

MILAM COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW ASSOCIATION
2026 SHOW – MARCH 25, 26, 27, & 28
GENERAL 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. 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.

RABBIT EXHIBITORS ONLY. Entry deadline is Saturday, February 21.

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 - a. Entries must be exhibited by owners, except when a boy/girl has more than one entry in a class. Owners only will be considered for showmanship. Substitutions must be a Bonafide 4-H or FFA member of Milam County, and must have not completed their secondary education, and meet the approval of the superintendents prior to the judging of the class.
 - b. NO OTHER PERSON CAN TOUCH OR HANDLE THE ANIMAL IN THE RING OTHER THAN THE EXHIBITOR, SUPERINTENDENT, OR SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED ASSISTANTS.
 - c. 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 show.**
4. Market animals must be owned and fed by the exhibitor. **Animals/projects that participate in any previous show/fair premium sale are not eligible to be exhibited.** Partnership entries are not accepted in market classes.

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5. Animals in the breeding classes must be recorded in the recognized books of record for their respective breeds. They must be registered in the exhibitor's name by the ownership deadline and the exhibitors must produce certificates of registry at the request of the superintendent at any time during the show. Partnerships are limited to immediate family members. Crossbreds must be tagged on tag-in date. (See General Rule 9).
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. Entry fees (per entry) must accompany completed online entries: \$30.00 + online handling fee.
All Livestock: Steers, Hogs, Lambs, Goats, Turkey, Pens of Broilers, Pens of Rabbits,
and Breeding Beef Heifers.

9. Tag-In Dates & Ownership deadlines: **Ownership verification committee of the MCJLA reserves the right to inspect projects at any time after tag-in.**

Animals being certified for major shows must pre-order tags from Ag Science Teachers or County Agents.

Steers will be tagged -----	Milam Co. major show tags will be accepted, or steers will be tagged September 2, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. (Youth Expo Bldg)
Beef Heifers -----	November 1, (Non. Registered must be tagged) (Contact steer superintendent before October 15, 2025)
Mkt. Swine, Lambs, & Goats -----	December 1, 3:30 – 6:00 p.m. (subject to change). Milam County Major show tags will be accepted.
Mkt. Bunnies will be tattooed -----	February 21, 8:00 – 10:00 a.m. (subject to change).
Mkt. Broilers -----	Order December 8, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Youth Expo Bldg.
Mkt. Turkey -----	Order August 11, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Youth Expo. Must order through Milam Co Jr Livestock Assoc.



EXHIBITOR AND PARENT MUST ATTEND VALIDATION.

A Late Tag-in/order date will be accepted for seven calendar days after tag-in or order date for an additional CASH fee of \$25.00 per entry.

A FAMILY is permitted to tag a maximum of 5 animals per exhibitor in each division and/or 5 pens of rabbits per exhibitor free of charge. A \$5.00/head or pen tag fee will be charged for each additional animal or pen.

10. Premiums for breeding animals will be paid according to the number of entries. Premium money will be paid to the top two placing breeding animals per division per exhibitor.
11. Only 1st & 2nd place animals will be eligible in competing for Grand & Reserve Champions. All 1st and 2nd place animals, 1st and 2nd place baked goods, and 1st and 2nd place Agricultural Mechanics (individual entries) must compete for Grand and Reserve Champions.
12. All breeding animals will be shown in their respective breed classes, with the exception overall champions.
13. All 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.**
14. If an animal does not meet the minimum or maximum weight, scales will be cleared and animal will be reweighed immediately. **After one reweigh only** animals' weight will stand. **Animals MUST remain in scale area. No test scales are provided.**
15. A weight variation of 5#'s on Steers, 3#'s on Hogs, 2#'s on Lambs and Goats, and 2 oz. per Rabbit will be allowed.
16. **UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT OF THE EXHIBITORS, PARENTS, OR GUARDIAN MAY BE REASON FOR DISQUALIFICATION OF THE EXHIBIT AND/OR EXHIBITOR FROM THE SHOW.**
17. 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 disqualified.
18. Animals exhibited in the Milam Co. Jr. Livestock show must be trained, fitted, or dressed for show by Co. Agents or Ag. Science teachers from Milam Co., or the exhibitors' parents, or exhibitors, or 4-H leaders or Milam Co. FFA chapter boosters. Animals being fitted during the show by anyone other than the above will be disqualified.
19. Superintendents reserve the right to combine or divide classes if it is deemed necessary.

20. Showmanship will be divided into three divisions based on ages **the day of the show**.
 *Peewee -- K thru 2nd grade. Juniors 3rd grade -- 13 yrs. old. Seniors -- 14 yrs. and older.
- Exhibitors may use any animal that he/she owns as long as it was entered & shown in the exhibitors' name.
21. Altering of livestock to reduce or degrade market value of the animal will be at the exhibitors' expense.
22. If controlled substance drug or other chemical residues are found in tissue or carcasses of animals or poultry sold through sales connected with the Milam Co. Jr. Livestock Show, the Show Assn. will in no way be liable or responsible for condition of carcass or sale price of animal. Exhibitor forfeits all rights to the sale price. Before administering antibiotics and or sulfanilamide's, consult a veterinarian for withdrawal periods.
- No IV, intramuscular, or subcutaneous injections allowed. **NO INJECTION NEEDLES OF ANY KIND ALLOWED.**
- Stomach Pumping (Artificially filling animals internally) is prohibited.
23. **No more than three entries per market division will be accepted per exhibitor.**
24. The Milam Co. Jr. Livestock Assn. will handle non-placing animals at 6% commission plus any other charges added by the agent receiving floor animals. **A disclaimer form on use of controlled substance must accompany animal for sale.**
25. All animals are the responsibility of the exhibitor until it is loaded on the resale truck. This includes feeding and watering your animals. Superintendents/show officials reserve the right to refuse animals for resale.
26. Health rules subject to change yearly. Contact your CEA, or Ag Science Teacher before the show for specific requirements regarding health rules. **All sheep and goats must have scrapie tag in place AT TAG-IN.**
WE DO NOT PROVIDE SCRAPIE TAGS

BREEDING SHOW RULES AND REGULATIONS
BREED, SEX, OR AGE SUBSTITUTIONS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED

- A. **BEEF HEIFERS** – Registered Purebreds Heifers.
 Crossbred/Percentage Heifers. Animals without registration papers **MUST BE TAGGED** by 11-1-25). **Contact Steer superintendent by 10-15-25.** Heifers will be shown by their breed division (AMERICAN, BRITISH, EXOTIC, CROSSBRED(Non Papered Heifers)).
1. Heifers born 1-1-2025 thru 12-31-2025
 2. Heifers born 1-1-2024 thru 12-31-2024
 3. Heifers born 9-1-2023 thru 12-31-2023

**NO HEIFERS WILL BE RELEASED UNTIL RELEASE FORM
 IS SIGNED BY THE STEER/HEIFER SUPERINTENDENT.
 (Pick up form at heifer check-in)**

OWNERSHIP (WEIGH) CARD INSTRUCTIONS

Exhibitors showing Market Steers, Hogs, Lambs, and Goats must pick up ownership cards upon arrival. These cards must be filled out, **SIGNED**, and brought to scale area at weigh-in.

**WEIGH CARDS WILL BE YOUR RELEASE FORM – DO NOT
 LOSE THEM**

MARKET SHOW RULES AND REGULATIONS

NO CATTLE TRIM CHUTES OR LAMB/GOAT BLOCKING TABLES ALLOWED. **ANIMALS MUST REMAIN IN THEIR RESPECTIVE BARN AFTER CHECK-IN**

- A. MARKET STEERS – Superintendent – Gary Vrazel (254) 721-4322.
1. Steers must weigh at least 1000 pounds. Classes will be divided by weights as equally as possible by the show officials.
 2. All steers must be slick shorn to not more than ¼" on any location of the body, excluding tail switch, prior to arrival.
 3. Steer must meet clipping rule prior to weigh-in.
 4. Stomach Pumping (Artificially filling animals internally) is prohibited.
- B. MARKET LAMBS – Superintendents – Toni Woods (405) 334-6714
1. Lambs must weigh at least 90 pounds. Classes will be divided by weights as equally as possible by the show officials.
 2. Both ewes and wethers may be shown.
 3. All lambs must be uniformly slick shorn within one week of show prior to arrival.
 4. Lambs must remove all blankets and covering before entering scale area.
- C. MARKET HOGS – Superintendents – John Paniagua (254) 697-1594.
1. Hogs must weigh between 230 and 290 pounds. Classes will be divided by weights as equally as possible by the show officials.
 2. No clipping will be allowed **AT THE SHOW**.
 3. Hogs weighing less than 230 pounds will not be allowed on the resale truck.
- D. MARKET BROILERS – Superintendent – Melvin Hollas – (254) 697-1911.
1. Only broilers ordered through the Milam Co. Jr. Livestock Assn. will be eligible for show.
 2. An order of 25 chicks per entry is required.
 3. Broilers will be wing-banded. If a broiler loses a wing band, it will be ineligible.
 4. One market pen will consist of three pullets or three cockerels. Pullets will be judged against pullets, cockerels will be judged against cockerels. If an exhibitor has a mixed pen, it will be shown as cockerels.
 5. One entry per order of 25 chicks. Chicks must be ordered in multiples of 25.
 6. **No feed allowed in cages until after show.** Water only is allowed.
- E. MARKET RABBITS – Superintendent – Misty Green (254) 482-0680
1. One market pen will consist of three rabbits.
 2. Rabbits will not weigh more than 5#'s each.
- F. MARKET TURKEYS – Superintendent – Melvin Hollis (254) 697-1911.
1. Birds will be ordered from MCJL
 2. If a turkey loses a wing band, it will be ineligible.
 3. **No feed allowed in pens until after show.** Water only is allowed.
 4. A minimum of five poults per exhibitor must be ordered.
 5. Exhibitor may enter only one turkey per each five poults ordered. Exhibitor must order a minimum of 10 poults to enter two or 15 to enter three turkeys. MCJLA will have the right to increase or decrease orders to match the major show ordering requirement of multiples of 25. Turkeys must be ordered through the Milam Co Jr Livestock Assoc.
- G. MARKET GOATS – Superintendent – Missy Christman (979) 739-8370
1. Goats must weigh between 50 & 125 pounds. Goats will be divided by weights as equally as possible by show.
 2. Horns must be tipped blunt.
 3. Both does and wethers may be shown.
 4. Market goats must be uniformly slick shorn from the hock and knee up excluding tail switch, within one week of show prior to arrival.
 5. Goats must remove all blankets and covering before entering scale area.

THERE WILL BE ZERO TOLERANCE TO ANY RULE VIOLATION

IN AN EFFORT TO PROTECT EXHIBITORS AND EXHIBITS, THE BUILDING WILL BE CLEARED AND LOCKED TO ALL INDIVIDUALS EXCEPT BONAFIDE EXHIBITORS AND THEIR FAMILIES, EXTENSION AGENTS AND AG SCIENCE TEACHERS AT 11:00 P.M. A NIGHT WATCHMAN WILL BE ON DUTY TO ENFORCE THIS POLICY.

PREMIUM SALE RULES

The objective of the Premium Sale is to provide an opportunity to as many Milam Co. youth as possible to receive a premium price for their project. Any amount paid for a student's project above market price **SHOULD BE CONSIDERED PREMIUM**. In keeping with this objective, the following premium sale rules have been established.

1. The following four premium sales have been established by the Milam County Jr. Livestock Show Association:
1. Commercial Heifer Sale, 2. Youth Auction Livestock Sale, 3. Baked Goods Sale, and 4. Agriculture Mechanics Sale.
An exhibitor may sell no more than one project in each of the premium sales.
2. Any sale lot entering the ring with decorations other than plaque or placing ribbon will be prohibited from the sale. No buyers' gifts allowed.
3. It is the responsibility of the Milam County Jr. Livestock Show Sale Committee to determine the number of sales lots. Sale lot numbers, priority and order are as follows:

Youth Auction Livestock Sale: This sale will consist of no less than 14 animals per division unless there are not enough animals in a division to meet the minimum number of lots. Additional lots may be added for a division based on the number of exhibitors showing. Sale order - Steer, swine, lamb, broilers, rabbits, turkey, goat. After Grands and Reserves are picked, sale order in each division will be heavy, light heavy, medium, and light.

Baked Goods Sale: This sale will consist of six sale lots - the Overall Grand, Reserve, and the highest placing project in each class. Sale order - Cake, pie, cookie, bar. After overall Grand and Reserve are picked, the next placing project in that class is eligible to sell.

Agriculture Mechanics Sale: This sale will consist of five sale lots - the Overall Grand, Reserve, and the highest placing project in each class. Sale Order - Welding, woodworking, combination. After Overall Grand and Reserve are picked, the next placing project in that class is eligible to sell.
Note: Only individual projects are eligible for the sale. Group projects are limited to exhibition only.

Commercial Heifer Sale: This sale will consist of no less than 60% of the pens entered and shown. After Overall Grand and Reserve are picked, placing order will be used.

4. All Grand and Reserve projects must be sold in the premium sale unless an exhibitor is successful in placing more than one project in a given sale. If an exhibitor places more than one project in a given sale, one of which is Grand, the Grand must sell. If an exhibitor is successful enough to place two Grand Champions in a given sale, sale priority must prevail. In this situation, the next highest placing project will advance one position until the desired sale number is achieved.

If an exhibitor is successful in placing more than one lot in any given sale, this lot not being Grand or Reserve Champion, The exhibitor has the option to withdraw sale lots from the **sale NO LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE LAST MARKET CLASS**. Remaining eligible sale lots will be chosen based on sale priority. Sale selection cards will be available in the show office to designate which lot will be withdrawn from the sale. Cards must be turned in **NO LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE LAST MARKET CLASS**.

5. It is the exhibitors' responsibility to deliver dressed broilers, turkeys, and rabbits to buyers **WITHIN TWO WEEKS OF SALE DATE**. Violations of this rule will result in the capture of premium monies until these stipulations have been met. Exhibitor must arrange delivery with buyer.
6. Any donations made during the premium sale will become part of the sale price and be subject to 6% commission.
7. All monies given to the Milam Co. Jr. Livestock Show not earmarked for a specific sale lot or purpose, will become the property of the Milam Co. Jr. Livestock Show to be used at the discretion of its directors to benefit the youth of Milam Co.
8. Questions pertaining to sale order will be referred to the Rules Committee and its decision will remain final.
9. Each exhibitor **** (ACCOMPANIED BY AT LEAST ONE PARENT/GUARDIAN) **** in the Youth Auction Sale will report to the Youth Expo. Bldg., 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.
10. **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 27 between 5:00 & 6:00 p.m.*

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR SALE PRINTOUT CALL SANDRA @ 979 219 4092

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2026

8:00 – 11:00 A.M. ----	Extraordinary stock show. (A must-see event. Come help cheer on these special kids.)
1:30 P.M. -----	Market Rabbits may arrive.
3:00 P.M. -----	Market Rabbits must be in barn.
3:30 P.M. -----	Begin weigh-in of rabbits/PRE-JUDGING.
5:30 P.M. -----	JUDGING OF MARKET RABBITS. MAIN ARENA. Non sale rabbits will be released at the conclusion of rabbit show. MUST CHECK WITH SUPERINTENDENT BEFORE LEAVING.
4:00 – 8:00 P.M. -----	Commercial Heifers arrive. Must be in barn by 8:00 p.m.
6:00 – 9:00 P.M. -----	All other exhibitors may bring tack and feed to barn.

THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2026

7:00 – 9:00 A.M. -----	Ag Mechanics may arrive. Must be in by 9:00. Set up by 9:30 A.M.
10:00 A.M. -----	Market Animals and Breeding Beef Heifers may arrive. Must be in by 4:00 p.m.
11:00 A.M. -----	JUDGING OF COMMERCIAL HEIFERS. Interviews to follow heifer judging.
10:00 A.M. -----	JUDGING OF AG MECHANICS.
4:00 P.M. -----	Begin weighing: (In this order) Swine, Goats, Lambs, & Steers.
5:30 P.M. -----	JUDGING OF MARKET BROILERS FOLLOWED BY TURKEYS.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2026

9:00 A.M. -----	JUDGING OF MARKET SWINE.
12:30 P.M. -----	JUDGING OF MARKET GOATS.
3:00 P.M. -----	JUDGING OF MARKET LAMBS.
5:00 P.M. -----	Judging of Breeding Beef Heifers.
6:00 P.M. -----	JUDGING OF MARKET STEERS. MUST DECLARE SALE SELECTION 30 MINUTES AFTER COLCLUSION OF STEER SHOW
7:30 P.M. -----	<u>Release of all non-sale market animals, breeding beef heifers, & ag mechanics.</u> Market animals must present weigh card to superintendent for release
12:00 Noon -----	Begin putting non-sale market animals on floor truck list.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2026

9:00 a.m. -----	Last chance to place non-sale animals on floor truck list. (No exceptions)
9:00 A.M. -----	Barn open to buyers for viewing Commercial Replacement Heifers. (Complimentary breakfast and coffee for buyers.)
2:00 P.M. -----	Commercial Replacement Heifer show exhibitor awards.
2:30 P.M. -----	COMMERCIAL REPLACEMENT HEIFER SALE. Sale and non-sale commercial heifers may load at the conclusion of the sale until 3:00 p.m. NO LOADING FROM 3:00 p.m. until the conclusion of the Youth Auction Sale.
4:30 P.M. -----	Buyers Dinner (Location TBD)
5:00 P.M. -----	Sale participants & Showmanship winners should be at barn.
6:00 P.M. -----	YOUTH AUCTION SALE: Livestock, Agricultural Mechanics, Baked Goods
8:00 P.M. -----	Buyers after-sale reception. Youth Expo Dining Room. (At conclusion of sale)
10:00 P.M. -----	All Livestock Removed.

ANIMALS MAY NOT LOAD OUT AFTER 3:00 P.M. UNTIL THE CONCLUSION OF THE YOUTH AUCTION SALE.

SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2026

1:00 P.M. -----	All exhibitors making the sale must return to the barn for clean-up.
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