MILAM COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW ASSOCIATION March 25, 26, 27, & 28, 2026

Replacement Commercial Heifer Show & Sale Rules

- 1. Exhibitor must be either a resident of Milam Co. or attend school in Milam Co. and must meet the following requirements:
 - a. Must be enrolled in a public or private elementary or secondary school.
 - b. Must be a minimum of five years old and in kindergarten as of September 1st of the current school year.
 - c. Must be a member of a Milam Co. 4-H or a Milam Co. FFA Chapter.
 - d. Exhibitor must not participate in any other out of county "County level" market show during the current school year.
 - e. Clothing with suggestive wording/pictures will not be allowed in the show ring.
- 2. Exhibitors should notify Commercial Heifer Chairman or show secretary of their intention to tag commercial heifers no later than, Monday, November 3.
- 3. The Milam County Junior Livestock Show replacement commercial heifer show must consist of a pen of two (2) open/exposed heifers.
- 4. Tag-In Dates & Ownership deadlines: Commercial Heifers will be tagged & palpated November 8, 2025. Heifers will be tagged at a location to be determined.
- 5. Family tag-in is acceptable and a maximum of five heifers per exhibitor may be tagged. Heifers will be palpated at validation, and must be open. A palpation fee of \$5.00 per head will be charged at validation.
 - If heifers are tagged as a family, exhibitors must declare ownership before unloading at the show in March.
- 6. At validation heifers must have baby teeth in place, and **MUST BE OPEN**. HEIFERS **MAY** be exposed/bred after validation. Heifers must be polled or dehorned. No cattle with horns will be eligible to show or sell.
- 7. Each exhibitor may only show one pen of commercial heifers.
- 8. Heifers must comply with The Texas Animal Health Commission rules governing entry into the Milam County Jr Livestock Show. If you are in doubt of the rules, contact heifer superintendent.
- 9. Heifers will not be required to be halter broke; however, the heifers must have a gentle disposition that would allow close viewing by the judge at show and exhibition at the fair.
- 10. Exhibitors must own heifers 100% throughout the feeding period starting November 8th. Exhibitor must feed and care for heifers in Milam County on their facility, or other committee approved facility. Heifers must be cared for without any aid or assistance other than that of immediate family, Milam County Extension Agents, Ag Science Teachers, and/or 4-H Adult Leaders. Violations will cause the exhibitor to forfeit all rights to compete in the commercial heifer show.
- 11. Ownership verification committee of the MCJLA reserves the right to inspect projects at any time after tag-in.
- 12. Heifers will be pregnancy checked March 7, 2026 at a location to be determined. At this palpation heifers may be bred or open. If open, BOTH heifers must be open. If bred, BOTH heifers must be bred.
- 13. Each exhibitor must attach a sign stating name, 4-H Club/FFA Chapter as soon as judging is complete.
- 14. Stalls, pens, and alleys must be cleaned before 8:00 a.m. each morning and must be kept clean throughout the show. Bedding will be allowed in pens. No straw bedding allowed.
- 15. EACH EXHIBITOR MUST COMPLETE A RECORD BOOK AND A SALES FLYER OR POSTER IN ORDER TO HAVE AN EXHIBIT AT THE SHOW. Record books & sales flyer/poster must be turned in Saturday, March 21st at the Youth Expo Building in Cameron, TX. (8:00 a.m. until noon.) Flyers will be used to promote your project. Record book forms can be found on website at mcjla.org.
 - You are encouraged to take pictures *EACH MONTH* to collect for your record books and flyers.
- 16. Interviews will be conducted at the conclusion of judging heifers at the show.

17. LEADERSHIP AWARDS WILL BE AWARDED TO EACH DIVISION, Juniors (Kindergarten – 12 years old), and Seniors (13 and up). Age divisions are bases on ages the day of the show.

OVERALL COMMERCIAL HEIFER LEADERSHIP AWARDS ARE BASED ON:

Interview 60%
Record Book 25%
Sales Flyer/Poster 10%
Stall Maintenance @ show 5%

- 18. Superintendents reserve the right to combine or divide classes if it is deemed necessary.
- 19. The President may appoint sifting committees to inspect the fitness of animals for show. The sifting committee reserves the right to remove from the grounds any animal, stand or show, that may be falsely entered or deemed unsuitable or objectionable.
- 20. Applications for entry must be made ON LINE between February 1st and February 16th. All entries must be made no later than February 16th. After February 16th, late entries will be accepted until March 25th for an ADDITIONAL \$100.00 per entry. Entry fees must accompany all entries. IRS FORM W-9 MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRIES. Contact your C.E.A, or Ag Science Teacher for further information.
- Entry fees (per entry) must accompany completed on line entries. \$30.00/pen + On line handling fee.
 - An exhibitor ineligible, according to his/her school administration, will **not** be permitted to show, or have an entry shown. Students ineligible for entire length of show will not be permitted to have an entry at the fair.
- 21. The Milam Co. Jr. Livestock Show Assn. will in no way be responsible for any loss, injury, or damage to the exhibitor or to his or her exhibits, or injury to any individual that may occur during the duration of the show.
- 22. Protests must be in writing and must be accompanied by a deposit of one hundred dollars (\$100.00), which will be forfeited if the protest is not sustained. Such protests must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal, and must be delivered to the livestock show president or superintendent within 30 minutes of completion of judging of the division in question or prior to the judging. NO COMPLAINTS WILL BE HEARD BY BOARD MEMBERS UNTIL \$100.00 CASH PROTEST FEE IS FILED.
- 23. <u>UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT OF THE EXHIBITORS, PARENTS, OR GUARDIAN MAY BE REASON</u> FOR DISQUALIFICATION OF THE EXHIBIT AND/OR EXHIBITOR FROM THE SHOW.
- 24. Violation of any rule (including unsportsmanlike conduct) authorizes the Milam Co. Jr. Livestock Show Association to permanently bar the exhibitor and his or her family from any further participation in the Milam County Jr. Livestock Show. Reinstatement of anyone barred may be made only by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. The exhibitor will forfeit all titles, awards, prizes, auction proceeds, and premiums if the animal and/or exhibitor is disgualified

MILAM COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SOW REPLACEMENT COMMERCIAL HEIFER SALE RULES

- 1. The Milam County Jr Livestock Assoc. Commercial Heifer Show will sale NO LESS than 60% of the pens entered and shown.
- 2. Each exhibitor is allowed to have one sale lot in the Milam County Jr Livestock show Premium Sale, and one lot in the commercial heifer sale.
 - Each participant in the Commercial Heifer Sale will be required to give a short "Sales Talk" just before their heifers are sold.
- 3. In order to comply with the national Beef Check-Off program. The current fee of \$2.00/head will be deducted from the sale of each heifer.
- 4. A 6% commission will be charged to each lot in the commercial heifer sale. Any donations made during the commercial heifer sale will become part of the sale price and be subject to 6% commission.
- 5. All heifers making the sale will be sold and become property of the buyer and will remain sold. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to make arrangements with the buyer on delivery of the heifers.
- 6. Each exhibitor **(ACCOMPANIED BY AT LEAST ONE PARENT/GUARDIAN)** must report to the Youth Exposition Building, Sunday following the show at 1:00 p.m. for clean-up. Failure of EXHIBITOR AND PARENT to report will result in a \$100.00 deduction from the exhibitors check. Exemption will be considered through the executive committee.
- 7. **Stamped**, **sealed**, addressed Thank You notes to buyers must be **RECEIVED BY** the MCJLA, PO BOX 1114, Cameron, TX. 76520, no later than April 27, 2026. Failure to do so will Result in a \$100.00 deduction from exhibitors' check. *You may hand deliver the thank you notes to the YEB April 15 between 5:00 & 6:00 p.m.*

Non-Sale commercial heifers will be released at the conclusion of the steer show Friday. No heifers will be released after 10:00 p.m. Release of sale and remaining non-sale commercial heifers will be at the conclusion of the commercial heifer sale until 3:00 p.m. If not out by 3:00 you must wait until the conclusion of the Youth Market Sale. All heifers must be removed from the barn by 10:00 p.m. Saturday.

Exhibitor must present release to commercial heifer superintendent before loading heifers.

THERE WILL BE NO LOADING OUT COMMERCIAL HEIFERS BETWEEN 3:00 P.M. AND THE CONCLUSION OF THE YOUTH MARKET SALE.

ALL DATES AND TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Milam County Junior Livestock Show Association PO Box 1114 Cameron, TX 76520

FOR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

Commercial Heifer Co-Chair: Jason Ehler 512-429-0280

Show Secretary: Sandra Waiser 979-219-4092 <u>swaiser@swbell.net</u>

David Waiser: President of Board

Commercial Heifer Committee:

David Ehler Linda Hicks Melvin Hollas Bobby Scroggins Barbara Scroggins Tracy Woods