

Schedule, Rules/Regulations

February 3rd -5th 2027

For inclement weather, show will be moved to
February 8-9, and auction on the 12th.

Sequoyah County Fairgrounds

Akins, Badger Lee, Belfonte, Blackgum, Box, Brent, Brushy, Carlisle, Dwight Mission, Evening Shade, Flute Springs, Gans, Gore, Hanson, Liberty, Long, Marble City, McKey, Moffett, Muldrow, Nicut, Paradise Hill, Redbird Smith, Remy, Roland, Sallisaw, Short, Stoney Point, Vian

Sequoyah County Junior Livestock Show – 62nd

February 3rd, 4th, 5th, 2027 Sequoyah County Fairgrounds
464101 E. 1070 Rd. (Use Bing or MapQuest.)
(East Redwood & Shirley)
Sallisaw, Oklahoma

All animals will be weighed and sifted between 9:00 am and 12:00 noon the day of the show.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Wednesday, February 3rd, 2027

9am – 12:00	Check-In Sheep/Goat/Cattle
12pm	Sallisaw Chamber Meeting
5pm	Doe Goats
	Wether Goats
	Wether Goat Sale Order
	*Goat Showmanship
	Lambs
	Lamb Sale Order
	*Sheep Showmanship
	Heifers
	Heifer Sale Order
	Steers
	Steer Sale Order
	*Beef Showmanship

Thursday, February 4th, 2027

9am – 12:00	Check-In Swine
10am	4-H Impressive Dress Contest
5pm	Breeding Gilt Jackpot
	Market Barrows
	Barrow Sale Order
	*Swine Showmanship

Friday, February 5th, 2027

6pm	Bidders Barbecue
7pm	Premium Auction

***Showmanship: MUST EXHIBIT OWN ANIMAL.**

Judges: Cattle-Justin Stacey
Goats & Sheep – Justin Stacey
Swine – Mark Gray

Auctioneer - Tommy Wright

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. The show's Executive Committees shall have full control over the exhibits, grounds, buildings, assignment of tie and stall space, shall be the sole arbiters in interpretation of all rules, questions and differences connected with the show and sale, but in no event will Show Officials or Sponsors be responsible for any loss or damage which may occur to any person, exhibitor, or equipment.

2. Each exhibitor participating in the Sequoyah County Junior Livestock Show will be charged an entry fee. The fees are as follows and shall be paid to the officials at the time of tagging or when entered, December 5th, 2026 9am -12:00 noon.

   All market animals & commercial heifers will attend check-in during specified times to be eligible for exhibition at Sequoyah County Jr. Livestock Show.

   Fees: Paid at Nomination Time
   Steers, Wether Lambs, Goats, Barrows, Breeding Beef, & Commercial Heifers: $10.00
   Meat Doe Goats and Jackpot Gilts: $10.00

   Fees for breeding animals will be paid by the designated nomination day when market animals are tagged. This money will be used by the Management of the Show for incidentals. Any returned checks, charge fees paid prior to the Livestock Show will be charged a $25 service charge. The issue must be resolved by February 1, 2026, or any nominated animals will not be shown. (Entry fees must be paid by cash, money order, or cashier's check.)

   2a. Nominations and paperwork must be completed and turned in by 12:00 p.m., **Saturday, December 5, 2026. No exceptions**. The nomination procedure completion process must be completed and supervised by Agriculture Education Advisors or County Extension staff. The process may be done by the community and the youths' homes if the staff desires to go home to home.

   Any species officially nominated for OYE (Oklahoma Youth Expo) does not need to bring animal to check in at county Fairgrounds on check-in day. However, if the animal is not tagged on a home visit by an FFA advisor or Extension Staff, then if said child is planning on attending SCJLS and MRJLS, only you will need to bring **animals** and **fees to Sequoyah County Fairgrounds on check-in date**. Tag numbers, DNA samples collected, and entries for both Muskogee and County will be needed. Exceptions for those that can't show up will include death, illness, medical emergency, or other extenuating circumstances. Exceptions will be reviewed by the executive committee. If matching animals nominated for OYE do not appear on OYE official nomination list in January, it will be **disqualified** from the SCJLS.

   All market animals, does, commercial gilts, and commercial heifers must have tags or will be ineligible to show. If no tag is present, the issue will be up to the discretion of the show committee.

3. This Show is open to 4-H and FFA members of Sequoyah County. All Exhibitors must be members of 4-H or FFA as required by their respective State organization and be approved by their local Ag Ed Instructor or County Extension Agent. **4-H youth enrolled in the 3rd grade or 8 years old before September 1 of previous year are eligible to show in the Sequoyah County Jr. Livestock Show and Sale.** On said nomination date exhibitors must be enrolled-full time in a "primary, secondary public school, private, home school or Epic school" within Sequoyah County to be eligible to participate. By entering in the show, nominations are verifying that they are in good academic standing at the time of the show and understand that if they are found to not be eligible as a result of the school contacting the show management, the show management will support the local school district in any disciplinary action taken. Likewise, home-schooled, private, or Epic school families may be asked to verify that they are meeting the mandates of the state regarding curriculum standards.

Any student who has not graduated from a full-time primary, secondary, public, private, or home school, including the Epic program and under the age of 20 on the day of the show, are eligible to participate in the Sequoyah County Jr. Livestock Show.

3a. *Household Nominations: Students will be allowed to enter and show any animal nominated by an individual from their household according to the following restrictions: The students must all legally reside in the same household and share the same legal address. The student who is entering the animal must have materially participated in the care of the project.

4. Animals must conform to the weight standards set forth for each class. Any crossbred animal must show in the class where breed characteristics predominate unless a crossbred class is provided.

5. STALLS, PENS AND EXHIBITION PLACES MUST BE KEPT CLEAN AT ALL TIMES and refuse disposed of as directed by the Superintendent. The management shall have the right to ask any County or School group or any individual to leave the show should they persist in violating this rule.

6. A $10.00 (cash only) clean-up fee will be charged to each exhibitor. The $10.00 fee will be refunded for those participating in the Saturday clean-up day. The clean-up fee will be collected **prior** to weighing and recording of entry on the morning of the show date. The deposit for those exhibitors not participating in the clean-up on Saturday will be forfeited and will be retained by the Sequoyah County Junior Livestock Show.

7. WEIGHTS WILL BE ESTABLISHED BY THE OFFICIAL WEIGHER. One reweighing will be allowed per exhibitor for meeting minimum or maximum weight but not to change class.

8. No medication may be used on animals to achieve weight limits.

9. All beef-breeding animals must be owned by the junior exhibitor as set forth in Rule 3. Registration papers must accompany the animal and reported in the name of the exhibitor by January 1, year of the show.

10. Substitute showmen in the show and sale must be eligible as stated in Rule 3. Waivers as set forth in Rule 4 of Oklahoma 4-H and FFA Show Ring Code of Ethics for substitute showmen in the show and premium sale must be submitted and approved by noon on Thursday, the day of the show and shall be obtained from the ruled committee.

11. Exhibitors must be able to lead his or her beef animal in the show ring, set it up and exhibit it according to the directions of the Judge and Ring Steward, without assistance from another person. Failure of the exhibitor to perform these abilities to the satisfaction of the Judge will result in automatic elimination of the animal from competition in the show and sale.

12. All decisions of the Judges are final.

13. If one chooses to contest the decision of the judge or any decisions/actions of the show, individuals will have until 30 minutes after the conclusion of that species show or will otherwise accept final judgements.

14. The decision of the RULES COMMITTEE regarding the eligibility of an exhibitor or animal or the calls in which the animal will be shown, or other disagreement will be final. Participants must submit their grievances to the RULES COMMITTEE before 3:00pm, the day the animal is to be exhibited, accompanied with a $50.00 non-refundable protest fee. The fee will be refunded in the event the grievance is upheld.

15. Any discrepancies regarding breed classification will be decided by the Classification Committee (County Ag Ed Instructors and Extension Ag Educator).

16. All market animals and commercial heifers must be nominated and officially tagged in advance of the show. The effective date for tagging will be selected by the show management and may alter the days for ownership as stated in Rule 4 and 10. Should any animal lose its tag, three members from the Tagging Committee may inspect and replace the tag.

17. The Sequoyah County Junior Livestock Show adopts the Oklahoma 4-H and FFA Show-Ring Code of Ethics and Livestock Entry Certification.

18. **New rule effective for the 2026 show: exhibitors may nominate as many animals as needed, but may only enter and show 3 head per species.**

SHOWMANSHIP:

All exhibitors are eligible to show in Showmanship competition at the conclusion of each species but must show their own animal.
Age Divisions: Junior – 3-6th grades; Intermediate – 7th-9th grades; Senior – 10th-12th grades

RULES OF AUCTION SALE:

A public auction will be held Friday night, February 5, 2027, at 7:00 pm.

1. Animals included in the premium sale will consist of 25 Market Hogs, 15 Market Lambs, 15 Steers, 15 Heifers, and 15 Market Goats. (Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion, Gilt & Doe included in sale)

2. Animals will be sold according to the sale order which will be established by the Judge of each division.

3. No exhibitor shall be allowed to sell more than 1 animal in the auction sale.

4. All animals included in the sale must be presented in the sale ring during the process of the sale.

5. This will be a Premium Auction Only. Animals will remain in possession of the exhibitor. Any sales where change of possession occurs must be after the Premium Sale and be between the buying and selling partner.
6. Steers, barrows, Wether lambs, heifers and goats will be shown for Sale Order.

7. Any “add-on” money not received by the time checks are issued will not be included on the exhibitor’s check. These monies will be paid to the exhibitor when received in the offices of the Chamber of Commerce.

***All Species – No adhesives or paint. (Blow and Show) Any violation will result in disqualification.**

STEER DIVISION:

Superintendent: Mr. Stephen Matthews, Mr. Jace Goodwin
Weight: 850# Minimum

Weights will be used to balance the number of steers in a class, and classes will be established after weighing in.

BEEF BREEDING DIVISION: Sponsored by Farm Bureau

Superintendent: Mr. Stephen Matthews, Mr. Jace Goodwin
Breeds: All recognized breeds that issue registrations.

Class: Heifers
All heifers must be born on or after January 1, 2025.

Classes will be broken using natural age breaks.

Heifer breed champions will show for Grand Champion of the Show, all breeds competing.

Commercial heifers will be included in the sale and will compete for the Grand Champion Heifer similar to other breeds. Classes will be established at the show.

Commercial heifer class will be shown according to weight. To be eligible for the show, commercial heifers should be born after January 1, 2025. Commercial heifers will be mouthed before official weighing. All commercial heifer entries must have a full mouth of baby incisor teeth. Final decision left to the Show Management.

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MARKET WETHER LAMB:

Superintendent: Mr. Trent Trotter & Mrs. Trotter

Breeds:	Dorset	Hampshire
	Shropshire	Southdown
	Suffolk	Hair Sheep
	Natural	Whiteface Crossbred
	Dorper	Blackface Crossbred

Class: Minimum weight -- 75 pounds
No Maximum weight

Depending upon the number of entries, weights may be adjusted to equalize the number in classes. Also, all breeds with minimal entries may be required to show in one class.
All sheep must be slick shorn to the hocks in order to participate in the show.

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BARROW DIVISION:

Superintendent: Mr. Jace Newby, & Mrs. Caroline Stillwagoner,

Barrows will be classified according to their visible and distinguishable breed characteristics.

Breeds:	Berkshire	Chester White	Crossbred
	Duroc	Hampshire	Hereford
	Landrace	Poland	
	Spot	Yorkshire	

Class: Light Weight -- Minimum 150 pounds
Heavy Weight -- Maximum 280 pounds

Depending upon the number of entries, weights may be adjusted to equalize the number in classes. Also, all breeds with minimal entries may be required to show in one class.

There will be a 10lbs. weigh back for all hogs.

*Only immediate family members of swine exhibitors, County Ag/Ed, Instructors and County Extension Educators allowed in holding pens.

***All Species – No adhesives or paint. (Blow and Show) Any violation will result in disqualification.**

Gilt Jackpot:Superintendent: Mr. Jace Newby & Mrs. Caroline Stillwagoner,

Breeds:	Chester	Duroc
	Hampshire	Landrace
	Poland	Spot
	York	Crossbred
		Hereford

*Sequoyah County Youth less than 4-H age will be allowed to exhibit in the Jackpot Gilt Show. All entries must remain in the sole ownership of the exhibitor and be nominated as such at check-in.

Weight: Maximum weight -- 300 pounds.
Registration papers will be needed.

Registration papers: Gilts of all breeds, except crosses, require registration papers with corresponding ear notch. Registration papers must be in exhibitor's name with date of ownership on or before December 1, 2026. Registration papers must be shown when making entries. All purebred gilts will be shown by birth date and be born between the dates of July 1st. through October 31st. Each breed champion will compete for the Grand Champion Gilt of the Show. Grand Champion Gilt will receive an award.

Gilts: are eligible to show in the Market Hog show. Exhibitors may double nominate for the Market hog show and the breeding Gilt show.

Exhibitors must declare the day of weigh-in if they are showing in the Breeding Gilt Show or Market Hog show.

***All Species – No adhesives or paint. (Blow and Show) Any violation will result in disqualification.**

MEAT GOATS
Superintendent: Mr. Dylan Woodruff, & Ms. Morgan Reese

Must be Wethers or nominated Does. (Bucks not allowed)
Goats will be weighed and divided by weight.
Goats must be de-horned, or horns tipped.
All goats must have a full set of baby incisor teeth.
Minimum weight: 40 pounds (no maximum weight)
Current health papers

***All Species – No adhesives or paint. (Blow and Show) Any violation will result in disqualification.**

MEAT GOATS – DOE - JACKPOT

*Sequoyah County Youth less than 4-H age will be allowed to exhibit in the Jackpot Goat Show. All entries must remain in the sole ownership of the exhibitor and be nominated as such at check-in.

Show by weight.
40 – No max. weight

Doe Goats: Doe goats are eligible to show in the market goat show. Exhibitors may double nominate for the Market goat show and the Breeding Doe show.

Exhibitors must declare the day of weigh-in if they are showing in the Breeding Doe show or Market Goat Show.

***All Species – No adhesives or paint. (Blow and Show) Any violation will result in disqualification.**

OKLAHOMA 4-H & FFA SHOW-RING CODE OF ETHICS

Show Ring Dress Code: All junior exhibitors will wear one of the following:

1. An official 4-H vest or jacket. It must be of the appropriate colors of solid green, solid white or a mix of green and white. Must have an official emblem of at least 2-1/2 inches permanently attached. Must wear a collared shirt under the vest or jacket that is of the appropriate colors of solid green, solid white, or a mix of green and white.
2. An official FFA corduroy jacket from the National FFA supply catalog. Must wear a collared shirt under the jacket that is of the appropriate colors of solid white, solid blue, solid yellow, or a mix of blue and yellow.
3. A buttoned-up, collared shirt, short or long sleeve, of appropriate 4H colors of solid green, solid white, or a mix of green and white; or FFA colors of solid white, solid blue, solid yellow, or a mix of blue and yellow. No third color mix, or additional colors are allowed. Must have an official 4H or FFA emblem of at least 2-1/2 inches permanently attached. Must be worn in show ring & premium auction.
4. No headgear is allowed.

Believing it is in the best interest of all youth livestock exhibitors and breeders of livestock to maintain a reputation of integrity and to continue to present a wholesome and progressive image in the show-ring, the following list of practices are considered unacceptable in the presentation of livestock. The use of such practices or procedures is, therefore, considered a violation of the rules and Regulations governing this show.

Final interpretation of the following rules will be made by show management. Management decisions are final.

1. The exhibitor must be the sole owner of any animals shown in his/her name. Junior exhibitors must have owned, cared for daily and fed market animals from not later that the date nominated, or date listed in premium list of show. All other animals, including dairy animals, must be owned by or transferred to the exhibitor by the required date listed in the show premium list.

2. In breeding classes, beef, dairy, sheep, and swine entries must be registered and recorded in the sole name of the exhibitor. Tattoos, brands, registry association tags, and flock tags must match the papers and be correctly located. Swine ear notches must be correct and healed; purebred barrows must have healed ear notches in both ears.

3. All exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals throughout the show. An exhibitor may be assisted by his or her immediate family (limited to parents, brothers, and sisters), agricultural education teachers, county, or chapter. The official 4-H volunteer leader for a county group, as designated by the County Extension Staff will be permitted to assist the youth under his or her supervision. The exhibitor must be present and assisting with and/or grooming his or her animal in preparation for show-ring.

4. Any junior exhibitor entering livestock in competition must be present to lead any show said animal in competition or the animal will be disqualified, and entry fees will not be refunded. Any infraction of rules will cause forfeiture of any premiums earned. The only exceptions to this rule are where a bona fide owner has more than one animal in each class and due to an extreme emergency, the bona fide owner is not able to be in attendance. Such cases must be approved by the management. Each animal offered for sale must be handled in the ring by a bonafide owner.

5. Soft muzzles will be allowed on animals.

6. Do not misrepresent the age of the animal for the class in which it is shown. Market steers and lambs must follow the tooth rule as printed in the premium list of the show. Birth dates, transfer dates and other information on registration papers must be correct.

7. Treating or massaging any part of the body internally or externally with an irritant, counter-irritant or other substance to temporarily straighten a weak back or loin; to produce unnatural animation or to cause swelling or changes in contour or handling qualities is prohibited.

8. Minimizing the effects of crampiness or to affect handling qualities or contour by feeding or injecting drugs, depressants or applying pack (hot or cold) or using any artificial contrivance or therapeutic treatment except normal exercise is prohibited.

9. Striking the animal to cause swelling is prohibited.

10. Surgery or any other procedure performed to change the natural process of growth, maturation, contour, or appearance of any animal, to include teeth is prohibited. Not included are removal of teat or horns, clipping and dressing of hair and trimming of hooves.

11. The injection or insertion of foreign materials under the skin or into the muscle is prohibited.

12. The use of alcoholic beverages in the feed or as a drench is prohibited.

13. Forced filling of any type by any means to include stomach pumps is prohibited.

14. No alteration or simulation with respect to the color of hair will be permitted on any junior animals. This included all products, natural or manmade; false switches are not permitted. If alteration or addition is detected by a show official or through a protest, the exhibitor, organized group or individual involved will be disqualified and barred from exhibiting. These grooming rules apply to both sexes, all species for the duration of the junior division of the show. In swine, no powdering, oiling, painting, or dressing other than water will be permitted.

15. The use of any chemical and/or compound that is not approved by the Food and Drug Administration for use in meat-producing animals and the illegal use of approved chemicals and/or compounds is prohibited. All animals shall be subject to test (blood, urine, and tissue) for foreign substances that exceed the acceptable levels and established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and/or the Food and Drug Administration. All animals shall be subject to test (blood, urine, and tissue) for foreign substances that exceed the acceptable levels and established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and/or the Food and Drug Administration. A positive test will result in disqualification, forfeiture of any premiums and/or future competition at this show. All medications at the show will be administered by licensed veterinarians only.

16. Balancing the udder by abnormal means, including the use of a mechanical contrivance or the injection of fluid or drugs, setting the teats and/or including (sealing the ends) with a mechanical contrivance or with the use of a chemical preparation, treating or massaging the udder or its attachments with an irritant or counterirritant, will not be permitted. The use of common products such as fly spray, ointment, or liniment in excess to the extent that it is irritating is included as an irritant.

17. Criticizing or interfering with the Judge, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the event may result in an individual or group being expelled, placed on probation, declared ineligible or barred from exhibiting at the event.

18. Exhibitors are forbidden from asking buyers to give or sell back animals sold through the auction. Any such attempt by any exhibitor or by another person representing an exhibitor will be considered a breach of sale etiquette and the exhibitor will be barred from showing livestock at this show.

19. Exhibitors, organized groups, or any individual switching animals at any time and changing ear tags and other forms of identification will be barred from showing and will forfeit all prizes and premium money.

20. Junior exhibitors and other adults involved with the exhibitors are expected to adhere to the General Rules and Regulations of Junior Livestock Shows, including the Show-Ring Code of Ethics as well as the Rules and Regulations governing the Junior Division.

21. Any violation of the rules and Regulations Incorporated in the premium list, the Show-Ring Code of Ethics and the Junior Division Rules and Regulations may result in forfeiture of all premiums and awards, disqualification and expulsion or probation of the exhibitor or organized group the exhibitor represents any individual or livestock involved. Probation, disqualification, expulsion, or other disciplinary action of the show management will be final. Such action will require application for readmission under such terms as the management may prescribe before the group or which is a member of show support organizations including the Oklahoma Association of Fairs and Festivals, the American Livestock Show and Rodeo Managers Association and the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, may affect the eligibility of the violators for participation in any show throughout the county, regardless of the show's membership in these organization.

This is proposed as for a Statewide Show-Ring Code of Ethics. Local rules can be added to these rules to make them apply to specific situations; however, this set of ethics may not be diminished.

It is suggested that every show in Oklahoma adopt these rules and enforce them. Hopefully, the Oklahoma Association of Fairs and Festivals will be the central group to receive and notify shows and fairs of banning actions and other disciplinary actions taken by show management. This will give show management a vehicle to transmit and receive information.