXHIBITOR CONTEST** – location TBD
2:30 p.m. **COMMERCIAL BEEF HEIFER SHOW** – Coliseum
or 30 min after Steer Show
3:00 p.m. Deadline to enter beef showmanship and check in beef breeding cattle using web app.
3:00 p.m. Deadline to enter weights for all sheep (market lambs; wether dams; market hair sheep; breeding hair sheep), enter Lamb and Hair Sheep Showmanship using web app, and enter Sheep Lead in the Show Office.

Monday, February 5, 2024

- 7:30 a.m. **ANGUS SHOWMANSHIP** – Coliseum
7:30 a.m. **SHEEP LEAD CLASS** – Judging Arena/Barn 14; pick up numbers at 7:00 a.m. in the Show Office.
8:00 a.m. **BEEF SHOWMANSHIP** – Coliseum
8:00 a.m. Scales open for weighing market goats and commercial meat goat does
8:00 a.m. **HAIR SHEEP AND LAMB SHOWS** – Judging Arena/Barn 14
HAIR SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP, BREEDING HAIR SHEEP, MARKET HAIR SHEEP
LAMB SHOWMANSHIP, WETHER DAMS, MARKET LAMBS
12:00 Noon Deadline for arrival of market goats, commercial meat goat does, and Boer goats
1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. **PREMIER MEAT GOAT EXHIBITOR CONTEST** – location TBD
1:30 p.m. **BEEF BREEDING BULL SHOW** – Coliseum
3:00 p.m. Deadline to enter weights for market goats and commercial does and enter Meat Goat Showmanship using web app.
3:00 p.m. Deadline to process registered breeding Boer doe entries and enter Boer Goat Showmanship using check-in app.
6:00 p.m. **LEGISLATIVE LIVESTOCK SHOWDOWN** - Coliseum

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. **BEEF BREEDING HEIFER SHOW** – Coliseum
8:00 a.m. **MEAT GOAT SHOWS** – Judging Arena/Barn 14
GOAT SHOWMANSHIP, COMMERCIAL MEAT GOAT DOE SHOW, MARKET GOAT SHOW
3:00 p.m. **REGISTERED BOER GOAT SHOWS** – Judging Arena/Barn 14
Or 15 min. after Mkt Goat Show **BOER GOAT SHOWMANSHIP, BOER GOAT SHOWS**

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. Prepare barns for Open Livestock Shows

Thursday, February 8, 2024

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

DIXIE NATIONAL SALE OF CHAMPIONS

Thursday, February 8, 2024, 11:00 AM, Trade Mart Building

The Dixie National is the showcase of the livestock industry in Mississippi. Both 4-H and FFA youth 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 (15 hogs), the Junior Mississippi Bred Barrow Show (2 hogs), and the Junior Market Goat Show (10 goats), in addition to the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market Hair Sheep (2 sheep), 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 47 to 53 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 2023, the committee presented 39 youth with scholarships totaling \$61,500. Winners of the Premier Exhibitor Contests, in addition to exhibitors having an animal in the 2024 Sale of Champions (this applies to multiple owners of animals too, even if the animal was shown by the exhibitors' 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 or Supreme Animal Scholarships

Market Steers (8-10)

- Champion & Reserve Champion American, English, Lightweight European, and Heavyweight European Steers (8)
- MS Bred Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Steers (if not already in sale; 2)

Market Lambs (10-12)

- Champion & Reserve Champion Division 1-5 Lambs (10)
- MS Bred Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Lambs (if not already in sale; 2)

Market Hair Sheep (2)

- Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market Hair Sheep (2)

Market Goats (10-12)

- Champion & Reserve Champion Lightweight, Light Mediumweight, Mediumweight, Light Heavyweight and Heavyweight Goats (10)
- MS Bred Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Goats (if not already in sale; 2)

Market Swine (17)

- Champion & Reserve Champion Duroc, Chester, Yorkshire, Hampshire, Spotted, Hereford, Crossbred Hogs, and MS Bred Barrows (16) plus the Champion Other Breeds Market Hog (1)

Supreme Animal Scholarship Winners (8)

- Supreme Champion Beef Heifer
- Supreme Champion Sr. Dairy Goat Female
- Supreme Champion Commercial Gilt
- Supreme Champion Overall Ewe
- Supreme Champion Beef Bull
- Supreme Champion Commercial Beef Heifer
- Supreme Champion Commercial Meat Goat Doe
- Supreme Champion Dairy Cattle Female

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The Dixie National Sale of Champions Promotion Committee salutes the following buyers and contributors that made the 2022 Sale of Champions another outstanding sale.

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General Rules Pertaining to Exhibitors and Participants in the MS Junior Livestock Shows

Mission Statement:

The Mississippi State Fair and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows promote agriculture to educate the public and promote Mississippi youth through livestock education and competition.

Exhibitor Eligibility:

1. Only youth physically 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.)

Code of Conduct:

1. 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, and guardians 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. Show Management reserves the right to send any junior exhibitor home with his/her exhibit if he/she, any family member, or anyone helping to fit their animal is guilty of conduct unbecoming the junior livestock shows. This training is formalized by signatures on the Code of Conduct Agreement: 4-H/FFA Livestock Exhibitors (MSU Extension Publication F1152).
 - a. 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 (unless rule 1 under the General Show Rules that apply to Multiple/All Shows is relevant.)
 - b. 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, their family or group, and anyone helping to fit their animal, being expelled, placed on probation, declared ineligible, or barred from exhibiting at or attending an event or future events.
 - c. EJECTION FROM LIVESTOCK EVENT (Adopted January 20, 2014.); Source: Miss. Code Ann. §69-5-101 et seq.
 - i. 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.
 - ii. 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.
 - iii. 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.
 - iv. 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.

Code of Ethics:

1. To maintain a high degree of confidence and integrity of our Mississippi Junior Livestock Shows, 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, their parent(s) or guardian(s), or livestock fitter may be barred from participating in future shows. Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall always deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship 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, their parent(s) or guardian(s), and livestock fitter 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

1. 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 Agriculture education teacher 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.

2. 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 diagnostic 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 from the Animal Drug Use Committee.

Drug Use Rule

1. Animals shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations, and rules. If 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 administered to physically alter the appearance, and/or performance of an animal entered in livestock events are prohibited.
 - a. 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. Examples include aspirin, flunixin meglumine, dexathasone, and meloxicam.
 - b. Behavior modifiers and other over-the-counter products such as caffeine and calming or stimulating agents are not currently FDA approved for food animal species and are not allowable.
 - c. Exhibitors are responsible for knowing the FDA approval status of any substance administered to their animal. Information can be obtained from their local veterinarian, a state livestock show veterinarian, or through the FDA Animal Drugs website.
2. As an exception at the Mississippi State Fair and 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

1. 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.
2. 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.
 - a. 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

1. All exhibitors at the Mississippi State Fair and Dixie National Junior Round-up Livestock Show will be required to complete and turn in an Animal Health Record Form documenting the use of any drugs and/or medications administered to animals entered in these livestock shows within 60 days prior to exhibition from MSU Extension.
2. 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. The prescribing veterinarian's name and number must be provided when off-label drug use or use of a medicated feed is listed.

3. 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 obtained from the issuing veterinarian and may be found at the Food Animal Residue Avoidance Database (FARAD).
4. 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 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.
5. Exhibitors submitting incomplete or incorrect health forms may not be allowed to show or may be disqualified if improper drug use is documented.

Treatment of Animals on the State Fairgrounds

1. 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 Fair and DNJR Livestock Shows, except those in the possession of a Mississippi-licensed veterinarian.
2. At any time after an animal arrives at the Fair or DNJR 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.
3. Animals treated with performance-enhancing drugs for animal health or welfare purposes 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.
4. There shall be a licensed MSU-CVM veterinarian on call during the Fair and DNJR. 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.

Unethical Fitting

1. Unethical fitting is not acceptable and is 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, alcohol, aerosol coolants, ether, 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. Application of paint, dye, or other substance to any part of an animal's body that attempts to change the color pattern or alter other aspects of the apparent breed character of an animal is prohibited.
 - 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 counterirritant 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.

Rules Committee:

1. The Rules Committee for the Mississippi State Fair and 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) Agricultural education

teacher (appointed by State Agricultural Education/FFA program supervisor), and (7) veterinarian (appointed by State Veterinarian).

Code of Conduct Agreement:

1. By enrolling an animal in the show, every exhibitor, and exhibitor's parents and/or guardians agree that:
 - a. They are responsible for the care and custody of their animals during the duration of the show.
 - b. 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.
 - c. 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.
 - d. 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, their parent(s) or guardian(s), or livestock fitter 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 Directors may impose such penalties as deemed appropriate.

Exhibitor Attire:

1. Exhibitors are expected to wear attire appropriate for the weather while remaining modest and socially acceptable. Exhibitors must wear shirts with sleeves. Clothing deemed immodest or distracting to other contestants or participants will not be permitted. No T-shirts, hoodies, sagging pants, pants with rips/holes, sandals, halters or open front or low-neck tops, or other inappropriate type attire will be allowed in the show ring or at the Sale of Champions. No clothing may be worn by an exhibitor that identifies a farm name, breed, slogan, or advertisement during judged competition.

Animal Presentation:

1. Each exhibitor shall clip, groom, and dress his/her own animal throughout the ownership period and while at the Mississippi State Fair and Dixie National Junior Round-Up. An exhibitor may be assisted in the clipping, grooming, or dressing of his/her animal by others. There are no residency requirements, qualifications, or restrictions for those assisting with the clipping, grooming, or dressing of livestock. This rule does not apply to the removal of horns or the trimming of hooves.

Nomination Rules:

1. All livestock entries must be made by the exhibitor's supervising Extension Agent or Agriculture education teacher. Entry instructions will be provided to the Extension Agents and Agriculture education teachers prior to deadlines.
2. **Exhibitors must maintain continuous ownership, and care of his/her animals from the time of ownership deadline until show day.** The eligibility of exhibitors will be determined by the supervising extension agent/agricultural education teacher who certifies that the youth exhibitor is taking care of his/her animal.
3. Animals, which are owned jointly on a partnership basis with an adult, are not eligible to show in the Mississippi 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. At the time of check-in at the Fair and DNJR, all jointly owned animals must be changed to a single entry in the app so that the FFA or 4-H youth in that joint ownership will be declared as the individual who will show each animal in that show. Animals must be registered in individual names and not in the name of a farm, partnership, or other entity.
4. No registered breeding animals (beef; dairy; breeding Boer doe; dairy goat) will be allowed to be entered/nominated without a name and date of birth. All breeding animals with pending registration information after September 15, 2023, and January 5, 2024, will not be allowed to show at the Fair and DNJR, respectively, 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 Fair and DNJR. Updated registration information for each pending animal must be submitted to the supervising Extension Agent/Agriculture education teacher by September 15, 2023, and January 5, 2024.
5. Before any breeding animal or market animal is shown by a junior at the Fair, District Livestock Shows, and the DNJR, 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 agricultural education teacher 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 teacher has checked the tattoo number of the breeding animal to be shown against the registration papers of said animal and that the tattoo number, ear tag(s) and date of birth in the registration papers corresponds with the information on the entry.
6. The approved animal I.D. method (840 USDA Official All-in-One EID tags) has been approved by the MLC Show Directors for the shows.

Ownership/Ear Tag/Entry, Classification and DNA Validation of Livestock:

1. Exhibitors must purchase an 840 USDA Official (All-in-One) EID ear tag matched set for all market or commercial animals (except for commercial dairy heifers and goats) through the State 4-H Livestock Office. These animals must be ear tagged prior to making entry and the EID tag number must match what was entered at the time of show or that animal will be disqualified. In addition, all other ear tags must be removed from market animals excluding official show

tags. The Extension Agent or agricultural education teacher must verify all market and commercial animals are under the exhibitor's supervision by the following dates.

2. Classification/DNA Collection Week, September 11 to 13, 2023
 - a. Monday, September 11: Hattiesburg – 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.
 - b. Tuesday, September 12: Raymond – 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.
 - c. Wednesday, September 13: Greenwood – 8:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.
 - d. Wednesday, September 13: Oxford – 2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.
 - e. Thursday, September 14: Verona – 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon
 - Livestock to be classified for the Fair, District, and DNJR and hair sample collected for DNA validation purposes:
 - Market steers; commercial beef heifers; market hair sheep; breeding hair sheep
 - Livestock to have hair sample collected for the Fair, District, and DNJR:
 - Market hogs for Fair; market lambs; wether dams; market goats; commercial meat goat does
3. Classification/DNA Collection Week, December 11 to 14, 2023
 - a. Monday, December 11: Hattiesburg – 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.
 - b. Tuesday, December 12: Raymond – 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.
 - c. Wednesday, December 13: Greenwood – 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.
 - d. Thursday, December 14: Oxford – 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon
 - Livestock to be classified for the District and DNJR and hair sample collected for DNA validation purposes:
 - New entries for commercial beef heifers and breeding hair sheep
 - Livestock to have hair sample collected for the District and DNJR:
 - All hogs (gilts; MS bred barrows; market hogs); new entries for wether dams, breeding hair sheep, and commercial meat goat does
4. Classification of all swine for the DNJR (refer to DNJR schedule for times):
 - a. Commercial gilts: Monday, January 30, 2024
 - b. Market hogs: Wednesday, February 1, 2024

General Show Rules that apply to Multiple/All Shows:

1. Top 3 in divisions of market shows at the DNJR.
 - a) Each division in the DNJR Market Shows should select a top 3 within the division. The purpose of this selection is to ensure that in the event the Champion or Reserve Champion is disqualified before the sale, there will be an alternate to fill those sale slots in the DNJR Sale of Champions.
2. **Top 5 Selection of Animals**
 - a) **For junior livestock shows at the Fair or DNJR where a sponsor has awards for the selection of Top 5 animals in any given show, all champions (breed/breed-type/weight division/etc.) will compete for the Top 5. Reserve champions are allowed to compete once that champion has been selected in the Top 5 for that show.**
3. 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.
4. If a breed (breeding or market) shows fewer than 10 animals for 2 consecutive years at the Fair or DNJR, 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 in the other breeds classification, then that breed will receive a separate (breeding or market) classification the following year.
5. There shall be no more than 15 animals in a class (breeding; market; showmanship). If a 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.
6. 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.
7. The first and second place animals in each class of market animals, commercial beef heifers, wether dams, commercial gilts, commercial meat goat does, and breeding hair sheep 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. All registered beef and dairy breeding animals must be accompanied by original registration certificate or current electronic verification through the breed association's database showing that animal is owned by the junior exhibitor. Such certificate will be checked for 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.
9. No adult, other than ring staff, show officials, and judge, are allowed in show ring.
10. 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 agricultural education teachers, 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.

11. 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.
12. Animals which are not properly trained and under the control of the exhibitor may be dismissed from the show ring.
13. Exhibitors must show their own animal in showmanship classes and animals must be properly entered in their respective show.
14. Any exhibitor, parent, or anyone helping to fit their animal, 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.
15. Arrival and release times are determined by the show management and the Mississippi State Fair Commission to make the best use of available space and to provide the best possible show for all exhibitors, and the public. Exhibitors are expected to keep their livestock on display until designated release time.
16. Decisions of judges will be final. No person may ask the judge to reverse their decision.
17. Ribbons will be awarded as designated in the catalog.
18. 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.
19. Exhibitors will be expected to furnish feed and necessary equipment.
20. 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.

Showmanship:

1. Exhibitors in each type of market or commercial animal class may enter that species showmanship classes.
 - a. Beef cattle showmanship: steers; commercial heifers; beef breeding cattle
 - b. Dairy cattle showmanship: commercial dairy heifers and cows; registered dairy cattle
 - c. Commercial gilt showmanship: commercial gilts
 - d. Swine showmanship: market hogs; MS bred barrows
 - e. Meat goat showmanship: market goats; commercial meat goat does
 - f. Registered breeding Boer doe showmanship: registered breeding Boer does
 - g. Lamb showmanship: market lambs; wether dams
 - h. Hair sheep showmanship: market hair sheep; breeding hair sheep
 - i. Dairy goat showmanship: commercial dairy goats; registered dairy goats
2. Exhibitors must show his/her own animal and that animal must be entered in that junior breeding or market show.
3. The age of the exhibitor entering showmanship classes will be determined by his/her age as of January 1 of the current show year.
4. Showmanship entries must be pre-registered. Entries must be completed by Extension Agent/agricultural education teacher for exhibitors under their direct supervision. Exhibitors will be assigned into heats for each class as needed.

Protests:

1. All protests must be made on an official protest form available at the livestock show office and sealed in an envelope with protest fees. Show officials will sign the seal to ensure it is not opened until rules committee meeting. 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. All submitted protests will be announced over the public address system, but the name of the person filing the protest will be kept confidential. Protests regarding the eligibility of an exhibitor and his/her animal(s) to participate in the shows, not requiring carcass inspection and/or laboratory tests, must be accompanied by a \$300 cash deposit (which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained) and submitted to the show manager before the start of that show. Once the show has started, no animal will be removed from the show but may be disqualified (awards forfeited) at any point after the show. Protests that involve unethical fitting, grooming, or exhibition of livestock must be accompanied by a \$300 cash deposit (which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained) and submitted to the show manager before the conclusion of that show. 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. Once protest has been filed, the decision to protest is final. No protest may be withdrawn once it has been properly filed.

Barn Rules:

1. Exhibitors of livestock are required to keep the area occupied by them (stalls, pens, aisles) neat and attractive. 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 the General Show Rules applicable to all shows.
2. 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

3. No scooters, roller skates, roller blades, skateboards, bicycles, motorized scooters, or hover boards will be allowed in the barn except for equipment for the handicapped.
4. No electric power generators are allowed in the livestock stall barns.
5. 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) to prevent a hazard to persons or animals. Persons using fans assume all responsibility.
6. All aisles must remain open for safety and ease of moving animals in the barns.
7. No dogs are allowed in any barn or building on the show grounds. Exception: Designated service animals as defined by dogs which are aiding the handicapped.
8. 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.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. Mississippi Fair Commission Rule:
 - a. Officials of the State Fire Marshal's Office have worked very closely with the staff of the Mississippi Fair Commission to help ensure your safety and enjoyment while at the fairgrounds.
 - b. 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:
 - i. All heating devices used in livestock buildings must be UL approved and equipped with an oxygen shutoff sensor (ODS) and auto shutoff.
 - ii. No heating or cooking fuels can be stored in barns.
 - iii. Any cooking devices left unattended will be removed from barns.
 - iv. No charcoal grills or smokestack type heaters that use any type of liquid fuel will be allowed in the barns.
 - v. All cooking and heating devices must be kept away from hay or other flammable materials.

Stall and Pen Assignments:

1. Show Management will make all stall and pen assignments. Reserving stalls and pens will not be allowed! Check with Show Management upon arrival for your assignments. All stall and pen assignments will be posted outside the show office and in the sheep and swine barns.
2. All livestock must be penned by designated times.
3. All livestock must remain in their assigned pens or stalls 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. Livestock are subject to inspection at any time by show management, MS Fair Commission, and/or the Rules Committee once they are taken to tie-outs, if applicable. These tie-outs include any pens built by exhibitors that are panels, panels covered by tarps, and/or panels that are round or surrounded by trailers.
4. All livestock will be released after showing and must be removed from the stalls and pens.

Selection of Judges:

1. A committee will be formed to select judges for the Fair and DNJR. The committee will consist of the following members: Chair of the committee is the Head of the MSU Department of Animal and Dairy Sciences; an appointed MSU Extension Service employee; an appointed agricultural education teacher; and the MS Fair Commission Livestock Director. This committee will be known as the Judge Selection Committee. Judges will be announced for both shows from this committee by April 1 each year unless the date is extended by a vote of the Judge Selection Committee. If a judge is unable to serve, the Judge Selection Committee has the authority to hire a replacement judge.

Qualifying Animals for the DNJR:

1. An exhibitor must earn a blue ribbon with each animal exhibited at their district livestock show based on the 4-H club or FFA chapter in which they participate. Only junior exhibitors may compete in the DNJR Show. There will be no exceptions to this rule.

Photography

1. Please be aware that the Mississippi State University Extension Service has contracted with a professional livestock photography firm to serve as the official show photographer for this show. As part of their contract, this photography firm has exclusive rights to take photos for sale or distribution to the public. These sales provide their primary income from the show. Show participants, families, and visitors may take photos for their own private use. Please do not make such photos available for public download. Violation of this policy could make professional livestock photographers unwilling to work with us in the future.

Liability of Exhibitors:

1. All property of every character entered for competition, display, or other purpose, or being anywhere in the fair- grounds, shall be subjected to the control of the fair management.
2. 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:

1. No claim for injury to any person or property shall ever be asserted, no suit instituted or maintained against the Mississippi State Fair or 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.
2. 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 Mississippi State Fair or 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 Mississippi State Fair or Dixie National.

Livestock Liability Bill:

1. **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.

General Premiums and Awards:

1. **Clean Aisle Awards:** 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 considered 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

2. **Dixie National Junior Round-Up 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**

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

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Beef Cattle Division

Superintendents

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Ownership/Entry Dates:

1. Market steers: September 1, 2023, for the District and DNJR
2. Commercial beef heifers: December 1, 2023, for District and DNJR
3. Beef breeding cattle: December 1, 2023, for District and DNJR

2024 Dixie National Jr. Roundup Show Dates:

1. Market Steer: Sunday, February 4, 10 AM
2. Commercial Heifers: Sunday, February 4, 2:30 PM or 30 minutes after Steer Show (if it runs late)
3. Beef Showmanship: Monday, February 5, 8 AM
4. Beef Breeding Bull Show: Monday, February 5, 1:30 PM
5. Beef Breeding Heifer Show: Tuesday, February 6, 8 AM

2024 DNJR Deadlines for Entry at Show using Check-in App:

At the time of check-in at the DNJR, all jointly owned animals must be changed to a single entry in the app so that the FFA or 4-H youth in that joint ownership will be declared as the individual who will show each animal in that show. The following list summarizes when weights are to be declared for market/commercial beef heifers and when beef breeding cattle are to be checked-in, along with uploading the 60-day 4-H Animal Health Record Form.

1. Market steers: declare show weight by 3 PM on Saturday, February 3
2. Commercial beef heifers: declare show weight by 3 PM on Saturday, February 3
3. Beef breeding: declare animals at show by 3 PM on Sunday, February 4
4. Beef showmanship: declare intent to participate in Beef Showmanship by 3 PM on Sunday, February 4

Beef Cattle Showmanship

1. All showmanship rules listed in the General Rules apply for Beef Cattle Showmanship in addition to the ones listed below.
2. There will be only one beef showmanship contest. Any exhibitor showing a market steer, commercial beef heifer, or registered beef animal is eligible to participate.
3. Exhibitors will check-in for beef showmanship on the dates and times listed above.
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.
6. Top 5 Beef Showmanship Awards will be given at the DNJR. Sponsors will be listed in those premium books. All beef cattle showmanship winners from the 8-18-year-old classes will compete for the overall awards sponsored by Fenton Farms Simmentals, Buse Family Farms, 3M Simmentals, Maske Ranch, 3P Cattle, Todd Show Cattle, Old Bay Farms, Punkin Ridge Herefords, Gibson Cattle Company, Upton Farms, FWH Farms, Bar H Farms, RS Cattle, and Ethan & Chelsea Hodges.
7. Beef Showmanship Classes:
 - a. Ring One: Ages 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
 - b. Ring Two: Ages 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18

Premiums for Beef Showmanship

1st Place: \$15; 2nd Place: \$12; 3rd Place: \$10; 4th Place: \$8; 5th to 10th Place: \$5.
Increased showmanship premiums are dependent upon funding availability.

Trophies for Beef Showmanship

Courtesy of Andy Gipson, Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce

Eric Biedenharn Beef Showmanship Scholarship

The Dixie National Booster Club, Inc. sponsors a \$1,200 academic scholarship to the Champion 2024 **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.

Rules Applying to Market Steers, Commercial Beef Heifers, and/or Beef Breeding Cattle

General Rules:

1. Review the General Rules and Regulations for all exhibitors and animals listed elsewhere in this premium book. These rules and regulations will apply in the Market Steers, Commercial Beef Heifers, & Beef Breeding Cattle Shows.
2. All beef cattle (beef breeding, commercial beef heifers, and steers) will be shown with a leather, nylon, or coated cable show halter in the show ring. No rope halters or rope leads will be allowed by exhibitors in the show ring. Show Management or Livestock Committee Leadership/Ring Stewards reserve the right to decide what constitutes acceptable show equipment and how the equipment is being used by the exhibitor.
3. Steers, commercial heifers, and beef breeding animals will be released after showing.
4. When a beef breeding heifer or commercial beef 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.

Scales for Market Steers and Commercial Beef Heifers:

1. Certified scales will be available for weighing market steers and commercial beef heifers as outlined in the schedule. Each breed designated will be divided into weight breaks as nearly equal in number as possible.

Classification Guidelines of Market Steers and Commercial Beef Heifers:

1. Refer to the Ownership/Ear Tag/Entry, Classification and DNA Validation of Livestock Section in the General Show Rules for classification dates.
2. Steers and 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. **European Breeds Cross**

Exhibition:

1. All bulls being shown at the DNJR livestock show must have a permanent nose ring with the exhibitor having the nose lead in hand when leading the bull anywhere on the fairgrounds
2. Nose leads will not be allowed when showing market steers, beef breeding, and commercial beef heifers

Horn Length for Market Steers and Commercial Beef Heifers:

1. Market steers and commercial beef heifers must be polled or dehorned with no scurs or re-growth to exceed 1½ inches above the skin line. For the DNJR, horn length will be checked at the District Shows to qualify for the DNJR.

Stalling:

1. 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. All livestock that arrive before assigned stalls are available may remain on the trailer until the designated arrival deadline, by which time those animals are not permitted to remain on a trailer.
2. No grooming chutes allowed in beef barn until all cattle are stalled. Show management will assign areas where grooming chutes can be placed

Market Steer Rules and Regulations

Nominations:

1. Exhibitors can nominate the number of steers they desire. At the DNJR, the number of steers that one can check-in and exhibit is three (3), provided that at the DNJR one steer is Mississippi Bred; if not, only two (2) steers can be checked-in and exhibited. Nomination forms are due in the County Extension office by the dates listed in the Beef Cattle Division Section above. Nomination forms must be submitted by the Extension Agent or agricultural education teacher verifying all steers are under their supervision.
2. Exhibitors in the steer show may enter beef showmanship classes at the time of entry and confirm participation in showmanship using the online check-in app at the show

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 in the General Rules for additional information.

Weight Requirements of Market Steers:

1. For the DNJR, the minimum weight of steers is 1,000 pounds.
2. Declaration of steer weights for the Fair and DNJR will follow the dates/times listed in the Beef Cattle Division Section above.

Hair Rule for DNJR:

1. For steers to be eligible for the market steer show at the 2024 DNJR, 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 2024 DNJR. 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 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 3.

Market Steer Shows:

1. Order of Show: English; American; LTWT European; HVYWT European.

Premiums For Market Steers: 1st Place: \$50; 2nd Place: \$45; 3rd Place: \$40; all others receive equal premiums

Champion and Reserve Champion Steer Plaques and Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Steer Trophies

Sponsored by the Mississippi Fair Commission

Commercial Beef Heifer Show Rules and Regulations

Nominations:

1. Registered heifers are not eligible for the commercial beef heifer show.
2. Exhibitors are allowed to nominate the number of animals they desire. At the DNJR, the number of animals that one can check-in/weigh-in and exhibit include a total of six (6) commercial beef heifers in addition to (3) beef breeding animals. An exhibitor can show no more than nine (9) beef animals (beef breeding animals and commercial beef heifers combined), with no more than six (6) being beef breeding animals in some combination with commercial beef heifers, or no more than six (6) being beef heifers in some combination with beef breeding animals. Nomination forms are due in the County Extension office by the dates listed in the Beef Cattle Division Section above. Nomination forms must be submitted by the Extension Agent or Agriculture education teacher verifying all commercial beef heifers are under their supervision.
3. Exhibitors in the commercial beef heifer show may enter beef showmanship classes at the time of entry and confirm participation in showmanship using the online check-in app at the show.

Age of commercial beef heifers:

1. Age of commercial beef heifers will be determined by milk teeth. 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. Heifers that are eligible for District based on mouthing will be eligible for the DNJR

Weight Requirements of Commercial Beef Heifers:

1. For the Fair and DNJR, the minimum weight of commercial beef heifers is 500 pounds.
2. Declaration of commercial beef heifer weights for the Fair and DNJR will follow the dates/times listed in the Beef Cattle Division Section above.

Order of Show:

1. Breeds are shown by weight in the following order (will utilize two concurrently running rings):
 - a. Ring one – English
 - b. Ring two – European; American
2. The Supreme Champion Commercial Beef Heifer and Reserve Champion Commercial Beef Heifer will be selected from the Grand and Reserve Champions from the divisions listed above. The Supreme Champion Commercial Beef Heifer will not be eligible to compete for the Supreme Beef Heifer against the Beef Breeding Heifer Breed Champions
 - a. The exhibitor of the Supreme Champion Commercial Beef Heifer will receive a scholarship from the Sale of Junior Champions.

Premiums for Commercial Beef Heifers: 1st Place: \$35; 2nd Place: \$30; 3rd Place: \$25; all others receive equal premiums

Champion and Reserve Champion Commercial Beef Heifer Plaques, Supreme Champion Commercial Beef Heifer Trophy and Banner, and Reserve Supreme Champion Commercial Beef Heifer Plaque and Banner

Sponsored by Mississippi Beef Council and Mississippi Livestock Council

Junior Beef Breeding Show Rules and Regulations

Registration Certificates:

1. All breeding cattle must positively be accompanied by an original registration certificate from a breed association showing that same animal is owned by the junior exhibitor. Animals without registration certificates will not be permitted to show. Registered beef breeding animals are permitted to show in Other Breeds if they have a set of registration papers, (even though they are not allowed in the breed they have registered papers in). All beef breeding animals will show under the classification that falls under each respective breed associations sponsored show (Jr. National Show, if applicable). Any registered beef animal without a breed show will be allowed to show in Other Breeds. AOB will be split into Brahman, Non-Brahman, and Miniature Divisions. Exhibitors much check in their beef breeding cattle using the online web app check-in process by the date/time listed in that show's premium book
2. Mississippi youth livestock shows must adopt any breed association's rules regarding fitting and grooming provided that the 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

Nominations:

1. Exhibitors are allowed to nominate the number of animals they desire. At the DNJR, the number of animals that one can check-in/weigh-in and exhibit include a total of six (6) commercial beef heifers in addition to (3) beef breeding animals. An exhibitor can show no more than nine (9) beef animals (beef breeding animals and commercial beef heifers combined), with no more than six (6) being beef breeding animals in some combination with commercial beef heifers, or no more than six (6) being beef heifers in some combination with beef breeding animals. Nomination forms are due in the County Extension office by the dates listed in the Beef Cattle Division Section above. Nomination forms must be submitted by the Extension Agent or agricultural education teacher verifying all commercial beef heifers are under their supervision.
2. Exhibitors in the beef breeding show may enter beef showmanship classes at the time of entry and confirm participation in showmanship using the online check-in app at the show..

Identification:

1. Breeding cattle must have a legible and correct tattoo or brand. Tattoo in ear of breeding cattle or brand may be checked.
2. Any beef breeding animal not having a legible tattoo, correct tattoo, or brand will be disqualified.

Beef Breeding Shows at DNJR:

(will utilize two concurrently running rings; order of breeds in each ring will be determined following check-in)

1. Beef Breeds at Dixie National Junior Round-Up: Shorthorn, Red Angus, Other Breeds (Non-American Influence), Other Breeds (American Influence), Other Breeds (Miniature), Angus, Star 5, Hereford, Brangus, Gelbvieh, Charolais, Simmental, Grey Brahman, Red Brahman, Santa Gertrudis, Percentage Simmental, Simbrah, and Beefmaster
2. Beef Breeding animals will be shown by age.

Heifer Classes offered at the 2024 Dixie National Jr Roundup

- a. Late Summer Heifer Calf – born July 1, 2023, and after

- b. Early Summer Heifer Calf – born May 1 to June 30, 2023
- c. Winter Heifer Calf – born March 1 to April 30, 2023
- d. Junior Heifer Calf – born January 1 to February 28, 2023
- e. Late Senior Heifer Calf – born November 1 to December 31, 2022
- f. Early Senior Heifer Calf – born September 1 to October 31, 2022
- g. Late Summer Yearling Heifer – born July 1 to August 31, 2022
- h. Early Summer Yearling Heifer – born May 1 to June 30, 2022
- i. Late Junior Yearling Heifer – born March 1 to April 30, 2022
- j. Early Junior Yearling Heifer – born January 1 to February 28, 2022
- k. Champion Heifer (1st place winners competing)
- l. Reserve Champion Heifer (2nd place winner from same class as Champion eligible to show for Reserve)

Bull Classes offered at the 2024 Dixie National Jr Roundup

- a. Late Summer Bull Calf – born July 1, 2023, and after
- b. Early Summer Bull Calf – born May 1 to June 30, 2023
- c. Winter Bull Calf – born March 1 to April 30, 2023
- d. Junior Bull Calf – born January 1 to February 28, 2023
- e. Late Senior Bull Calf – born November 1 to December 31, 2022
- f. Early Senior Bull Calf – born September 1 to October 31, 2022
- g. Late Summer Yearling Bull – born July 1 to August 31, 2022
- h. Early Summer Yearling Bull – born May 1 to June 30, 2022
- i. Late Junior Yearling Bull – born March 1 to April 30, 2022
- j. Early Junior Yearling Bull – born January 1 to February 28, 2022
- k. Champion Bull (1st place winners competing)
- l. Reserve Champion Bull (2nd place winner from same class as Champion eligible to show for Reserve)

- 3. Breed Champions will be selected from the class 1st place winners. The 2nd place winner from the class the Breed Champion was selected from will be eligible to compete for the Reserve Breed Champion.
- 4. All Breed Champions will compete for the TOP 5 Beef Breeding Heifers and Bulls. Reserve Breed Champions are allowed to compete once that Breed Champion has been selected in the Top 5 Beef Breeding Heifers and Bulls.

Champion and Reserve Champion Heifer and Bull Plaques and Banners

Sponsored by the following: Mississippi Angus Association; Southeast Beefmaster Breeders Association; Mississippi Brahman Association; Mississippi Brangus Association; Mississippi Hereford Association; Mississippi Simmental/Simbrah Association; Mississippi Gelbvieh Association; B & D Awards Co.; Mississippi Beef Council; Mississippi Livestock Council; B&B Cattle Co.; Ridge Point Ranch; Stegall Farms; Ware Farms

Supreme Beef Heifer (Champion Heifers of each breed competing) and Supreme Beef Bull (Champion Bulls of each breed competing)

The exhibitor of the Supreme Beef Heifer and Supreme Beef Bull will receive a scholarship from the Sale of Junior Champions.

Supreme Beef Heifer & Supreme Beef Bull Trophies and Banners

Sponsored by Mac Johnson Family

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

Premiums for Beef Breeding Show

1st Place: \$35; 2nd Place: \$30; 3rd Place: \$25; all others receive equal premiums.

Special Considerations for Beef Breeding Shows

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 30 minutes prior to the start of Beef Showmanship 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.

Beefmaster

- 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

Gelbvieh

- The Mississippi Gelbvieh Association will be provide awards and prizes for MS Bred winners.

Hereford

- 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.

Simmental/Simbrah

- 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.

MS Bred Barrows, Market Hog & Commercial Gilt Divisions

Superintendents

Thomas Brewer, MSU Extension – Jefferson Davis County
Bubba Vandever, MSU Extension – Yazoo County
Alex Deason, MSU Extension – Sunflower County

Ownership/Entry Dates:

1. District and DNJR market hogs, commercial gilts, and MS bred barrows: December 1, 2023.

2024 Dixie National Jr. Roundup Show Dates

1. Commercial Gilts: Wednesday, January 31, 9 AM
2. Commercial Gilt Showmanship: Wednesday, January 31, 15 minutes after Commercial Gilt Show
All commercial gilts and equipment in all pens MUST be removed at the conclusion of Commercial Gilt Showmanship so the facility can be cleaned for the arrival of market hogs.
3. Market Hog Showmanship: Friday, February 2, 9 AM
4. MS Bred Barrows: Friday, February 2, 15 minutes after Swine Showmanship
5. Market Hogs: Saturday, February 3, 8 AM

2024 DNJR Deadlines for Entry at Show using Check-in App

At the time of check-in at the DNJR, all jointly owned animals must be changed to a single entry in the app so that the FFA or 4-H youth in that joint ownership will be declared as the individual who will show each animal in that show. The following list summarizes when weights are to be declared for commercial gilts, MS bred barrows, and market hogs, along with uploading the 60-day Animal Health Record Form.

1. Commercial gilts: declare show weight by 3 PM on Tuesday, January 30
2. Commercial gilt showmanship: declare intent to participate in Commercial Gilt Showmanship by 3 PM on Tuesday, January 30
3. MS Bred Barrows: declare show weight by 4 PM on Thursday, February 1
4. Market Hog Showmanship: declare intent to participate in Market Hog Showmanship by 4 PM on Thursday, February 1
5. Market hogs: declare show weight by 9 AM on Friday, February 2

Swine and Commercial Gilt Showmanship

1. All showmanship rules listed in the General Rules apply for Swine and Commercial Gilt Showmanship in addition to the ones listed below.
2. Exhibitors will check-in for showmanship at the Fair (swine showmanship) and the DNJR (commercial gilt showmanship and market hog showmanship) on the dates and times listed above.
3. Exhibitor in showmanship classes must show his/her own animal.
 - a. For Commercial Gilt Showmanship at the DNJR, the exhibitor must have a commercial gilt checked-in to the Commercial Gilt Show.
 - b. For Swine Showmanship at the DNJR, the exhibitor must have a hog checked-in to either the Market Hog Show or MS Bred Barrow Show.
4. Top 5 Overall Commercial Gilt Showmanship Awards will be given at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up. All commercial gilt showmanship winners from the 8- to 17–18-year-old classes will compete for the overall awards sponsored by Delta Crop & Research and RAK Farms (Roy Long).
5. Top 5 Swine Showmanship Awards will be given at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up. All swine showmanship winners from the 8-18-year-old classes will compete for the overall awards sponsored by Kirkland Genetics and Holland Show Pigs.
6. Showmanship Classes:
 - a. Commercial Gilt Showmanship Classes at the DNJR: Ages 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17-18
 - b. Swine Showmanship Classes at the DNJR: Ages 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17-18

Premiums for Market Hog Showmanship

1st Place: \$15; 2nd Place: \$12; 3rd Place: \$10; 4th Place: \$8; 5th to 10th Place: \$5.
Increased showmanship premiums are dependent upon funding availability.

Market Hog Showmanship Plaques

Courtesy of Andy Gipson, Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce

Commercial Gilt Showmanship Scholarship

The Dixie National Booster Club, Inc. sponsors a \$1,200 academic scholarship to the Champion 2024 **graduating senior** commercial gilt 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.

Dr. Ben Clower Swine Showmanship Scholarship

The Dixie National Booster Club, Inc. sponsors a \$1,200 academic scholarship to the Champion 2024 **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

Rules Applying to MS Bred Barrows, Market Hogs, and Commercial Gilt

General Rules

1. Review the General Rules and Regulations for all exhibitors and animals listed elsewhere in this premium book. These rules and regulations will apply in the Market Hogs, Commercial Gilt, & MS Bred Barrow Shows.
2. All swine will be released after showing. **All commercial gilts and equipment must be removed from all pens at the conclusion of the Commercial Gilt Show so the facility can be cleaned for the market hog shows.**
3. 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 all swine shows.
4. Swine exhibitors showing market hogs, commercial gilts and/or MS Bred barrows are required to have a **premise ID** number at the time of entry.
5. Only authorized/approved ring workers or show personnel are allowed in the holding area (class make-up pen) at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up Swine Show.

District/Dixie National Jr. Roundup Eligibility

1. All swine must be nominated and ear tagged. Nomination forms are due in the County Extension office by the dates listed below. Nomination forms must be submitted by the Extension Agent or agricultural education teacher verifying all hogs under their supervision. District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up deadline: December 1, 2023

Scales and Weigh-backs

1. Certified scales will be available for weighing swine as outlined in the schedule. Exhibitors must declare the show weight of their swine using the online web app check-in process by the given time and day.

Grooming

1. Show Management strongly discourages clipping of hogs on the fairgrounds.
2. Show Management discourages the use of oil on pigs for this show.

Classification and Class Criteria

1. At the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, all market hogs and commercial gilts will be classified. Hogs must not be freshly painted when going through the classification process.
 - a. Commercial gilts (except for crosses) will be classified from 10 AM to 1 PM on Tuesday, January 30, 2024.
 - b. Market hogs (including all crosses who will be classified as a light or dark cross) will be classified from 9 AM to 3 PM on Thursday, February 1, 2024.
 - c. MS Bred Barrows are not classified.
2. All breeds of swine showing in the market hog and commercial gilt shows must be classified according to breed characteristics below except for crossbred commercial gilts and barrows entered in the Mississippi Bred Barrow Show. Swine that are not taken to be classified during the designated classification time will show in a crossbred class. If you have a breed, such as Berkshire, that will show in Other Breeds in the market hog show, you must get these swine classified to build numbers for a potential breed show in future years. The decision of the Classification Judge or Committee will be final and classification changes will be posted outside the swine show office. Classification criteria are based on the National Swine Registry Guidelines as follows.
 - **Hampshire**
 - o 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.
 - o Must possess Hampshire Breed character (ears must be erect and not rounded)
 - o 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.
 - o Must not have any white hair above the hock.
 - o Must not have any white hair past the navel.
 - o Must not have any red hair.
 - **Yorkshire**
 - o Must be white and possess Yorkshire Breed character (ears must be erect).
 - o Must not have any colored hair other than white.
 - o All colored skin pigmentation combined cannot be larger than one U.S. minted ½ dollar.

- **Duroc**
 - o Must be red and possess Duroc Breed character (ears must be down and medium size).
 - o Must not have any white hair located on the animal.
 - o All black skin pigmentation combined cannot be larger than one U.S. minted ½ dollar.
 - o Must not have any shading or indication of a belt.
- **Chester White**
 - o Must possess Chester White Breed character.
 - o Must be solid white, combined skin pigmentation other than white cannot be larger than one U.S. minted ½dollar.
 - o Ears must be down and medium size.
- **Spotted**
 - o Must be black and white.
 - o Must possess Spotted Breed character.
 - o Ears must not be erect.
 - o Any red tinted or sandy brown spots are ineligible.
 - o No distinct white belt pattern (hair or skin) encircling and extending down and onto each shoulder.
- **Hereford**
 - o 50% white face (starting at the top of the forehead extending down to and including the nose, mouth, eyes, and jawbone line), 50% red body, at least two white feet (white must go all the way around the foot).
 - o Ears must not be erect.
 - o There shall be no white over the back beyond the shoulder blade with exception of a splash or drip, with no connecting belt anywhere on the body. This does not include the neck.
- **Crossbred** (note: the Light and Dark Cross Champions will compete for Champion Crossbred Market Hog.)
 - o Light Cross
 - Any pigs with sandy, rusty, orange, roan, gray, blue, or white pigmentation.
 - o Dark Cross
 - With black and/or red pigmentation (i.e., not sandy, rusty, orange, roan, gray, or blue) comprising at least 20% of total body area.
 - May be black or red belted, black/red patched or spotted.
 - Excluded solid white and blue.
- **Other Breed Division**
 - **Berkshire**
 - o A black and white animal with erect ears, possessing Berkshire characteristics.
 - o Color pattern is black with a possible six white points (face, feet, tail)
 - o No spotted or mottling pattern.
 - o No white belts from the ear to the tail.
 - o Only accepted skin color is black and white; no red or sandy colored skin.
 - o Upright ears.
 - o Tip of tail must be white unless docked, nothing past the top to be any color other than black.
 - o Three of the four feet must be white.
 - o Occasional splash of white may appear on the body.
 - o Must NOT have:
 - Solid white or solid black face from the ears forward.
 - Solid black nose (rim of nose).
 - Solid white ear, although white is allowed on the ears.
 - **Landrace**
 - o Must be white in color and possess Landrace breed character (ears must be down).
 - o Must NOT allow any color hair other than white.
 - o Must NOT allow more than three spots of skin pigmentation.
 - o Must NOT allow any spot of skin pigmentation larger than one U.S. minted quarter.
 - o Must NOT have evidence of an extra dewclaw.
 - **Poland China**
 - o Must possess Poland China breed characteristics.
 - o Must have ears down.
 - o Must not have evidence of a belt formation of either white or white skin encircling and touching the points of the shoulder extending down on both sides of animal to the depth of the elbow pocket.
 - o Cannot have red or sandy hair/and or pigment.
 - o Must be black with a possible six white points (face, feet, and switch).
 - o **An occasional splash of white on the body is permissible.
 - o **A hog may not possess more than one (1) solid black leg and be determined as a Poland China.

3. Class size in the Market Hog Show should not exceed 15 hogs in a class. Weight divisions will be utilized for some breeds in the Market Hog as needed based on the number of classes within that breed. Divisions should consist of 4-5 classes and there should not be more than four divisions per breed. Division Champions and Reserve Division Champions in the Market Hog Show are for recognition only and do not garner a sale slot or extra awards/premiums.

Market Hog Rules and Regulations

Nominations:

1. Exhibitors can nominate the number of swine 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. A hog that shows in the Market Hog Show at District must show in the Market Hog Show at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up. Animals must show at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up in the same market hog breed class as they qualified at the district show unless re-classed by the classifier. Nomination forms are due in the County Extension office by the dates listed below. Nomination forms must be submitted by the Extension Agent or agricultural education teacher verifying all market hogs are under their supervision. The entry deadline for District and DNJR is December 1, 2023.
2. For the DNJR, exhibitors in the market hog show must enter swine showmanship at the time of entry and confirm participation in showmanship using the online check-in app at the show.

Market Hog Breeds and Order of Show

1. 2024 Dixie National Junior Round-Up: Spotted; Chester; Hereford; Duroc; Hampshire; Yorkshire; Crosses (Light Division and Dark Division to compete for Champion and Reserve Champion Crossbred); Other Breeds.

Premiums for Market Hog Show: 1st Place: \$30; 2nd Place: \$25; 3rd Place: \$20; all others receive equal premiums.

Champion and Reserve Champion Market Hog Awards and Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog Awards

Sponsored by the Mississippi Pork Producers Association

Weight Limits

1. The minimum weight for market hogs is 200 pounds with no maximum weight. Declaration of market hog weights will follow the dates/times listed in the MS Bred Barrows, Market Hog & Commercial Gilt Division Section above.

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 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.
5. Judging
 - a. All pigs entered in the MS Bred Swine Shows will be judged within their respective classes during the regular class judging.
 - b. 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.
 - c. A MS Bred Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected for the barrow division of the Dixie National Junior Round-Up.
 - d. 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.
 - e. 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.

- f. 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.
- g. 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.
- h. 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.

Premiums for MS Bred Swine: 1st Place: \$40; 2nd Place: \$30; 3rd Place: \$20; 4th Place: \$10; 5th Place: \$10.

Premiums for MS Bred Market Hogs are to be paid for the top five MS Bred Market Hogs as listed above, provided they do not place below 10th place in the regular show.

Breed Champions and Reserve Champions: MS Bred Breed Champions: \$100; MS Bred Breed Reserve Champions: \$75

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

Mississippi Bred Barrow Show

Nominations

1. Exhibitors can nominate the number of swine 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. Nomination forms are due in the County Extension office by the dates listed below. Nomination forms must be submitted by the Extension Agent or agricultural education teacher verifying all MS Bred Barrows are under their supervision. The entry deadline for District and DNJR is December 1, 2023.
2. For the DNJR, exhibitors in the MS Bred Barrow show may enter swine showmanship at the time of entry and confirm participation in showmanship using the online check-in app at the show.
3. 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.

Weight Limits

1. The minimum weight of MS Bred Barrows is 200 pounds with a maximum weight of 290 pounds. Barrows over 290 pounds will be allowed to show in their respective breed class in the DNJR Market Hog Show. Declaration of MS Bred barrow weights will follow the dates/times listed in the MS Bred Barrows, Market Hog & Commercial Gilt Division Section above.

Barrow Rules

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. Entries for the Mississippi Bred Barrow Show at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up must have qualified at their respective district show.
6. 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.
7. Neither the Champion nor the Reserve Champion MS Bred Barrow is eligible to compete for the MS Bred Over- all Champion or Overall Reserve Champion of the market hog 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 Champion and Reserve Champion: MS Bred Champion Barrow \$500; MS Bred Reserve Champion Barrow \$300

Commercial Gilt Rules and Regulations

Nominations

1. Exhibitors can nominate the number of swine they desire. Exhibitors are allowed to nominate the number of animals they desire. At the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the number of commercial gilts that one can check-in/weigh-in and exhibit is three (3; provided that one of the three is tagged Mississippi Bred); if not, only two (2) gilts can be checked-in/ weighed-in and exhibited. A gilt that shows in the Commercial Gilt Show at District must show in the Commercial Gilt Show at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up. Nomination forms are due in the County Extension office by the dates listed below. Nomination forms must be submitted by the Extension Agent or agricultural education teacher verifying all commercial gilts are under their supervision. The entry deadline for District and DNJR is December 1, 2023.
2. Exhibitors in the commercial gilt show may only enter gilt showmanship at the time of entry and confirm participation in showmanship using the online check-in app at the show.

Weigh Limits

1. The minimum weight of commercial gilts is 200 pounds with a maximum weight of 340 pounds. Declaration of commercial gilt weights for the DNJR will follow the dates/times listed in the MS Bred Barrows, Market Hog & Commercial Gilt Division Section above.

Commercial Gilt Divisions and Order of Show

1. 2024 Dixie National Junior Round-Up Divisions include: Down Ear Division (Duroc, Spotted, Chester White, Hereford gilts); Up Ear Division (Hampshire, Yorkshire, Berkshire gilts); and Crosses and Other Breeds Division. The exhibitor of the Grand Champion Commercial Gilt will receive a scholarship from the Sale of Junior Champions.

Premiums for Commercial Gilt Show: 1st Place: \$30; 2nd Place: \$25; 3rd Place: \$20; all others receive equal premiums.

Champion and Reserve Champion Commercial Gilt Awards

Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog Awards

Sponsored by the Magnolia Swine Circuit

Market Lamb, Market Hair Sheep, Wether Dams, & Breeding Hair Sheep

Superintendents

Brandon Alberson, MSU Extension – Tippah County
Alex Shook, MSU Extension – Pearl River County

Ownership/Entry Dates:

1. Market lambs: September 1, 2023, for District and DNJR
2. Wether dams: December 1, 2023, for District and DNJR
3. Market hair sheep: September 1, 2023, for District and DNJR
4. Breeding hair sheep: December 1, 2023, for District and DNJR

2024 Dixie National Jr. Roundup Show Dates and Order of Show

1. Hair Sheep Showmanship: Monday, February 5, 8 AM
2. Breeding Hair Sheep: Monday, February 5
3. Market Hair Sheep: Monday, February 5
4. Lamb Showmanship: Monday, February 5
5. Wether Dam: Monday, February 5
6. Market Lamb: Monday, February 5

2024 DNJR Deadlines for Entry at Show using Check-in App

1. At the time of check-in at the DNJR, all jointly owned animals must be changed to a single entry in the app so that the FFA or 4-H youth in that joint ownership will be declared as the individual who will show each animal in that show. The following list summarizes when weights are to be declared for all market lambs, wether dams, market hair sheep, and breeding sheep, along with uploading the 60-day 4-H Animal Health Record Form.
 - a. Declare show weight by 3 PM on Sunday, February 4 in the web application.
 - b. Lamb and hair sheep showmanship: declare intent to participate in Lamb and/or Hair Sheep Showmanship by 3 PM on Sunday, February 4 using the web application.

Lamb and Hair Sheep Showmanship

1. All showmanship rules listed in the General Rules apply for Lamb Showmanship and Hair Sheep Showmanship in addition to the ones listed below.
2. Exhibitors will check-in for lamb and hair sheep showmanship at the DNJR on the dates and times listed above.

3. Exhibitor in showmanship classes must show his/her own animal.
 - a. For Lamb Showmanship at the DNJR, the exhibitor must have a market lamb or wether dam checked-in to their respective show.
 - b. For Hair Sheep Showmanship at the DNJR, the exhibitor must have a market hair sheep or breeding hair sheep checked-in to their respective show.
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 its very best. This should be done in an easy manner without exciting your lamb or disturbing the lambs and the exhibitors next to you.
5. Showmanship Classes:
 - a. Hair Sheep Showmanship at the DNJR: Ages 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15, 16-18
 - b. Lamb Showmanship at the DNJR: Ages 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17-18

Premiums for Hair Sheep and Lamb Showmanship: 1st Place: \$15; 2nd Place: \$12; 3rd Place: \$10; 4th Place: \$8; 5th to 10th Place: \$5. Increased showmanship premiums are dependent upon funding availability.

Hair Sheep and Lamb Showmanship Plaques

Courtesy of Andy Gipson, Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce

Lamb Overall Showmanship Belt Buckle

Courtesy of HH ShowStock

Banners for the Remaining Overall Top 5 in Lamb Showmanship

Courtesy of StewardLink LLC

Bill Dupree Lamb Showmanship Scholarship

The Dixie National Booster Club, Inc. sponsors a \$1,200 academic scholarship to the Champion 2024 graduating senior market 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.

Hair Sheep Showmanship Scholarship

The Dixie National Booster Club, Inc. sponsors a \$1,200 academic scholarship to the Champion 2024 graduating senior hair sheep 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.

Rules Applying to Market Lambs, Market Hair Sheep, Wether Dams, & Breeding Hair Sheep

General Rules

1. Review the General Rules and Regulations for all exhibitors and animals listed elsewhere in this premium book. These rules and regulations will apply in the Market Lamb, Market Hair Sheep, Wether Dam, and Breeding Hair Sheep Shows.

Classification of Market and Breeding Hair Sheep:

1. All market and breeding hair sheep will be classified on the dates found in the Ownership/Ear Tag/Entry, Classification and DNA Validation of Livestock section of the General Rules.

2. The following Hair Sheep Standards will be used to determine if the sheep qualifies for the Market Hair or Breeding Hair Sheep Show. If the market hair sheep or breeding hair sheep does not meet the classification standards for the market hair sheep show or breeding hair sheep show, respectively, it will be moved to the market lamb show or wether dam show, respectively.

a. Acceptable Standards

- i. Conformation - long, deep, wide body with well sprung ribs and excellent muscling. Relationship between body depth and hip height should be in equal proportion. Avoid extremely leggy, shallow bodied lambs.
- ii. Head should be strong, bold, with a deep jaw.
- iii. Polled or small horns or scurs no more than 1½" above the skin line.
- iv. Must have at least 1/3 hair primarily on belly, forearm, and britch. Enough length of hair should be left to distinguish between hair and wool on each sheep. If the classifier cannot make a judgement to properly classify the sheep due to it being shorn too closely, the sheep will be moved to the market lamb show.
- v. Moderate size ear with no wool covering.
- vi. No wool below the knees and hocks.
- vii. No wool forward of poll.

b. Unacceptable Standards

- i. Excessive wool covering more than 2/3 of body (belly, forearm, and britch).

- ii. Long, pendulous ears.
 - iii. Long, narrow muzzle.
 - iv. Wool forward of poll.
- c. Absolute Disqualifications**
- i. All wool or very little evidence of hair on belly, forearm, or britch.
 - ii. Wool below the knees or hocks
 - iii. Wool on the ears.

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 in the General Rules for additional information.
7. Judging
 - a. All lambs entered in the Mississippi Bred Lamb Show will be judged within their respective classes during the regular class judging.
 - b. 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.
 - c. Class premiums will be paid as designated by the MSPA show committee.
 - d. 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.
 - e. 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.

Market Lamb and Market Hair Sheep Rules and Regulations

Nominations

1. Exhibitors can nominate the number of market lambs and market hair sheep they desire. At the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the number of market lambs that one can check-in/weigh-in and exhibit is three (3), provided that at the DNJR one lamb is Mississippi Bred; if not, only two (2) market lambs can be checked-in and exhibited. At the Dixie National Junior Round-Up, the number of market hair sheep that one can check-in/weigh-in and exhibit is three (3), provided that at the DNJR one hair sheep is Mississippi Bred; if not, only two (2) market hair sheep can be checked-in and exhibited. Nomination forms are due in the County Extension office by the dates listed below. Nomination forms must be submitted by the Extension Agent or agricultural education teacher verifying all market lambs are under their supervision. The entry deadline for District and DNJR is December 1, 2023.
2. For the DNJR, exhibitors in the market lamb show and market hair sheep show may enter lamb showmanship and hair sheep showmanship, respectively, at the time of entry and confirm participation in showmanship using the online check-in app at the show.

Weight Limits

1. The minimum weight of market lambs and market hair sheep is 70 pounds with no maximum weight. Declaration of market lamb and market hair sheep weights will follow the dates/times listed in the Market Lamb, Market Hair Sheep, Wether Dams, & Breeding Hair Sheep Division Section above.

Weight Classes

1. Market lamb classes will be set up in five divisions as near equal in number as possible. Each division will be divided into two 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.
2. Market hair sheep classes will be set up in three divisions as near equal in number as possible. Each division will be

divided into two classes as near equal in number as possible. A Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from each of the three divisions and the overall Grand and Reserve Grand will be selected from the division champions.

Premiums for Market Lamb Show and Market Hair Sheep Shows: 1st Place: \$30; 2nd Place: \$25; 3rd Place: \$20; all others receive equal premiums.

Division Champion and Reserve Division Champion Plaques for Market Lambs
Presented by the Mississippi Sheep Producers Association

Division Champion and Reserve Division Champion Plaques for Market Hair Sheep
Presented by C4 Livestock

Top 5 Banners for Overall Market Lambs and Market Hair Sheep
Presented by StewardLink LLC and Magnolia Sheep and Goat Circuit

LAMB SPECIAL AWARDS

The Grand Champion Lamb Trophy is sponsored by the Family of Rogers G. Davis in “Memory of Rogers G. Davis.” The Reserve Grand Champion Lamb Trophy is sponsored by the Mississippi Fair Commission.

Wether Dam and Breeding Hair Sheep Rules and Regulations

Nominations

1. Exhibitors can nominate the number of wether dams and breeding hair sheep they desire. At the DNJR, the number of wether dams and breeding hair sheep that one can check-in and exhibit is six (6) wether dams and six (6) breeding hair sheep, not to exceed three (3) entries per class. Nomination forms are due in the County Extension office by the dates listed below. Nomination forms must be submitted by the Extension Agent or agricultural education teacher verifying all wether dams and breeding hair sheep are under their supervision. The entry deadline for District and DNJR is December 1, 2023.
2. Wether dams can be shown either in the market lamb show or wether dam show at the District and DNJR. An ewe is not allowed to be shown in both market lamb and wether dam shows. An ewe that was shown in the wether dam show at the Fair can only show in the wether dam show at the District and DNJR. However, an ewe shown in the market lamb show at the Fair can be nominated for the wether dam show by December 1, 2023, for the District and DNJR.
3. Breeding hair sheep can be shown either in the market hair sheep show or breeding hair sheep show at the District and DNJR. A hair sheep is not allowed to be shown in both market hair sheep and breeding hair sheep shows. A sheep that was shown in the breeding hair sheep show at the Fair can only show in the breeding hair sheep show at the District and DNJR. However, a sheep shown in the market hair sheep show at the Fair can be nominated for the breeding hair sheep show by December 1, 2023, for the District and DNJR.
4. For the DNJR, exhibitors in the wether dam show may enter lamb showmanship classes at the time of entry and confirm participation in showmanship using the online check-in app at the show.
5. For the DNJR, exhibitors in the breeding hair sheep show may enter hair sheep showmanship classes at the time of entry and confirm participation in showmanship using the online check-in app at the show.

Weight Limits

1. The minimum weight of wether dams and breeding hair sheep is 75 pounds with no maximum weight. Declaration of wether dam and breeding hair sheep weights will follow the dates/times listed in the Market Lamb, Market Hair Sheep, Wether Dams, & Breeding Hair Sheep Division Section above.

Weight Classes

1. Wether dam and breeding hair sheep classes will be set up in three divisions as near equal in number as possible (Divisions 1 to 3). Each division will be divided into two classes as near equal in number as possible. A Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from each of the three divisions and the overall Grand and Reserve Grand will be selected from the division champions.
2. The Grand Champion Wether Dam and the Grand Champion Breeding Hair Sheep will compete for an Overall Supreme Ewe. The exhibitor of the Overall Supreme Ewe will receive a Sale of Champions scholarship.

Age Determination

1. Age of wether dams and breeding hair sheep will be determined by milk teeth. Wether dams and breeding hair sheep 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 wether dam or breeding hair sheep. For the DNJR, mouting of wether dams and breeding hair sheep will be done at the District Shows, and wether dams eligible for District will be eligible for the DNJR based on age requirements.

Premiums for Wether Dams and Breeding Hair Sheep: 1st Place – \$30.00; 2nd Place – \$25.00; 3rd Place – \$20.00; all others receive equal premiums.

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Wether Dam Trophy and Banners

Sponsored by Mississippi Livestock Council

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Hair Sheep Trophy and Banners
Presented by C4 Livestock

Top 5 Banners for Overall Wether Dams and Breeding Hair Sheep
Presented by Magnolia Sheep and Goat Circuit

Overall Supreme Ewe Award
Sponsored by StewardLink LLC

Junior Sheep Lead Class

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. The Junior Sheep Lead Class only takes place at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up. The contest will be held on Monday, February 5, 2024, at 7:30 A.M.
2. 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 2024 Dixie National Junior Round-Up. Contestants must show his or her own lamb in this class.
3. 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, 2024.
4. Contestants must lead a lamb that has been conditioned, fitted, and trained to show at halter.
5. Decorations may or may not be used on lambs.
6. Contestants must wear a garment made of wool or wool blend. Garment does not have to be constructed by contestant.
7. Former class winners cannot wear the garment that they used to win a previous state Lead Class.
8. The three-judge system will be used to arrive at official placing.
9. The following scoring standard will be used when judging the class:
 - a. Contestant's garment - 33 1/3 percent
 - b. Poise and appearance - 33 1/3 percent
 - c. Control and presentation of animal - 33 1/3 percent
10. Entry forms will be sent via email and copies will be available at the show office. Forms must be turned in by the time listed on the DNJR schedule. Entry must contain brief biography of contestant and garment description. All entries must be legible.
11. Contestants must come to the livestock office by the time listed on the DNJR schedule to pick up exhibitor numbers.

Premiums for Sheep Lead Classes: 1st Place – \$15.00; 2nd Place – \$12.00; 3rd Place – \$10.00; 4th Place - \$8.00; 5th Place - \$5.00.

Sheep Lead Classes

1. Ages 8 to 9 as of January 1, 2024
2. Ages 10 to 11 as of January 1, 2024
3. Ages 12 to 13 as of January 1, 2024
4. Ages 14 to 18 as of January 1, 2024

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

Dairy Cattle Division

Superintendents

Ross Overstreet, MSU Extension – Lamar County
Bob Robinson, MS FFA – Pelahatchie High School

Ownership/Entry Dates:

Commercial Dairy Heifers and Cows: December 1, 2023, for District and DNJR
Registered Dairy Cattle: December 1, 2023, for District and DNJR

2024 Dixie National Jr. Roundup Show Dates and Order of Shows

1. Showmanship: Thursday, February 1, 8 AM
2. FFA Dairy Handler Class: Thursday, February 1
3. Commercial Dairy Heifer and Cow Show: Thursday, February 1
4. Purebred Dairy Cattle Show: Thursday, February 1

2024 DNJR Deadlines for Entry at Show using Check-in App

At the time of check-in at the DNJR, all jointly owned animals must be changed to a single entry in the app so that the FFA or 4-H youth in that joint ownership will be declared as the individual who will show each animal in that show. The following list summarizes when dairy cattle are to be check-in using the web app as well as when weights are to be declared for commercial dairy cattle, along with uploading the 60-day 4-H Animal Health Record Form.

1. Registered dairy cattle: declare entry at show by 2 PM on Wednesday, January 31
2. Commercial dairy heifers and cows: declare show weight by 2 PM on Wednesday, January 31
3. Dairy Cattle Showmanship: declare intent to participate in Dairy Cattle Showmanship by 2 PM on Wednesday, January 31

Dairy Cattle Showmanship

1. All showmanship rules listed in the General Rules apply for Dairy Cattle Showmanship in addition to the ones listed below.
2. Exhibitors will check-in for dairy cattle showmanship on the dates and times listed above.
3. Exhibitors in showmanship classes must show his/her own animal. For Dairy Cattle Showmanship, the exhibitor must have a purebred dairy heifer or cow, or a commercial dairy heifer or cow, checked-in to their respective show.
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.
5. Dairy Cattle Showmanship Classes at the DNJR:
 - a. Ages 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15, 16-18
6. FFA Dairy Cattle Handlers Class (only held at the DNJR)
 - a. Through participation in the FFA Dairy Cattle Handlers Class, students learn to work with others in a way that is cooperative, courteous, and helpful while demonstrating effective dairy handling skills. Students in this activity present animals for evaluation as part of the Dairy Cattle Management and Evaluation Career Development Event. Handlers earn recognition for their ability to set up their assigned animal to its best advantage, maintain the animal in its most advantageous post, exhibit effective restraint and move the animal as requested by the event ringmaster. Poise, calmness, and a positive attitude play a significant role in gaining success in the Dairy Cattle Handlers Class.
 - b. Each chapter is allowed to enter multiple participants for this event. The FFA Dairy Cattle Handlers Class will be held in the Judging Arena (Barn 14) at the conclusion of Junior Dairy Cattle Showmanship to select the Mississippi FFA member to qualify for the national competition.
 - c. Participating FFA members are required to wear an Official FFA Jacket.
 - d. The FFA Dairy Handler Contest is sponsored by the Chris and Oree (Carmichael) Mulford Family.

Premiums for Dairy Cattle Showmanship: 1st Place: \$15; 2nd Place: \$12; 3rd Place: \$10; 4th Place: \$8; 5th to 10th Place: \$5.
Increased showmanship premiums are dependent upon funding availability.

Class Sponsors for Dairy Cattle Showmanship

1. 8-9 years of age; First Place Winner Plaque, sponsored by Wesley Farmer Memorial Fund
2. 10-11 years of age; First Place Winner Plaque, sponsored by MS Commissioner of Agriculture
3. 12-13 years of age; First Place Winner Plaque, sponsored by MS Commissioner of Agriculture
4. 14-15 years of age; First Place Winner Plaque, sponsored by MS Commissioner of Agriculture
5. ** 16-18 years of age; First Place Winner Plaque, sponsored by MS Commissioner of Agriculture
 - a. ** Highest placing 4-H'er will receive a trip to the National 4-H Dairy Conference in Madison, WI, courtesy of the Arlis Anderson Memorial Fund, provided that this 4-H'er has not been on this trip before.

Sonny & Doris Thompson Dairy Cattle Showmanship Scholarship

The Dixie National Booster Club, Inc. sponsors a \$1,200 academic scholarship to the Champion 2024 graduating senior dairy cattle 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.

General Dairy Cattle Rules and Regulations

General Rules

1. Review the General Rules and Regulations for all exhibitors and animals listed elsewhere in this premium book. These rules and regulations will apply in the Purebred Dairy and Commercial Dairy Heifer and Cow shows.
2. All dairy cattle (commercial dairy heifers/cows and purebred dairy cattle) will be shown with a leather, nylon, or coated cable show halter in the show ring. No rope halters or rope leads will be allowed by exhibitors in the show ring. Show Management or Livestock Committee Leadership/Ring Stewards reserve the right to decide what constitutes acceptable show equipment and how the equipment is being used by the exhibitor.
3. Exhibitors will be required to furnish feed and hay. No bedding will be used.
4. Exhibitors are encouraged to wear neat, appropriate uniforms while showing animals in arena. White or 4-H and FFA uniforms are preferred.
5. All heifers and cows must be dehorned. Heifers not dehorned will be disqualified.
6. Basis of Award:
 - a. 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 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.
 - b. Two-year-old and older cows will receive an additional \$5 and \$3 respectively, over younger blue and red ribbon animals.
7. Only blue-ribbon animals are eligible to compete for a breed-ribbon championship. Separate breed champions will be selected.
8. Judging Dairy Cattle:
 - a. Blue Group: Animals rating 80 or more points in the opinion of the judge will receive a Blue Ribbon.
 - b. Red Group: Animals rating 70-79 points will receive a Red Ribbon.
 - c. White Group: Animals rating below 70 points will receive a White Ribbon.

Dairy Cattle Arrival and Departure

1. All dairy cattle must be in place according to the schedule for the DNJR. Furthermore, dairy cattle must remain in place until being released after the completion of the show as outlines in the DNJR schedule. All dairy cattle must be removed from the barns at the end of the show.

Stalling

1. All dairy 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.

Commercial Dairy Heifer and Cow Shows

Nominations

1. Exhibitors can nominate the number of commercial dairy heifers/cows they desire. At the DNJR, the number of animals that one can check-in and exhibit is six (6) dairy cattle (combination of registered dairy females and commercial dairy heifers/cows), not to exceed three (3) entries per class. Nomination forms are due in the County Extension office by the dates listed below. Nomination forms must be submitted by the Extension Agent or agricultural education teacher verifying all commercial dairy heifers/cows are under their supervision. The entry deadline for District and DNJR is December 1, 2023.
2. For the DNJR, exhibitors in the commercial dairy heifer/cow show must enter dairy cattle showmanship classes at the time of entry and confirm participation in showmanship using the online check-in app at the show.
3. Heifers and cows shown in the Commercial Dairy Heifer and Cow Shows are not eligible to be shown in any other division at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up.
4. Heifers and cows must be identified with a clearly visible ear tag by December 1, 2023.

Weight Limits

1. Certified scales will be available for weighing commercial dairy heifers and cows as outlined in the schedule. The minimum weight of commercial dairy heifers is 200 pounds with no maximum weight. Heifers who have never calved are eligible for the commercial dairy heifer show. Those heifers who have calved will be show in the commercial dairy cow show. Declaration of commercial dairy heifer and cow weights will follow the dates/times listed in the Dairy Cattle Division Section above.

Weight Classes

1. Commercial dairy heifers will be assigned to one of four classes based upon weight (Lightweight; Mediumweight; Light Heavyweight; Heavyweight) and cows will be assigned to one of three classes based upon weight (Lightweight;

Mediumweight; Heavyweight). Show management will divide heifers and cows into classes to distribute the weights in a practical manner.

Grade Requirements

1. Heifers and cows shall meet the following requirements to be eligible: Animals eligible shall be Grade (not registered) heifer offspring or cows of purebred dairy cattle or dairy breed crosses. No heifers or cows registered by a recognized dairy breed association nor crosses of dairy and beef breeds are eligible to show in the Commercial Dairy Heifer and Cow Shows. Heifers and cows exhibiting breed characteristics other than those of the major dairy cattle breeds will not be allowed to show.

SPECIAL AWARDS

Ware Milling, Inc. will sponsor a plaque for the Grand Champion Commercial Dairy Heifer.

ADS 4-H Youth Development will sponsor a plaque for the Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Dairy Heifer as well as a plaque for the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Dairy Cows.

The Mississippi Fair Commission will sponsor banners.

Registered Dairy Cattle Show

Nominations

1. Exhibitors can nominate the number of purebred dairy breeding cattle they desire. At the DNJR, the number of animals that one can check-in and exhibit is six (6) dairy breeding animals (combination of registered dairy females and commercial dairy heifers/cows), not to exceed three (3) entries per class. Nomination forms are due in the County Extension office by the dates listed below. Nomination forms must be submitted by the Extension Agent or agricultural education teacher verifying all purebred dairy breeding cattle are under their supervision. The entry deadline for District and DNJR is December 1, 2023.
2. For the DNJR, exhibitors in the purebred dairy cattle show must enter dairy cattle showmanship classes at the time of entry and confirm participation in showmanship using the online check-in app at the show.
3. Registered heifers and cows are not eligible for the Commercial Dairy Heifer and Cow Shows, respectively.
4. Competition is limited to registered dairy females of the Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, Jersey, Milking Shorthorn, and Red and White breeds owned by youth residing in Mississippi who are 8-18 years of age as of January 1, of the current show year. 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.

Registration Certificates

1. 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, 2023, for animals to show. However, for the DNJR, there can be a signed affidavit by the current owner, exhibitor(s), exhibitor's parents or guardian, and Extension Agent/ Agriculture education teacher 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 DNJR rules and regulations. A copy of the affidavit and registration certificate must be sent to ADS by the ownership deadline referenced above in the Dairy Cattle Division section.
2. Dairy cattle in the purebred show must be check-in according to the dates/times listed in the Dairy Cattle Division Section above.
3. Refer to original show rules regarding pending dairy cattle registration.

Order of Show

1. Holstein
2. Jersey
3. Other Dairy Cattle Breeds (included purebred animals of the Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Milking Shorthorn, and Red and White Dairy Cattle breeds).

Classes offered at the 2024 Dixie National Jr Roundup

1. Fall Heifer Calf – September 1 to November 30, 2023
2. Summer Yearling Heifer – June 1 to August 31, 2023
3. Spring Yearling Heifer – March 1 to May 31, 2023
4. Winter Yearling Heifer – December 1, 2022, to February 28, 2023
5. Fall Yearling Heifer – September 1 to November 30, 2022
6. Summer Yearling Heifer – June 1 to August 31, 2022
7. Spring Yearling Heifer – March 1 to May 31, 2022
8. Junior Champion – Highest rated animal from Classes 1-7, Rosette.
9. Reserve Junior Champion – Second highest rated animal from Classes 1-7, Rosette.
10. Junior, 2 Years Old – September 1, 2021 – February 28, 2022
11. Senior, 2 Years Old – March 1, 2021 – August 31, 2021

12. Cows, 3 Years Old – March 1, 2020 to February 28, 2021
13. Cows, 4 Years Old – March 1, 2019 to February 28, 2020
14. Cows, 5 Years Old and Over – born prior to March 1, 2019
15. Senior Champion – Highest rated animal from Classes 10-14, Rosette.
16. Reserve Senior Champion – Second highest rated animal from Classes 10-14, Rosette.
17. Grand Champion Dairy Female – Highest rated animal from Classes 8 and 15, Banner. The exhibitor of the Grand Champion Dairy Female will receive a scholarship from the Sale of Junior Champions.
18. Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Female – Second highest rated animal from Classes 8 and 15, Banner.
19. County Herd – six registered animals of the same breed, any age, owned by one or more Junior Show exhibitors from the same county. Herds will not receive less than \$30 for Blue and \$20 for Red. White herds will not receive premium.

Awards

Grand Champion Holstein Award Sponsored by the Triple J Dairy

Grand Champion Jersey Award Sponsored by the Mississippi Jersey Cattle Club

Grand Champion Other Dairy Cattle Breeds Award Sponsored by Ware Farms

Supreme Champion Dairy Female Award Sponsored by Premier Select Sires, Inc.

Sale of Champions Supreme Dairy Female Scholarship

1. SUPREME CHAMPION DAIRY FEMALE RULES: The exhibitor of the Supreme Champion Dairy Female will receive a \$1,500 Sale of Champions Supreme Animal 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 supreme animal 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, if 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 to award the academic scholarship.

Supreme Dairy Exhibitor Award

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

1. 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.
 - a. 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.
 - b. 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.
 - c. 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.
 - d. Junior and Senior Champions will receive five points.
 - e. Reserve Junior and Senior Champions will receive three points.
 - f. 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).

Premiums for Supreme Dairy Exhibitor: 1st Place – \$50 and plaque; 2nd Place – \$30; 3rd Place – \$20.

Supreme Champion Dairy Female Award

Sponsored by Premier Select Sires, Inc.

Market Goat and Commercial Meat Goat Doe

Superintendents

Jennifer Williams, MSU Extension – Lincoln County
Tracy Robertson Boone, MSU Extension – Carroll County

Ownership/Entry Dates:

1. Market goats: September 1, 2023, for District and DNJR
2. Commercial meat goat does: December 1, 2023, for District and DNJR

2024 Dixie National Jr. Roundup Show Dates and Order of Shows

1. Goat Showmanship: Tuesday, February 6, 8 AM
2. Commercial Meat Goat Doe: Tuesday, February 6, following Goat Showmanship
3. Market Goat: Tuesday, February 6, following CMGD Show

2024 DNJR Deadlines for Entry at Show using Check-in App

At the time of check-in at the DNJR, all jointly owned animals must be changed to a single entry in the app so that the FFA or 4-H youth in that joint ownership will be declared as the individual who will show each animal in that show. The following list summarizes when weights are to be declared for market goats and commercial meat goat does, along with uploading the 60-day 4-H Animal Health Record Form.

1. Goat Showmanship: declare intent to participate by 3 PM on Monday, February 5.
2. Market goats and commercial meat goat does: declare show weights by 3 PM on Monday, February 5.

Meat Goat Showmanship

1. All showmanship rules listed in the General Rules apply for Meat Goat Showmanship in addition to the ones listed below.
2. Exhibitors will check-in for Meat Goat Showmanship on the dates and times listed above.
3. Exhibitor in showmanship classes must show his/her own animal. For Meat Goat Showmanship, the exhibitor must have a market goat or commercial meat goat doe checked-in to their respective show.
4. Showmanship Classes
 - a. Meat Goat Showmanship Classes at the DNJR: Ages 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17-18

Premiums for Goat Showmanship: 1st Place: \$15; 2nd Place: \$12; 3rd Place: \$10; 4th Place: \$8; 5th to 10th Place: \$5.
Increased showmanship premiums are dependent upon funding availability.

Meat Goat Showmanship Plaques

Courtesy of Andy Gipson, Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce

Buddy Banes Goat Showmanship Scholarship

The Dixie National Booster Club, Inc. sponsors a \$1,200 academic scholarship to the Champion 2024 graduating senior meat 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.

Rules Applying to Both Market Goat and Commercial Meat Goat Does

General Rules

1. Review the General Rules and Regulations for all exhibitors and animals listed elsewhere in this premium book. These rules and regulations will apply in the Market Goat and Commercial Meat Goat Doe Shows.

Exhibition

1. All market goat and 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.
2. Market Goats and Commercial Meat Goat Does may be shown with hair or clipped.

Market Goat Rules and Regulations

Nominations

1. Exhibitors can nominate the number of market goats they desire. At the DNJR, the number of market goats that one can check-in and exhibit is three (3), provided that at the DNJR one goat is Mississippi Bred; if not, only two (2) market goats can be checked-in and exhibited. Nomination forms are due in the County Extension office by the dates listed below. Nomination forms must be submitted by the Extension Agent or agricultural education teacher verifying all goats are under their supervision. Entry deadline for District/DNJR is September 1, 2023.

2. For the DNJR, exhibitors in the market goat show must enter goat showmanship classes at the time of entry and confirm participation in showmanship using the online check-in app at the show.

Horns

1. 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. For the DNJR, checking of horn length will be done at the District Shows and market goats eligible for District will be eligible for the DNJR.

Weight Limits

1. The minimum weight of market goats is 60 pounds with no maximum weight. Exhibitors must declare the show weight of their market goats following the dates/times listed in the Market Goat and Commercial Meat Goat Doe Division Section above.

Weight Classes

1. Market goat classes will be set up in five divisions as near equal in number as possible (Lightweight, LightMedium-weight, 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.

Premiums for Market Goat Show: 1st Place: \$30; 2nd Place: \$25; 3rd Place: \$20; all others receive equal premiums.

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Trophies and Banners

Sponsored by the Mississippi Goat Association

Champion and Reserve Champion Division Plaques and Rosettes

Sponsored by the Mississippi Club Goat Association

Top 5 Banners for Overall Market Goats

Presented by Magnolia Sheep and Goat Circuit

Commercial Meat Goat Does Rules and Regulations

Nominations

1. Exhibitors can nominate the number of commercial meat goat does they desire. At the DNJR, the number of commercial meat goat does that one can check-in and exhibit is six (6) commercial meat goat does, not to exceed three (3) entries per class. Nomination forms are due in the County Extension office by the dates listed below. Nomination forms must be submitted by the Extension Agent or agricultural education teacher verifying all goats are under their supervision. Entry deadline for District/DNJR is December 1, 2023.
2. For the DNJR, exhibitors in the commercial meat goat doe show must enter goat showmanship classes at the time of entry and confirm participation in showmanship using the online check-in app at the show.
3. No commercial meat goat doe will be eligible to show in the market goat show.

Weight Limits

1. The minimum weight of commercial meat goat does is 50 pounds with no maximum weight. Exhibitors at the DNJR must declare the show weight of their CMGD following the dates/times listed in the Market Goat and Commercial Meat Goat Doe Division Section above.

Weight Classes

1. Commercial meat goat doe classes will be set up in five divisions as near equal in number as possible (Light-weight, 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. The exhibitor of the Grand Champion Commercial Meat Goat Doe will receive a Supreme Animal Scholarship from the Sale of Junior Champions.

Horns

1. Does may be horned, polled, or dehorned.

Age

1. Age of CMGD will be determined by milk teeth. 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. For the DNJR, mousing of CMGDs will be done at the District Shows and CMGDs eligible for District will be eligible for the DNJR.

Premiums for Commercial Meat Goat Doe Show: 1st Place – \$30; 2nd Place – \$25; 3rd Place – \$20; all others receive equal premiums.

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Meat Goat Doe Trophy and Banners
Sponsored by the Mississippi Club Goat Association

Champion and Reserve Champion Division Plaques and Rosettes
Sponsored by the Mississippi Club Goat Association

Top 5 Banners for Overall Commercial Meat Goat Does
Presented by Magnolia Sheep and Goat Circuit

Mississippi Bred Goat Awards – Commercial Meat Goat Does

1. The rules and regulations governing the Dixie National Junior Round-Up as published in this rulebook and show catalog 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. Exhibitors must follow the ear tagging requirements outlined in the General Rules under Ownership/Ear Tag/Entry, Classification and DNA Validation of Livestock.
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 determined by MCGA. 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 Fair and DNJR 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 Plaques
Sponsored by the Mississippi Club Goat Association

Registered Breeding Boer Doe Show

Superintendents

Jennifer Williams, MSU Extension - Lincoln County
Tracy Robertson Boone, MSU Extension - Carroll County

Ownership/Entry Dates

1. Registered Breeding Boer Doe: September 1, 2022, for the Fair and December 1, 2022, for District and DNJR

2024 Dixie National Junior Roundup Show Dates

1. Boer Goat Showmanship: Tuesday, February 6, 3 PM (or after Market Goat Show if it runs long)
2. Registered Breeding Boer Doe Show: Tuesday, February 6, after Boer Goat Showmanship

2024 DNJR Deadlines for Entry at Show using Check-in App

At the time of check-in at the DNJR, all jointly owned animals must be changed to a single entry in the app so that the FFA or 4-H youth in that joint ownership will be declared as the individual who will show each animal in that show. The following list summarizes when registered Boer Goats are to be checked in using the app, along with uploading the 60-day 4-H Animal Health Record Form.

1. Boer Goat Showmanship: declare intent to participate by 3 PM on Monday, February 5
2. Registered Breeding Boer Doe Show: declare animals at show by 3 PM on Monday, February 5

Registered Breeding Boer Doe Showmanship

1. All showmanship rules listed in the General Rules apply for Registered Breeding Boer Doe Showmanship in addition to the ones listed below.
2. Exhibitors will check-in for Boer Goat Showmanship on the dates and times listed above.
3. Exhibitor in all showmanship classes must show his/her own animal. For Registered Breeding Boer Doe Showmanship, the exhibitor must have a Registered Breeding Boer Doe checked in.
4. Registered Breeding Boer Doe Showmanship
 - a. Registered Breeding Boer Doe Showmanship Classes: Ages 8-12, 13-16, 17-18

Premiums for Registered Breeding Boer Doe Showmanship: 1st Place: \$15; 2nd Place: \$12; 3rd Place: \$10; 4th Place: \$8; 5th to 10th Place: \$5. Increased showmanship premiums are dependent upon funding availability.

Registered Breeding Boer Doe Showmanship Plaques

Courtesy of Melody Acres Farm, Arrowhead Hill Farm, and Slocum Farm

Registered Breeding Boer Doe Showmanship Scholarship

The Dixie National Booster Club, Inc. sponsors a \$1,200 academic scholarship to the Champion 2024 graduating senior Boer doe 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.

Registered Breeding Boer Doe General Rules

General Rules

1. Review the General Rules and Regulations for all exhibitors and animals listed elsewhere in this premium book. These rules and regulations will apply in the Registered Breeding Boer Doe Show.

Nominations

1. Exhibitors can nominate the number of registered breeding Boer does they desire. At the DNJR, the number of animals that one can check-in and exhibit is six (6) Boer goats, not to exceed three (3) entries per class. Nomination forms are due in the County Extension office by the dates listed below. Nomination forms must be submitted by the Extension Agent or agricultural education teacher verifying all goats are under their supervision. Entry deadline for District/DNJR is December 1, 2023.
2. For the DNJR, exhibitors in the Registered Breeding Boer Doe show must enter Registered Breeding Boer Doe Showmanship classes at the time of entry and confirm participation in showmanship using the online check-in app at the show.
3. All Registered Breeding Boer Doe entries will be accompanied by a registration paper with the animal's registration number and tattoo or microchip number on the paper, along with its color and classification (whether the doe is fullblood, purebred, or percentage). If the animal is microchipped, the exhibitor must bring their own chip reader to verify the animal's registration number. Otherwise, tattoos need to be legible and consistent with the animal's registration papers.
4. All Registered Breeding Boer Doe entries will compete in the same age classes regardless of registration percentage (fullblood/purebred or percentage).
5. Breeding Boer Doe Kid Classes:
 - a. Junior Doe Kids, 3 months and under 6 months
 - b. Intermediate Doe Kids, 6 months and under 9 months
 - c. Senior Doe Kids, 9 months and under 12 months
 - d. Grand Champion Junior Boer Doe Kid
 - e. Reserve Grand Champion Junior Boer Doe Kid
6. Breeding Boer Doe Yearling Classes:
 - a. Junior Yearling Does, 12 months and under 16 months
 - b. Intermediate Yearling Does, 16 months and under 20 months
 - c. Senior Yearling Does, 20 months and under 24 months
 - d. Grand Champion Yearling Boer Doe
 - e. Reserve Grand Champion Yearling Boer Doe
7. Championship Drive (GC Junior Boer Doe Kid and GC Yearling Boer Doe)
 - a. Overall Grand Champion Registered Breeding Boer Doe

- b. Overall Reserve Grand Champion Registered Breeding Boer Doe

Premiums for Registered Breeding Boer Doe Show: 1st Place: \$30; 2nd Place: \$25; 3rd Place: \$20; all others receive equal premiums.

Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Registered Breeding Boer Doe Trophies and Banners

Sponsored by Melody Acres Farm and Arrowhead Hill Farm

Champion and Reserve Champion Division Plaques and Rosettes

Sponsored by Slocum Farm

Top 5 Banners for Overall Registered Boer Does

Sponsored by Magnolia Sheep and Goat Circuit

Dairy Goat Show

Superintendents

Jennifer Williams, MSU Extension - Lincoln County

Tracy Robertson Boone, MSU Extension - Carroll County

Ownership/Entry Dates:

1. Commercial dairy goats (senior and junior): December 1, 2023, for District and DNJR
2. Registered dairy goats (senior and junior): December 1, 2023, for District and DNJR

2024 Dixie National Jr. Roundup Show Dates

1. Dairy Goat Showmanship: Wednesday, January 31, 8 AM
2. Commercial Senior Doe Show: Wednesday, January 31, following Dairy Goat Showmanship
3. Commercial Junior Doe Show: Wednesday, January 31, following Comm. Sr. Doe Show
4. Registered Senior Doe Show: Wednesday, January 31, following Comm. Jr. Doe Show
5. Registered Junior Doe Show: Wednesday, January 31, following Senior Doe Show

2024 DNJR Deadlines for Entry at Show using Check-in App

At the time of check-in at the DNJR, all jointly owned animals must be changed to a single entry in the app so that the FFA or 4-H youth in that joint ownership will be declared as the individual who will show each animal in that show. The following list summarizes when weights are to be declared for all commercial dairy goats and when registered dairy goats are to be checked in using the app, along with uploading the 60-day 4-H Animal Health Record Form.

1. Dairy Goat Showmanship: declare intent to participate by 4 PM on Tuesday, January 30
2. Commercial dairy goats (senior and junior): declare show weights by 4 PM on Tuesday, January 30
3. Registered dairy goats (senior and junior): declare animals at show by 4 PM on Tuesday, January 30

Dairy Goat Showmanship

1. All showmanship rules listed in the General Rules apply for Dairy Goat Showmanship in addition to the ones listed below.
2. Exhibitors will check-in for Dairy Goat Showmanship on the dates and times listed above.
3. Exhibitor in showmanship classes must show his/her own animal. For Dairy Goat Showmanship, the exhibitor must have a registered dairy goat or a commercial dairy goat checked-in to their respective show.
4. Dairy Goat Showmanship:
 - a. Classes at the DNJR: Ages 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15, 16-18

Premiums for Dairy Goat Showmanship: 1st Place: \$15; 2nd Place: \$12; 3rd Place: \$10; 4th Place: \$8; 5th to 10th Place: \$5. Increased showmanship premiums are dependent upon funding availability.

Dairy Goat Showmanship Plaques

Courtesy of Andy Gipson, Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce

Norman McCarty Showmanship Scholarship

The Dixie National Booster Club, Inc. sponsors a \$1,200 academic scholarship to the Champion 2024 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

Dairy Goat General Rules

Nominations

1. Exhibitors can nominate the number of registered and commercial dairy goats they desire. At the DNJR, the number of animals that one can check-in and exhibit is six (6) dairy goats (combination of registered dairy goats and commercial dairy goats), not to exceed three (3) entries per class. Nomination forms are due in the County Extension office by the dates listed below. Nomination forms must be submitted by the Extension Agent or agricultural education teacher verifying all goats are under their supervision. Entry deadline for District/DNJR is December 1, 2023.
2. For the DNJR, exhibitors in the registered and commercial dairy goat shows must enter dairy goat showmanship classes at the time of entry and confirm participation in showmanship using the online check-in app at the show.

Animal Health

1. In addition to the State Health Requirements found in the front part of this premium list goats will be examined by Fair/DNJR 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.
2. Herd mates are also subject to dismissal. The decision to dismiss any animal will be made by the Fair/DNJR veterinarian, committee, and personnel. Please leave any questionable animal at home.

Horns

1. Does must be polled, dehorned, or disbudded with no scur re-growth to exceed 1 ½" above the skin line. Removal of horns is not allowed on the show grounds. For the DNJR, checking of horn length will be done at the District Shows and dairy goats eligible for District will be eligible for the DNJR.

Attire

1. All exhibitors showing animals in individual classes in the ring should wear white show uniforms. All other general attire rules in the general rules section are to be followed as well.

Stalling

1. Only animals entered in the show will be allowed to be penned in the barn. Bucks over 3 months old will not be permitted in the barn.
2. Dairy goats will be released after showing and **MUST BE REMOVED FROM PENS.**

Eligibility of Registered Dairy Goats

1. 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 certificates for all purebred animals of all ages is required.
2. Recognized dairy goat breeds include Alpine, LaMancha, Nigerian Dwarf, Nubian, Oberhasli, Saanen, Sable, and Toggenburg.
3. Registered dairy does are not eligible for the Commercial Dairy Doe Show.
4. Any doe 24 months of age or over that has never freshened shall not be shown.
5. All animals must be accompanied by an original registration certificate showing the junior exhibitor owns that animal. Grade and Experimental animals must have original nomination form listing animal's tattoos and other permanent identification, signed by the Extension agent or Agriculture education teacher.
6. For the Fair and DNJR, exhibitors must check in their registered dairy goats using the online web app check-in process following the dates/times listed in the Dairy Goat Division Section above.
7. Refer to original show rules regarding pending dairy goat registration.

Senior Doe Shows

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. **NO MANDATORY MILK OUT.** However, over distended udders will be discriminated against.

DNJR Breeds for Registered Dairy Goat Shows: Alpine; Nigerian Dwarf; Nubian; All Other Purebreds (AOP); Recorded Grades

Senior Doe Show 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 one or more 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 for Senior Dairy Goat Show: 1st Place: \$30; 2nd Place: \$25; 3rd Place: \$20; all others receive equal premiums.

Senior Dairy Goat Show Awards

Sponsored by Mississippi Goat Association

Junior Doe Shows

Does under 24 months that have never freshened.

DNJR Breeds for Registered Dairy Goat Shows: Alpine; Nigerian Dwarf; Nubian; All Other Purebreds (AOP); Recorded Grades.

Junior Doe Show 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).
11. Best in Show Junior Doe with other Champion Junior Does of each lot)

Premiums for Junior Dairy Goat Show: 1st Place: \$30; 2nd Place: \$25; 3rd Place: \$20; all others receive equal premiums.

Junior Dairy Goat Show Awards

Sponsored by Mississippi Goat Association

Eligibility of Commercial Dairy Goats

1. Animals eligible shall be a Non-Registered Grade Doe offspring of purebred dairy goats or dairy breed crosses. No does registered by either a recognized breed association or crosses of dairy and meat breeds are eligible to show in the Commercial Dairy Doe Show. Does exhibiting breed characteristics other than those of the major dairy goat breeds will not be allowed to show.
2. Does under 24 months of age who have never kidded are eligible for the junior commercial dairy goat show. 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 commercial dairy goat show.
3. Does shown in the Commercial Dairy Doe Show are not eligible to be shown in any other division at the DNJR.
4. Age of commercial does will be determined by the two pairs of permanent incisor teeth. Commercial does that have lost their four incisor teeth, but have no visible permanent incisors, are eligible to show as a Junior Doe. For the DNJR, mousing of commercial dairy does will be done at the District Shows, and commercial dairy does eligible for District will be eligible for the DNJR.
5. Commercial dairy goats must be identified with a clearly visible ear tag by December 1, 2023.

Weigh Limits for Commercial Dairy Goats

1. Certified scales will be available for weighing commercial dairy goats as outlined in the schedule. The minimum weight requirement for commercial dairy goat does is 30 pounds with no maximum weight. Exhibitors must declare the show weight of their commercial dairy goats following the dates/times listed in the Dairy Goat Division Section above.

Weight Classes for Commercial Dairy Goats

1. Commercial junior dairy goats will be assigned to one of three classes based upon weight (Lightweight; Mediumweight; Heavyweight) and commercial senior dairy goat does will be assigned to one of three classes based upon weight (Lightweight; Mediumweight; Heavyweight). Show management will divide does into classes to distribute the weights in a practical manner. There will be a Best Udder award for the Sr. Commercial Dairy Goat Show.

Premiums for Commercial Senior and Junior Dairy Goat Shows: 1st Place: \$30; 2nd Place: \$25; 3rd Place: \$20; all others receive equal premiums.

Commercial Senior and Junior Dairy Goat Awards

Sponsored by Mississippi Goat Association

PREMIER EXHIBITOR PROGRAM

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

- Dairy Goat – Tuesday, January 30, 2024, from 3:00 to 5:00 PM
- Dairy Cattle – Wednesday, January 31, 2024, from 2:00 to 4:00 PM
- Swine – Friday, February 2, 2024, from 8:00 to 10:00 AM
- Beef Cattle – Sunday, February 4, 2024, from 8:00 to 11:00 AM
- Lamb – Sunday, February 4, 2024, from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 PM
- Meat Goat (no Boer goats) – Monday, February 5, 2024, from 1:00 to 3:00 PM

PREMIER EXHIBITOR CONTEST RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Entries for all Premier Exhibitor Contests must be postmarked and sent to the ExtensionAnimal and Dairy Sciences Office (Dean Jousan, Box 9815, Mississippi State, MS, 39762) by December 4, 2023.
2. Competition in this program is for senior level exhibitors only (14 to 18 years of age as of January 1, 2024). The Premier Exhibitor Program is optional for exhibitors.
3. The Premier Exhibitor Contests are available for beef cattle, dairy cattle, lamb, swine, market goat (not Boer goats), and dairy goat exhibitors. 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.
4. Each contest is scored based on 1000 points broken down into the following categories: Entry Form: 50 points; Written Exam: 200 points; Stations: 300 points; Interview: 150 points; Showmanship: 200 points; and Animal Quality (animal placing in class): 100 points.
5. Exhibitors are permitted to show any animal in a species contest that was properly entered in and qualified for the Dixie National Junior Round-Up to earn points toward the premier exhibitor contest in showmanship and animal quality 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 for each premier exhibitor contest. **The animal to be shown at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up to receive points for its class placing must be declared by check-in for that species to the contest superintendents or reported to the show office.**
6. The animal nominated by the exhibitor will receive points on its ranking in its individual class. In showmanship, exhibitors will receive points for entering the class and for their ranking in the showmanship class.
7. The stations phase will consist of different stations of questions relating to the species that they are exhibiting. This will allow exhibitors to demonstrate their knowledge of the species that they are showing.
8. In the event of a tie between competitors in a species contest, it will be broken based on the higher score of the Stations phase of the contest. If a tie still exists, it will be broken based on the higher Written Exam score followed by the Interview score.
9. An exhibitor may win in only one species per year. Also, 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 an exhibitor has a conflict with a premier exhibitor contest and a livestock show, they must make prior arrangements with the premier exhibitor contest superintendents at least 48 hours prior to the contest.
11. The winner of the Dairy Premier Exhibitor Contest will be eligible to attend 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 be eligible to attend the trip.
12. The Dixie National Sale of Champions Promotion Committee will present a scholarship to the Premier Exhibitor from each species category (beef cattle, dairy cattle, sheep, swine, meat goat, and dairy goat).

ULTRASOUND STEER EVALUATION CONTEST

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.

Rules and Regulations

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 have met the qualifications to show at the Dixie National Junior Round-Up are entered in the Ultrasound Steer Evaluation Contest. Owners who do not slick shear their steers can participate 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.

Contest Sponsors

Knotts Roofing, Longview Cattle, McDaniel Farms, B&B Cattle Co., MS Cattlemen's Association, and Clarke County Co-Op

LEGISLATIVE LIVESTOCK SHOWDOWN

MSU Extension Agents and Agriculture education teachers are asked to choose their BEST Beef Cattle Livestock Showman in their county and work with them to invite their area Senators and Representatives to the **2024 Dixie National Junior Round-Up Legislative Livestock Showdown on Monday, February 5, 2024**, during the Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Show. The Junior Showman will invite their area Legislator to come to the Fairgrounds to learn how to show beef cattle in a special Legislative Showmanship class. After about 30 minutes of instruction, the 4-H/FFA member-coach will escort their Legislator into the show ring for the Showmanship class, with the Legislator exhibiting the beef animal. Judges will place the show teams based on their showmanship ability. Ribbons (no premiums) will be awarded and the first-place winner in the class will receive a special award, along with their 4-H/FFA member-coach.

Rules and Guidelines

1. Extension Agents and Agriculture education teachers need to communicate with one another to have their area Legislator contacted about the event and assign a 4-H/FFA member to coach the Legislator. Only one 4-H/FFA member should coach with one Legislator. Only beef cattle will be used for the Legislative Livestock Showdown.
2. A special registration folder will be available in the Livestock Show Office at the beginning of the Dixie National Junior Round-Up on Tuesday, January 30, 2024, for agents/teachers to register the 4-H/FFA member-coach and their Legislative Showman. Registration will be open until Monday, February 5 at 3:00 p.m.
3. Legislators showing beef cattle will report to the announcer's stand in the Coliseum at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, February 5, to meet their 4-H/FFA member-coach. They will then go to the holding area or barns to prepare for the Showmanship class. If applicable, this special class will be worked into the show schedule in the Coliseum so that it will not disrupt the show that is underway. We do not want a 4-H/FFA member-coach to miss their class or drive due to the Legislative Showdown.
4. Please choose a 4-H/FFA member-coach who is a strong communicator, demonstrates patience, and provides thorough instruction with their Legislator-trainee. This is a public relations effort to showcase the Mississippi Junior Livestock Program. The 4-H/FFA member-coach is always to remain with their Legislator in the show ring. Please make sure they get a photo made together for publicity purposes, preferably at the backdrop curtain.

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2023 GRAND CHAMPION STEER

Exhibited by Sutton Burns, Lincoln 4-H/Loyd Star FFA

Purchased by Blue Cross/Blue Shield of MS; Haley & Marsha Barbour; Ergon, Inc.



2023 ERIC BIEDENHARN BEEF SHOWMANSHIP SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

Exhibited by Haley Walker, Tippah 4-H

Presented by the Dixie National Booster Club

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2023 SUPREME CHAMPION COMMERCIAL BEEF HEIFER
Exhibited by Delayne Hughes, Forrest 4-H
\$1,500 Scholarship provided by Dixie National Sale of Junior Champions



2023 SUPREME CHAMPION BULL
Exhibited by Chase Boone, Smith 4-H/Raleigh FFA
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Exhibited by Chase Boone, Smith 4-H/Raleigh FFA

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2023 SUPREME CHAMPION COMMERCIAL GILT

Exhibited by Jadyne Sanford, Covington 4-H

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**2023 Commercial Gilt Showmanship Scholarship Winner
Exhibited by Emma Grace Koger, Humphreys 4-H
Presented by Dixie National Booster Club**



**2023 Dr. Ben Clower Swine Showmanship Scholarship Winner
Exhibited by Preston Aust, Humphreys 4-H
Presented by Dixie National Booster Club**

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2023 GRAND CHAMPION HOG

Exhibited by Caroline/Dowdy Carman, Sunflower 4-H

Purchased by Jackson Area Ford Dealers; Gray-Daniels Auto Family; Mac Haik Ford Jackson



2023 BILL DUPREE LAMB SHOWMANSHIP SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

Exhibited by Katy Kendell Ware, Montgomery 4-H

Presented by Dixie National Booster Club

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2023 SUPREME CHAMPION WETHER DAM

**Exhibited by Hannah Hayes/Katy Kendell Ware, Montgomery 4-H
\$1,500 Scholarship provided by Dixie National Sale of Junior Champions**



2023 GRAND CHAMPION BREEDING HAIR SHEEP

Exhibited by Montana Foster, Lee 4-H/Nettleton FFA

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2023 GRAND CHAMPION MARKET HAIR SHEEP

Exhibited by Ann Fleming/Taylor/Wilson Leflore, Lafayette 4-H

Purchased by Blue Cross/Blue Shield of MS; Haley & Marsha Barbour; Ergon, Inc.



2023 GRAND CHAMPION LAMB

Exhibited by Hayes Henderson, Montgomery 4-H

**Purchased by Southern AgCredit; Steward Link, LLC;
Kirk Auto Group; Fancher Cattle Co.; Hi Grade Farm Supply;
Bank of Kilmichael; Oliver Farms; Winona Tractor & Equipment.**

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**2023 SONNY & DORIS THOMPSON DAIRY CATTLE
SHOWMANSHIP SCHOLARSHIP WINNER**

Exhibited by Jaylynn Cloy, Lincoln 4-H

Presented by Dixie National Booster Club



2023 GRAND CHAMPION COMMERCIAL DAIRY HEIFER

Exhibited by Haven Foster Simon, Pearl River 4-H

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2023 GRAND CHAMPION COMMERCIAL DAIRY COW

Exhibited by Lauren Hand, Hinds 4-H



2023 GRAND CHAMPION HOLSTEIN

Exhibited by Kaleigh Robinson, Lincoln 4-H/Enterprise FFA

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**2023 GRAND CHAMPION JERSEY
& SUPREME CHAMPION DAIRY FEMALE**

Exhibited by Carl Taylor, Prentiss 4-H

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2023 SUPREME DAIRY EXHIBITOR

Exhibited by Langston Moorman, Calhoun 4-H

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2023 BUDDY BANES MEAT GOAT SHOWMANSHIP SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

*Exhibited by Leighton Horton, Tippah 4-H
Presented by Dixie National Booster Club*



2023 SUPREME CHAMPION COMMERCIAL MEAT GOAT DOE

*Exhibited by Paxton Lemoine, Rankin 4-H/Puckett FFA
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2023 GRAND CHAMPION MARKET GOAT
Exhibited by Hayes Henderson, Montgomery 4-H

**Purchased by MS Farm Bureau Federation; Southern Farm Bureau Life Insurance Co.;
Southern Farm Bureau Casualty Insurance Co.; MS Farm Bureau Casualty Insurance Co.;
Farm Bureau Bank; Tico's Steakhouse; TeleSouth Communications; N&W Construction Co., Inc.;
First Financial Bank; Matthews, Cutrer & Lindsay, P.A.; Cornerstone Governmental Affairs, LLC.**



2023 GRAND CHAMPION BREEDING BOER GOAT
Exhibited by Hadley Slocum, Smith 4-H

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2023 NORMAN MCCARTY DAIRY GOAT SHOWMANSHIP SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

**Exhibited by Jaylynn Cloy, Lincoln 4-H
Presented by Dixie National Booster Club**



2023 CHAMPION COMMERCIAL JUNIOR DAIRY GOAT

Exhibited by Londyn Simpson, Independence FFA/Tate 4-H

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2023 CHAMPION COMMERCIAL SENIOR DAIRY GOAT

Exhibited by Ethan McCreary, Lee 4-H/New Site FFA



2023 BEST IN SHOW SENIOR DOE & SUPREME CHAMPION DAIRY GOAT

Exhibited by Cloe Caroline Strohm, Hinds 4-H

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2023 BEST IN SHOW JUNIOR DOE
Exhibited by Maddy Tolar, Marion 4-H



2023 LEGISLATIVE LIVESTOCK SHOWDOWN
OVERALL CHAMPION AND WINNER OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES RING
Exhibited by Representative Tom Miles, District 75 (Rankin/Scott)
Youth Coach: Layton Varner, Rankin 4-H

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2023 LEGISLATIVE LIVESTOCK SHOWDOWN WINNER OF SENATE RING
 Exhibited by Senator Tyler McCaughn, District 31 (Newton/Scott)
 Youth Coach: Kash Goldman, Enterprise FFA/Lincoln 4-H



2023 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

L-R: Front row, Layla Bramlitt, Calhoun 4-H; Addison Lindsey, Scott 4-H/Pelahatchie FFA; Ann Cole Hammons, Rankin 4-H; Sadie Morris, South Panola FFA/Panola 4-H; Caroline Chapman, Tippah 4-H/Pine Grove FFA; Maddie Grace Walters, Rankin 4-H/Pelahatchie FFA; Ann Rileigh Holder, Jones 4-H; Emma Grace Koger, Humphreys 4-H; Ferrell-Alleyn Stonecypher, Humphreys 4-H; Kylie Graves, Lincoln 4-H; Jaylynn Cloy, Lincoln 4-H; Madelyn Lewis, Hinds 4-H. Back row, Aiden Harper, Jasper 4-H; Preston Aust, Humphreys 4-H; Colton Howell, Holmes 4-H; Joseph Nelson, Walthall 4-H; Collin Culpepper, Jones 4-H/S. Jones FFA; J.J. Hill, Stringer FFA/Jasper 4-H; Grant Goree, Lincoln 4-H; Jon Tyler Wells, Scott 4-H/Pisgah FFA; Will Manning, Union 4-H; Calden Ratliff, Stone 4-H/Stone Co. FFA; Conner Shelton, Calhoun 4-H/Bruce FFA; Jensyn Cain, Calhoun 4-H; Dru Prisock, Oktibbeha 4-H.

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2023 PREMIER EXHIBITORS

L-R: Chase Boone, Smith 4-H/Raleigh FFA; Leighton Horton, Tippah 4-H; Lee Taylor, Prentiss 4-H/New Site FFA; Claire Necaie, Hancock 4-H; Hope White, Jones 4-H/West Jones FFA; Ayden Wolken, Simpson 4-H/SCTC FFA.

*Dixie National Jr.
RoundUp*

**RABBIT
EXTRAVAGANZA**

February 17, 2024

9:00AM

**Livestock
Arena
Barn14**

**MISSISSIPPI STATE FAIR GROUNDS
1207 Mississippi St, Jackson, MS 39202**

RULES & GUIDELINES

The Mississippi State Fairgrounds, Mississippi State Extension Service, Mississippi 4- H & Youth Development Program, Hinds County and its employees will assume no responsibility in case of theft, accident, or other destruction of your property. However, every precaution will be taken to eliminate any danger on the grounds.

GENERAL SHOW RULES:

1. The Committee reserve the right to make any necessary changes.
2. All livestock must be owned by the exhibitor.
3. All livestock must wear a permanent and legible tattoo in the rabbit's left ear.
4. All rabbits must have health papers issued by a veterinarian to get onto the Mississippi State Fairgrounds.
5. There will be no changes after judging begins.
6. All judges' decisions will be final.
7. Any sick rabbits will be quarantined for the duration of the show and will not be accepted for judging.
8. Rabbits will be called to the table three (3) times only. If, after the 3rd call, your rabbit is still not on the table, it will be listed as a "no show".
9. Parents will be held responsible for all their children's actions while on the premises.
10. No parent or spectator will be allowed in the judging area.
11. This is a one-day carrier show.
 - a. For sanitation purposes, all rabbits must be presented for the show in a wire bottom cage or carrier with a suspended floor.
 - b. All carriers must have a waterproof bottom.
12. IF YOU ARE LEAVING THE SHOW EARLY AND YOU HAVE A BEST OF BREED WINNER, PLEASE INFORM THE SHOW SUPERINTENDENTS OF SCRATCHES.
13. No dogs or other animals will be allowed in the show area. Exception: Certified Service Animals will be allowed.

ENTRY RULES & GUIDELINES

Exhibitors are allowed to nominate the number of animals they desire. An exhibitor can not show no more than ten (10) animals per exhibitor between both breeding and commercial show.

ENTRY PROCESS:

- All entries must be Submitted to using the link below by 5:00 PM December 1, 2023. There will be a entry fee of \$10 per animal.
 - o Link:
- Rabbits cannot be entered into the breeding division and commercial division. They must be nominated in only ONE of the divisions. Once a division is chosen on the nomination forms, no rabbits will be moved into a different division at the show.
- Once a breed is listed on the nomination forms, no rabbits will be moved into a different breed category at the show.
- Once a sex is listed on the nomination forms, no rabbits will be moved into a different sex category at the show.
- All information on the nomination's forms are final.

RABBIT SHOW RULES & INFORMATION

BREEDING RABBITS:

- Breeding Rabbits are judged and placed based on a universally accepted Standard of Perfection by the American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA).
- This will be a Breed Youth Show that recognizes only the breeds approved by ARBA.
- This WILL NOT be an American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) sanctioned show, however all ARBA rules will pertain to judging.
- Rabbits will be entered into Classes by: Breed, Age and Sex as defined in the Standard of Perfection. For the ARBA Official Breed Variety please visit: ARBA Official Breed ID Guide <https://arba.net/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Breed-ID-Guide-Updated-April-2021.pdf>
 - o It is the responsibility of the parent to know the breeds standards for their entries.
 - o Rabbits are to be entered by the rabbit's birthday **NOT** the exhibitor's birthday (junior, intermediate, or senior).
 - o We will have 3 age divisions for each breed and commercial class (Junior, Intermediate and Senior, determined by animals age).
- We encourage each young person to accept the responsibility of his/her rabbit project by placing their rabbits on and off the judging table. No adult will be allowed to place rabbits on the table for youth.
 - o Please try to participate in as many activities as you wish, but always be ready when your rabbits are called to the table.

Rabbits are shown in specific classes designated in the ARBA Standards of Perfection by: Breed; Age; and Sex. Pedigrees and Registration are not required to show.

- **Breed:** There are over fifty recognized breeds with unique characteristics. Rabbits do not have to be pure bred to be shown, but they must meet the characteristics of the breed entered. (For the Rabbit Extravaganza, we offer a commercial class that allows un-recognized breeds and colors to be shown.)
- **Age:** When considering age, both the actual age and the weight of the rabbit must be taken into consideration. A rabbit younger than 180 days (6 months) may be shown as a Junior. At 181 days, 4-class Breeds are Seniors and 6-class Breeds are Intermediates. 6-class Breeds are Seniors at 240 days of age.

Age by days

Junior - under 180 days Intermediate - 181 to 240 days

Senior - 241 days or more

- **Weight:** It is also important to know the weight of your rabbits, as it will factor into some classes. There will be a scale on premises for the judge to use at their discretion. The Standards of Perfection set minimum and maximum weight ranges for each age class. Weight ranges for some breeds vary for bucks and does. For example, it is not uncommon for a 5-month-old Californian to weigh over both the Junior and Intermediates weight maximum and must be shown as a Senior even though it is a Junior by age. Consult the Standards of Perfection for weight ranges by Breed from the Standards of Perfection.
- **Sex:** Rabbits are shown as either Bucks (males) or Does (females). Neutered or spayed are not allowed to be shown (except for special classes such as the commercial class).
- **Tattoo:** All rabbits must have a permanent and legible tattoo in the rabbit's left ear. The tattoo should only contain numerals 0-9 and/or letters A-Z no more than 5 symbols as an identifier. The tattoo is to contain no language of a profane nature. An exhibitor may not enter more than one animal in the same class with the same tattoo. Non-permanent "tattoos" such as sharpie is not allowed. Illegible tattoos may result to disqualifications.

ARBA Show rules can be found at: <https://arba.net/official-arba-show-rules/>

COMMERCIAL CLASS

- Animals will be judged based on suitability of their Breed Standards, CLEANLINESS/GROOMING, and GENERAL HEALTH.
- Rabbits will need to have a permanent legible tattoo in the rabbit's left ear before judging.

- Disqualifications are based on any communicable/Infectious disease (sniffles/snot, ear mites, conjunctivitis, sore hocks, fur mites, etc.) or structural default (severely over or under weight, abscess, deformity, wolf teeth).
- Mixed breeds and rabbits with minor disqualifications are allowed.
- All commercial rabbits will be judged in age classes regardless of breed and sex. Commercial rabbits CANNOT compete for Best In Show.

AWARDS

- 1st through 5th place winners in each category will receive ribbons. Best of Breed and Best Opposite Sex will receive awards. In addition, awards will be given for Best-In-Show and Best In Show Opposite Sex.
- Pick up ribbons at the end of the show before you leave. They will not be mailed to any Extension County Offices.

In the event premiums are available those will be mailed to the local County Extension Office.

SPECIAL EVENTS RULES & INFORMATION SHOWMANSHIP

4-H EXHIBITOR AGE DIVISIONS: 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17-18 as on January 1, 2024.

GUIDELINES:

- Purpose: Provide youth with an opportunity to demonstrate their ability to professionally examine a rabbit as a judge would do in competition.
- Judges may ask several “standard” questions that will be age appropriate.
- Judges will be fair and consistent with all judging and will have experience in this field. Some youths will be asked to do showmanship more than one time to determine winners in case of ties.
- The ARBA Rabbit Showmanship Guidelines and score form will be used as the standard for judging.
- Guidelines can be located on-line at: ARBA- Showmanship <https://arba.net/showmanship/>

PROTESTS:

All protests must be made on an official protest form available from show management and sealed in an envelope must be accompanied by a \$300 cash deposit. Protests must be made and signed by the person protesting. The protest must designate the exhibitor and animal involved and the specific rule or regulation that the exhibitor and/or animal is violating. All submitted protests will be kept confidential. Must be submitted to the show manager within 30 minutes after the end of the show involved. Once protest has been filed, the decision to protest is final. No protest may be withdrawn once it has been properly filed.

For disability accommodation, please contact Brandon Alberson at 662 - 837 - 8184 or brandon.d.alberson@msstate.edu.

Committee Members:

Brandon Alberson, Tippah County
 Jessica Sibley, De Soto County
 Kelby King, Jasper County
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