# SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL STEPHENS COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW & SALE

**JANUARY 4-6, 2024** 

STATE CATTLE VALIDATION- June 24, 2023 at 8:00am

SHEEP VALIDATION- October 21, 2023 at 8:00am

POULTRY VALIDATION- October 21, 2023 at 8:00am

GOAT VALIDATION- October 21, 2023 at 8:00am

BREEDING RABBIT VALIDATION - October 21, 2023 at 8:00am

COUNTY CATTLE VALIDATION- October 21, 2023 at 8:00am

AG MECHANICS VALIDATION - October 21, 2023 at 8:00am

SWINE VALIDATION- November 11, 2023 at 8:00am

MARKET RABBIT VALIDATION- December 3, 2023 at 2:00pm

MANDATORY CLEANUP- January 7, 2024 at 1:00pm

#### **2024 SHOW OFFICIALS**

# Jim McKay

**General Show Chairman** 

Zach Shortes General Superintendent

Marsee Fuller
General Show Secretary

Ashly Fambro & Libbie Speer

Assistant Show Secretaries

Nick Reynolds

Asst. General Superintendent Shelley Jackson

**General Show Secretary** 

Poultry Superintendent: Nick Reynolds Goat Superintendent: Coby Wimberley

Cattle Superintendent: Mark Pugh

Ag Mechanics Superintendent: Tye Jackson

**Rabbit Superintendent: Eric Brennan** 

Sheep Superintendent: Forrest Fuller Swine Superintendent: Kenneth Alford

#### **Executive Committee:**

Kenneth Alford
Eric Brennan
Forrest Fuller
Nick Reynolds
Coby Wimberley
Mark Pugh
Marsee Fuller
Zach Shortes
Jessie Shortes
Austin Hanna
Tye Jackson
Forrest Fuller
Coby Wimberley
Marsee Fuller
Shelley Jackson
Jim McKay
Makayla Pike

Showmanship Division: Co-Chairman: Glenda Knight Co-Chairman: Sonya Morehart Loading Committee
Superintendent: Nick Reynolds
Committee Members: Eric Brennan, Forrest Fuller
Kenneth Alford, Mark Pugh, Coby Wimberley

4-H Advisors: Sumer Russell & Jessie Shortes
4-H President:

FFA Advisors: Austin Hanna & Makayla Pike

FFA President: FFA Sweetheart: FFA Beau:

#### 2024 Sale Committee:

**Chairmen: Susan Shortes, Will Thompson** 

Committee Members: Kevin Simmons, Jonathan Newton, Luke Grider

Sale Secretaries: Glenda Knight, Sonya Morehart

## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

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Thursday January 4th	
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Weigh in of Rabbits
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Weight in of Poultry
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Weigh in of Goats
	Weigh in of Sheep
	Weigh in of Swine
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Check in of Ag Mechanics Projects
6:30 p.m. –7:30 p.m.	Judging of Breeding Rabbits
7:30 p.m. –8:30 p.m.	Judging of Market Rabbits
8:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.	Judging of County Born & Bred Rabbits
8:45 p.m. –9:15 p.m.	Judging of Rabbit Showmanship
Friday January 5th	
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Judging of Poultry
9:30 a.m.	Judging of Ag Mechanics Projects
9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Judging of Breeding Goats
	Judging of Market Goats
	Judging of County Bred & Born Goats
	Judging of Goat Showmanship
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Judging of Breeding Sheep
	Judging of Market Sheep
	Judging of County Bred & Born Sheep
	Judging of Sheep Showmanship
12:00 p.m 1:00 p.m.	Weigh in of Cattle
1:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Judging of Market Gilts
•	Judging of Market Barrows
	Judging of County Bred & Born Swine
	Judging of Swine Showmanship
	Followed by the Pee Wee Show
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Judging of Breeding Cattle
·	Judging of Market Steers
	Judging of County Bred & Born Cattle
	Judging of Cattle Showmanship
Saturday January 6th	
8:00 a.m.	Herdsman Interviews (Seniors followed by Juniors)
10:00 a.m.	Jacob Jackson Master Showman
11:00 a.m.	Livestock Judging Contest
	Presentation of Awards Immediately to Follow
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Sunday January 7th

12:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. Mandatory Clean up

**Buyers Luncheon** 

Sale Begins

#### **General Show Rules**

- 1. The Sixty-Sixth ANNUAL STEPHENS COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW & SALE shall be open to all active 4-H Club members who are nine (9) years old or are in the third grade on the day of initial validations, or who are active FFA members in Stephens County and who have not graduated from High School. Any exhibitor, in order to show or sell animals in Stephens County Junior Livestock Show & Sale, must be eligible under the established rules and laws of the State of Texas as directed by the University Interscholastic League. All public, private and home school exhibitor grades will be verified by the show secretary. All exhibitors and their projects entered in the Sixty-Sixth Annual Stephens County Junior Livestock Show & Sale shall be under the supervision and direction of either the Stephens County Extension Agent or a Breckenridge High School FFA Advisor.
- 2. At validation, animals may be entered by an individual or as a family unit with an unlimited number of entries in a division market class and/or a division breeding class per family exhibitor.
- 3. All entries exhibited must be the property of the exhibitor and must be carried as a project in 4-H or FFA. Proper records, as a required by the Project Director, must be completed and shall be maintained from date of acquisition.
- 4. Entry fees for the Stephens County Junior Livestock Show & Sale shall be as follows: \$20.00 per entry on all Cattle; Swine; Sheep; Rabbit; Poultry; Goats; Ag Mechanics \$15.00 of entry fee will be allocated to SCJLS and \$5.00 to the scholarship fund.

# ALL ENTRY FEES ARE TO BE PAID AT THE TIME OF VALIDATION AS INDICATED BY COMPLETION OF OFFICIAL ENTRY FORMS IN COMPLIANCE WITH SHOW AND SALE RULES.

- 5. All exhibitors and their Parent & Guardian must sign the agreement on the Entry Form stating that they will abide by all rules of the Stephens County Junior Livestock Show & Sale. A 4-H and FFA livestock ethics policy must be signed by all exhibitors and their parent or guardian and must be turned in with the entry cards at validation.
- 6. Any entry with contagious diseases or parasites will not be allowed to unload upon arrival at the show and sale grounds. In addition, all entries in the Breeding Classes must abide by the rules of the Texas Animal Health Commission.
- 7. Each 4-H or FFA Exhibitor <u>must show their own entry</u> during the judging but may have another exhibitor assist them ONLY when exhibiting two (2) or more animals in the same class. If for any reason an exhibitor is unable to be present due to a family emergency or physical disability, <u>it must be brought before the Executive Committee</u>, <u>and they shall have full authority to decide if another exhibitor may show the entry.</u>
- 8. All exhibitors will be assigned an 'exhibitor number' and MUST wear their number at all times while exhibiting the animal.
- 9. All exhibitors are expected to remain alert to the show schedule and must be available to show their entries on thirty (30) minutes notice in case of changes in the show program and schedule.
- 10. The showing of any unethically fitted livestock is prohibited. Unethical fitting is deemed to mean any physical or physiological attempt to alter the natural conformation, musculature or weigh of an animal by use of injections or ingested material not conducive to the continued health of the animal or marketability of its carcass. Animals showing, in the opinion of the judge, and/or Show officials, signs of having been unethically fitted will be disqualified. No dyeing is allowed. No grooming material that allows color to come off from an animal will be allowed at the show. As a condition for participation in the show, every exhibitor must agree to submit any animal entered by exhibitor to inspection and testing by the show veterinarian. Test results and decisions shall be final, without recourse against the Stephens County Junior Livestock Show or any of its officers. Any exhibitor who violates this rule will forfeit all rights and privileges to entries in the Show and Sale at the time of the infraction and the exhibition of livestock in the future, at the Stephens County Junior Livestock Show and Sale.

- 11. If an animal requires treatment while on show grounds, only the show veterinarians will be allowed to administer any drug or chemical. Animals that are administered treatments with a withdrawal or extended elimination time period will be disqualified from competition.
- 12. All entries which are not the quality finish or temperament to merit showing will be sifted by the Sifting Committee, which committee shall be composed of the following: The General Superintendent, The Division Superintendent, the FFA Advisors, and the Texas AgriLife Extension agent.
- 13. In all Divisions in which there are five (5) or more entries, Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Banners will be awarded. In any Division with less than five (5) Entries, only Champion Banners will be awarded. In any Division or Class with only three (3) entries, ribbons only will be awarded.
- 14. In the event of a protest a \$50 Cash Protest fee will be deposited with the Show Secretary. The protest fee is fully refundable if protest is in the favor of those making the protest. The protest shall be submitted in the following manner:
  - A. The protesting party shall submit their protest to the Stephens County Junior Livestock Show and Sale Committee in writing within thirty (30) minutes after the event in which the matter being protested has occurred.
  - B. Said protest shall be hand delivered by the person making the protest to the Stephens County Junior Livestock Show and Sale Office on the site of the Show.
  - C. It shall be presented to the General Show Secretary who will in turn present the protest to the Executive Committee, which said Committee, shall meet immediately to consider the protest.
  - D. The decision of the Executive Committee shall be final.
- 15. THE DECISION OF THE JUDGE IN ALL CLASSES SHALL BE FINAL
- 16. THE MOVING OF ANY ANIMAL FROM ASSIGNED STALL, PEN, CAGE, ETC., WITHOUT APPROVAL OF THE DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT, WILL CAUSE THE ANIMAL TO BE AUTOMATICALLY DISQUALIFIED FROM THE SHOW AND SALE.
- 17. LIABILITY CLAUSE The Breckenridge Independent School District, The Extension Service, or any other Club Group, Organization or any individual involved in sponsoring or staging the 2024 Stephens County Junior Livestock Show and Sale SHALL NOT be responsible nor liable regardless of what may happen to exhibitors, judges, animals, spectators or vehicles during the preparation for, the actual staging of, or in the cleanup following the 2024 Stephens County Junior Livestock Show and Sale.
- 18. Executive Committee's interpretation of the Stephens County Junior Livestock Show and Sale Rules is final. The Executive Committee consists of the General Show Chairman; General Show Superintendent; Assistant General Superintendent; General Show Secretaries; All Division Superintendents; FFA Ag Teachers & Texas AgriLife Extension Agent.
- 19. <u>All animals to be entered shall be kept in Stephens County, Texas</u>, unless attending a show, from validation to show time with the only exception being when exhibitor attends school in Stephens County but lives in another county.
- 20. Exhibitors with any animal losing ear tags must notify their Division Superintendent <u>within 7 days</u> in order to have the animal retagged. <u>No ear tags shall be removed without contacting the Division Superintendent prior to removal. ANY county or state tag MUST BE REPLACED by the advisor that issued the original tag; no exceptions.</u>

- 21. If an exhibitor's animal dies within 10 days of validation; Exhibitor has 7 days from the date of death to replace the animal. Animal's Death has to be certified by a veterinarian and the Division Superintendent or Project Supervisor. If a breeding rabbit entry dies before market rabbit validation on Sunday, December 3, 2023, Exhibitor has 7 days from the date of death to replace the animal.
- 22. State validation tags will count for county tags.
- 23. Stephens County Junior Livestock Show will be a drug and alcohol free event.
- 24. Mandatory cleanup for ALL exhibitors at 1 p.m., Sunday January 7, 2024 to receive your sale check. <u>All unexcused</u> absences from cleanup will result in \$100 of your check being contributed to the SCJLS Scholarship Fund.
- 25. There will be no reweigh of any species.
- 26. Any individual exhibiting any hostile behavior or ill will towards any judges, board members or other persons will be immediately removed from the facility and banned from the show grounds for the entirety of the following show year.

#### **CATTLE DIVISION RULES**

In addition to the General Show and Sale Rules, all of which apply to the Cattle Division, these specific rules also apply to the Cattle Division.

All Major (State) Steer & Heifer entries must be validated on Saturday, June 24, 2023 and will be classified, ear tagged, and nose print taken on the same date. All County Steer & Heifer entries will be validated on Saturday, October 21, 2023. All Cattle shall be delivered to the Show site and weighed-in on Friday, January 5, 2024 in accordance with the show schedule.

#### **Market Cattle Classes**

1. Market Steer classes will be o	divided first by class and th	en by weight. T	ne classifications will con	sist of the following:
	American Cross	English	Exotic	
The classes will be determined	after final weigh-in by the	Superintendent	and all classifications are	final.

- 2. Market Steer entries must weigh a minimum of 900 pounds at the time of the Show and Sale Weigh-in.
- 3. NO ENTRY MAY BE SHOWN IN MORE THAN ONE (1) MARKET CLASS

#### **Breeding Cattle Classes**

1. Classes in the Breeding Cattle Division will be determined by classification and then by date of birth.

American English Exotic

If an animal is registered the exhibitor needs to bring the animal and registration papers to validation to enter. If an animal is not registered, the exhibitor must bring the animal to validation for classification. Exhibitors must furnish birth

date of the animal. All breeding cattle must be validated and have ear tags, tattoo or brand at validation.

- 2. At the time of the Show, all entries in the Breeding Cattle Division must have no more than two (2) permanent teeth.
- 3. BULLS WILL NOT BE EXHIBITED OR PERMITTED ON THE GROUNDS DURING THE SHOW.

#### **SWINE DIVISION RULES**

In addition to the General Show and Sale Rules, all of which apply to the Swine Division, these specific rules also apply to the Swine Division.

All swine must be validated on Saturday, November 11, 2023, and must have their ear tag placed <u>on the same date</u>. All swine shall be delivered to the Show site and weighed-in on Thursday, January 4, 2024. Separate Market Barrow & Market Gilt Show by breeds. Select Grand and Reserve Champion barrow & gilt.

#### **Market Gilt & Barrow Classes**

- 1. Select grand and reserve champion barrow & select grand and reserve champion gilt.
- 2. Weight limits on market and breeding swine is 190-280 (150 minimum, **IF STATE VALIDATED**) pounds, all market swine may go to the floor (**if it meets 200 pound floor minimum**).
- 3. The show order for Market Hogs will be, Black OPB, White OPB, Duroc, Hampshire, York, Cross.
- 4. The swine classes will be broken by weight as needed. The Swine Superintendent will determine the class break.

  There must be 3 of any animal to constitute a breed; any less than 3 will be moved to another class at the discretion of the superintendent.

#### SHEEP DIVISION RULES

In addition to the General Show and Sale Rules, all of which apply to the Sheep Division, these specific rules also apply to the Sheep Division.

All sheep will be validated on Saturday, October 21, 2023. All Breeding Sheep or Market Ewe Lambs <u>MUST be identified</u> <u>with an official scrapie tag at validation.</u>

All Sheep shall be delivered to the Show site and weighed-in on Thursday, January 4, 2024 in accordance with the Show Schedule.

#### **Breeding Sheep**

- 1. Fine Wool, Southdown, Medium and Hair classes will be offered.
- 2. All breeding ewes must be less than 2 years of age.
- 3. Clipping is optional on breeding ewes only.

#### **Market Sheep**

- 1. Market Lambs must weigh a minimum of 80 pounds (with the exception of hair sheep at a 65 pound minimum) to show or sell.
- 2. All Market Lambs must be slick sheared prior to crossing scales at the final weigh in.
- 3. A sheep superintendent will be responsible for classifying Fine Wool, Fine Wool Cross, Southdown, Medium and Hair Market Lambs at the time of Validation on Saturday, October 21, 2023.

#### **RABBIT DIVISION RULES**

In addition to the General Show and Sale Rules, all of which apply to the Rabbit Division, these specific rules also apply to the Rabbit Division.

All Market Rabbit entries must be made on or before Sunday, December 11, 2022 validation. All Breeding Rabbit entries must be made on or before the October 15, 2022 validation. Official entry forms must be submitted on day of validation.

All Rabbits shall be delivered to the Show Site and weighed-in on Thursday January 5, 2023, in accordance with the Show Schedule, and must remain at the show grounds for the duration of the show.

#### **Market Rabbit Classes**

- 1. All entries in the Rabbit Classes shall have a tattoo number placed in their left ear on the date of validation (unless already tattooed), which is Sunday, December 11, 2022. Entry fees must be paid at this time. No substitutions will be allowed after that date.
- 2. Individual rabbits in the market classes must weigh between 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  pounds and 5  $\frac{1}{2}$  pounds on the day of the final show weigh-in. If one rabbit is eliminated from the final pen of three (3), then the whole pen is disqualified.
- 3. An exhibitor may have as many as five (5) rabbits per pen validated, and they must select the three (3) per pen to be shown before final weigh-in.

#### **Breeding Rabbit Classes**

- 1. Exhibitors will compete for Breed Champions and will then compete for Champion Best of Show and Reserve Best of Show.
- 2. Breeding Rabbits will be classified at validation to declare what class they will be in according to ARBA standards at the discretion of the superintendent.

#### **POULTRY DIVISION RULES**

In addition to the General Show and Sale rules, all of which apply to the Poultry Division, these specific rules also apply to the Poultry Division.

All Poultry entries must be made on Saturday, October 21, 2023.

All poultry shall be delivered to the show site and weighed-in on Thursday, January 4, 2024 in accordance with the show schedule.

- 1. An exhibitor's entry consists of three (3) pullets per pen.
- 2. All poultry exhibitors must purchase chicken from the hatch date from the same hatchery.

#### **MEAT GOAT DIVISION**

In addition to the General Show and Sale Rules, these specific rules also apply to the Meat Goat Division.

All goat entries will be validated on Saturday, October 21, 2023. All Goats shall be delivered to the show site and weighed-in on Thursday, January 4, 2024 in accordance with the show schedule.

- 1. Market goats must weigh a minimum of 55 pounds at final weigh in.
- 2. No intact males (billies) will be allowed to show.
- 3. All market goats must be clipped PRIOR TO weigh-in.

#### **Breeding Goat Rules**

- 1. All breeding goats must be less than 2 years of age and meat goats, Boer goats, and percentage goats.
- 2. NO DAIRY GOATS WILL BE ALLOWED TO SHOW.
- 3. All breeding goats must have an official scrapie tag at validation October 21, 2023.
- 4. All breeding (DOES) must be tagged on October 21, 2023.

# Rules for the 2024 Scholarship

Scholarship applications will be coordinated with the school systems. To qualify for the 2024 SCJLS Scholarship, the applicant must be in their graduating year of high school and must have shown in the Stephens County Jr. Livestock Show either through 4-H or FFA for a minimum of 3 out of 4 high school years, including his or her graduating year. A GPA of 3.0 must be maintained. The scholarship will be disbursed in two halves, one for each semester. The Scholarship Committee, which will award the scholarship funds, will be comprised of the Rules Committee for the 2024 show.

#### **GENERAL SALE RULES**

THE SALE WILL BE FOR PREMIUM ONLY AND WILL BE SOLD BY THE HEAD OR PEN.

- 1. Each exhibitor shall be allowed to sell only one (1) project (market or breeding) in the general sale.
- 2. The exhibitor has the responsibility to notify the Show Office within (30) minutes following the exhibition of their last animal of intent regarding the sale, floor, or return home of all animals exhibited. If no selection is made within the allotted time requirement, *the show secretaries will make the selection*. That selection will be the *final* decision of the sale animal for that exhibitor, no changes or exceptions.
- 3. ALL qualified, eligible entries in all classes of the general show participating in the sale <u>will remain in place</u> until after The Sale of Animals on Saturday, January 6, 2024. Any animal leaving the show facility is required to notify the Division Superintendent.
- 4. The Sale Order will begin as follows:
- All Overall Market Champions
- All Overall Breeding Champions
- All Overall Market Reserve Champions
- All Overall Breeding Reserve Champions
- Bred and Born Champions
- Breed Champions

All Champions and Bred and Born animals will sell alternating between Cattle, Swine, Sheep, Rabbits, Poultry and Goats. After all Champions and Bred and Born Champion animals have sold, the Sale will continue in the order of placing, by Divisions beginning with sheep, rabbits, poultry, goats, cattle, and swine.

- 5. All animals must be sold once the bidding has begun.
- 6. Checks from the sale of animals will be available for pickup from the exhibitor's designated FFA or 4-H advisor upon completion by the show secretaries.
- 7. All floor animals and all animals not scheduled to sell in the Sale will be loaded after the sale. Once designated for the floor it shall stay on the floor. Swine must weigh 200 lbs. minimum to be eligible to sell to the floor.
- 8. The responsibility of the Stephens County Junior Livestock Show and Sale Committee for animals sold through the Sale terminates when the animals are delivered to the holding area designated by the Floor Buyer and after the correct number of animals to be delivered have been accounted for by authorized members of the Stephens County Junior Livestock Show and Sale Committee and accepted by a representative of the buyer for all animals.
- 9. <u>Each exhibitor must sell his or her own animals.</u> All exhibitors with animals scheduled to sell in the Sale are required to be attentive to the Sale Order in order to have their animal ready at the required time to sell. Any exhibitor who does not have their animals available will be passed over and will not be allowed to participate in the Sale.
- 10. No exhibitor shall be allowed to place any special markings on animal's following completion of the Show prior to the Sale. This is to include painting, spraying, clipping or otherwise altering the appearance of the animals.
- 11. Three percent (3%) commission of the sale amount will be deducted from each Sale check excluding add-ons with 2% of that amount to defray the cost of the show and 1% to go into the scholarship fund.

#### SHOWMANSHIP AWARDS RULES

Showmanship participants will be selected by the showmanship judge at his or her discretion as they see fit.

Showmanship Awards will be presented in (6) categories in the 2024 Show. The selection of the Showmanship winners will be determined by a special Showmanship Class, which will be held immediately following the selection of the Champion animals in each Division in which awards are to be made. Each Showmanship participant must exhibit his/her own animal that is entered in his/her name to participate in the Showmanship award class. Judges will give the Showmanship placing and reasons for such placing at the time of the selection of winners. Showmanship awards will be awarded at the time of the selection of the winners and awarded in the following Divisions:

Cattle Sheep Swine Rabbits Goats Poultry

#### **Guidelines for Showmanship Awards**

- 1. General Appearance of exhibitor in show ring.
- 2. General Appearance of animal being exhibited in show ring.
- 3. Ability of exhibitor to show their animal to the best advantage of the show ring.

Senior Showmanship Awards will be made in all six of the above noted categories to exhibitors who have reached their 14th birthday prior to January 1, 2024.

Junior Showmanship Awards will be made in all six of the above noted categories to exhibitors who have not reached their 14th birthday prior to January 1, 2024.

#### **Herdsman Awards Rules**

The George Blackburn Memorial Herdsman Awards may be presented in all six categories of the 2024 Show. The Awards will be announced and presented at the Annual Buyer-Seller Awards Ceremony. Herdsman Award recipients will be selected by the Herdsman Award Committee. Awards may be presented in the following Divisions of the 2024 Show:

Cattle Sheep Swine Rabbits Poultry Goats

# **Judging Guidelines for Herdsman Awards**

- 1. The Herdsman box on the entry card MUST BE checked at validation. If checked, the exhibitor will receive a Herdsman Award Packet at validation that fully explains the essay requirements and the award criteria.
- 2. General appearance and behavior of the exhibitor as well as the animal during the entire show.
- 3. Sportsmanship of exhibitor during the entire show.
- 4. Ability of exhibitor to make acquaintance with the Superintendent in the exhibitor's Division and to cooperate with the Superintendent. Site visits will be conducted by division superintendents during the project to check on animal health, cleanliness of the animal and pens and progression of the project.
- 5. The exhibitor must submit the essay as outlined in the Herdsman Award Packet by the Friday following validation at the Stephens Co. Extension Office or by email to <a href="mailto:SCJLS.Herdsman@gmail.com">SCJLS.Herdsman@gmail.com</a>.
- 6. Herdsman Award Categories: A) Senior Herdsman Awards may be made in all six categories of the 2024 Show to qualified exhibitors who enter the Herdsman Award Competition and who have reached their 14th birthday prior to January 1, 2024.

- 7. Junior Herdsman Awards may be made in all six categories of the 2024 Show to Qualified exhibitors who enter the Herdsman Award Competition who have not reached their 14th birthday prior to January 1, 2024.
- 8. A Mandatory Interview with the Herdsman Committee will be conducted at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 6, 2024. A point system will be used by the herdsman committee members conducting the interview to determine the winner. Any points resulting in a tie will go to the decision of the specific species superintendent for that award.
- 9. Monetary prizes for winners of each species will be \$100 for the Senior Herdsman winner and \$50 for the Junior Herdsman winner.
- 10. Exhibitors may only win the Herdsman award for each species once as a junior contestant and once as a senior contestant.

### **Stephens County Bred and Born Rules**

Special Classes for animals bred and born in Stephens County, Texas, will be held in the following divisions (breeding and market animals are both eligible) in the 2024 Stephens County Junior Livestock Show and Sale:

Rabbits Sheep Goats Swine Cattle

In order to be eligible to participate in this class, exhibitors must have proof that their entry was bred and born in Stephens County, Texas. Judging in these Divisions for the Stephens County Bred and Born awards will be done in accordance with the Show Schedule.

The following rules shall apply to exhibitors in this program:

- 1. Exhibitor must have proof that the animal exhibited in this competition was bred and born in Stephens County, Texas.
- 2. Entries in each division will be selected as follows:
  - a) The highest placing animal from each division or the Grand or Reserve Champion that was bred and born in Stephens County, Texas, will be eligible to show in these classes.
  - b) Animals will be judged by the Show Judge of each of the divisions; sifting by the Judge at his or her discretion.
  - c) Animals eligible for this award must be exhibited by the exhibitor under whose name it is entered.
- 3. Awards will be presented to the exhibitor and to the breeder of the winning animal in each of the divisions. The awards will be presented at the time of selection, but with acknowledgment to be given during the Awards Ceremony.

# **Stephens County Pee Wee Show Rules**

A Special time is set aside for children who are not of 4-H age to show animals in the Stephens Co. Jr. Livestock Show.

- 1. Exhibitors are allowed to show sheep, swine, or goats only.
- 2. Only those animals validated for this show may be shown.
- 3. All exhibitors will receive an exhibitor ribbon. Pee Wee Kids will not be able to sell the animals they have shown through the Premium Sale.

LIABILITY CLAUSE: The Breckenridge Independent School District, The Texas AgriLife Extension Office or any other Club,

Group, Organization or any individual involved in sponsoring or staging the 2024 Stephens County Junior Livestock Show and Sale SHALL NOT be responsible nor liable regardless of what may happen to exhibitors, judges, animals, spectators or vehicles during the preparation for, or the actual staging of, or in the cleanup following the 2024 Stephens County Junior Livestock Show and Sale.

#### STEPHENS COUNTY AGRICULTURE MECHANICS CONTEST RULES

- 1. Eligible participants include dues paying Stephens County 4-H & FFA members who attend Breckenridge schools.
- 2. Students may enter as individuals or partners (two or more students). However, students cannot be part of both an individual AND partner entry. Only individual and partner entries will be eligible for the sale.
- 3. Individuals and/or partnerships will be limited to one entry in the show. Each entry will be classified as a Farm Project or a Recreation Project.
- a. All Exhibitors are required to pay an entry fee of \$20.00 to their advisor by October 21, 2023.
- 4. A bill of materials must be submitted with the entry form along with entry fee. This bill of materials will set the starting price in the silent auction.
- 5. Projects must be placed between 5:30-6:30 p.m. Thursday, January 4, 2024 at the Stephens County show barn.
- 6. Projects will be judged at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, January 5, 2024.
- 7. All Ag Mechanic project will be sold through a silent auction and the bidding will end at the time of the 2024 Stephens County Livestock Show Sale. Bid sheets will be allowed the morning of Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup>.
- 8. All Ag Mechanics projects must be removed from the show barn on Saturday, January 6, 2024, or promptly after the end of the animal sale.
- 9. Exhibitors must be present during judging and available to answer questions from the judge about the construction and/or function of the project. Exhibitors not present at the time of judging will be disqualified.
- 10. Judging of projects will be based on:

a. Workmanship	250 points
b. Students Knowledge of project	250 points
c. Design and Materials	100 points
d. Practicality	100 points
e. Degree of difficulty	100 points
f. Finish	100 points
g. Summary project- (Plans, Bill of Materials, Photographs (ex.))	100 points
TOTAL	1000 points

- 11. Ribbons will be given for each project based on the following score:
  - a. Blue= 900- 1000 points
- b. Red= 800- 900 points
- c. White= below 800 points
- 12. There will be a Champion and a Reserve Champion in both Farm and Recreation project divisions. An Overall

Grand and Reserve Champion will be selected from the above Champions.

- 13. All general Stephens County Stock Show Rules must be followed as outlined.
- 14. Prefabricated or Kit Projects will not be permitted.
- 15. Stephens County show board or Breckenridge FFA will not be responsible for projects in case of loss or damage.
- 16. No structural welds are to be ground without penalty. Grinding is to be limited to welds that should be ground for functional reasons and/or welds that would normally be ground for cosmetic purposes.

#### LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST RULES

- 1. The livestock judging contest is open to all exhibitors.
- 2. There is a \$5.00 entry fee for each participant, of which goes to the Stephens Co. Jr. Livestock Scholarship Fund.
- 3. Contestants will judge (2) classes of sheep, (2) classes of goats and (2) classes of swine.
- 4. The high point individual of the contest will win a belt buckle.

#### THE JACOB JACKSON MASTER SHOWMAN AWARD RULES

- 1. Participants must be a Senior Showmanship winner for the 2024 Stephens County Livestock Show in <a href="either">either</a> cattle, sheep, swine, goats, rabbits or poultry.
- 2. The participant may only win the Jacob Jackson Master Showman one time.
- 3. The Jacob Jackson Master Showman contest will begin at 10:00am on Saturday, January 6, 2024.
- 4. To display master showmanship, the Jacob Jackson Master Showman participant must show a steer/heifer, a sheep, a swine, a goat, a rabbit and poultry once the Master Showman judges have determined that the participant is eligible for the award.
- 5. The participant is responsible for the gathering/borrowing of these Stephens County Stock Show animals.
- 6. The judges will be: the Jacob Jackson Master Showman judge, a family representative of Jacob Jackson, the General Show Chairman, the General Superintendent, and the Assistant General Superintendent.
- 7. The winner will receive a belt buckle and one thousand dollars.
- 8. The winner will be announced at the awards ceremony prior to the sale.