

2027 LEE COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW RULES

Tuesday, March 2 – Saturday, March 6, 2027

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday, March 1, 2027

12:00 pm Stall Assignments Posted
 12:00 – 9:00 pm Exhibitors – Tack Set Up (Exhibitors may set up tack in their designated area only)

Tuesday, March 2, 2027

2:00 pm Animals May Begin Arriving
 6:00 pm ALL Animals **MUST** be in the Barn (*excluding Rabbits, Broilers, Cakes*)
 6:05 pm Mandatory Livestock Exhibitor meeting (*excluding Rabbits, Broilers, Cakes*)
 6:30 pm Weigh-In / Classify Cattle - Market Animals
 (Weighed in the order designated by the Department Superintendent)
 Scale 1 Market Hogs
 Scale 2 Market Lambs, followed by Market Goats
 Scale 3 Market Steers, followed by Haltered Commercial Heifers

NOTE: *Animals that have officially weighed out may be removed from the barn after completion of weigh-in.*

Wednesday, March 3, 2027

7:45 – 8:45 am Broilers Arrive
 7:00 – 8:00 am Rabbits Arrive
 9:00 am Broiler Show
 8:00 – 10:00 am Agricultural Mechanics Projects Arrive
 11:00 am Market Rabbit Show, followed by Breeding Rabbit Show
 10:00 – 12:00 noon Cakes Arrive
 12:30 pm Cake Judging
 1:00 pm Agricultural Mechanics Show
 5:00 pm All **Non-Sale** Broilers, Market Rabbits & Breeding Rabbits will be released w/ Superintendent approval

Thursday, March 4, 2027

9:00 am Market Hog Show, followed by Junior Breeding Gilt Show
 2:00 pm Market Lamb Show
 3:30 pm Market Goat Show
 6:00 pm Market Steer Show

Friday, March 5, 2027

9:00 am Junior Breeding Heifer Show (American/British/Exotic - Alphabetical Order)
 Follows Jr. Breeding Show Haltered Commercial Heifer Show
 1:00 pm Lee County Special Edition Drive
 2:00 pm Bucket Calf Check-In
 3:00 pm Bucket Calf Show
 4:30 pm Pee Wee Pig Show
 6:00 pm Bred Commercial Heifer Show
 8:00 pm Release of Breeding Show Entries with Superintendent's Approval

NOTE: *All Non-Sale Market Entries, and Cakes may be removed from the barn, with the superintendent's approval, after the completion of each department show.*

Saturday, March 6, 2027

11:00 am Buyer's Luncheon
 12:30 pm Sale

NOTE: *No Market Sale Entries will be released prior to completion of the Sale, and then ONLY AFTER being checked out and released by each Department Superintendent.*

OBJECTIVES

1. To acquire an understanding of scientific livestock production, management practice, and to acquire skill in executing these practices through the experience of selecting and caring for projects.
2. To provide a business experience and an insight into values and principles of purchasing and selling projects.
3. To encourage integrity, sportsmanship, and cooperation through participation in a county livestock show.

GENERAL RULES

1. The show will be supervised by the Lee County Junior Livestock Show (LCJLS) Board of Directors, County Extension Agents (CEA), and Agriculture Science Teachers (AST).
2. The show reserves, to the Lee County Junior Livestock Show Board of Directors, the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations, and to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences arising out of or in connection with or incidental to the show, and the right to amend and/or add to these rules as its judgement may determine. An exhibitor who violates any of these following rules will forfeit all privileges and premiums and be subject to penalty as ordered by the Board of Directors.
3. The Lee County Junior Livestock Show will in no case be responsible for any loss, injury, or damage to, occasioned by or arising from any project exhibited.
4. Each entry may only be shown in one Department.
5. **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** Departments A – L are open to youth meeting the requirements in Rule 5, as well as other rules listed in the General Rules and the Department Sections.
 - a. **MEMBERSHIP:** An active member of an FFA Chapter at Giddings, Dime Box or Lexington schools or an active member of any Lee County 4-H Club. Exhibitors must be enrolled in the 3rd through 12th grade, and must meet the 4-H, or FFA meeting requirements.
 - b. **MEETING ATTENDANCE:** Attend four (4) regular meetings of the current enrollment period for their FFA Chapter or 4-H Club prior to February 26, 2027 (*FFA enrollment begins with first meeting after school starts and 4-H enrollment begins with the first meeting in August*). Club meetings that DO NOT count are 4-H County Council, Lee County Texas Stars 4-H Club, 4-H Shooting Sports, and Lee 4-H STEM Club.
 - c. **RESIDENCE OR SCHOOL ENROLLMENT:** Exhibitors must be currently enrolled in a Lee County School or permanently reside in Lee County and be enrolled in school in the 3rd through 12th grade.
 - d. **SCHOLASTIC ELIGIBILITY:** The Lee County Junior Livestock Show Board of Directors will follow policies as set out by the Texas Education Agency. The AST and/or CEA will provide each school a list of their chapter/club's exhibitors. Schools will certify in writing (signed

by the Principal and/or Superintendent) whether each exhibitor is eligible or not during the show dates for that year.

Scholastic eligibility is determined by each exhibitor's respective school in accordance with TEA policy and strictly adhered to by the LCJLS. Furthermore, when an exhibitor is ruled ineligible by the school on February 26, 2027, as of 4 pm, or on any other date of the show (March 2 – March 6, 2027), then their entry(s) is also ineligible.

- e. **EXEMPTIONS and SUBSTITUTIONS:** Exhibitors involved in school-sponsored or school-related activities, or illness, considered beyond the normal scheduled activities, may be considered exempt or allowed a substitute exhibitor, if properly approved by the Board of Directors. An extracurricular form from the school must be presented.

Each request will be considered on an individual basis. A request must be made in writing by the sponsor and signed by the Principal to the LCJLS Board of Directors at least one month prior to the show or as soon as the situation arises. Substitutes should be siblings or someone from the same chapter/club in the same age range, if possible. The Department Superintendent must be informed as to who the substitute is prior to show date.

- f. **SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:** All exhibitors must have a social security number. *(Exceptions, i.e., foreign exchange students, will be addressed on an individual basis in accordance with applicable standards as prescribed by IRS regulations. Such exceptions must be brought to the attention of the Board of Directors immediately after the student signs up for membership in the 4-H or FFA.)*

- g. **ENTRY DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2026**

- i. ***LATE ENTRIES:** *Entries will be accepted through Wednesday, December 2, 2026, with a \$250 Late Fee, PER ENTRY.*
- ii. ***LATE, LATE ENTRIES:** *Entries will be accepted through Wednesday, January 13, 2027, with a \$500 Late Fee, PER ENTRY.*

ONLINE ENTRIES ONLY: You must enter ONLINE. You may access the online entry portal at <https://lee.fairwire.com>, which will open on Tuesday, September 1, 2026. A copy of the cake recipe must be uploaded to the online cake entry. For Breeding Heifers, a copy of the registration must be uploaded to the online entry.

- h. **ANIMAL OWNERSHIP:** All entries must be owned by the exhibitor at the beginning of the feeding period. The beginning of the feeding period is defined as the validation date, excluding Breeding Rabbits and Registered Heifers which must be owned by October 31, 2026, Breeding Gilts, which must be owned by November 30, 2026, and Bucket Calves, which must be owned by January 1, 2027. The exhibitor must continuously and personally feed and care for his/her animals under the supervision of their County Extension Agent or Agricultural Science Teacher. If the exhibitor does not adhere to this rule, they may be disqualified from the LCJLS. If an animal goes through any auction, or changes ownership during the feeding period, the animal becomes ineligible for the Lee County Junior Livestock Show. If an ineligible animal is sold at the Lee County Junior Livestock Show, the exhibitor will forfeit their sale earnings for that project. Purebred breeding gilts that make

the sale at San Angelo or Texas Elite are eligible to show in the LCJLS Breeding Gilt Show. The Breeding Gilts are NOT eligible to sell in the LCJLS Sale. Feeding projects on other than the exhibitor's place of residence must be requested by application (**online**) prior to the beginning of the feeding period. **Please submit application online** at www.leecountyjuniorlivestockshow.com. These requests will be considered on an individual basis and will be approved only if a valid need exists. *Exhibitors may be asked to meet with the Board for additional discussion. You will be notified of approval or non-approval. Approved projects will be closely supervised by the exhibitor's CEA or AST and monitored by an appointed Board member.

- i. **VALIDATION DATES:** Exhibitors must notify the County Extension Agent or Agriculture Science Teacher of their intent to show projects by the beginning of the feeding period as follows:

ANIMALS MUST BE VALIDATED ON THE DATES BELOW:	
Sunday – September 13, 2026 1:00 – 3:00 pm LCJLS Barn Validation Fee - \$10 per animal	• Market Steers • Haltered Commercial Heifers • Bred Commercial Heifers <i>(All MUST be presented with ear tags in ears)</i>
Sunday – November 15, 2026 1:00 – 3:00 pm LCJLS Barn Validation Fee - \$10 per animal	• Market Goats • Market Lambs
Sunday – December 6, 2026 1:00 – 3:00 pm LCJLS Barn Validation Fee - \$10 per animal	• Market Hogs
Sunday – January 24, 2027 1:00 – 2:00 pm LCJLS Barn No Validation Fee	• Market Rabbits

Additional Dates:	
October 31, 2026	• Breeding Rabbits (Must be owned) • Breeding Heifers (Must be registered in the Exhibitor's Name)
November 30, 2026	• Breeding Gilts (Must be registered in the Exhibitor's name)
November 18, 2026	• Broilers (Must be Ordered through LCJLS) • Regular/Decorated Cakes (Must submit Recipe)
January 1, 2027	• Bucket Calves (Must be Owned)

- j. **VALIDATION REQUIREMENTS:** All validations will be done at the same place and time for each Department. An exhibitor can **validate an unlimited number of animals in each division for the cost of \$10 per head**, excluding rabbits and broilers. Payment must be made at time of validation. ***STATE VALIDATED animals will NOT be required to be presented at County Validation; HOWEVER you must declare and pay your County Validation Fees at State Validation.*** Exhibitors must exhibit the animals validated in his/her name or immediate family. Exhibitors will be responsible for handling the animals at validation. DNA samples will be obtained from livestock at the time of county-level validation which must match DNA obtained anytime during the feeding period.

i. **MARKET STEERS**

September 13, 2026 | LCJLS Barn | 1:00-3:00 pm

Must be validated by an ear tag and DNA hair sample. Steers, which have been properly validated in Lee County, in the exhibitor's name, with a current state validation tag, are eligible and do not have to be retagged. All Non-State Validated animals must be brought to the county validation. Exhibitors must notify their respective CEA or AST no later than Friday, **August 21, 2026**, of the number of steers they intend to validate. The CEA or AST will then issue the appropriate tags (1 tag per steer) to each exhibitor; tags will be available on Wednesday, August 26, 2026. Exhibitors must tag their own Steers (by placing a tag in the left ear, with the tag facing forward) and bring them to the county validation with tag in the ear to be checked in order to be eligible to show at the LCJLS. All steers must be haltered and tied to the side of the trailer so a hair sample may be safely obtained. **The validation fee must be paid at that time.**

ii. **HALTERED COMMERCIAL HEIFERS**

September 13, 2026 | LCJLS Barn | 1:00-3:00 pm

Must be validated by an ear tag and DNA hair sample. Exhibitors must notify their respective CEA or AST no later than Friday, **August 21, 2026**, of the number of Haltered Commercial Heifers they intend to validate. The CEA or AST will then issue the appropriate tags (1 tag per heifer) to each exhibitor; tags will be available on Wednesday, August 26, 2026. Exhibitors must tag their own heifer (by placing a tag in the left ear, with the tag facing forward) and bring them to the county validation with tag in the ear to be checked in order to be eligible to show at the LCJLS. All heifers must be haltered and tied to the side of the trailer so a hair sample may be safely obtained. Haltered Commercial Heifers **cannot be state validated. The validation fee must be paid at the time of validation.**

iii. **BRED COMMERCIAL HEIFERS**

September 13, 2026 | LCJLS Barn | 1:00-3:00 pm

Exhibitors must notify their respective CEA or AST no later than Friday, **August 21, 2026**, of the number of heifers they intend to validate. The CEA or AST will then issue the appropriate tags (2 tags per heifer) to each exhibitor; tags will be available on Wednesday, August 26, 2026. Exhibitors must tag their own Bred Commercial Heifers (by placing a tag in each ear, with the tag facing forward) and bring them to the county

validation with tags in the ears to be checked in order to be eligible to show at the LCJLS.

The validation fee must be paid at this time.

iv. **MARKET LAMBS**

November 15, 2026 | LCJLS Barn | 1:00-3:00 pm

Must be validated by an ear tag and DNA hair sample. Lambs which have been properly validated in Lee County, in the exhibitor's name with a current state validation tag, are eligible and do not have to be retagged. All Non-State Validated animals must be brought to the county validation and **the validation fee must be paid at that time.**

v. **MARKET GOATS**

November 15, 2026 | LCJLS Barn | 1:00-3:00 pm

Must be validated by an ear tag and DNA hair sample. Goats which have been properly validated in Lee County, in the exhibitor's name, with a current state validation tag, are eligible and do not have to be retagged. All Non-State Validated animals must be brought to the county validation and **the validation fee must be paid at that time.**

vi. **MARKET HOGS**

December 6, 2026 | LCJLS Barn | 1:00-3:00 pm

Must be validated by an ear tag, ear notches, and DNA hair sample. Ear notches will be recorded and verified by the validation committee. Hogs which have been properly validated, in Lee County, in the exhibitor's name, with a current state validation tag, are eligible and do not have to be retagged. All Non-State Validated animals must be brought to the county validation and **the validation fee must be paid at that time.**

vii. **BROILERS**

Chick orders and money must be turned into each exhibitor's respective AST/CEA by **November 18, 2026.** All chicks come from the same hatchery. Only exhibitors who ordered and entered chicks prior to the deadline date are eligible to show.

viii. **MARKET RABBITS**

January 24, 2027 | LCJLS Barn | 1:00-2:00 pm

Must be validated with an official tattoo. Exhibitors who wish to tattoo their own rabbits, must notify their respective CEA or AST by **January 8, 2027**, tattoo numbers will also be assigned at this time. These rabbits must then be brought to the county validation and presented to the validation committee. They may be tattooed by the exhibitor but must still be presented to the validation committee. Rabbits not tattooed when presented will be tattooed by the validation committee.

k. **EAR TAGS:** ONLY OFFICIAL LEE COUNTY, STATE, or FEDERAL REQUIRED tags will be allowed in all animal's ears at check in.

l. **LOST EAR TAGS:** Lost ear tags must be reported to the AST/CEA immediately. The AST or CEA will notify the Board of Directors which animals need to be retagged. **All animals will be retagged upon arrival at the show barn on Tuesday, March 2, 2027.**

m. **ENTRY FORM DEADLINE AND FEES:** All LCJLS entries must be completed ONLINE.

i. **ENTRIES ARE DUE WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2026**

ii. ****LATE ENTRIES: Entries will be accepted through Wednesday, December 2, 2026, with a \$250 Late Fee, PER ENTRY.***

iii. ****LATE, LATE ENTRIES: Entries will be accepted through Wednesday, January 13, 2027, with a \$500 Late Fee, PER ENTRY.***

You may access the online entry portal at <https://lee.fairwire.com>, to enter online for the 2027 show. All registration papers must be in the name of the exhibitor by the ownership deadline.

Each exhibitor may enter any market division **but only two entries may be shown and only those two may be brought onto the show grounds.** Once an animal/cake is unloaded, it cannot be replaced by another animal/cake. Failure to comply with this rule will result in disqualification of all entries for that exhibitor.

ENTRY FEES FOR LEE COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Steers, Hogs, Lambs, Goats, Haltered Commercial Heifers & Bucket Calves	\$ 25 per head
Junior Breeding Heifers, Junior Breeding Gilts	\$50 per head
Broilers & Market Rabbits (pen of 3)	\$25 per pen
Bred Commercial Heifers (pen of 2)	\$25 per pen
Cakes	\$25 per cake
Breeding Rabbits	\$25 per rabbit
Agricultural Mechanics	\$50 per entry

n. **HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:** No animal showing evidence of disease shall be permitted on the show grounds. Livestock must comply with the entry requirements as set out by the Texas Animal Health Commission. All medicated feedstuff and drugs must be withdrawn in accordance with the label for the product used or fed. Only a licensed Veterinarian may administer any type of medicated feedstuff, drug, or antibiotic in compliance with the TAHC guidelines once animals are on premises.

o. **ARRIVAL AND RELEASE OF ANIMALS:** All animals must be checked in by the date and time as published in the LCJLS schedule prior to the show. Entries arriving late are subject to disqualification. All animals must be checked out by the appropriate Department Superintendent before they are loaded from the premises. No animals are to be moved until completion of the sale, except for breeding show and non-sale market animal entries. If an animal leaves the barn prior to being released, it is automatically disqualified from the sale. If an animal is removed from the barn prior to the stated release time, OR without

superintendent approval, a \$500 PENALTY will be assessed. The Exhibitor will NOT be able to show in future years until the penalty is paid.

- p. **WEIGHING OF ANIMALS:** All market animals will be weighed on the show grounds by a qualified person appointed by the Board of Directors. Weighing will begin at the time stated on the schedule. Each species will weigh in the order designated by the Superintendent of that Department.

Hogs will be weighed on one scale. Lambs, followed by Goats will be weighed on another scale. Steers will be weighed on a third scale, followed by Haltered Commercial Heifers. Each exhibitor must be present at the time of their weigh-in unless prior approval is received from the Board of Directors. Animals must be brushed clean when presented for weighing. Ownership declared when the animal is presented at weigh in (before entering the scale) is FINAL.

Only animals within show weights will be permitted to be shown. A three (3) pound weight tolerance will be allowed on the minimum and maximum weight limit (*except for market rabbits, which will be allowed a 0.187 pound (3 ounces) tolerance per pen*). Animals within the tolerance will be recorded at the minimum or maximum weight. The official weight will be final. Any discrepancy on the weight must be resolved before leaving the scale area. No re-weighs will be allowed after leaving the scale.

Animals which have officially weighed out may be removed from the barn at the time designated in the schedule.

Animals will be shrunk by 3% only for the resale weight.

- q. **CLEAN-UP REQUIREMENTS:**

- i. All exhibitors, including cake exhibitors and breeding animal exhibitors, will be expected to participate in a workday on **Saturday, February 27, 2027 from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon. Exhibitors MUST be there by 8:00 am.** Penalties for late arrival will be assessed at the discretion of the Board. A \$200 penalty will be assessed to all exhibitors who miss the workday.
- ii. All exhibitors whose entry sells in the sale, and exhibitors of breeding animals, must also participate in a workday on **Sunday, March 7, 2027, at 1:00 pm. Exhibitors MUST be there by 1:00 pm.** Penalties for late arrival will be assessed at the discretion of the Board. A \$200 penalty will be assessed to all exhibitors who miss the workday.
- iii. Exhibitors must **personally sign in and sign out at the designated location.** Checking in and checking out with your CEA or AST **does NOT satisfy the Clean-up Requirement. Failure to sign out** will result in a penalty at the discretion of the board. **Exhibitors will not be dismissed until all tasks are complete!** Exhibitors 12 years of age or less must be accompanied by an adult.
- iv. Additionally, after the sale, on sale day, all shavings, bedding, and any other material must be removed and put into a designated space. Cattle exhibitors may leave **BEDDING ONLY**; alleyways MUST BE clean. **Exhibitors must have the Department Superintendent inspect their pen/stall at the conclusion of the Freezer Sale.** A \$200

penalty will be assessed to all exhibitors who fail to clean their pen(s). This includes Grand & Reserve Champion pens.

- v. **EXHIBITOR ABSENCES:** Exhibitors are **REQUIRED** to complete the ***EXCUSED ABSENCE FORM*** on the LCJLS website. Club Ball, Work, and other non-UIL activities will **NOT** be considered as excused. The Board of Directors reserves the right to excuse or deny any exhibitor absence.

 - r. **SHOWING:** Showing of unethically fitted livestock is prohibited. All cattle, excluding bred commercial heifers, must be halter broken. Any unruly animal will be barred from the show. Each exhibitor must show his/her own entries unless prior approval is received from the Board of Directors. Each exhibitor is responsible for the care of his/her animals and the cleanliness of their pen and/or stall(s). Each exhibitor is responsible for feeding and watering equipment.
 - s. **THANK YOU LETTERS:** A thank you letter must be written for any **awards and sale items** and turned into the AST/CEA in an addressed, unsealed and self-stamped envelope by **Monday, April 19, 2027**. Exhibitors who do not meet the deadline will not receive their sale check until thank you letters are submitted.
 - t. **JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW COMPETITION:** Exhibitors are allowed to compete in only one county junior livestock show per school calendar year.
- 6. **JUDGING:** The judge will place all entries in each class, 1,2,3,4, etc. All first-place entries in each class will compete for Grand Champion. The second-place entry in the class from which the Grand Champion was selected will be eligible to compete for Reserve Champion.
 - 7. **INTERFERENCE WITH JUDGING:** If any exhibitor or individual, in any way, interferes with the judging or shows disrespect to the judge or show, the Department Superintendent shall demand a proper apology from such individual, and the Board of Directors may withhold any premiums which may have been awarded and not allow the exhibitor to sell. No electronic devices during judging.
 - 8. **INTERFERENCE WITH WEIGH-IN:** If any exhibitor or individual, in any way, interferes with weigh-in, they will be subject to disciplinary actions at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
 - 9. **PROTESTS:** A protest must be made in writing, accompanied by a \$250.00 deposit, to the President of the Board of Directors immediately after the occasion for the protest arises. The deposit fee will be refunded if the protest is sustained by the Board of Directors.
 - 10. **PRIZE MONEY:** Prize money for Breeding Class entries will be awarded according to the prorated scale for each division.
 - 11. **SALE:** A maximum of 235 lots will sell. The estimated number of lots in each department that may be eligible to sell in 2027 are listed below; any unused sale lots will be distributed at the discretion of the Board:

STEERS	25	HALTERED COMMERCIAL HEIFER	24
HOGS	66	BROILERS	20
LAMBS	18	MARKET RABBITS	25
GOATS	28	REGULAR CAKES	6
BRED COMMERCIAL MARKET HEIFERS	21	DECORATED CAKES	2

The number selling in each class will be determined by the percent of the number of animals shown in each class, based on the total number sold in that division. This is determined by multiplying the percent of selling animals *(which is determined by dividing the total number of animals selling in that division by the number of animals eligible to show in that division)* by the number of animals in that class.

If the whole numbers do not add up to the total number eligible to sell, then the class(es) with the highest decimal number after the whole number will be the next to be added to the sale. If still tied, the following order will be used to break the tie:

Animals: Heavy weight class, followed by the light heavy weight class, followed by middle weight class, followed by light weight class (heavy to light); followed by the cross class (heavy to light weight).

A minimum of 60% of the eligible sale animals in each class *(rounded up to the whole number)* may be eligible to sell in the "Regular Sale." Only placing entries are eligible to sell. No Breeding Class entries will be sold.

The sale will progress in the following order: Steers, Haltered Commercial Heifers, Hogs, Lambs, Goats, Bred Commercial Heifers, Broilers, Market Rabbits, Regular Cakes, and Decorated Cakes. They will sell with Grand and Reserve Champion selling first, followed by each weight department champion.

No entry will be allowed to be sold at a price higher than the Grand Champion of their Department. Furthermore, no entry other than the Grand Champion will be allowed to be sold at a price higher than the Reserve Champion. No Freezer animal can sell for more than ten dollars (\$10) less than the lowest priced animal of its Department in the Regular Sale.

All eligible placing entries must sell in the sale. An exhibitor may sell two (2) entries in the Regular and/or Freezer Sale. Animals will sell in the order in which they place. All exhibitors with entries in the sale must personally sell their own entries unless otherwise authorized by the Board of Directors prior to sale date. A 6% commission will be collected on all entries sold.

Add-ons will not be allowed in the sale. All sales are final. Animals sold at resale immediately become the responsibility of the resale buyer. Only animals with an eligible placing will be allowed to sell in the sale.

Cakes: All Sale Cakes will sell in the Regular Sale. The top two (2) placing cakes in each class will sell: Chocolate – 1st and 2nd place; Fruit – 1st and 2nd place; Miscellaneous – 1st and 2nd place; Decorated – Grand and Reserve.

12. **PROPERTY OF LCJLS:** If an animal places and becomes eligible for the sale, that animal becomes property of the Lee County Junior Livestock Show and is ineligible to show at any other market show.
13. **SCHOLARSHIP FUND:** The Scholarship Fund is administered and funded by the Lee County Junior Livestock Show. No additional commission will be charged. All Scholarship Recipients will be recognized fifteen (15) minutes before the start of the sale.
14. **DECORATIONS:** No paint, glitter, glue, or any other substance that adheres to the animal may be used for decorations at the sale. The animal must be in its natural state.
15. **SHOWMANSHIP AWARDS:** An award will be given for steers, hogs, lambs, goats, rabbits, broilers, junior breeding cattle, and haltered commercial heifer showmanship. Showmanship will be broken down into a **Junior (3rd – 5th Grade), Intermediate (6th – 8th Grade), and Senior (9th – 12th Grade) Division**. Agricultural Mechanics will consist of a Senior Division only.

The showmanship winner will be determined in special classes following the judging of each division. In order for an exhibitor to be eligible to compete for a showmanship award, he or she must own and show his/her own entry. **The exhibitor must show the animal exhibited by the exhibitor in the regular class. *If you enter the ring with an animal other than the one exhibited in the regular class, you will be DISQUALIFIED from the showmanship judging.***

16. **HERDSMAN AWARD:** The Department Superintendent, or designated person(s), will select a bred commercial heifer exhibitor to receive a Herdsman Award. To be eligible for the Herdsman Award, bred commercial heifers must remain on the show grounds until the award is announced. The Herdsman Award will be broken down into a **Junior (3rd – 5th Grade), Intermediate (6th – 8th Grade), and Senior (9th – 12th Grade) Division**.

The award will be based on conformity to the rules, housekeeping, neatness, and presentation.

17. **OVERNIGHT STAY:** No students will be allowed to remain on the show grounds overnight without their parent(s)/guardian. The LCJLS is not responsible for any incident/accident.
18. **DAILY CARE:** All animals must be fed and cared for daily. No animal is allowed to be removed from the barn unless approved by the Department Superintendent or the Board of Directors, with the exception of the wash racks and tie outs. All animals will be monitored to ensure compliance.

DEPARTMENT A – BROILERS

Entries **MUST** be completed **ONLINE** by November 18, 2026

Chick Orders MUST be turned in at time of entry > November 18, 2026

1. Each exhibitor may enter only one pen of Broilers.
2. Chick orders must be completed and paid **ONLINE November 18, 2026**. All chicks will come from the same hatchery. Entries must be completed and paid when ordering chicks.
3. Each exhibitor must start with one standard order of 25 chicks. Birds must be ordered in increments of 25 with no maximum limit. No in-between numbers may be ordered (*i.e.*, 35).

Wing band numbers originally assigned to individual exhibitors in his/her name or immediate family living in the same household and birds raised on the same premise may be pooled together. Pen selection may be made using any or all birds.

4. Chicks will be banded with the official county wing band at the hatchery. Each exhibitor will be assigned wing band numbers at pickup. This range of numbers will determine the exhibitor's pen.
5. Broilers must possess the official wing band at time of show.
6. Broilers must not have any markings on their feathers.
7. All Broilers will be shown in one class.
8. A pen of Broilers will consist of three (3) birds. One Broiler may be brought as an alternate. Broilers are not required to be in pen prior to the Broiler Show.
9. All Broiler Exhibitors must keep at least one broiler in the pen after the Broiler Show.
10. Exhibitors must bring their own containers for feed and water.
11. Each exhibitor must be at his/her pen 15 minutes prior to judging.
12. All Broilers must be processed and delivered within four (4) weeks after the LCJLS or the exhibitor's check will be withheld until the processed broilers are delivered, with a \$10 penalty per week until delivered. Each exhibitor must submit a signed and dated receipt for processed animals from buyer to the AST/CEA.

DEPARTMENT B – BREEDING RABBITS

Entries **MUST** be completed **ONLINE** by November 18, 2026

1. Breeding Rabbits must be owned by **October 31, 2026**.
2. Exhibitors must bring their own containers for feed and water.
3. No crossbreeds will be eligible.
4. All breeds will be shown together.
5. Entries will be divided into classes of does and bucks according to the following breakdown:
(a) Born on or after September 15, 2026 (b) Born before September 15, 2026.

No substitutions will be allowed.

6. Ribbons and premiums will be awarded based on the following scale: Grand Champion - \$10; Reserve Champion - \$5; Class Placing: First - \$10, Second - \$5, Third - \$3.
7. Judging will follow basic ARBA Show guidelines.
8. Breeding Rabbits may be released March 5, 2027 at 5:00 pm, with Superintendent approval.

DEPARTMENT C – MARKET RABBITS

Entries **MUST** be completed **ONLINE** by November 18, 2026

1. Each exhibitor may enter only one pen of Market Rabbits.

2. Bunnies **may** be purchased.
3. Market Rabbits must be validated with the official tattoo on **January 24, 2027** from 1 – 2 pm at the LCJLS Barn.
4. A pen of Market Rabbits will consist of three (3) animals, which must weigh between **10.5-16.5 pounds per pen** at weigh in.
5. Exhibitors must bring their own containers for feed and water.
6. All pens of Market Rabbits will be shown in one class.
7. No alternates will be allowed in the barn.
8. Judging will follow basic ARBA Show guidelines.
9. All Market Rabbit Exhibitors must keep their rabbits in their pen after the Market Rabbit Show.
10. All Market Rabbits must be processed and delivered within four (4) weeks after the LCJLS or the exhibitor's check will be withheld until the processed rabbits are delivered, with a \$10 penalty per week until so delivered. Each exhibitor must submit a signed and dated receipt for processed animals from buyer to the AST/CEA.

DEPARTMENT D – MARKET LAMBS

Entries **MUST** be completed **ONLINE** by November 18, 2026

1. Each exhibitor may enter only one Market Lamb.
2. Market Lambs must be validated **November 15, 2026 from 1 – 3 pm at the LCJLS Barn.**
3. Both ewe and wether lambs of any breed or crossbreed are eligible to show; however, all entries will show together regardless of breed or sex.
4. Lambs must weigh a minimum of 100 pounds at weigh in.
5. Lambs will be divided into four classes: Light, Middle, Light Heavy, and Heavy. The Board of Directors may divide these classes if numbers warrant division.
6. Lambs must meet all Texas Animal Health Commission guidelines (*i.e., scrapies tags*).
7. Lambs must be slick shorn from hocks up within 15 days of show.
8. No clipping of market animals, except with cordless clippers for touch up purposes, will be allowed after arrival at the show, unless specifically authorized by the department superintendent.
9. Lamb show is an “Blow & Go” Show. No glue, oil-based material, paint or otherwise attached material allowed.
10. No clipped hair or other extraneous materials may be glued or otherwise attached to the animal.
11. Ear Tags: **ONLY OFFICIAL LEE COUNTY, STATE, or FEDERAL REQUIRED** tags will be allowed in all lambs’ ears at check-in.

DEPARTMENT E – MARKET HOGS

Entries MUST be completed ONLINE by November 18, 2026

1. Each exhibitor may enter only one Market Hog.
2. Market Hogs must be validated on **December 6, 2026 from 1 – 3 pm at the LCJLS Barn.**
3. Gilts and barrows of any breed or crossbreed are eligible to show; however, all entries will show together regardless of breed or sex.
4. Hogs must weigh between **240 and 300 pounds** at weigh in.
5. Hogs will be divided into four classes: Light, Middle, Light Heavy, and Heavy. The Board of Directors may divide these classes if numbers warrant division.
6. No clipping of market animals, except with cordless clippers for touch up purposes, will be allowed after arrival at the show, unless specifically authorized by the department superintendent.
7. Hog show is a “Blow & Go” Show. No glue, oil-based material, paint or otherwise attached material allowed.
8. No clipped hair or other extraneous materials may be glued or otherwise attached to the animal.
9. Ear Tags: ONLY OFFICIAL LEE COUNTY, STATE or FEDERAL REQUIRED tags will be allowed in all hogs’ ears at check-in.

DEPARTMENT F – MARKET STEERS

Entries MUST be completed ONLINE by November 18, 2026

1. Each exhibitor may enter only one Market Steer.
2. Market Steers must be validated on **September 13, 2026 from 1 – 3 pm at the LCJLS Barn.** Steers must be presented at validation with an ear tag in the left ear.
3. Steers must be ear tagged with LCJLS tags. Exhibitors must notify their respective CEA or AST no later than Friday, **August 21, 2026**, of the number of steers they intend to validate. The CEA or AST will then issue the appropriate tags (1 tag per steer) to each exhibitor; tags will be available on Wednesday, August 26, 2026. Exhibitors must tag their own Steers (by placing a tag in the left ear, with the tag facing forward) and bring them to the county validation with tag in the ear to be checked in order to be eligible to show at the LCJLS. All steers must be haltered and tied to the side of the trailer so a hair sample may be safely obtained.
4. Steers must be weaned by the validation date.
5. Steers must be dehorned.
6. Steers must weigh a minimum of 1,000 pounds at weigh in.

7. Steers will be divided into four classes: One (1) "American" class and three (3) weight classes for all other breeds – Light, Middle, and Heavy. The Board of Directors may divide these classes if numbers warrant division.

The American class will be composed of American breed steers. Steers entered in this class must show physical characteristics, which indicate "American influence." The Board will appoint **three (3)** individuals to classify the American cattle at weigh-in. No protests will be allowed on classification.

8. Steers must be clipped to have no more than ¼ inch of hair on any part of the animal's body, excluding the tail switch which must be no more than 12" above the end of the cartilage of the tail, prior to arrival at the show. Steers will be checked for excess hair at weigh-in.
9. No clipping of market animals, except with cordless clippers for touch up purposes, will be allowed after arrival at the show, unless specifically authorized by the department superintendent.
10. Steer show is a "Blow & Go" Show. No glue, oil-based material, paint or otherwise attached material allowed.
11. No clipped hair or other extraneous materials may be glued or otherwise attached to the animal.
12. Ear Tags: ONLY OFFICIAL LEE COUNTY, STATE or FEDERAL REQUIRED tags will be allowed in all steers' ears at check-in.
13. No back panels are allowed, and all halter cattle entries must be tied.
14. Steers should be in assigned stalls from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. **Tie outs will be made available to exhibitors for \$10 per head. Exhibitors may pay during the entry process OR tie outs may be purchased upon arrival. Exhibitors must clean up their tie out area.**

DEPARTMENT G – JUNIOR BREEDING HEIFERS

Entries MUST be completed ONLINE by November 18, 2026

Registration papers MUST BE uploaded with ONLINE entry!

1. Only Registered females will be eligible.
2. Registered heifers must be registered in the **exhibitor's name by October 31, 2026.**
3. Heifers must be dehorned.
4. Entries will be divided into classes according to breed. Age classes will include:
 - (a) calved July 1, 2026 and younger
 - (b) calved January 1, 2026, to June 30, 2026
 - (c) calved July 1, 2025, to December 31, 2025
 - (d) calved January 1, 2025, to June 30, 2025
 - (e) calved on or after August 26, 2024

Animals born before August 26, 2024, or earlier will not be eligible. The Board of Directors may divide these classes if numbers warrant division.

5. Substitutions will be allowed with a fee of \$100 per head. All substitutions must be declared at check-in March 2, 2027.
6. Ribbons and premiums will be awarded based on the following scale: Grand Champion - \$25; Reserve Champion - \$20; Class Placing: First - \$25, Second - \$20, Third - \$15, Fourth - \$10, Fifth - \$5.
7. A special award will be given to overall "Grand Champion" and "Reserve Champion" heifer.
8. A scholarship of \$750 will be awarded to the Overall Grand Champion Breeding Heifer and a scholarship of \$500 will be awarded to the Overall Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Heifer. There is a cap of \$1,500 per exhibitor and their show career.
9. No clipping of breeding animals, except with cordless clippers for touch up purposes, will be allowed after arrival at the show, unless specifically authorized by the department superintendent.
10. Heifer show is a "Blow & Go" Show. No glue, oil-based material, paint or otherwise attached material allowed.
11. No clipped hair or other extraneous materials may be glued or otherwise attached to the animal.
12. No back panels are allowed, and all halter cattle entries must be tied.
13. Breeding heifers should be in assigned stalls during the day from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. **Tie outs will be made available to exhibitors for \$10 per head. Exhibitors may pay during the entry process OR tie outs may be purchased upon arrival. Exhibitors must clean up their tie out area.**

DEPARTMENT H – MARKET GOATS

Entries MUST be completed ONLINE by November 18, 2026

1. Each exhibitor may enter only one Market Goat.
2. Market Goats must be validated **November 15, 2026 from 1 – 3 pm at the LCJLS Barn.**
3. Wether and doe goats of any breed or crossbreed are eligible to show; however, all entries will show together regardless of breed or sex.
4. Goats must be dehorned or have their horns tipped back.
5. Goats must be trained to lead.
6. Goats must weigh between 70 and 125 pounds at weigh in.
7. Goats will be divided into four (4) weight classes: Light, Middle, Light Heavy, and Heavy. The Board of Directors may divide these classes if number warrants division.
8. Goats must meet all Texas Animal Health Commission guidelines (*i.e., scrapies tags*).

9. Goats must be slick shorn from hocks up with exception of the tail switch within 15 days of the show.
10. No clipping of market animals, except with cordless clippers for touch up purposes, will be allowed after arrival at the show, unless specifically authorized by the department superintendent.
11. No clipped hair or other extraneous materials may be glued or otherwise attached to the animal.
12. Goat show is a "Blow & Go" Show. No glue, oil-based material, paint or otherwise attached material allowed.
13. Ear Tags: ONLY OFFICIAL LEE COUNTY, STATE, or FEDERAL REQUIRED tags will be allowed in all goats' ears at check-in.

DEPARTMENT I – BRED COMMERCIAL HEIFERS

Entries MUST be completed ONLINE by November 18, 2026

1. Each exhibitor may enter only one pen of Bred Commercial Heifers.
2. Bred Commercial Heifers must be validated **September 13, 2026 from 1 – 3 pm at the LCJLS Barn. Each exhibitor must validate a minimum of two (2) heifers.** Heifers must be presented at validation with a tag in each ear.
3. Exhibitors must notify their respective CEA or AST no later than Friday, **August 21, 2026**, of the number of heifers they intend to validate. The CEA or AST will then issue the appropriate tags (2 tags per heifer) to each exhibitor; tags will be available on Wednesday, August 26, 2026. Exhibitors must tag their own Bred Commercial Heifers (by placing a tag in each ear, with the tag facing forward) and bring them to the county validation with tags in the ears to be checked in order to be eligible to show at the LCJLS.
4. A pen will consist of two (2) head.
5. Heifers MUST be dehorned PRIOR to validation.
6. Heifers may be either purebred or crossbred; however, all entries will show together regardless of breed.
7. Heifers must meet all Texas Animal Health Commission requirements. Health papers are required for Bred Commercial Heifers. Heifers are required to be pregnancy diagnosed by a Licensed Veterinarian. BOTH heifers must be certified to be bred a minimum of 120 days. Heifers **must be palpated between February 1, 2027, and February 24, 2027.** Health Papers must be emailed to leecoirlivestockshow@gmail.com by March 1, 2027. The committee has the option to confirm pregnancy.
8. Heifers which have calved prior to judging will NOT be eligible.
9. Heifers will be shown in a pen, not haltered.
10. Signs or displays must be removed one (1) hour prior to judging. They may be put back up after judging has been completed.

11. The exhibitor is responsible for furnishing feed and water equipment, which must be removed one (1) hour prior to judging.
12. Each exhibitor must be present at the time of judging.
13. Heifers must remain in their assigned stalls.
14. Stalls must be cleaned and approved by the Department Superintendent before heifers are released.
15. The Department Superintendent, or designated person(s), will select a commercial heifer exhibitor to receive a "Herdsman" award. The award will be based on conformity to the rules, housekeeping, neatness, presentation, and knowledge. There will be a Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Division for the Herdsmen Award.
16. Bred Commercial Heifer show is a "Blow & Go" Show. No glue, oil-based material, paint, or otherwise attached material allowed.
17. No clipped hair or other extraneous materials may be glued on otherwise attached to the animal.
18. Ear Tags: ONLY LEE COUNTY, STATE, or FEDERAL REQUIRED tags will be allowed in all commercial heifers' ears at check-in.

DEPARTMENT J – HALTERED COMMERCIAL HEIFERS

Entries MUST be completed ONLINE by November 18, 2026

1. Each exhibitor may enter only one Haltered Commercial Heifer.
2. Haltered Commercial Heifers must be validated on **September 13, 2026 from 1 – 3 pm at the LCJLS Barn.**
3. Heifers must be validated by an ear tag and DNA hair sample. Exhibitors must notify their respective CEA or AST no later than Friday, **August 21, 2026**, of the number of Haltered Commercial Heifers they intend to validate. The CEA or AST will then issue the appropriate tags (1 tag per heifer) to each exhibitor; tags will be available on Wednesday, August 26, 2026. Exhibitors must tag their own heifer (by placing a tag in the left ear, with the tag facing forward) and bring them to the county validation with tag in the ear to be checked in order to be eligible to show at the LCJLS. All heifers must be haltered and tied to the side of the trailer so a hair sample may be safely obtained.
4. Heifers must be dehorned.
5. Heifers may be either purebred or crossbred.
6. Heifers **cannot** be State Validated.
7. Heifers must weigh a minimum of 700 pounds at weigh in and have all deciduous teeth ("Baby Teeth"), with no permanent incisors in view. Heifers not meeting the criteria will be disqualified from the program.
8. **Heifers will be divided into two (2) classes: American-influenced and All Other Breeds.** The Board of Directors may divide these classes if numbers warrant division.

The American class will be composed of American breed heifers. Heifers entered in this class must show physical characteristics, which indicate “American influence.” The Board will appoint **three (3)** individuals to classify the American cattle at weigh-in. No protests will be allowed on classification.

9. Heifers must meet all Texas Animal Health Commission requirements. Health papers are required for Bred Commercial Heifers. Heifers are required to be pregnancy diagnosed by a Licensed Veterinarian. Heifers **must be open and have a sound reproductive tract.** Heifers **must be palpated between February 1, 2027, and February 24, 2027.** Health Papers must be emailed to leecoirlivestockshow@gmail.com by March 1, 2027. The committee has the option to confirm pregnancy
10. Haltered Commercial Heifer show is a “Blow & Go” Show. No glue, oil-based material, paint, or otherwise attached material is allowed.
11. No clipped hair or other extraneous materials may be glued on otherwise attached to the animal.
12. No back panels are allowed, and all halter cattle entries must be tied.
13. Ear Tags: ONLY LEE COUNTY, STATE, or FEDERAL REQUIRED tags will be allowed in all haltered commercial heifers’ ears at check-in.
14. Heifers should be in assigned stalls during the day from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. **Tie outs will be made available to exhibitors for \$10 per head. Exhibitors may pay during the entry process OR tie outs may be purchased upon arrival. Exhibitors must clean up their tie out area.**

DEPARTMENT K – REGULAR CAKES

Entries MUST be completed ONLINE by November 18, 2026

Recipe **MUST BE** attached to Online Entry!

1. Each exhibitor may enter only one entry in each Department: Regular Cake – Department K and Decorated Cake – Department L.
2. Entries must be submitted online with recipe uploaded (cake and icing) by **November 18, 2026.** A copy of the recipe, in the correct format, must be uploaded with the online entry.
3. **Recipes CANNOT be changed or altered after it has been submitted.**
4. The recipe must be typed – I NO COPIES from cookbooks, etc. A complete recipe must be attached to the entry form in the following format:

Exhibitor's Name
Chapter/Club
CAKE RECIPE TITLE
Cake
<u>Ingredients:</u>
<u>Directions:</u>
Icing/Frosting
<u>Ingredients:</u>
<u>Directions:</u>
Special Information/Directions

5. Check-In
 - a. Wednesday, March 3, 2027 from 10:00 am – 12:00 noon
 - b. Entries accepted at the North Entrance of the LCJLS Barn. **NO LATE ARRIVALS.**
6. Judging
 - a. Wednesday, March 3, 2027 beginning at 12:30 pm with Decorated Cakes
 - b. Judging is open to the public
7. Regular Cakes will be divided into three classes: Chocolate, Fruit, Miscellaneous
8. Regular Cakes will be judged based on quality, texture, appearance, and flavor characteristics. Each exhibitor must be present with their cake(s) while judging. The judge may ask the exhibitor questions concerning their cake.
9. All cakes will be tasted during judging. Decisions of the judges and committee are final.
10. All entries must be made from scratch by the exhibitor. No cake mixes or commercial frostings may be used. **All parts of the cake should be edible including any support items.**
11. LCJLS will not be responsible for any container in which food is entered.
12. All sale cakes become the property of the LCJLS and cannot be given to the Buyer at the sale, nor eaten.
13. All exhibitors with entries in the sale must personally sell their own entries unless otherwise authorized by the Board of Directors prior to the sale date.
14. All cakes sold in the auction MUST BE REMADE (identical cake) and delivery slip signed within four (4) weeks. Cakes must be delivered at the date of the buyer's request after the LCJLS, or the exhibitor's check will be withheld until the cake is delivered, with a \$10 penalty per week until delivery. Each exhibitor must submit a signed and dated receipt for the delivered cake from the buyer to the AST/CEA.

DEPARTMENT L – DECORATED CAKES

Entries MUST be completed ONLINE by November 18, 2026

Recipe **MUST BE** attached to Online Entry!

1. Each exhibitor may enter only one entry in each Department: Regular Cake – Department K and Decorated Cake – Department L.
2. Entries must be submitted online with recipe uploaded (cake and icing) by **November 18, 2026**. A copy of the recipe, in the correct format, must be uploaded with the online entry.
3. **Recipes CANNOT be changed or altered after it has been submitted.**
4. The recipe must be typed – I NO COPIES from cookbooks, etc. A complete recipe must be attached to the entry form in the following format:

Exhibitor's Name
Chapter/Club
CAKE RECIPE TITLE
Cake
<u>Ingredients:</u>
<u>Directions:</u>
Icing/Frosting
<u>Ingredients:</u>
<u>Directions:</u>
Special Information/Directions

5. Check-In
 - a. Wednesday, March 3, 2027 from 10:00 am – 12:00 noon
 - b. Entries accepted at the North Entrance of the LCJLS Barn. **NO LATE ARRIVALS.**
6. Judging
 - a. Wednesday, March 3, 2027 beginning at 12:30 pm with Decorated Cakes
 - b. Judging is open to the public
7. Decorated Cakes will be presented as one class.
8. Decorated Cakes will be judged based on quality, texture, appearance, and flavor characteristics. Decorated cakes will also be judged on the level of difficulty and use of variety piping techniques and other cake decorating techniques. Exhibitors must be present with their cake during judging. The judge may ask the exhibitor questions concerning their cake.
9. All cakes will be tasted during judging. Decisions of the judges and committee are final.
10. All entries must be made from scratch by the exhibitor, excluding fondant. No cake mixes or commercial frostings may be used. **All non-edible items used for decorations and support items should be listed at the end of the recipe.**
11. No preformed shaped pans and kits will be allowed.
12. The LCJLS will not be responsible for any container in which food is entered.
13. All sale cakes become the property of the LCJLS and cannot be given to the buyer at the sale, nor eaten.
14. All exhibitors with entries in the sale must personally sell their own entries unless otherwise authorized by the Board of Directors prior to the sale date.
15. All cakes sold in the auction MUST BE REMADE (identical cake) and delivery slip signed within four (4) weeks. Cakes must be delivered at the date of the buyer's request after the LCJLS, or the exhibitor's check will be withheld until the cake is delivered, with a \$10 penalty per week until delivery. Exhibitor must submit a signed and dated receipt for the delivered cake from the buyer to the AST/CEA.

DEPARTMENT M – BUCKET CALVES

Entries MUST be completed ONLINE by November 18, 2026

We are excited that you have chosen to participate in the 2027 LCJLS Bucket Calf Program. This program was started to expose youth to the basic care and responsibility of caring for a calf.

1. Open to Lee County youth ages 4-8 years old, Pre-Kindergarten to 2nd grade. Participants that will be 8 and in the 3rd grade are ineligible to show for the Bucket Calf Program but meet the requirements for 4-H and can show with Junior Livestock entries. Participants must be four-years old by December 1, 2026.
2. Each exhibitor may show only one calf.
3. A picture of the participant and his/her calf must be uploaded at <https://lee.fairwire.com> no later than **Friday, January 8, 2027.**

4. Bucket Calf Exhibitors do not have to meet the 4-H meeting requirements.
5. The exhibitor must be able to halter break and lead a calf.
6. Calf must be born between November 1, 2026, and December 31, 2026.
7. All bucket calves are required to be vaccinated by February 1, 2027.
8. Calf must be bottle-fed. No nurse calves.
9. Calves may be any gender/breed.
10. A picture of the participant bottle feeding his/her calf must be uploaded at <https://lee.fairwire.com> no later than Friday, January 8, 2027.
11. Participants must feed and care for calves in Lee County.
12. Exhibitors may be broken into classes as determined by the Livestock Show Board of Directors.
13. Read, and be familiar with, the General Rules stated in the Rules and Regulations of the Lee County Junior Livestock Show, including the NO PASS-NO PLAY policies and the Substance Avoidance Program.
14. Calves should arrive at the show barn no later than 2:00 pm on Friday, March 5, 2027, and will be stalled on the livestock show grounds.
15. Calves are permitted to leave at the conclusion of the Bucket Calf Show.
16. If shavings are used, they MUST BE REMOVED when the exhibitor and calf leave.

DEPARTMENT N – AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS

Entries MUST be completed ONLINE by November 18, 2026

1. All Agricultural Mechanics projects are subject to LCJLS Rules & Regulations.
2. Projects exhibited must have been constructed, fabricated, or reconditioned by the exhibitor.
3. Projects may be exhibited only once at the Lee County Junior Livestock Show, and must have been constructed, fabricated, or reconditioned within one (1) year of the exhibition date.
4. Exhibitors must be currently enrolled in a Lee County School, or a permanent resident of Lee County. Exhibitors must be enrolled in grades 9 through 12 and be between the ages of 14 and 19.
5. All projects should be exhibited as quality finished products; projects should be clean and in a presentable condition.
6. A working plan, blueprint, drawing, and/or photographs demonstrating construction, along with a bill of materials must be submitted with each project. This collection of documents should also be printed and shown alongside the project.
7. Any project that does not classify within an official category will be disqualified.
8. PROJECT SAFETY: Appropriate and safe display stands must be provided for gates, panels, and other projects that need support. Sharp edges and points, such as found on self-feeder roofs,

bale movers, etc., are to be padded or covered as necessary to prevent injury. All trailers and other equipment that is to be operated and/or transported on public roads are to be equipped with safety equipment specified in Title 7, Vehicles and Traffic Transportation Code of Texas Statutes, Specific chapters regarding width (621.201), lights and reflectors (545.106, 547.324 and 547.331), brakes (547.401), length (621.201) and inspection (621.204) are to be adhered to. Any trailer that exceeds 102 inches in width must have a signed permit. All towed equipment, regardless of standards, is to be equipped with safety chains. All three-point hitch and P.T.O. operated equipment is to meet current ASAE standards.

9. LCJLS does not assume liability for losses or damages to projects.
10. Projects will be judged on the following criteria:
 - a. Workmanship – 30 points
 - b. Design & Materials Used – 20 points
 - c. Practicality (or, for Art, Creativity) – 15 points
 - d. Degree of Difficulty – 10 points
 - e. Response to Questions – 5 points
 - f. Finish – 10 points
 - g. Plans, Photos, & Bill of Materials – 10 points
11. Projects will be judged in Categories without being split into separate classes.
12. No More than six (6) exhibitors per project.
13. Overall Grand and Reserve Champions will be selected from the Division Champions.
14. Categories:
 - 1) **Metal Art:** Metal Flowers, Iconography, Yard Ornaments, Home Ornaments, Statues/Figurines
 - 2) **Trailers:** Bumper Pulls, Goosenecks, Smoker/BBQ Trailers, Livestock Trailers
 - 3) **Field Machinery & Equipment:** Hay Equipment, Spraying Equipment, Tractor/Skid Steer Attachments, Truck Equipment & Accessories
 - 4) **BBQ Pits/Grills/Smokers:** Standalone Grills, BBQs, Pits, Smokers, Fire Pits (No trailers)
 - 5) **Wildlife Equipment:** Deer Feeders, Deer Stands, Hog Traps
 - 6) **Shop Equipment:** Shop Tables, Resource Recovery, Other Shop Equipment
 - 7) **Wood Working:** Wildlife Fixtures (ie. bird houses), Pet Fixtures (ie. dog houses), Yard Ornaments, Home Ornaments, Bookshelves, Dining Furniture
***NOTE:** All Wood Working projects must be at least 90% constructed with solely wooden materials.*
 - 8) **Livestock Equipment:** Hay Rings, Hay Bunk, Handling Equipment, Gates

DEPARTMENT O – JUNIOR BREEDING GILTS

Entries MUST be completed ONLINE by November 18, 2026

Registration papers MUST BE uploaded with ONLINE entry!

1. Only Registered females will be eligible.
2. Registered gilts must be registered in the **exhibitor's name by November 30, 2026.**
3. Gilts must weigh a minimum of 200 pounds.
4. Entries will be divided into classes according to breed.
5. Substitutions will be allowed with a fee of \$100 per head. All substitutions must be declared at check-in on March 2, 2027.
6. Ribbons and premiums will be awarded based on the following scale: Grand Champion - \$25; Reserve Champion - \$20; Class Placing: First - \$25, Second - \$20, Third - \$15, Fourth - \$10, Fifth - \$5
7. A special award will be given to the overall "Grand Champion" and "Reserve Champion" gilt.
8. No clipping of breeding animals, except with cordless clippers for touch up purposes, will be allowed after arrival at the show, unless specifically authorized by the department superintendent.
9. Gilt show is a "Blow & Go" Show. No glue, oil-based material, paint or otherwise attached material allowed.
10. No clipped hair or other extraneous materials may be glued or otherwise attached to the animal.

2027 LEE COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW JUDGES

MARKET STEERS	GREG CLARK
MARKET HOGS	COREY RAINS
MARKET LAMBS	NATHAN HAWS
MARKET GOATS	NATHAN HAWS
BRED COMMERCIAL HEIFERS	GREG GOUDEAU KEATON DODD
HALTERED COMM HEIFERS	HARRISON SMITH
JUNIOR BREEDING HEIFERS	HARRISON SMITH
JUNIOR BREEDING GILTS	COREY RAINS
BROILERS	GLEN CLINARD
MARKET & BREEDING RABBITS	MARY JO TERRY
BUCKET CALVES	HARRISON SMITH
REGULAR & DECORATED CAKES	BRANDY GRANT

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