

2025-2026
COLQUITT COUNTY JR LIVESTOCK
SHOW COMMITTEE JR.
LIVESTOCK SHOW AND SALES GENERAL RULES

1. Hog exhibitors must be in the 1st grade. Cattle exhibitors must be in the 4th grade. All lamb and goat exhibitors must be in the 1st grade. All exhibitors shall be FFA or 4-H members (excluding 1st and 2nd grade hog exhibitors). Their name must be on the 4-H or FFA roll at a Colquitt County school or on file at the County Extension office.
2. Any eligible club member, upon moving to our school system or from another county, will be allowed to exhibit their animal provided it was tagged while the student was attending school in the county in which they moved from.
3. Ear tagging will be done only on the designated tagging days. All animals must be in the possession of the exhibitor by the final tagging date to be eligible for the county show. Exhibitors must immediately contact either a Vocational Agriculture Teacher or County Agent if their animal's tag is lost.
4. The livestock entry form must be completed with signatures and received at tagging with the required entry fees (non-refundable). County Show and State Show fees will be due at the time of tagging. Exhibitors will not be eligible to show if entry fees are not paid by the state deadline for each species.
5. In the event that an exhibitor should have the fortune of their county market animal project winning Grand or Reserve Champion of their respective state show of their species, they will forfeit the opportunity to compete in weight classes at the county show with **that** animal. Exhibitors may show in showmanship with that animal unless they have a different animal that they will exhibit. **A state Grand or Reserve Champion will not go through the sponsorship sale.**
6. Animals will be weighed **only once** during the designated weigh time. This will be the show weight and sale weight. All animals must be clean, tagged and or tattooed and legible.
7. After check-in/weigh-in, all animals participating in the county show must be housed in the barn (or in the designated tie-out area...cattle only) for the duration of the show. **ALL cattle are to be stalled in the lower barn in the new cattle stalling area.** No trailers are allowed in the barn or in the designated tie-out area. NO EXCEPTIONS
8. **Market** animals will be shown by weight. The classes will be divided as equally as possible by the Show Committee after all animals are weighed in.
9. The exhibitor must own the animal that they exhibit in showmanship. Showmanship classes will be divided by grade by species, unless otherwise stated below. Goat and Lamb showmanship will start with 1st grade and work up to 12th grade. Hog showmanship will start with 1st grade and work up to 12th grade. Cattle showmanship will be divided by Jr. (Grades 4th-6th), Intermediate (7th-9th) and Senior (10th – 12th) starting with Jr. Showmanship. Depending upon entry numbers after the official tagging date, hog, goat, and lamb showmanship classes may be condensed. To constitute its own class, a grade level must have a minimum of three exhibitors. Grade levels with less than three students will be combined with another grade level. There will be no first-year showmanship classes for any species. Peewee showmanship will

be offered at the end of 12th grade showmanship to those kindergarten and under at

the sheep/goat show. These exhibitors will be required to show an animal entered in the show by an eligible exhibitor. A Supreme Showmanship winner will be selected for each species show (Sheep, Goat, Beef Cattle, Hog). Those eligible to compete will be the winners of each grade group for that particular show.

10. If three or more animals of a species are entered that are born and raised in Colquitt County or by a Colquitt County exhibitor, a "Bred and Born" class will be established. These animals will compete for the titles of Grand and Reserve Champion "Bred and Born". The dam must be 100% owned by a resident of Colquitt County or a Colquitt County exhibitor at the time of conception and the animal being shown must be born in Colquitt County or at a facility owned by the exhibitor or exhibitors family. No monetary prizes will be awarded; however, banners will be presented for the Grand and Reserve Champion winners. Animals must be declared as Bred and Born at the time of tagging.
11. All species shall be sold in a sponsorship sale by the head, one at a time, beginning with the Grand Champion and the Reserve Champion. These animals are pre-sold. All other animals may be sponsored for \$50 or less of the Reserve Champion. Exhibitors may sell only one of each species. If one exhibitor has Grand and Reserve Champion or a combination thereof, the exhibitor is eligible to receive the sponsorship of the Grand and Reserve Champion animals.
12. Ring men will be appointed by the Show Committee to help traffic the animals. No one will be allowed in the show ring except the judge, ring men and one club member per animal, unless authorized by the Show Committee.
13. To show and/or sell an entry for another exhibitor, you must be an active member in Colquitt County FFA or 4-H and you must be an exhibitor in the respective show. Substitutions may only take place if an animal owner's sickness or other special circumstances require a substitute showman. If a substitute showman is required for one animal in the show due to illness or other special circumstances, that substitute showman shall show all of an exhibitor's animals in the show unless the substitute is only participating because of multiple entries in one class. Prior approval must be granted by the Rules Committee. Approval is not needed if exhibitors have multiple animals in the same class. Exhibitors, *negligently* missing their turn in the sale order will not be excused and will not get to sale for sponsorship premium.
14. Participants and spectators take part in the Colquitt County Jr. Livestock Shows and Sales at their own risk. The Colquitt County Junior Livestock Association or its committees will in no way be held responsible for accidents or loss of equipment or livestock.
15. **All cattle, hogs, goats, and lambs must provide valid health papers at weigh-in/check-in.**
A Georgia Department of Agriculture Inspector may be present to check papers before weighing.
16. The Colquitt County Rules Committee reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, or differences regarding any incident connected to any show or sale. **ALL COMPLAINTS PERTAINING TO ANY COLQUITT COUNTY SHOW OR SALE SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO A LIVESTOCK RULES COMMITTEE MEMBER WITH A \$50.00 (NON-REFUNDABLE) GRIEVANCE FEE.**
17. **All premium checks issued by the Colquitt County Junior Livestock Committee must be cashed within 60 days from issue or they will become invalid.**

18. Any animal or exhibitor found in violation of rules will be deemed ineligible for the show and sale in which the rule was broken.
19. Any other persons other than the exhibitor found assisting an exhibitor while violating show rules will be banned from the show, sale, and show committee.
20. It is understood and agreed that all exhibitors, by the act of entering animals in a Colquitt County Junior Livestock Show, do hereby accept and promise to comply with all terms, rules and regulations as herein set forth.

At the conclusion of each county species show, the CCJLA encourages each exhibitor to clean out their pen and/ stall to assist in cleaning and maintaining barn facilities.

Any outstanding fees (i.e. entry fees for county or state shows or other balances) will be withheld from exhibitor check if not paid in full.

2025-2026
COLQUITT COUNTY MARKET LAMB & GOAT SHOW
RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. A home tagging option will be offered on **Thursday, July 24, 2025**. An electronic sign-up will be sent out the first week of July and sign-up will be first come, first serve. If you choose not to participate, you must participate in lamb and goat tagging that will be held at the livestock pavilion on **Tuesday, July 29, 2025** from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. See general rules 2 and 3.
2. All lambs and goats must have a valid Health Certificate.
3. A maximum of five lambs and five goats per exhibitor may be tagged for the county show. Exhibitors may show **3** lambs and **3** goats (tag **five**, show/weigh **three** with no substitutions after weigh-in) at the county show. Furthermore, a lamb/goat shall be entered in only one exhibitor's name. The animal cannot be shown in any show or place in any other name other than the exhibitor's name from time of entry to date of show. Entries must be does, ewes, or wethers - no rams or bucks.
4. All lambs and goats must be trained for showing. Lambs shall have their tail docked, and goats shall have their horns tipped.
5. Lambs and goats will be weighed in on **Thursday, October 23, 2025** between **10:00 am and 11:00 am** at the livestock pavilion. Lambs and goats must be in the barn and weighed by **11:00 am**.
6. Minimum weight for lambs shall be 75 pounds. Minimum weight for goats shall be 40 pounds. **Lambs and goats not meeting the minimum weight requirements will not be allowed to participate in showmanship or weight class.** Underweight lambs and goats will not be allowed to sell in the sponsorship sale.
7. The show will be on **Thursday, October 23, 2025** beginning at **1:00 pm** with Market Lamb showmanship classes followed by weight classes. Only 1st place winners in each weight class are eligible to compete for Grand Champion. The 2nd place from the Grand Champion's class will compete for Reserve Champion.
8. The Market Goat show will begin immediately after the Market Lamb Show starting with showmanship. There will be two goat shows - one for does and one for wethers. Does will show first. There will be a Grand/Reserve doe, and a Grand/Reserve wether. The sale will begin thirty minutes after the conclusion of the show, but no earlier than 6:00 p.m.
9. Showmanship classes will be divided by grade. See General Rule 9.
10. Lambs and goats will be sold according to general rule 11.
11. Exhibitors will be allowed to retain ownership of their lamb/goat after the sponsorship sale.

2025-2026

COLQUITT COUNTY MARKET HOG SHOW

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Home tagging options will be offered in November and December 2025. An electronic sign-up will be sent in October and sign-up will be first come, first serve. Bleeding will be required, but will be THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE EXHIBITOR. Health papers must be submitted to the Livestock Committee by **February 1, 2026** to be eligible for the county show. See general rules 2 and 3.
2. A maximum of **ten** hogs per exhibitor may be tagged for the county show. Exhibitors may show 2 hogs (tag **ten**, show/weigh two with no substitutions after weigh-in) at the county show. Furthermore, a hog shall be entered in only one exhibitor's name. The animal cannot be shown in any show or place in any other name other than the exhibitor's name from time of entry to date of show.
3. Hogs can begin arriving at the Colquitt County Livestock Pavilion at **5:00 pm on Monday, March 2, 2025. Any pig arriving before that time, must pen in the designated area of the lower barn.**
4. **Each exhibitor will be required to pick up weight cards for the pigs they are showing on Monday, March 2nd, 2026 between 4 pm and 6 pm at the livestock pavilion. All hogs must be in the barn with weight cards turned in by 7:00 pm. When the weight card is returned, exhibitors will be checked in for showmanship and weight class. Parents are encouraged to accompany their child to return weight cards.** The hog's ear tag must be readable.
5. Hog weights will be turned in by the exhibitor at check in **Monday, March 2nd, 2026.** Pigs must weigh between 215 and 310 lbs. Declaring a weight below or above the set weight limits will place animals in either a "light weight" (below 215) or "heavy weight" (above 310) class. Hogs falling into these categories will be eligible to participate in show and sale, but will only be eligible for a maximum premium sale price of \$500. All pigs falling below 215 lbs. will not be eligible for sale to the packer and will have to be returned home and sold privately by the exhibitor. All hogs above 310 lbs. will be given a \$0.20 deduction in sale price from the packer due to excessive weight.
6. Any pig can be weighed on the official scales at the judge's discretion. Hogs must weigh within 15 lbs. of the declared weight. Hogs that fail to weigh within 15 lbs. of the declared weight will be disqualified and forfeit any prize money.
7. The show will be held on **Tuesday, March 3, 2026** beginning at 9:00 am. The show will begin with showmanship (see general rule 9) and will be followed by market classes. There will be two shows – one for barrows and one for gilts. Barrows will show first. There will be a Grand/Reserve barrow and a Grand/Reserve gilt. The sale will begin at **6:00 pm.**
8. The exhibitors' animal must be able to go through the sale ring without any outside assistance or help. The exhibitor whose animal does not meet this requirement forfeits the floor price; however, the animal will be eligible for the premium sale. The exhibitor may send the pig to slaughter or allow the committee to salvage what value it can for the exhibitor. The child can still walk through the sale ring without a pig, but cannot borrow a pig to walk through.
9. Absolutely no outside assistance, including giving water, will be allowed for hogs in the

showring while any class is in progress. A violation will result in the ring help disqualifying the hog.

10. Hogs will be sold according to general rule 11.

11. *New for 2026 a swine feeder program will be added. See last page of rule document for details.

**2025-2026
COUNTY STEER & HEIFER SHOW
RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. A home tagging option will be offered on **Wednesday, October 22, 2025**. An electronic sign-up will be sent out the first week of October and sign-up will be first come, first serve. If you choose not to participate, you must participate in cattle tagging that will be held at the livestock pavilion on **Thursday, October 23, 2025** at the Packer Park Livestock Facility from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. ALL cattle tags and tattoos, even if previously tagged, must be verified either during October home tagging or at the Packer Park tagging. See general rules 2 and 3.
2. Exhibitors may show 2 steers (tag **four**-show/weigh **two** with no substitutions after weigh-in) and two heifers (tag **four**, show **two** with no substitutions after check-in) at the county show. Furthermore, a calf shall be entered in only one exhibitor's name. The animal cannot be shown in any show or place in any other name other than the exhibitor's name from time of entry to date of show.
3. ALL heifer classes will be broken down by the show committee according to the number of entries and shown by weight.
4. Cattle will be weighed in on **Monday, March 2, 2026** between **8:00 am and 9:00 am**. All animals must have valid health papers at weighing/check-in before the calf is weighed. All cattle should be weighed and in the barn by **9:00 am**.
5. Minimum weight for all cattle shall be 750 lbs.
6. The cattle show will begin at **12:00 pm** on **Monday, March 2, 2026** with showmanship followed by heifer classes and then steer classes. Showmanship classes will be divided by grade divisions. See general rule 9.
7. All animals that will be part of the auction will be required to be back at the barn by **5:00 pm** on **Tuesday, March 3rd, 2026**. The auction will begin at **6:00 pm** on **March 3rd, 2026**.
8. All cattle entered in individual classes must be halter broken and animals will be shown from the halter.
9. Only 1st place winners in each class are eligible to compete for Champion. The 2nd calf from the Grand Champion's class will compete for Reserve Champion.
10. Pumping of steers to make weight or pumping steers or heifers with any substance or use of artificial tail- heads, switches, or body hair is prohibited. All steers and heifers must be shown in their natural conformation and structure. Animals and exhibitors found in violation of this rule will be disqualified from the show and sale.
11. All heifers participating in the show shall follow state show age requirements.

*Swine Feeder Program

New for 2025-2026

1. To encourage the exhibition of high-quality livestock with sound genetics. A group of pigs will be secured through a single source that will provide pigs of equal show quality.
2. The deadline for signing up will be July 15th.
3. All pigs will be \$350. This will need to be paid when signing up for the class.
4. Exhibitors will select an animal from the group in a randomized order.
5. Selection date will be announced once pigs have been secured.
6. All participants or a designated representative will be required to be in attendance on selection day or forfeiture of selection positions will take place.
7. Minimum of 5 to constitute the class
8. Prize Money

1st - Champion	\$200
2nd - Reserve	\$150
3rd Overall	\$100

9. Winners will be determined based on a points system which will include showmanship placing and weight class placing.

Example - Tie breakers could be done by calculating ADG.

$$(\text{final weight} - \text{beginning weight}) / \text{days on feed}$$

Showmanship	Weight Class
1st - 10 Points	1st - 15 points
2nd - 8 Points	2nd - 13 points
3rd - 6 Points	3rd - 11 points
Etc..	Etc...