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What: 59th Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo

When: Monday, February 5 and Tuesday, February 6

Where: Mississippi State Fairgrounds

Schedule of 59th Annual Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo Events Taking Place Monday, February 5 and Tuesday, February 6

STATE FAIRGROUNDS, Miss. – Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce Andy Gipson invites everyone to attend the 59th annual Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo and announces the schedule of events taking place tomorrow Monday, February 5 and Tuesday, February 6, 2024. All events take place on the Mississippi State Fairgrounds. The following livestock shows are free to the public.

The Legislative Livestock Showdown takes place at 6:00 p.m. in the Mississippi Coliseum. This event partners legislators with youth in their districts getting representatives and senators into the ring to learn about the livestock industry and see how hard Mississippi youth work to show and promote their animals while having fun competing.

Scheduled Activities & Events for Monday, February 5, 2024:

- o 7:30 a.m. Angus Showmanship Coliseum
- o 7:30 a.m. Sheep Lead Class Judging Arena/Barn 14
- o 8:00 a.m. Beef Showmanship Coliseum
- 8:00 a.m. Hair Sheep and Lamb Shows (Hair Sheep Showmanship, Breeding Hair Sheep, Market Hair Sheep Lamb Showmanship, Wether Dams, Market Lambs) – Judging Arena/Barn14
- o 11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. Dixie National Steakhouse Trade Mart
- o 1:30 p.m. Beef Breeding Bull Show Coliseum
- o 6:00 p.m. Legislative Livestock Showdown Coliseum

Scheduled Activities & Events for Tuesday, February 6, 2024:

o 8:00 a.m. – Beef Breeding Heifer Show – Coliseum

- 8:00 a.m. Meat Goat Shows (Goat Showmanship, Commercial Meat Goat Doe Show, Market Goat Show) – Judging Arena/Barn 14
- o 9:00 a.m. Equestrians with Disabilities Horse Show Equine Center
- o 11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. Dixie National Steakhouse Trade Mart
- o 3:00 p.m. Registered Boer Goat Shows Judging Arena/Barn 14
- *15 minutes after Mkt Goat Show Boer Goat Showmanship, Boer Goat Shows Judging Arena/ Barn 14

Events of the 59th Dixie National Livestock Show and Rodeo run through Sunday, February 18, 2024. The Dixie National Rodeo, the largest rodeo east of the Mississippi River, takes place Friday, February 9, through Sunday, February 11, and again Wednesday, February 14, through Saturday, February 17, inside the Mississippi Coliseum at the State Fairgrounds.

Rodeo Entertainment:

Friday, February 9, at 7:00 p.m. – Conner Smith & Colin Stough Saturday, February 10, at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. – Tracy Byrd Sunday, February 11, at 2:00 p.m. – Chris Cagle Wednesday, February 14, at 7:00 p.m. – Megan Moroney Thursday, February 15, at 7:00 p.m. – Sammy Kershaw Friday, February 16, at 7:00 p.m. – Corey Kent Saturday, February 17, at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. – Parmalee

Dixie National Steakhouse Hours:

February 2-8, 2024-11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. February 9-11, 2024-11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. February 12 & 13, 2024-11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. February 14-17, 2024-11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. February 18, 2024-10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

To purchase tickets to the Dixie National Rodeo, visit https://www.ticketmaster.com/dixie-national-rodeo-tickets/artist/848320.

For more information, visit <u>www.dixienational.org</u>, follow the Dixie National Livestock Show & Rodeo on Facebook or call 601-961-4000.

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Photo attached.



State Representative Tom Miles and 4-H student member Layton Varner celebrate their win at the 2023 Dixie National Legislative Livestock Showdown.