Titus County Fair Livestock Show Rules Packet 2025 TITUS COUNTY FAIR JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW GENERAL LIVESTOCK RULES

September 20 - September 27, 2025

NOTICE: All exhibitors are cautioned to carefully read the following rules and regulations as same will be strictly enforced without deviation of any kind.

The Titus County Fair Association reserves to its Officers and/or Board of Directors the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations as set forth and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto or otherwise arising out of, connection with, or incident to the show and/or sale. The Officers and our Board of Directors reserves the right to amend or add to these rules as it, in its judgment, may deem advisable.

Unsportsmanlike conduct, including, but not limited to inappropriate conversation or comments on any social network, of any contestants, parents and/or family members and judges will not be tolerated. Any unsportsmanlike conduct may result in disqualification from competition and/or withdrawal of titles/auction proceeds. All exhibitors are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that is courteous and professional. Unauthorized handling, tampering, feeding, or watering another exhibitor's project without their express permission is prohibited and may be grounds for dismissal from the show. Exceptions for "good Samaritan acts" in cases where the health of the animal is concerned will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

 All participants and additional exhibitors in the Titus County Show must be bona fide Titus County 4-H members or Titus County FFA members (who are at least 9 years of age or will be in the third grade in September of the current year) at fair time. Eligible participants include 4-H or FFA members who attend Titus County schools or who are a resident of Titus County and have not graduated. Titus County Fair honors the "No Pass - No Play" UIL Rules. The only exceptions to age rule are the bottle calf and peewee showmanship shows.

NOTICE - Students who participate in other local or county show premium and/or terminal sales are not eligible to also qualify for the Titus County Premium Sale within the same calendar year. Exceptions may only be made by the executive rules committee in events such as, but not limited to, an exhibitor moves from one county to Titus County. An exemption must be granted in writing before tag in for that species.

 A premium sale will be held in connection with the Market Show of the Titus County Fair. The sale will be limited to 80% of eligible exhibitors (those who showed in the show) in steers, hogs, broilers, lambs, goats, meat rabbits to the minimum of 10 lots per species and maximum of 20 lots per species.

In determining the 80%, we will round up if it is .5 or above and drop down if it is .4 or below. Floral Design will have 2 lots in the premium sale and the next 5 lots in the silent auction. The Agri-Mechanic projects will have 10 premium lots in sale and 10 silent auction lots. The silent auction will begin at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 27, 2025, and will end 15 minutes after the live auction. Auction will start with Grand and Reserve Champions, Steers, Hogs, Broilers, Lambs, Goats, Ag-Mech, Rabbits and Floral Design. The remaining lots (after steers) will rotate from year to year. Example starting in 2023 Hogs, 2024 Broiler, 2025 Lambs, 2026 Goats, 2027 Ag Mechanics, 2028 Meat Rabbits.

- 3. All the requirements of the Texas Animal Health Commission will be met.
- 4. A completed and signed entry form, W-9 and non-refundable entry fee of \$25.00 are due before or at tag in for each species. Entries are not official until these items have been completed and signed. Any outstanding balances owed to the Fair Association must be paid in full before an entry is official.
- 5. The tag in for lambs, goats, steers, broilers, rabbits and hogs can be done as a family unit (siblings living together in same household). Each family can enter as many animals in each of the categories as they want. Standard entry fees apply to all animals. (Use the Family Tag in Form) Every 25 chickens considered 1 entry, every 6 rabbits are considered 1 entry Family wants to feed 100 chicks, 100/25=4 entries; family wants to feed 18 rabbits, 18/6=3 entries
- 6. Each contestant may exhibit two (2) animals/pens in any or all the market categories, however, market lamb exhibitors may enter 2 lambs per breed. Exhibitors will be allowed only one lot in the premium sale.
- 7. No substitution of animals in sale slots. If a contestant has two animals making the sale and wants to keep the higher placed animal, the higher slot will be forfeited and only the lower slot will be sold. (Example: one animal in the 3rd slot, one animal in the 10th slot. To keep the 3rd place animal, that slot is forfeited, and only the 10th slot will be sold.) Exemptions

based on state fair will no longer be allowed. If the buyer declares "buy back" as the animal destination, that animal then becomes property of the Titus County Fair. The exhibitor has the first right of refusal to buy back that project.

- 8. Animals in the market show will be placed at the Judge's discretion.
- 9. A 5% office fee or \$15, whichever is greater, will be subtracted from the proceeds of the sale (as well as add-ons) to defray expenses. (photos, advertising, building upgrades, bedding, new panels etc.)
- 10. All entries in the premium sale will be sold to the highest bidder only once for the benefit of the exhibitor. No pass outs will be allowed after animal has entered the sale ring. Any subsequent resale of the animal at the request of the buyer must take place at the conclusion of the auction, and resale must benefit a non-profit organization.
- 11. Each participant in the show is expected to invite several prospective buyers to the premium sale. Buyers may request an exhibitor list (comprised of market and breeding exhibitors) from the Titus County Fair only after check-in for the show is complete.
- 12. No tranquilizers, drugs or medicated feed can be used within allowed withdrawal times. Any exhibitor whose animal is determined to have been on illegal drugs or have not been removed from use of legal drugs for the allowed withdrawal will be disqualified and will forfeit all prize money. The Titus County Fair Association reserves the right to have blood or urine laboratorial analysis made on any animal entered for competition. Any medication administered after arrival at the fairgrounds must be done by a licensed veterinarian and the appropriate committee chairman notified before the medication is given.
- 13. Each participant must be present to show and sell his/her entry. This includes those exhibitors who are in the silent auction. Medical or family emergencies may be the only exception per livestock committee approval.
- 14. Any questions concerning the rules will be referred to the rules committee and their decision will be final.

- 15. Rules Executive Committee will consist of each show superintendent and the livestock directors. The Rules Executive Committee shall consist of both market and breeding show superintendents and the livestock director(s). General Livestock Rule changes may only be made at a general livestock meeting, and only if a quorum (at least 7 contest superintendents) is present of contest superintendents and led by the livestock director. General livestock meetings may be called by the Livestock Director or any 3 of the superintendents.
- 16. Any formal protest must be submitted in written form with a \$100.00 cash deposit, to the Livestock Director. Protests must be submitted no less than 24 hours before the sale begins. Protests will be heard by members of the Rules Executive Committee. If fewer than 7 superintendents are present for a vote on a protest or there is a tie on the vote, a member or members of the Titus County Fair Executive Committee will be present to vote on the protest, ensuring the minimum number of votes (7) and to break a tie. The protest fee will be refunded only if the protest is upheld by the executive rules committee.
- 17. Scale weights and judges' decisions are final and exempt from protest.

18. Entries Arrival Times

Market Steers, Market Lambs, Market Goats, Market Hogs, Commercial Does, Breeding Ewes Breeding Gilts, Breeding Heifers – Tuesday Sept 23, 5:00PM until Wednesday September 24th 7:30 AM

Ag Mechanics- Tuesday September 23rd in place by 6:00PM

Meat Rabbits – Thursday September 25th at 7:00 AM

Market Broilers - Friday September 26th at 7:00 AM

Floral Design Contest is Monday, Sept 22nd, 6:00 PM at the Titus County Extension Office.

- 19. Exhibitors are encouraged to keep exhibit area presentable to the public. Decorations are encouraged.
- 20. Showmanship classes will be uniform for all divisions with three age classes and decided at the judge's discretion. Exhibitors must use their own entry for showmanship. (Supreme Showmanship is excluded)

- Junior Division 3rd grade to 5th grade
- Intermediate Division 6th grade to 8th grade
- Senior Division 9th grade to 12th grade

Livestock Director's Supreme Senior Showmanship - Students who win their individual species in senior showmanship then may compete for Supreme Senior Showman. Each exhibitor who wins their species (market & breeding) will then show in a "round robin" showmanship of each species. Exhibitors may not "show up" an age division to be eligible for the supreme showmanship competition. This contest will be judged by a separate judge from that of the market or breeding judge. The Supreme Showman will be announced before the first lot of the premium sale. The prize for this contest shall be a buckle, a traveling trophy, and a \$500 cash prize sponsored by the Livestock Director. Exhibitors who have won the supreme showmanship in previous years are still eligible to participate. If the same exhibitor wins the supreme showmanship 3 years in a row, the traveling trophy will be retired to that exhibitor and a new trophy will be started. Supreme Senior Showmanship will be Saturday, September 27, at 1:00 PM.

- 21. If a tag comes out or is otherwise lost, it is the responsibility of the exhibitor to notify the respective division superintendent immediately and arrange for a new tag to be installed.
- 22. The Fair Association or Show Committee cannot make any guarantees that any market animal will sell due to the above rules and regulations.
- 23. Any sick or injured animals cannot enter the livestock show area or grounds.
- 24. No aisle/butt fans.
- 25. No artificial fill (pumping). Drench guns are allowed.
- 26. Titus County Fair will be a full fit optional show, following the grooming rules detailed in each species rules. No artificial hair or filler of any kind may be used.

- 27. For market weights, show superintendents will take only one weight. If that animal weighs outside the stated parameters, one immediate reweigh will be allowed. Reweight time is at the discretion of the show superintendent.
- 28. By entering and exhibiting a livestock project at the Titus County Fair you automatically grant permission for the use of your project for the Livestock Judging Contest. Failure to comply with this rule will result in disqualification and forfeiture of any titles and sale qualifications.
- 29. Any exhibitor that qualifies more than 1 species of animal or AG Mechanics project for the sale, must go to the Livestock Office to designate which species of animal they will sell in the Jr Livestock Auction, so the sale program can be completed. The exhibitor has one hour after the end of the last species of animal they show to choose which animal they will sell in the Jr. Livestock Auction.
- 30. Any exhibitor that qualifies for the sale will be required to have a photo taken by the official fair livestock photographer following the placing of the sale order.

31 All exhibitors must deliver their photo from the livestock show to their buyer within 30 days of the photos being made available. Exhibitors are required to obtain a signed acknowledgement that the buyer has received their photo. The exhibitors must bring the signed acknowledgement to pick up their check by the end of the year in which the fair occurred. Checks not picked up by December 31or 30 days after if checks are released in December, then they will be forfeited with their proceeds being distributed to the other livestock exhibitors that were in the sale as an additional add on.

32. Exhibitors who did not exhibit a market, breeding, or AG Mechanics project at the Titus County Fair will not be eligible for add-ons.

33. Exhibitors are expected to exhibit their own animal without assistance. Bottle calves, peewee showmanship, and registered ewes have specific rules regarding assistants detailed in the rules of those shows. Other exceptions to this rule may be made at the discretion of the livestock committee (example- special needs student requires assistant from another student)

34. Any participant failing to abide by the above rules can be disqualified from future participation.

TCF 2025 Daily Schedule

Saturday, Sept 20, 2025

- 9:00 AM Public Speaking Preliminary contest 10:00 AM Panel set up Fair Pavillion Monday, Sept 22 6:00 PM Floral Design Contest- Titus Co Extension Office Tuesday, Sept 23 Ag Mech move in, done by 6:00 PM 6::00 PM Ag Mech check in 5:00 PM- livestock move in start \Box Wednesday, Sept 24 Cattle, Sheep, Goat, Hog move in continues- must be on grounds by 7:30 AM 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM Ag Ed Day- elementary schools 8:00 AM check in all animals, except chicken and rabbits 4:00 PM Weigh in everything that shows by weight 6:00 PM Scholarship recipients announced/ribbon cutting for fair 7:00 PM Bottle calf, peewee lamb/goat Thursday, Sept 25 7:00 AM Rabbit check in and sift 8:00 AM Rabbit Show 9:00 AM AG Mechanics show- we will make sure any student with a breeding entry has ample time to show all their project 11:00 AM Commercial Does 1:00 PM Gilts 3:00 PM Heifers 5:00 PM Ewes 7:00 PM Announce Ag Mech Winners Friday, Sept 26 7:00 AM Chicken check in and sift 8:00 AM Chicken Show
- 9:00 AM Market Hogs (or immediately, if running late, after chicken show)
- 1:00 PM Market Goats (will not start before 1PM)
- 3:00 PM Market Lambs

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5:00 PM Market Steers

7:00 PM Public Speaking Finals in the ring (Top 3 in each age, Start with Junior)

Saturday, Sept 27

9:00 AM Livestock Judging Contest- Open to the World

- 1:00 PM Supreme Senior Showmanship- show order- hog, cattle, sheep, goat, rabbit, chicken
- 4:30 PM- Sale Ring setup

5:00 PM Recognition of ALL banner winners, announce Supreme Showmanship and Public Speaking, Scholarship recipients

5:00 PM Sale starts immediately after the winner recognition is over

8:00 PM begin move out of animals/ load out for processors **Move out all animals- Nothing**

□ leaves before Saturday 8:00 PM. All Out by midnight.

Break down panels after load out. Every student is expected to help. All market exhibitors , who sell, are expected to load their animals.

Agri Mechanics - 2025

Stephanie Thomas, Superintendent

903-563-4328 or stephaniet@diamondctrailers.com

Location: Titus County Fair Livestock Pavilion

Entries are due to the Titus County Fair Office by 4:00 PM, Sept 15, 2025. Entry fees are \$25 per project.

Move In: Tuesday, Sept 23. Must be in place by 6:00 PM. The superintendent and livestock directors will coordinate with Ag Mechanics instructors and exhibitors to facilitate move in plans.

Show: Thursday, 9:00 AM Livestock Pavilion, Winners announced at 7:00 PM.

Titus County Agriculture Mechanic Contest Rules

- 1. Exhibitors may enter as individuals or partners (two) in the market division. Exhibitors may enter no more than 2 projects in the market division.
- 2. There will be no limit on projects in the open division. Individuals and/or partnerships will be allowed.
- 3. Open and Market Division projects that require opening other gates to release and that do not make the sale may be removed Friday morning, Sept 26 between 8:00

AM and 10:00 AM only. All remaining Ag Mechanics projects must be removed after completion of auction Saturday, September 27, 2025.

- 4. Exhibitors must be present during judging and available to answer questions from the judges about the construction and/or function of the project. Exhibitors who are not present at the time of judging will be disqualified.
- 5. Judging of projects will be based on:
 - a. Workmanship (30 pts)
 - b. Design & Materials Used (20 pts)
 - c. Practicality (20 pts)
 - d. Degree of Difficulty (10 pts)
 - e. General Appearance & Finish (10 pts)
 - f. Presentation & Knowledge of the Project (10 pts) Total = 100 points
- 6. The Ag Mechanics Show will consist of two divisions:
 - a. Market Division There will be up to 5 classes in the market division. Sale of Ag Mechanics projects will follow the General Livestock Rules. The top two entries in each class will be sold. (Total of ten projects will be sold in auction, next 10 (by score) will be eligible for silent auction.
 - I. Outdoor Furniture (picnic tables, lawn

chairs, patio planters, etc.) II. Indoor

Furniture/Crafts (lamps, desks, tables, etc.)

- III. Farm Equipment (fencing equipment, tractor equipment, etc.)
- IV. Trailers (bumper pull, gooseneck, and anything with axle)
- V. Recreational Equipment (smokers, deer stands, deer feeders, etc.)
- b. Open Division There will be 3 classes. Entries in this division will not be sold.
 - I. Trailers II. Non-Trailers
 - III. Tractor

- 7. There will be a Champion and Reserve Champion Project for each of the market and open divisions. Projects in different divisions will not compete against each other.
- 8. All general Titus County Rules must be followed as outlined in the fair catalog.
- 9. Prefabricated or Kit Projects will not be permitted.
- 10. Titus County Fair will not be responsible for projects in case of loss or damage.
- 11. Any deviation from these rules will require action from the Livestock Show Committee.
- 12. Students are required to arrange for delivery of projects to buyers.
- 13. New for 2025- Exhibitors of the Open Division Grand Champion and Reserve Champion will not receive buckles. There will be other prizes for these winners.
- 14. Exhibitors must follow the Titus County Fair Junior Market Show general rules.

4-H/FFA/FCCLA AGRICULTURAL PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

Preliminary Contest - Saturday, September 20th, 2025 Finals Contest- Friday, September 26, 2025

SUPERINTENDENT:

Preliminary Contest Location: Location will be announced to all contestants prior to the preliminary contest

Finals Location: Titus County Fair Livestock Pavilion

Entry Deadline	September 1	11:59 PM
Registration	September 20	8:00 AM
Orientation	September 20	9:00 AM
Preliminary Contest	September 20	9:00 AM
Finals (Livestock Building in Show Ring) CONTEST REQUIREMENTS	September 26	7:00 PM

ENTRY: Entry forms are available online at the Titus County Fair website

(http://www.tituscountyfair.com). The completed entry form with signatures in appropriate places and the statement of originality signed by the youth contestant must be emailed in a readable / useable format (pdf / jpg) to the superintendent by the entry deadline. Incomplete, late, or illegible entries will not be accepted. ONLY ONE speech entry per contestant will be accepted.

2. MANUSCRIPT:

- a. Bring one (1) copy of the manuscript to the speaking contest.
- b. The manuscript must be completed in APA style, including but not limited to: page numbers, cover page with contestant's name, division, age group, and a bibliography.

Entry abstract is not required. Information about APA can be found at the following link: <u>www.apstyle.org.</u>

- c. A bibliography following APA style <u>must</u> be included. Lack of bibliography will result in disqualification.
- d. Entries with obscene language will be disqualified.
- 3. **ORIGINALITY:** The manuscript and speech presentation must be the contestant's own effort. A statement of originality is included on the entry form and must be completed as a part of the entry.
- 4. **ELIGIBILITY:** Participation is limited to Titus County Students Only. Participants must be enrolled in, and attending, public, private or home school elementary or secondary schools (grades 3-12) and they must be at least 8 years old and in the third grade.
- 5. **AGE GROUPS:** Contestants will be divided into two age groups.

a. Junior: At least 8 years old and in the third grade, but no more than in the eighth grade during the 2025-2026 school year.

b. Senior: At least ninth grade during the 2025-2026 school year, but no more than in the twelfth grade during the 2025-2026 school year.

6. CONTEST FORMAT:

- a. The speech presentations will be judged by a panel of 2-3 judges. The semifinals and finals will be judged by a panel of 2-3 judges.
- b. Divisions within age groups may be combined into rooms of not more than

15.

- c. Based on number of entries, contestants may be divided into multiple rooms for preliminaries.
- d. If there is only one room for an age group, the initial round will be the semifinal round.
- e. If there is more than one room for an age group, two contestants per room will advance to semifinals.
- f. The top 3 contestants from each age group will advance to the final round.
- 7. TIME LIMIT: Each speech shall be a minimum of four (4) minutes and a maximum of eight (8) minutes. Deductions will be applied to overall score if time is under/over the allotted time. Time point deductions will apply as follows: Under four minutes one point per ten seconds, over eight minutes one point per ten seconds.
- 8. **QUESTION/ANSWER PERIOD:** A three-minute question/answer period will follow each speech. At the end of three minutes, time will be called, and all questioning will end. If time is called during the student's answer to a question, the contestant may complete his or her answer. Only official judges may ask questions of the contestants.
- 9. **ATTIRE:** Official 4-H or FFA dress is required for seniors, business attire is required for junior division.
- 10. **PROPS:** The use of props of any kind is prohibited. Violation will result in disqualification.
- 11. **DIVISIONS:** Each contestant will enter their speech in one of nine divisions. The division must be declared on the entry form. There are topics which may be appropriate in more than one division. If a topic is appropriate in more than one division, the final division determination of all speeches will be at the discretion of show management.
 - a. **Agribusiness**: Any current or future subject that addresses topics such as cooperatives, sales, service, communications, entrepreneurship, marketing, finance, commodities, hedging, advertising, etc.
 - Agricultural Policy: Any current or future subject that addresses policy or legislation on the following: domestic farm issues, international trade, international competition, rural economic development, legal issues, animal welfare, subsidies, price supports,

etc. c. **Agriculture Communication**: Any current or future subject that addresses the process or act of communicating agricultural related information to the public.

d. **Animal Science**: Any current or future subject that addresses any aspects of the dairy, equine, poultry, sheep, goat, swine, beef or specialty animal industries.

e. **Livestock Show Ethics**: Any current or future subject that addresses any aspect of the ethics practiced in the livestock show industry.

f. **Natural Resources**: Any current or future subject that addresses topics such as soil, water, air, water quality, wildlife, forestry, aquaculture, conservation, recreation, recycling, energy environmental issues, etc.

g. **Horticulture**: Any current or future subject that addresses any aspect of the horticulture and/or agronomy industries including floriculture, fruit and/or vegetable production, nursery operations, turf and landscape management, crop production or specialty crop production.

h. **Western Heritage**: Any current or future subject that addresses topics such as western history, culture or heritage.

i. **Agricultural Technology:** Any current or future subject regarding advancements made in agricultural practices through the use of technology, computer systems, or cutting edge ideas.

- 12. **SCORE SHEET:** Judges' comments will be returned by mail to the County Extension Agent, Advisor or Agriculture Science Teacher following the contest. Score sheets can be found at the Titus County Fair website.
- 13. **RESULTS:** The contest results as announced will be final.
- 14. **AWARDS:** Prizes will be awarded to the Champion, Reserve champion, and third place individual in each age division.

Titus County Fair Breeding Ewe Show 2025 Superintendent- Katy Heintz (903) 305-5978

ENTRIES: Entry fees are \$25 each. Entry forms and fees are due Sept 1, 2025 by 4:00 PM at the Titus County Fair Office.

Move In: Tuesday, Sept 23 - Wednesday, Sept 24. Must be in place by 7:30 AM Sept 24

Show: Thursday, Sept 25, 5:00 PM

RULES

1. Commercial ewes must weigh at 4:00 PM, Wednesday Sept 24. Registered ewes must check in with animal and original registration papers for tooth inspection Wednesday, Sept 24, at 5:00 PM.

2. All ewes must be officially identified with a Scrapie tag and registered ewes must have a flock tag corresponding to their registration papers. Commercial Ewes show first, followed by Registered Ewes.

3. Animals entered in the registered show must be registered in the exhibitor's name in the flock book of their respective breed association and all ownership, transfer dates, or registry recordings must be on or before September 1, 2025. Family partnerships are allowed. The name of the exhibitor must be listed on the papers. (Example: "Sally Smith and Johnny Smith" are listed on the registration paper. Either Sally or Johnny may exhibit the ewe. If "Smith Family" is listed on the registration papers, neither child is eligible to show the ewe.)

4. Ownership of commercial ewes will be verified by either a 2025 Titus County Fair Tag, a Texas Majors Official Validation tag, or a signed statement from the CET/AST leader including the complete scrapie tag number written on the entry form.

5. There will be a minimum of three (3) ewes per breed in the registered show. Breeds with less than three (3) animals will show as "Other Registered Breeds".

6. Commercial ewes will show by weight and classes will be determined by the number of entries.

7. Ewes may not be entered in both registered classes and commercial classes. Either registered or commercial ewes may be dual entered in the Titus County Fair Market Lamb Show.

8. Sheep will be shown according to tooth development. The show superintendent and their assistants will inspect the teeth of all entries at the time of check-in at the show.

9. Classes offered are Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Showmanship, Commercial Ewe classes, Champion Commercial Ewe, Reserve Champion Commercial Ewe. Registered Ewes will have classes for Ewe Lamb, Yearling/Aged Ewes, Breed Champion, Reserve Breed Champion, Grand Champion Breeding Ewe, and Reserve Champion Breeding Ewe.

10. Ewe Lambs- All ewe lambs must be carrying all milk teeth (deciduous incisors) at the time of check-in. Lambs which have lost a deciduous incisor, or show one or both teeth of the first pair of permanent incisors will not be eligible to show in the Ewe Lamb Class.

11. Yearling/Aged- All ewes must show one or both teeth of the first pair of permanent incisors. Any ewe which shows more than 4 permanent incisors will be disqualified. (6 tooth ewes are ineligible to show.)

12. Exhibitors may show either a registered ewe or commercial ewe for showmanship and must be entered in either the registered ewe or commercial ewe shows to be eligible to participate in Breeding Ewe showmanship classes.

- 13. Registered and Commercial Ewes will not be judged against one another.
- 14. Awards will be presented to the Grand Champion Registered Ewe, Reserve Champion

Registered Ewe, Grand Champion Commercial Ewe, and Reserve Champion Commercial Ewe. Other prizes and awards may also be given, at the discretion of the show superintendent.

- 15. There is no limit on the number of ewes an exhibitor may enter, provided the ewes meet eligibility criteria listed above. If an exhibitor has multiple ewes in a class, another current Titus County Fair exhibitor may show the additional animal.
- 16. Registered ewes must be shorn in the manner that is customary for that breed. Commercial ewes must be slick sheared over the entire body, within 1 week of show. Wool caps and boot wool are acceptable in both commercial and registered ewes shows.
- 17. Heelers (assistants in the ring) are allowed in the Registered Ewe show, provided they are a current exhibitor entered in the Titus County Fair. Each exhibitor may have 1 heeler in the ring to assist in the presentation of the registered ewe. Commercial ewe exhibitors may not utilize heelers.
- 18. The judge's decision is final.
- 19. Exhibitors must follow the General Livestock Rules.

TITUS COUNTY FAIR JUNIOR BREEDING GILT SHOW 2025

Superintendent - Scott Rodgers (903) 285-2132

ENTRIES: Entry fees are \$25 each. Entry forms and fees are due to the Titus County Fair Office by 4:00 PM, Sept 1, 2025.

Move In: Tuesday, Sept 23 - Wednesday, Sept 24. Must be in place by 7:30 AM Sept 24

Show: Thursday, Sept 25, 1:00 PM

- 1. Entries made in this division shall be subject to, and each exhibitor agrees to abide by the General Rules and Regulations and Department Requirements as published in this exhibitor handbook.
- 2. There will be no entry limitations per breed or per class in this event.
- 3. VALIDATION: For the purpose of validation any gilt may enter solely in the Titus County Fair Breeding Gilt Show and they may dually enter in both the Titus County Fair Breeding Gilt Show and the Titus County Fair Market Hog Show. Each entry will incur a \$25 entry fee, however, if a gilt is dual entered only one Titus County Fair ear tag is required (the same ear tag number will be used on both entry forms.) All Breeding Gilts must be validated no later than September 01, 2025
- 4. OWNERSHIP: All entries must be owned by September 1, 2025. All dates on registration papers must be on or before September 1, 2025. Animals entered in registered classes

must be registered in the exhibitor's name in their respective breed association on or before September 01, 2025. Partnerships are allowed. The name of the exhibitor must be listed on the registration papers. (Example: "Sally Smith and Johnny Smith" are listed on the registration paper. Either Sally or Johnny may exhibit the gilt. If "Smith Family" is listed on the registration papers, neither child would be allowed to exhibit the gilt.) Animals with the farm and range names listed as the owner will not be allowed to compete. All pure breed gilts must have original registration papers at the show, no copies or electronic copies will be allowed.

- 5. Classes will be broken as evenly as possible within breed according to birthdate for pure breeds. All pure breed gilts will be shown in birth date groups. All cross gilts will be shown by weight, there will be no weigh back, gilts will use the weight entered for the market show. Crossbred gilts may not exceed 340 lbs. Crossbred gilts must have weighed in at 4PM, Wednesday September 24, 2025.
- 6. BREEDS: Berkshire, Chester White, Duroc, Hampshire, Landrace, Poland China, Spotted, Yorkshire and Crossbred. It will take 3 to make a breed, if not three will show as ORB.
- 7. The judge's decision is final.
- 8. Exhibitors must abide by all General Livestock Rules and Regulations.

2025 Titus County Fair Breeding Heifer Show Rules Superintendent- R.C. Pitts (903) 573-1423

ENTRIES: Entry fees are \$25 each. Entry forms and fees are due to the Titus County Fair Office by 4:00 PM, Sept 1, 2025.

Move In: Tuesday, Sept 23 - Wednesday, Sept 24. Must be in place by 7:30 AM Sept 24 Show:

Thursday, Sept 25, 3:00 PM

- 1. Cattle eligible to be shown at the Titus County Fair Heifer Show must be of the same percent as cattle shown at the Texas Majors.
- 2. No heifer over 30 months of age at time of entry.
- 3. Animals entered in this show must be registered in the records or their respective breed association (in the name of the exhibitor) on or before September 1, 2025. Official date recognized by the show will be the date the papers were entered in the record book of the association (ex: if the papers have purchase date, sale date and record date, all MUST be before September 1, 2025).
- 4. Cattle will be shown by breed, minimum of 3 entries per breed. Breeds with less than 3 entries will show as Other registered breeds (ORB, to be determined by show superintendent).

Cattle will then be shown by division. Division Champions will show for champion female. Reserve Division champions are eligible for Reserve Champion female.

- 5. An award will be presented to the highest placing bred & owned female.
- 6. Each individual exhibitor may enter as many heifers as they want.
- 7. Any entry that becomes unruly or creates a disturbance in the show ring will immediately be excused at the discretion and instruction of the show superintendent and will not be eligible to compete.
- 8. Exhibitors must present original registration papers and heifers for sift on Wednesday, September 24, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. Heifers with incorrect registration papers, tattoos or other identification problems will be sifted.
- 9. If a female is shown with a calf at side, the calf must be her natural calf, be registered and be no more than 205 days old.
- 10. Night tie out will be done in designated area ONLY.
- 11. Judge's decision is final.
- 12. Exhibitor must follow the Titus County Fair Junior Market Show general rules.

TITUS COUNTY FAIR MARKET BROILER SHOW

Superintendent – Carolyn Brown (214) 755-8603

ENTRIES: Entry fees are \$25 each. Entry forms and fees are due June 14, 2025 at 8AM at the Titus County Fair Livestock Pavilion. Late entries must be submitted to the superintendent or livestock directors by Sunday, June 15. An additional \$25 late fee will be charged for late entries.

Distribution of chicks will be at the discretion of the show superintendent. The superintendent will be in contact with FFA and 4H leaders to arrange distribution of chicks.

Check In: Friday, Sept 26, 7:00 AM

Show: Friday, Sept 26, 8:00 PM

RULES 2025

- 1. All chicks will be secured from Pilgrim's Pride and distributed by the superintendent, to each school or the extension office. Agri-science teachers amd 4H leaders will coordinate with exhibitors for chick pick up.
- 2. Sale lots will be selected by the judge, following the General Livestock Rules.
- 3. Each participant can enter as many pens as they want but can only show two (2) pen2 of three birds. The birds will be weighed before the show and the pen of 3 birds must weigh at least 14 pounds, or they will be disqualified from the show.
- 4. Each participant will retain ownership of his pen of broilers after the sale.
- 5. Exhibitor must follow the Titus County Fair Junior Market Show general rules.
- 6. Judge's decision is final.

TITUS COUNTY FAIR JUNIOR MARKET GOAT SHOW

Superintendent – Jeremy Grissom (903) 563-6070

ENTRIES: Entry fees are \$25 each. Entry forms and fees are due June 14, 2025 at 8AM at the Titus County Fair Livestock Pavilion. Animals must be presented for Tag In at this time. Late entries must be submitted to the superintendent or livestock directors by Sunday, June 15. An additional \$25 late fee will be charged for late entries

Move In: Tuesday, Sept 23 - Wednesday, Sept 24. Must be in place by 7:30 AM Sept 24 Show:

Friday, Sept 26, 1:00 PM

- 1. Any breed may be shown. Does or wether goats may be shown in the market show.
- 2. All goats must be slick shear with 3/8 inch of hair or less at the time of the show. Any goat having more hair than this at check in will be allowed to correct this before the show or will be subject to disqualification.
- 3. Horns must be blunt tipped at show time. Anyone removing horns during the Titus County Fair will be disqualified.
- 4. Exhibitors will be allowed to use collars or halters in the show ring.
- 5. All goats must weigh a minimum of 50 lbs. at the official weigh-in on Wednesday, September 24, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. There is no maximum weight.

- 6. Market Goats will be divided into weight classes for the show, by the Market Goat superintendent and livestock committee.
- 7. Stall spaces will be assigned by the livestock committee prior to arrival.
- 8. If animals are given back to the exhibitor in the auction, that exhibitor is responsible for the removal of that animal from the fairgrounds after the auction.
- 9. Exhibitors must follow the Titus County Fair Junior Market Show general rules.
- 10. Judge's decision is final.
- 11. Judge will select the sale order following the rules listed in the General Livestock Rules.

TITUS COUNTY FAIR MARKET HOG SHOW

Superintendent- Nick Riecke (260) 241-7284

ENTRIES: Entry fees are \$25 each. Entry forms and fees are due June 14, 2025 at 8AM at the Titus County Fair Livestock Pavilion. Animals must be presented for Tag In at this time. Late entries must be submitted to the superintendent or livestock directors by Sunday, June 15. An additional \$25 late fee will be charged for late entries

Move In: Tuesday, Sept 23 - Wednesday, Sept 24. Must be in place by 7:30 AM Sept 24

Show: Friday, Sept 26, 9:00 AM

- 1. The exhibitor or someone he/she designates must hold their hog while committee members tag the hog. All tag-ins will be monitored by show superintendent.
- 2. Gilts or Barrows may be exhibited in the market hog show.
- 3. All hogs will be weighed at 4:00 PM on Wednesday, September 24. Classes will be broken and posted after completion of the weighing of all hogs. Weight limits for the show are 205 to 300 lbs. (*Please note that these are hard limits and no 10 pound plus or minus tolerance as done in years past.*)
- 4. Oil, Paint, Powder and other dressings will be permitted as long as it does not alter the natural look of the animal.
- 5. No snaring of hogs will be allowed on the fairgrounds. No exceptions.
- 6. The judge will select the sale order, following the General Livestock Rules.
- 7. Judge's decision is final.
- 8. All exhibitors must comply with ethe General Livestock Rules.

TITUS COUNTY FAIR Market LAMB SHOW 2025

Show Superintendents- Katy Heintz, Serina Betts, Jeremy Grissom

ENTRIES: Entry fees are \$25 each. Entry forms and fees are due June 14, 2025 at 8AM at the Titus County Fair Livestock Pavilion. Animals must be presented for Tag In at this time. Late entries must be submitted to the superintendent or livestock directors by Sunday, June 15. An additional \$25 late fee will be charged for late entries

Move In: Tuesday, Sept 23 - Wednesday, Sept 24. Must be in place by 7:30 AM Sept 24

Show: Friday, Sept 26, 3:00 PM

RULES

1. Ewe or wether lambs may be exhibited.

2. Dorper, Southdown, and Medium Wool breeds are offered. At Tag In, each exhibitor will declare the breed of their lamb on an additional form. The exhibitor's FFA advisor or 4H leader will sign the declaration, certifying the breed of each lamb. There will be no minimum number per breed to ensure that each exhibitor has the best opportunity to exhibit their lamb. Breed standards will follow the Texas A&M Agriflife guidelines used at Texas Majors shows. The guidelines may be found at this link.

Microsoft Word - Lamb Breed Classification Guidelines 1.3.2020.docx

3. Lambs must be under the exhibitor's control at all times. Assistants are not allowed in the show ring, unless an exemption has been granted by the Livestock committee (example-special needs students requires assistant from another student)

4. Lambs will be divided into weight classes for the show. Classes will be determined by the show superintendent and livestock committee chairmen. Weigh in will be Wednesday, Sept 24, at 4:00 PM.

5. Stall spaces will be assigned by the livestock committee prior to arrival.

6. All lambs will be uniformly shorn to the knees and hocks for the show. Boots and wool caps are allowed. No wool over 1/4 of an inch will be allowed, exhibitor will be allowed to correct it before the show or will be subject to disqualification.

7. If animals are given back to the exhibitor in the auction, that exhibitor is responsible for the removal of that animal from the fairgrounds after the auction.

8. Exhibitor must follow the Titus County Fair Junior Market Show general rules.

9. The judge will select the sale order following the General Livestock Rules. Breed champion and reserve champions will be placed in sale order before remaining lambs.

10. The judge's decision is final.

Titus County Fair Market Steer Show

Superintendent – Jarred Conroy (903) 563-3014

ENTRIES: Entry fees are \$25 each. Entry forms and fees are due April 5, 2025 at 8AM at Stone Livestock Commission. Animals must be presented for Tag In at this time. Late entries must be submitted to the superintendent or livestock directors by Sunday, April 6. An additional \$25 late fee will be charged for late entries

Move In: Tuesday, Sept 23 - Wednesday, Sept 24. Must be in place by 7:30 AM Sept 24

Show: Friday, Sept 26, 5:00 PM

- 1. All steers must be dehorned before the show.
- 2. Any breed of steer can be shown provided they weigh a minimum of 1,000 lbs. at time of show weigh in. There is no maximum weight.
- 3. Wild or unruly steers that cannot be shown/led will not be sold or exhibited.
- 4. Night tie out will be done in designated area ONLY. Stall spaces will be assigned by the Livestock directors
- 5. All steers shown in the Titus County Fair Steer Show will be a slick-shorn to no more than 1/4 inch over entire body, except for switch, prior to weigh-in. -During weigh-in at the fair, all steers will be inspected for unshaven hair. If touch-ups are needed the exhibitor will have until the show begins to complete, otherwise those steers will be disqualified.
- 6. Exhibitors must follow the Titus County Fair General Livestock Rules.
- 7. The judge will select the sale order, following the General Livestock Rules.
- 8. The judge's decision is final.

Titus County Fair Meat Pen Rabbit Show

Superintendent: Kendra Dunn (903) 285-8689

ENTRIES: Entry fees are \$25 each. Entry forms and fees are due June 14, 2025 at 8AM at the Titus County Fair Livestock Pavilion. Animals will NOT be presented for Validation at this time. Late entries must be submitted to the superintendent or livestock directors by Sunday, June 15. An additional \$25 late fee will be charged for late entries

Check In: Thursday, Sept 25, 7:00 AM

Show: Thursday, Sept 25, 8:00 AM

- Rabbits will be validated on August 16, 2025 at 8:00 A.M. at the Titus County Fair Livestock Pavilion. Prior to validation, a tattoo number will be assigned to each exhibitor entered. Rabbits may be tattooed by the breeders, prior to August 16. If an exhibitor's breeder does not tattoo for that exhibitor, the superintendent must be notified before validation. An exhibitor can enter and validate as many pens as they would like. Exhibitors may show 2 pens of rabbits.
- 2. Meat pens shall be three fryers of either sex, weighing 3 to 5.5 pounds, aged no more than 12 weeks old.
- 3. DISQUALIFICATIONS: Rabbits will be disqualified for ear cankers, mutilated toes, sore hocks, buck teeth, and any other obvious diseases. Any sick rabbit will be removed from fair grounds at discretion of fair committee. The judge has the authority to disqualify and rabbits that are unfit for competition.
- 4. Show will be Thursday, September 25, 2025. Check in and Weigh in of Rabbits is at 7:00AM September 25, 2025. Show starts at 8:00 AM, Thursday Sept 25, 2025. Rabbits not making weight or that are disqualified must be removed from grounds.
- 5. Judge will select the sale order following the general livestock rules.
- 6. The judge's decision is final.
- 7. Exhibitors must follow the Titus County Fair General Livestock Rules.

Titus County Fair Bottle Calf Show

Superintendent: Amanda Priefert (903) 563-4114

Entry: Entry fees are \$10 per exhibitor and are due to the Titis County Fair Office by 4:00 PM Sept 1, 2025.

Arrival: Calves must be on the grounds by 6:00 PM, Wednesday Sept 24 Show: Titus

County Fair Livestock Pavilion, Wednesday, Sept 24 7:00 PM

Purposes:

- A. To design a developmentally appropriate beef/dairy project to fit the physical and maturity level of young children ages 5-7.
- B. To introduce children to the health, nutrition, and environmental needs of bucket bottle calves.
- C. To nurture children's understanding of the beef/dairy industry.

Rules:

- 1. This class Project is open to all Titus County resident children, ages 5-7.
- 2. Calves must be purchased and in possession of the child within two weeks of birth. Any breed or gender calf is acceptable.
- 3. Calves must be bucket or bottle fed; no nursing permitted.
- 4. An exhibitor is limited to a maximum of one calf exhibited at the fair.
- 5. Exhibitors may be assisted by another Titus County Fair exhibitor. No parents or adults will be allowed to assist in the show ring.
- 6. All calves will be shown on halter and should be clean and groomed.
- 7. Calf must be 250 lbs or less at fair date.
- 8. Children will be asked questions about their calf to rank their showmanship.

Peewee Lamb and Goat Showmanship

Immediately after the bottle calf show, there will be peewee lamb and goat showmanship. Any child under the age of 8 and no older than second grade is eligible to participate. Lambs and goats must be entered in the Titus County Fair. Children participating in the peewee showmanship will borrow an animal from an exhibitor entered in the Titus County Fair. Peewee exhibitors may be assisted by another Titus County Fair Exhibitor. No adults are allowed to assist in the show ring. Prizes will be given to Peewee exhibitors.

TITUS COUNTY FAIR WETHER DOE SHOW

Superintendent: Serina Betts (903)575-8069

ENTRIES: Entry fees are \$25 each. Entry forms and fees are due Sept 1, 2025 by 4:00 PM at the Titus County Fair Office.

Move In: Tuesday, Sept 23 - Wednesday, Sept 24. Must be in place by 7:30 AM Sept 24 Show:

Thursday, Sept 25, 11:00 AM

- 1. Does will weigh in on Wednesday, Sept 24 at 4:00 PM. Does must meet the minimum weight requirement of 50 lbs, there is no maximum weight. Weights will be determined at the official weigh-in
- 2. Classes will be divided according to weight. Class breaks will be determined by the show superintendent and livestock committee.
- 3. Exhibitors will be allowed to use collars or halters in the show ring.
- 4. Does must be under the exhibitor's control at all times.
- 5. Horns must be blunt-tipped prior to arrival at the Titus County Fair. Anyone removing horns during the Titus County Fair will be disqualified.
- 6. All breed types will show together.
- 7. There is no limit on the number of entries.
- 8. Does may dual enter the market goat show.
- 9. All entries must be owned and continuously cared for by the exhibitor from September 1, 2025, through the show date of the Fair.
- 10. Ownership of Does will be verified by either a 2024 Titus County Fair Tag, a Texas Majors Official Validation tag, or a signed statement from the CET/AST leader including the complete scrapie tag number written on the entry form.

- 11. NO artificial hair or twine is allowed.
- 12. The judge's decision is final. Exhibitors must follow the General Livestock Rules for the Titus County Fair.

Titus County Fair Floral Design Show 2025

Superintendent: Julie Reynolds

ENTRIES: Entry fees are \$25 each. Entry forms and fees are due to the Titus County Fair Office by 4:00 PM, Sept 1, 2025.

Contest: Monday, Sept 22 Titus County Extension Office

Check In is at 5:30 PM, Contest 6:00 PM

Floral Design Contest

1. All contestants will complete a fall themed floral arrangement using only materials provided by Titus County Fair. Silk flowers and other appropriate items will be provided. No fresh flowers will be used. The design is not standard, and contestants are encouraged to be creative in their arrangements.

2. Exhibitors compete as individuals, no group projects. Each contestants' activities will constitute a sole effort with no assistance from anyone in any manner. No talking will be allowed during the specified design time.

3. Exhibitors will have one hour after design criteria and materials have been handed out to complete their Floral Design for judging. Exhibitors are to remain quietly at their design station (after their design is complete and their work area is cleaned) for the remainder of the time allowed. Show officials will dismiss exhibitors after the one-hour design time is complete.

4. Only floral and design elements supplied by TCFA may be used. The use of outside floral or design elements will result in a disqualification.

5. Each contestant will bring to the contest their own set of floral design tools. Swapping or sharing of tools (scissors, wire cutters, cutting blades, etc.) with other participants is only permitted at the discretion/permission of the Committee Chairperson. If a contestant has a tool malfunction, they should raise their hand to get the attention of a Committee person or come to the front table and present their issue to the Committee Chairperson or representative.

6. No cell phone use will be allowed in the competition area. No photos by exhibitors will be allowed until judging is complete. Any competitor using their cell phone during the design time will be subject to disqualification. If this will create a hardship for a competitor, this should be brought to the attention of the show officials BEFORE the start of the design

portion of the competition. Exceptions will ONLY be made for an emergency. 7. Only Floral Design Exhibitors and Show Officials will be allowed in the design area.

- 8. Judging will begin after time has expired and exhibitors have been dismissed. The announcement of winners will be at completion of judging. Judge's decision is final.
- 9. Judging Score Card Project will be judged as follows:
 - a. Design 35 pts.
 - b. Mechanics 10 pts.
 - c. Creative Expression 25 pts.
 - d. Visual and physical balance 15 pts.
 - e. Relationship to container 15 pts.
 - g. Ties will be broken at the judge's discretion

10. Exhibitors must follow the Titus County Fair Junior Market Show general rules.

11.Lots for the premium auction and silent auction will be selected by the judge, following the General Livestock Rules.