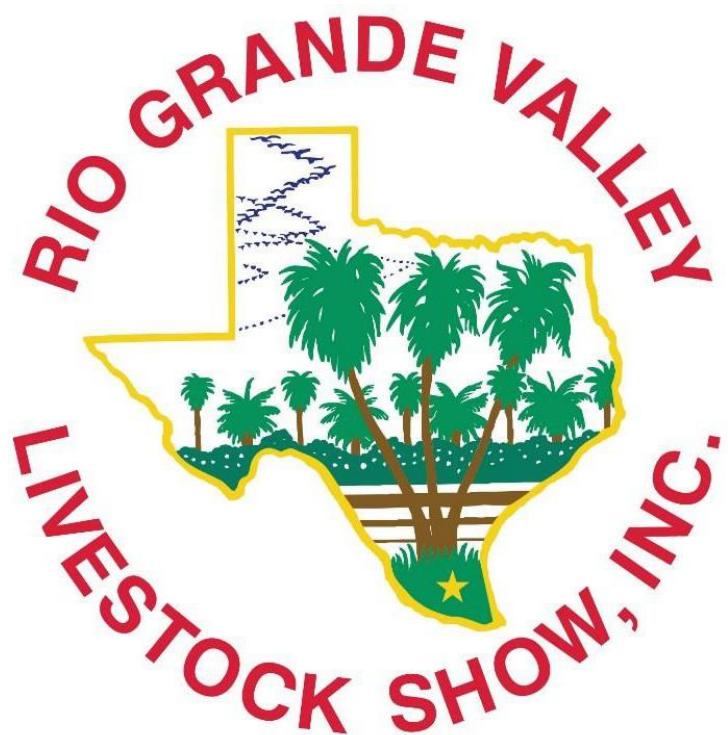


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Coming soon!

Sincerely,

Mike Risica

Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show

2019 Cover Girl



Cassandra Flores

Representing Linn-San Manuel 4-H Club is Miss Cassandra Andrea Flores. She is the 17 year old daughter of Jaime & Melissa Flores, and is a junior at Edinburg North High School. Cassandra has been a member of her 4-H club for the past 9 years and currently serves as Health & Safety Officer. Cassandra participates in many leadership, public safety and livestock judging contests, and has been showing her beef projects at the RGVLS since she was 8 years old. Cassandra is also Secretary for the ENHS FFA chapter and serves as Vice President for the Jr. Brahman & F-1 Association. Cassandra also had the opportunity to represent Edinburg at the Hidalgo County Cotillion and she is also proudly representing her community this year as Miss Linn-San Manuel. Cassandra enjoys participating in numerous community events including the Linn-San Manuel Community Improvement Committee, CAMP University, Driscoll Children's Foundation, and many church and community festivals and events. She will graduate from Edinburg North High School in the spring of 2019 as a distinguished scholar with Honors with many community service hours. After graduation, she plans to attend Texas A&M University and major in Business.

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2019 SIFTING AND JUDGING SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

8:00 A.M.	YOUTH ROPING – RODEO ARENA
9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M	DELIVERY AND CHECK-IN OF WESTERN ART AND PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST - EVENT CENTER
7:30 P.M.	COVER GIRL REVUE - EVENT CENTER UPSTAIRS

WEDNESDAY MARCH 6

8:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.	ARRIVAL OF OPEN AND JR. BREEDING CATTLE (BEEFMASTER, RED BRANGUS, SANTA GERTRUDIS, COMMERCIAL CATTLE, ALL OTHER BREEDS)
12:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.	EARLY ARRIVAL OF OPEN COMMERCIAL & PUREBRED FEMALE PEN SHOW - MIDDLE BARN
1:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M	BREEDING CATTLE & COMMERCIAL CATTLE CHECK-IN/ CLASSIFY - EVENT CENTER ARENA
6:00 P.M.	WEIGHT CARD TURN IN FOR COMMERCIAL CATTLE BY THIS TIME - EVENT CENTER ARENA
7:00 P.M.	JR. SANTA GERTRUDIS FUTURITY - EVENT CENTER ARENA (PENDING)

THURSDAY MARCH 7

8:00 A.M.	JUDGING OF JR. SANTA GERTRUDIS - EVENT CENTER ARENA
8:00 A.M – 12:00 P.M	ARRIVAL & CHECK-IN OF OPEN COMMERCIAL & PUREBRED FEMALE PEN SHOW – MIDDLE BARN
9:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M	DELIVERY OF FFA & 4-H SHOP PROJECTS – YOUTH CENTER
1:00 P.M.	JUDGING OF JR. BEEFMASTER- EVENT CENTER ARENA
4:00 P.M.	EARLY DELIVERY OF JR. BREEDING SHEEP, JR. BREEDING GOATS, OPEN BOER GOATS & DAIRY GOATS
4:00 P.M.	JUDGING OF JR. RED BRANGUS – EVENT CENTER ARENA
5:00 P.M.	JUDGING OF JR. COMMERCIAL HEIFERS – EVENT CENTER ARENA

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

7:30 A.M.	RGV RED BRANGUS BREEDERS SHOWMANSHIP – EVENT CENTER ARENA
8:00 A.M.	JUDGING OF 4-H & FFA SHOP PROJECTS – YOUTH CENTER
8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.	DELIVERY OF JR. BREEDING SHEEP, JR. BREEDING GOATS & DAIRY GOATS
9:00 A.M.	JUDGING OF JR. AOB HEIFERS – EVENT CENTER ARENA
11:00 A.M.	JUDGING OF THE JR. LONGHORN SHOW - EVENT CENTER ARENA
1:00 P.M.	JUDGING OF BEEFMASTER OPEN SHOW - EVENT CENTER ARENA
3:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.	EARLY DELIVERY OF JR. BREEDING GILTS
4:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.	DELIVERY & CLASSIFYING OF HORTICULTURE ENTRIES
4:00 P.M.	JUDGING OF OPEN COMMERCIAL HEIFERS - EVENT CENTER ARENA
5:00 P.M.	CHECK-IN OF OPEN BOER GOATS & DAIRY GOATS - NORTH BARN
6:00 P.M.	HEIFER PEN SHOW- MIDDLE BARN

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

8:00 A.M.	RELEASE OF PUREBRED FEMALE PEN SHOW CATTLE
8:00 A.M	JUDGING OF 4-H & FFA SHOP PROJECTS – YOUTH CENTER
8:00 A.M.	JUDGING OF LONGHORN OPEN SHOW- EVENT CENTER ARENA
8:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M	CHECK-IN JR. BREEDING GOATS
8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.	DELIVERY OF JR. BREEDING GILTS
8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.	DELIVERY & CHECK-IN OF JR. BREEDING SHEEP
9:00 A.M.	JUDGING OF HORTICULTURE ENTRIES - GREEN HOUSE
9:00 A.M.	JUDGING OF AOB OPEN SHOW – EVENT CENTER ARENA
10:00 A.M	JUDGING OF SANTA GERTRUDIS OPEN SHOW- EVENT CENTER ARENA
10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.	DELIVERY OF GARMENTS AND INFORMATION FORMS FOR THE ALL VALLEY COTTON STYLE SHOW – EVENT CENTER UPSTAIRS

10:30 A.M.	SWINE SKILLATHON REGISTRATION- EVENT CENTER
11:00 A.M.	SWINE SKILLATHON- EVENT CENTER
11:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.	DELIVERY & SIFTING OF JR. BREEDING RABBITS
1:00 P.M.	JUDGING OF OPEN BOER GOAT SHOW - NORTH BARN ARENA
1:30 P.M.	JUDGING OF HORTICULTURE FOR GRAND CHAMPION & RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION
2:00 P.M.	WEIGHT CARD TURN IN FOR JR. BREEDING GILTS - HOG ARENA OFFICE
2:00 P.M.	PRELIMINARY JUDGING- ALL VALLEY COTTON STYLE SHOW GARMENTS. (CLOSED TO EXHIBITORS AND PUBLIC)
3:00 P.M.	JUDGING OF RED BRANGUS OPEN SHOW- EVENT CENTER ARENA
4:00 P.M.	SWINE SKILLATHON AWARD CEREMONY- EVENT CENTER HOG ARENA
4:00 P.M.	JUDGING OF DAIRY GOATS- NORTH BARN ARENA
4:00 P.M.	JR. BREEDING CATTLE SHOWMANSHIP - EVENT CENTER ARENA
5:00 P.M.	JR.BREEDING GILT SHOWMANSHIP – EVENT CENTER HOG ARENA
5:30 P.M.	COMMENTS FROM JUDGES AND PRESENTATION OF AWARDS FOR 4-H & FFA SHOP PROJECTS – YOUTH CENTER
6:30 P.M	AWARDING OF GOOD HOUSEKEEPING/ HERDSMAN AWARDS – EVENT CENTER ARENA
8:00 P.M.	BEEFMASTER FUTURITY – EVENT CENTER ARENA (PENDING)

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

8:00 A.M	JUDGING OF JR. BREEDING SHEEP (FOLLOWED BY SHOWMANSHIP) – NORTH BARN ARENA
8:00 A.M.	RELEASE OF ALL BREEDING CATTLE
9:00 A.M.	CLASSIFYING & JUDGING OF JR. BREEDING GILTS - EVENT CENTER HOG ARENA
9:00 A.M.	RELEASE OF OPEN BOER GOATS
10:00 A.M.	JUDGING OF JR. BREEDING RABBITS (FOLLOWED BY SHOWMANSHIP) - RABBIT ARENA

1:00 P.M.	JUDGING OF JR. BREEDING GOATS (FOLLOWED BY SHOWMANSHIP) – NORTH BARN ARENA
1:00 P.M.	ALL VALLEY COTTON STYLE SHOW CHECK-IN - EVENT CENTER UPSTAIRS
2:00 P.M.	JUDGING OF ALL VALLEY COTTON STYLE SHOW – EVENT CENTER UPSTAIRS
5:00 P.M.	RELEASE OF JR. BREEDING RABBITS, JR. BREEDING GILTS, JR. BREEDING GOATS, JR. BREEDING SHEEP & DAIRY GOATS

MONDAY, MARCH 11

8:00 A.M.	CHECK-IN RGV OPEN/ YOUTH HORSE SHOW SPEED EVENTS- RODEO ARENA
8:00 A.M.	PREPARED PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST CHECK-IN - EVENT CENTER
8:30 A.M.	AGRICULTURAL PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION CONTEST (AWARDS IN CONCLUSION) – EVENT CENTER
9:00 A.M.	PREPARED PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST (AWARDS IN CONCLUSION) - EVENT CENTER
10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.	DELIVERY AND SIFTING OF MARKET RABBITS (FOLLOWED BY WRITTEN EXAM FOR SHOWMNSHIP) – RABBIT ARENA
12:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.	DELIVERY OF MARKET STEERS, MARKET HOGS, MARKET LAMBS & MARKET GOATS

TUESDAY, MARCH 12

8:00 A.M.	CHECK-IN RGV OPEN/ YOUTH HORSE SHOW PERFORMANCE EVENTS- RODEO ARENA
8:00 A.M.	JUDGING OF MARKET RABBITS (FOLLOWED BY SHOWMANSHIP) - RABBIT ARENA
8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.	DELIVERY OF STEERS, HOGS, LAMBS & GOATS (MARKET)
8:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.	ARRIVAL OF OPEN AND JR. CATTLE (ARB, BRAHMAN, SIMBRAH, SIMMENTAL & ZEBU)
10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.	WEIGHING OF STEERS
1:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.	BREEDING CATTLE CHECK-IN - EVENT CENTER ARENA

1:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.	SIFTING & CLASSIFYING OF MARKET GOATS & LAMBS
3:00 P.M.	CLASSIFYING AND VALIDATION CHECK FOR MARKET STEERS
5:00 P.M.	TURN IN WEIGHT CARDS & VALIDATION INFORMATION FOR MARKET HOGS- HOG OFFICE
6:30 P.M.	RIO GRANDE VALLEY BRAHMAN & F1 ASSOCIATION JR. SHOWMANSHIP CLINIC & SHOW – EVENT CENTER ARENA
6:30 P.M.	JUDGING OF MARKET LAMBS (FOLLOWED BY SHOWMANSHIP) – NORTH BARN ARENA

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

8:00 A.M.	JUDGING OF MARKET GOATS (FOLLOWED BY SHOWMANSHIP) – NORTH BARN ARENA
8:00 A.M.	JUDGING OF JR. SIMBRAH - EVENT CENTER ARENA
8:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.	DELIVERY & SIFTING OF MARKET POULTRY – NORTH BARN ARENA
11:00 A.M	JUDGING OF JR. SIMMENTAL - EVENT CENTER ARENA
1:00 P.M.	JUDGING OF JR. ARB - EVENT CENTER ARENA
2:00 P.M.	JUDGING OF JR. BRAHMAN - ZEBU- EVENT CENTER ARENA
4:00 P.M.	CLASSIFYING & JUDGING OF MARKET HOGS (DUROC, DARK OPB, LIGHT OPB, YORKSHIRE) - EVENT CENTER HOG ARENA
6:00 P.M.	BEEF SKILLATHON – EVENT CENTER UPSTAIRS
7:00 P.M.	JUDGING OF MARKET POULTRY – EVENT CENTER ARENA

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

8:00 A.M.	CLASSIFYING & JUDGING OF MARKET HOGS (HAMPSHIRE, DARK CROSS, OTHER CROSS, CHAMPION DRIVE) - EVENT CENTER HOG ARENA
8:00 A.M.	JUDGING OF ZEBU OPEN SHOW - EVENT CENTER ARENA

9:00 A.M.	JUDGING OF ARB OPEN SHOW - EVENT CENTER ARENA
10:00 A.M.	JUDGING OF SIMMENTAL OPEN SHOW- EVENT CENTER ARENA
11:00 A.M.	JUDGING OF SIMBRAH OPEN SHOW - EVENT CENTER ARENA
2:00 P.M.	JUDGING OF RED & GRAY BRAHMAN OPEN SHOW – EVENT CENTER ARENA

IZBA JR. ZEBU SHOW - EVENT CENTER ARENA (FOLLOWING THE BRAHMAN OPEN SHOW)

FRIDAY, MARCH 15

7:00 A.M.	JUDGING OF MARKET STEERS (FOLLOWED BY SHOWMANSHIP) – EVENT CENTER ARENA
7:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.	RELEASE OF 4-H & FFA SHOP PROJECTS NOT IN SALE
8:00 A.M.	MARKET HOG SHOWMANSHIP – EVENT CENTER HOG ARENA
2:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.	FFA & 4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST REGISTRATION – EVENT CENTER HOG OFFICE
3:00 P.M.	JR. BREEDING CATTLE SHOWMANSHIP – EVENT CENTER ARENA
6:00 P.M.	SIMBRAH & SIMMENTAL SHOWMANSHIP - EVENT CENTER ARENA
6:00 P.M.	“TOASTING TEXAS TALENT” AUCTION (HORTICULTURE, WESTERN ART & PHOTOGRAPHY) – EVENT CENTER UPSTAIRS

SATURDAY, MARCH 16

7:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.	RELEASE OF 4-H & FFA SHOP PROJECTS NOT IN SALE
7:30 A.M.	4-H & FFA LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST TEAM PACKET PICK-UP - RODEO ARENA BOX OFFICE
8:15 A.M.	4-H & FFA LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST FOR CHAMPS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS- EVENT CENTER HOG ARENA
8:30 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.	4-H& FFA LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST INSTRUCTIONS – EVENT CENTER HOG ARENA
9:00 A.M.	4-H & FFA LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST- RODEO ARENA

11:00 A.M.	SALE OF CHAMPIONS AND PRESENTATION OF SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS – EVENT CENTER ARENA
6:00 P.M.	LOAD OUT OF MARKET HOGS
6:00 P.M.	AWARDING OF GOOD HOUSEKEEPING, HERDSMAN AWARDS AND 4-H & FFA LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST WINNERS- EVENT CENTER ARENA

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

7:00 A.M.	RELEASE OF ALL BREEDING CATTLE
10:00 A.M.	LOAD OUT OF MARKET STEERS
10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.	RELEASE OF HORTICULTURE PROJECTS
11:00 A.M.	LOAD OUT OF MARKET LAMBS & GOATS
12:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.	RELEASE OF PHOTOGRAPHY AND ART CONTEST ENTRIES
12:00 P.M.	AUCTION OF 4-H & FFA SHOP PROJECTS - EVENT CENTER UPSTAIRS
TBA	LOAD OUT MARKET RABBITS AND POULTRY

2019 RIO GRANDE VALLEY LIVESTOCK SHOW

CHANGES AND REMINDERS

APPLICATION OF RULES

The General Rules and Regulations apply to every division listed in this book. There are also rules specifically for the Open Shows, Junior Shows and Departments within these divisions. Exhibitors are responsible for reading, learning and following all the rules that apply to the division entered.

IMPORTANT CHANGES

NO ENTRIES FROM EXHIBITORS OUTSIDE THE STATE OF TEXAS WILL BE ACCEPTED. (THIS DOES NOT PERTAIN TO PURCHASE OF LIVESTOCK, WHICH STILL MAY BE PURCHASED OUTSIDE OF TEXAS.)

THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY LIVESTOCK SHOW WILL ONLY ACCEPT ENTRIES THROUGH OUR ONLINE ENTRY SYSTEM FOR THE 2019 SHOW AND ALL FUTURE SHOWS.

SALE OF CHAMPIONS ONLY: GRAND CHAMPIONS, RESERVE CHAMPIONS AND BREED CHAMPIONS WILL BE THE ONLY ONES TO WALK AN ANIMAL THROUGH THE SALE. 1ST, 2ND, & 3RD WILL HAVE A PLACE HOLDER.

4-H & FFA SHOP

There will be **NO MINIMUM BID OPTION** at the Sunday sale.

4-H & FFA LIVESTOCK JUDGING

There will be a separate division for exhibitors that reside outside the counties of, STARR, HIDALGO, WILLACY & CAMERON.

BREEDING CATTLE

The word “GRAND” will be changed to “BREED” Champions.

Commercial Heifers will now be classified at Check-In.

Page 175- “TURN IN WEIGHT CARDS. HOLD BACK TOP FOUR PER CLASS, REWEIGH THE TOP TWO. ANY HEIFER WEIGHING MORE OR LESS THAN 5% OF HER INITIAL SHOW WEIGHT WILL BECOME INELIGIBLE TO SHOW.” THE “5% OR LESS” WILL BE REMOVED.

There will no longer be showmanship “prelims.” Showmanship for breeding cattle will all be at one set time.

Jr. Charolais will be moved to Jr. AOB.

Red Brangus will now be a part of the 1st week.

OPEN COMMERCIAL & PUREBRED FEMALE PEN SHOW “HEIFER PEN SHOW”

The name of the show will now be called “HEIFER PEN SHOW”

This show will now be open to the ENTIRE STATE OF TEXAS

There will be a formal addition of a Junior Division

HORTICULTURE

Check-in time will be from 4:00p.m. to 8:00p.m.on Friday, March 8th

Judging of Horticulture entries will be on Saturday morning, March 9th at 9:00 a.m.

Exhibitors must be present with their plant entries and record book during judging. (If an exhibitor cannot be present during this time, substitution rulings on page 43 will apply.)

Final judging of Grand & Reserve entries will be 1:30p.m.on Saturday, March 9th

OPEN BOER GOAT SHOW & JR. BREEDING GOATS

Goats will be classified by weight and tooth age.

Check-in will begin at 5:00p.m.and will end on Saturday at 10:00a.m.

JR. BREEDING GILTS

Delivery to the show will be from 8:00a.m. to 12:00p.m. on Saturday, March 9th

Pen assignments will be made based upon total entries and available pens.

All exhibitors should be prepared to share pens. Dividers are the responsibility of the exhibitor.

MARKET STEERS

Brahman Cross will be added to the Brahman Show.

ONLY A VALIDATION TAG SHOULD BE PRESENT IN THE EAR. REMOVE ALL OTHER TAGS BEFORE SIFT.

PREPARED PUBLIC SPEAKING

Contest Check-In time will be at 8:00a.m. and contest will start at 9:00a.m.

The topic of “Agriscience” will now be called “Agricultural Technology & Communications.”

SWINE SKILLATHON

Contestants must meet all Junior Show requirements to be eligible for the contest.

GREASED PIG SCRAMBLE

All participants must wear shoes.

Participants must show up to register on time ONE HOUR prior to event.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Mats can be black, white or double mats with black and white. NO patterns.

Photo pick-up will be at the Livestock Office- NO PHOTOS WILL BE RELEASED AT THE EVENT CENTER

WESTERN ART

Category “H” will be removed

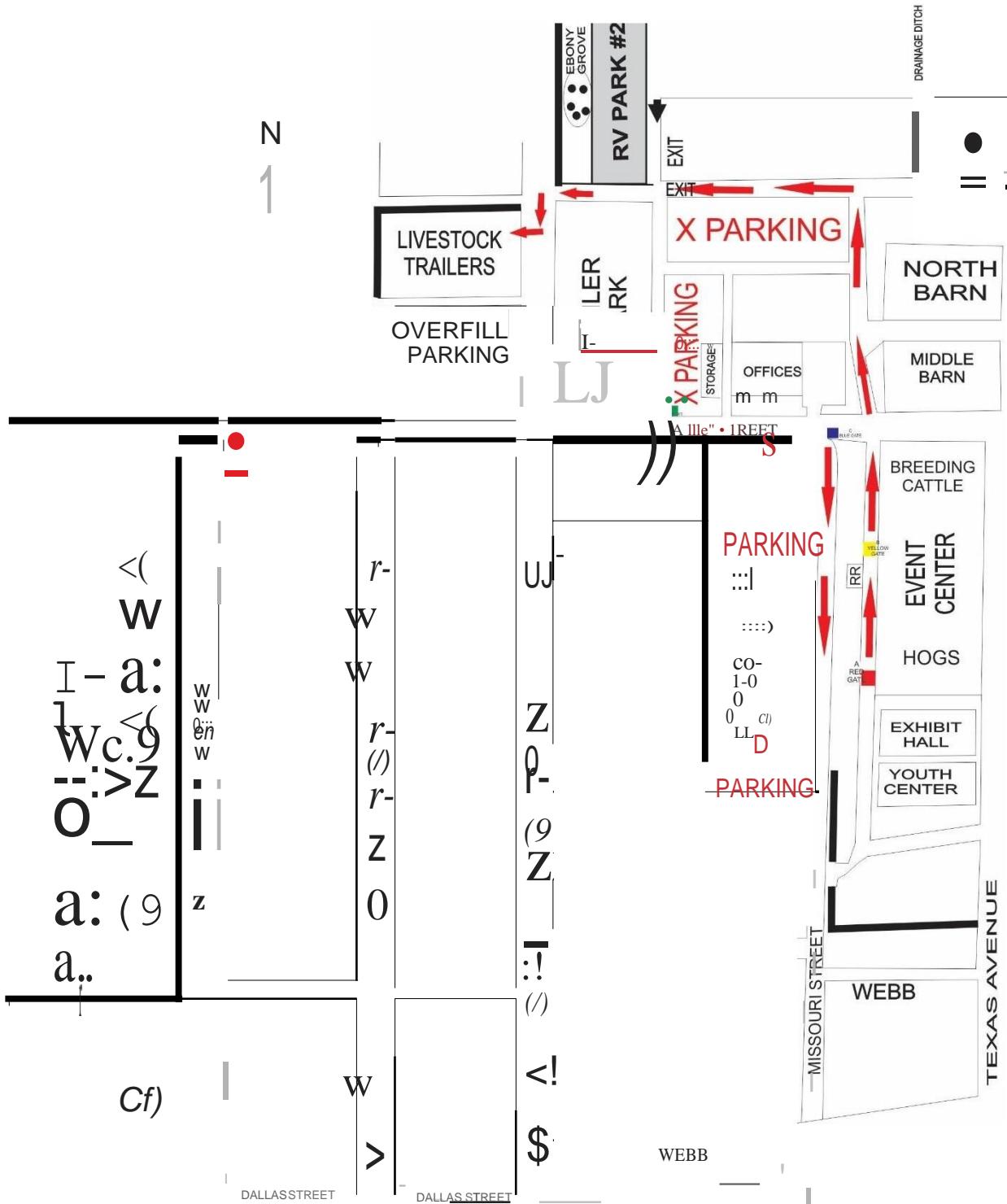
Rule #7 will be moved from 2” mat or frame to 3” mat or frame

Rule #8 D.) Mat must not exceed 3”

Rule #8 FS (For Scale) will be removed

FORMAL ADDITION OF A DAIRY GOAT SHOW

ALL LIVESTOCK & SHOP ENTRIES STAGING AREA CHECK-IN





2019 RIO GRANDE VALLEY LIVESTOCK SHOW

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Agricultural Product Identification Contest

Chairman: Barbie Wymore

Members

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All Valley Cotton Style Show

Chairman: Darleen McDonald

Members

Mari Galvan, Nancy Maggard, Frances Purvis, Susan Thompson, and Cynthia Wolf

Antique Farm Machinery

Chairman: Don Vogel

Members

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Director Liaison: Bill Wentz

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Chairman: Abel Suarez, Jr.

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Commercial Exhibits

Chairman: Robert Eilers

Members

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Cover Girl Show

Co-Chairmen: Melissa Beckwith and Beckie Reid

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Greased Pig Scramble

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Chairman: Donna Jackson
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Market Goat Division

Chairman: Bob Parker
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Chairman: Cody Scogin

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Rodeo

Chairman: Glenn Bell

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THANK YOU 2018 SALE OF CHAMPIONS BUYERS!



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320 projects were sold during the 2018 Sale of Champions for a total of \$548,350 ----2018. President Award Winners for being the Top Buyers at the Sale of Champions: RGVLS GALA Club - they purchased 88 projects for a total of \$125,050; HEB - they purchased 27 projects for a total of \$24,700 – Edinburg McAllen Veterinary Clinic - they purchased 30 projects for a total of \$10,500.- Smokin' On The Rio- they purchased 103 projects for a total of \$88,250. – Helena Chemical- they purchased 8 projects for a total of \$10,000.

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The Board of Directors of the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show and the members of the Sale of Champions Committee wish to express their sincere thanks to the following Champs for Champions Members. Their contributions enabled the Livestock Show to award 35 Academic Scholarships in the amount of \$42,000 and purchase 82 Champion Projects during the 2018 Sale of Champions for a total of \$124,750.00.

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EMERGENCY FIRST AID STATION

An emergency first aid station will be established and maintained on the Show grounds.

PARKING

Parking attendants will be on hand to direct traffic to the various parking areas. Vehicles parking in unauthorized areas will be towed away at the expense of the owner. Cars parked in the parking lots should be locked and empty of people.

All trucks, trailers and vehicles of exhibitors, not used daily, must be parked on the auxiliary parking lot which is provided free of charge. The lot is located on the West side of the Show grounds.

STOLEN OR LOST PROPERTY

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will not be responsible for stolen or lost property before, during or after the Show.

SECURITY AND POLICE

Law enforcement officers will be on hand to give assistance if needed. The Livestock Show cannot guarantee that accidents, damage, or loss of property will not occur, but through security service, the Show will attempt to prevent such from happening.

CONCESSION STANDS

All who operate or work in stands of any kind that serve drinks or food must comply fully with local, county and state health department requirements. Concessionaires are responsible for paying all state sales taxes and permit fees.

DELIVERIES

All persons or firms making deliveries to the show grounds must purchase a Commercial Delivery Permit.

Permits will be sold for \$50.00, which entitles the purchaser to one delivery vehicle windshield sticker. This sticker must be affixed to the windshield of the delivery vehicle and will admit the vehicle, driver and one attendant.

VETERINARIAN

Dr. Lucas Hinojosa, Official Show Veterinarian, or members of the Rio Grande Valley Veterinarian Association will be on call at all times. To obtain the services of a veterinarian, exhibitors should contact their division superintendent or the main Livestock Show Office.

OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER

Only photographers displaying the badge "Official Photographer" are authorized to operate on the show grounds and to charge exhibitors and others for their services. News Media, Breed Association representatives and other persons may take pictures provided they will not be sold to others.

RETURNED CHECKS

A \$30.00 charge will be made for all checks returned due to insufficient funds, account closed, etc.

SPECIAL NOTICE

It will be considered a favor if visitors will report to the management any mistreatment or extortion practices by an employee of the Livestock Show, concessionaire or carnival. Do not wait until the Show is over to make a complaint but report immediately as then is the time redress can be made.

STATEMENT OF POLICY

Persons, organizations or corporations desiring to present their product or their views may lease space in the areas designed for this purpose by the Management. Such space shall be assigned in accordance with a predetermined plan. Whenever practical, however, each lessee will be given preference in leasing the same space, the following year.

In order to maintain the public areas in a safe, neat and sanitary condition, and to promote a pleasant and carefree atmosphere, no lessee shall conduct any portion of its operations outside the space leased to it. Nor shall any person, group or corporation conduct business, distribute samples or printed material or make any solicitation or presentation of any nature on the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show grounds except within the areas leased by it. Begging, soliciting, singing or public speaking is strictly prohibited.

The above STATEMENT OF POLICY is an implied condition in every contract or lease agreement and is part of the General Rules and Regulations of the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show published only in the Premium List.

OBJECTIONABLE EXHIBITS AND DISPLAYS

The Management reserves the right to remove from the grounds, any exhibit, animal, concession, show, sign, banner, advertising matter or merchandise of any kind that may be falsely entered or deemed objectionable, without assigning a reason, and if necessary, to return any money paid for space or stalls, which shall exonerate the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show from any claim whatsoever on the part of the exhibitor or purchaser.

PARKING PERMITS FOR TRAILERS

Permits will cost \$300.00 each and must be purchased from the Livestock Show Office prior to parking the vehicle. Permits must be affixed to house trailers or other vehicles used for sleeping or living quarters on the Show grounds. No refunds will be made after February 25, 2018.

GATES

The Show will open to visitors beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday March 8, and each day of the Show thereafter from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight except on Friday and Saturday nights when gates will be open until 1:00 a.m. No one will be allowed on the grounds after 1:00 a.m. other than those holding proper credentials.

GOLF CARTS, MOTORCYCLES, ETC.

No golf carts, three or four-wheelers, or motorcycles will be allowed on Show grounds unless approved by the Show Management.

DOGS

DOGS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ON THE SHOWGROUNDS because of safety and public health regulations. This rule will be strictly enforced and applies to all exhibitors and their employees, vendors, Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show committee members, volunteers and Show visitors. The only exception is official entries in a sanctioned RGVLS competitive and/or entertainment event or guide dogs for those with sight impairment. Dogs entered in the Pet Show must be removed from the Showgrounds immediately after the show is over.

GENERAL RULES, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED BY ALL EXHIBITORS

RULE 1. INTERPRETATION AND VIOLATION OF RULES:

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show, Inc. (at times in these rules referred to simply as "the Show"), reserve, to the Show's Executive Committee, the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and to settle and determine all matters, questions, protests and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, or connected with or incident to the Show, and the right to amend or add to the rules as its judgment may determine. All exhibitors by entry into the Show hereby agree and contract to abide and be bound by these rules and that their rights and privileges as Exhibitors in the Show are solely defined by them. Any Exhibitor who violates any of these rules will be subject to the specific penalty specified in any rule or rules violated plus one or more of the following as determined in the sole discretion of the Executive Committee:

1. Issuance of oral or written apologies in a form acceptable to the Show, to other exhibitors, Show Officials, sifters, judges, Chapters, Clubs and/or other persons or entities affected by the violation.
2. Removal from the Show grounds, along with any exhibit of his or hers.
3. Suspension or Disqualification of the Exhibitor, his or her immediate family, or both from the 2018 and/or future Rio Grande Valley Livestock Shows.
4. Forfeiture of all premium, extra, or supplemental funds and/or sales proceeds applicable to the sale of his or her exhibit(s) as part of any Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show from which that Exhibitor has been disqualified.
5. Forfeiture and return of all trophies, ribbons, plaques, banners, buckles, or other items won or awarded as a result of competition in any Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show from which that Exhibitor has been disqualified.
6. Suspension or Disqualification of his or her FFA Chapter or 4-H Club from the 2018 and/or future Rio Grande Valley Livestock Shows.
7. Suspension or Disqualification of other persons with ownership interests in the exhibit(s) exhibited from the 2018 and or future Rio Grande Valley Livestock Shows.
8. And/or such other penalty as the Executive Committee otherwise orders.

RULE 2. STATEMENT OF LIABILITY

All exhibits will be subject to the direction of the Show Management, but the Show will in no case be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur for any reason, including, but not limited to, the condition of the premises or the refusal to consent to the administration of any drugs, chemicals, or other foreign substances. Each Exhibitor will be solely responsible for any consequential or other loss or injury to any exhibit exhibited by him or her and for its description as given in the catalog, and shall indemnify the Show against all legal or other proceedings in regard thereto as well as damage or injury to any other person or property used by the Exhibitor or any of the exhibits by him or her arising out of, or in any way connected with, such exhibit.

RULE 3. APPLICATION FOR ENTRY:

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will only accept entries through our on-line program. Entries may be submitted any time after November 3 but must be received in the Livestock Show Office by deadline. Entry Certification Forms (one per exhibitor), copy of State Validations forms (Market Steer, Market Hog, Market Goat, Market Lamb, Jr. Breeding Gilt, and Jr. Breeding Sheep), copy of original registration forms (Jr. Breeding Goats, and Jr. Breeding Heifers) and payment for entries are due in the Livestock Show Office no later than 5 calendar days after online entry date.

1. All FFA, 4-H and FCCLA entries must be submitted thru the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show On-Line entry system available on our website, www.rgvls.com. It is within the sole discretion of the Show to reject or accept conditionally any applications.
2. Separate entries must be submitted on exhibits, which compete in more than one class.
3. No entries will be accepted from individual FFA, FCCLA or 4-H Exhibitors. All entries of exhibitors from each individual 4-H Club, FFA or FCCLA Chapter from State of Texas must be submitted on-line by the 4-H Club manager, county agent, agriculture science teacher (AST) or FCCLA teacher. Payment must be made with one check, (no cash please) for all of the Club or Chapter entries. Payment can be made by credit card or your PayPal account and must be received in the Livestock Office no later than 5 calendar days after on-line entry date. Please make check payable to the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show. No Entries will be accepted unless entry fees are paid. No refunds of entry fees will be made under any circumstances.

RULE 4. APPLICATION SUMMARY

All entries of exhibitors from each individual 4-H Club, FFA or FCCLA Chapter must be submitted on-line by the 4-H Club manager, county agent, agriculture science teacher (AST) or FCCLA teacher. The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show requires a hardcopy of the Official ShoWorks receipt and the detailed ShoWorks summary of entries, in alphabetical order by exhibitor last name, delivered or mailed to the Livestock Office no later than 5 calendar days after the online entry date.

4-H Club Managers and ASTs must submit a list, of adult leaders who will be assisting their exhibitors during the Show.

RULE 5. DEADLINE CALCULATION.

All deadlines specified herein that fall on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday other than during the Show itself shall be on the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday. Any other extension of any deadline occurring other than during the Show itself such as for weather, natural disaster, Act of God, strike, or any other cause will be at the sole discretion of the Show Management. All deadlines occurring during the Show itself are final and will not be extended under any circumstances.

RULE 6. ENTRY FEES AND DEADLINE SUMMARY:

The following is a list of entry fees and deadlines for various animals and exhibits. It is agreed by all Exhibitors that these fees are expressly NOT for the purchase of any goods or services or the chance to win any prize.

A late entry fee of \$50.00 will apply per entry or \$250.00 per 4-H Club, FCCLA Chapter or FFA Chapter. There will be a charge of \$50 per head for Open Show Breeding Cattle for entries received after the deadline date. No late entries will be accepted which are received seven (7) days after the entry closing date.

ENTRY DEADLINE TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2019

Market Steers (one per exhibitor)-----	\$30.00 per head
Market Hogs (one per exhibitor) -----	\$20.00 per head
Market Lambs (one per exhibitor) -----	\$20.00 per head
Market Goats (one per exhibitor) -----	\$20.00 per head
Market Rabbits (one pen of 3 per exhibitor) -----	\$10.00 per pen
Market Poultry (one pen of 3 per exhibitor)-----	\$10.00 per pen
Horticulture-----	\$10.00 per entry
Western Art (one per exhibitor) -----	\$10.00 entry fee
Jr. Breeding Rabbits-----	\$10.00 per head
Photography (limit of three per exhibitor) -----	\$10.00 per entry
Heifer Pen Show -----	\$100.00 per entry

ENTRY DEADLINE FRIDAY, JANUARY 25, 2019

All Valley Cotton Style Show -----	\$10.00 per entry
Breeding Cattle (Open Show)-----	\$30.00 per head
Breeding Cattle (Group classes)-----	\$30.00 per entry
*Breeding Cattle (Exhibit Only)-----	\$50.00 per head
FFA - 4-H Shop Project -----	\$20.00 per exhibitor
Jr. Breeding Gilts-----	\$20.00 per head
Jr. Breeding Goats-----	\$20.00 per head
Jr. Dairy Goats-----	\$20.00 per head
Dairy Goat-----	\$20.00 per head
Jr. Breeding Sheep -----	\$20.00 per head
Open Boer Goat-----	\$20.00 per head
Jr. Beef Heifers-----	\$30.00 per head
Jr. Commercial Female-----	\$30.00 per head
Open Commercial Heifer-----	\$30.00 per head

ENTRY DEADLINE FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2019

Horse Show (Youth/Open) -----	\$10.00 per class
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Entries in Jr. Beef Division and Open Show must be halter broken.

*Breeding Cattle only will be allowed to stall in the Breeding Cattle Area. Cattle stalled in livestock show barns that do not show in competition will be considered exhibit cattle and a fee of \$50.00 per head will be required. Exhibitors who fail to pay the fee may be asked to remove their animals from the show grounds.

RULE 7. APPLICATION - NO SUBSTITUTES

No substitutions of entries will be allowed under any circumstances in any Jr. Divisions after entry deadline.

RULE 8. SUBSTITUTE EXHIBITORS - ALL JR. DIVISIONS

Exhibition. All animals must be exhibited by their owners. Exception: When an exhibitor has more than one project entered AND being judged at the same time at the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show.

RULE 9. SHOW CARDS

Each entry will be assigned a number. Exhibitors will receive a show card with corresponding number, which must be worn when entry is being judged.

RULE 10. FEED AND WATER

All exhibitors must provide all feed, watering and feed vessels. Every exhibitor must adequately feed and water each animal, which he or she has entered all the way up to their divisions LOAD OUT time. Failure to do so may disqualify the exhibitor (at the board's discretion) from showing next year.

RULE 11. ARRIVAL OF LIVESTOCK ENTRIES – SEE RULES UNDER EACH DIVISION

RULE 12. RELEASE OF LIVESTOCK – SEE RULES UNDER EACH DIVISION

FFA and 4-H Club exhibitors must stay with their market entries until buyers take charge of them or until released by the division superintendent.

RULE 13. CARE OF ANIMALS, STALLS AND PENS

All stalls and pens must be cleaned before 9:00 a.m. each morning and animals in their stalls or pens from that time until 6:00 p.m. unless being judged or being prepared for judging.

All livestock will be stalled in the designated area assigned to that particular division for example: Breeding Cattle - Event Center; Steers – Middle Barn; Goat and Sheep – North Barn, etc. Exhibitors will not be permitted to stall animals otherwise. To do so may result in an exhibitor being disqualified.

RULE 14. GROOMING OF ANIMALS

Only immediate family members, Ag Teachers, 4-H Club managers, County Extension Agents, and certified 4-H Group Leaders of that group, (for all Jr. Shows) will be allowed to help/fit exhibitor's animals on the show grounds during the 2019 Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show, March 7-17. No cattle trim chutes will be allowed on the Show Grounds. Lamb and goat grooming tables will not be allowed in the barns – outside only.

RULE 15. GENERATORS

No generators will be allowed in or within 100 feet of livestock barns.

RULE 16. STALL CARDS AND SIGNS

Each 4-H and FFA Exhibitor is required to post a stall card or sign over his exhibit giving the Exhibitor's name, Club or Chapter and similar information such as sponsor, etc. This sign may be of any design or shape provided the outside dimensions do not exceed 22 inches in width and 28 inches in height. No other signs except Club and Chapter banners will be permitted in the Junior Livestock Barns. The exception to this rule will be duty roster signs. These must be no more than three feet wide and four feet in height.

Exhibitors showing in the junior show must stall with their respective 4-H club or FFA chapter, and they must post signs that reflect that club or chapter; they can only compete for Good Housekeeping Awards. If an exhibitor is entered in the Open show only they can compete for the Herdsman Award.

Exhibitors of Open Breeding Cattle are permitted to display a sign over the exhibit advertising their own herd. This sign shall be a reasonable size so as not to obstruct the view of other Exhibitors' signs or exhibits of livestock. Signs not to exceed 22 x 28 inches may be used to advertise individual animals with an individual exhibit. No "For Sale" signs will be permitted. All other forms of signs or advertising must be approved by the Show.

The Show, at its sole discretion, may have any signs removed that violate these provisions or which it otherwise finds objectionable for any reason.

RULE 17. SIFTING OF LIVESTOCK

The Show will appoint sifting committees to inspect and make a preliminary review of all animals entered for competition. The decisions of the sifter, sifters and/or sifting committee are within their sole discretion, are final and may not be challenged for any reason. If the sifter, or sifters, determine that an animal is lacking in competitive merit or is not adequately controllable for any reason, it will be eliminated, disqualified from further competition in that year's Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show. All sifted market animals will be returned to the exhibitor and must be immediately removed from the showgrounds. Junior exhibitors must personally present their animals for sift. Substitute junior exhibitors may present an animal for sift only if approved by the division superintendent. No adults will be allowed in the sifting arena.

RULE 18. JUDGING RULES

- A. The time of judging the livestock will be announced prior to the Show. All exhibitors must be on hand at the time of judging in order to present their animal promptly on schedule. No complaint or protest that judges overlooked exhibits will be considered.
- B. No one but the exhibitors, the official judges, his certified assistants and authorized show personnel will be allowed in the judging ring. During the judging, exhibitors shall not speak to the judge except when asked to do so by the judge.

- C. No exhibitor at any time or in any way, whether in person or by agent, servant, parent or any other person, may interfere with the judges and/or sifters in their official capacity or exhibit disrespect to them or other Show Officials.
- D. In classes where competition does not exist, the judge shall make his award in accordance with the merits of the animal being exhibited. The judge will not and cannot award a premium or other award to an unworthy animal.

RULE 19. SHOWING FOR ADJUDICATION

All Exhibitors must, in accordance with the rules, bring their animals into the arena for judging at all times and locations specified for the type and/or class in which competing.

RULE 20. ETHICS

The following shall be considered unethical in the entry, care, handling and/or showing of any animal.

- 1. Misrepresenting the age of the animal for the class in which it is shown.
- 2. Striking the animal to cause swelling or depressed area.
- 3. Surgery of any kind performed to change the natural contour or appearance of the animal's body, hide or hair, except for the removal of warts, teats or horns, or clipping and dressing of hair and trimming of hooves.
- 4. Insertion of foreign material under the skin including, but not limited to, air, liquid or natural substances from other portions of the same or other animals such as blood, urine, fat or tissue of any kind.
- 5. Changing the color of hair at any point, spot or area on the animal's body.
- 6. **The act of artificially filling animals internally by stomach pumping is prohibited.**
- 7. The use of alcoholic beverages in the feed or administered as a drench.
- 8. Mishandling, abuse or neglect of animals.

RULE 21. PROTESTS

Any disagreement, dispute, claim or challenge to any decision of the Show Management, its Officials or judges, under these rules or otherwise arising out of the presence of any Exhibitor on the show grounds or in any competition as part of the Show, must be made by Protest in writing within 15 calendar days of the event or decision made on the basis of the disagreement, dispute, claim or challenge. If protesting an animal, protest must be made prior to completion of judging of that animal. All protests must be supported by affidavit based upon the personal knowledge of the affiant supporting the Protest together with a deposit of \$250.00. The deposit will be forfeited if the Protest is not sustained. No Protest will be accepted regarding the actions of a sifter or classifier and their decisions are final. No Protest will be accepted challenging the policy reflected in any rule, only its application or administration. All policy decisions of the Show reflected in these rules are final. No Protest will be accepted regarding the merits of the judge's decision unless it is alleged that such decision was made in violation of these rules.

The Executive Committee of the Show shall have the sole right and authority to review and decide the Protest. In so doing it may use the information contained therein and any and all other information, which it may be able to acquire from any source. The protesting party will be notified of a time and place within twenty (20) days of the date of the Protest when the protesting party, in person or by representative so authorized in writing, may appear before the Executive Committee to state his or her position or present additional evidence competent under the Texas Rules of Evidence. Each such presentation shall be limited to ninety (90) minutes of total time. Non-appearance at the time scheduled will constitute a default of the Protest. The Show will not be required to produce any controvert evidence at the presentation but may discuss such evidence with the protesting party at the presentation, if the Executive Committee desires to do so. The protesting party will be allowed to request advance production of any controvert evidence to the extent it is available when requested. Within ten (10) days of the date of the scheduled presentation the Executive Committee will forward its decision in writing to the protesting party at the address on that party's application and to any representative so authorized in writing. The decision of the Executive Committee shall be final in all respects.

Compliance with this rule in all respects shall be an absolute administrative prerequisite to any further action of any kind.

RULE 22. SPECIAL RULES

Special rules or conditions are published in each division where necessary. If there is a conflict between the special rules of any division and the general rules and regulations, the special rules will govern.

RULE 23. STAYING OVERNIGHT ON THE SHOW GROUNDS

Only bona fide ASTs, CEAs, Assistant CEAs, 4-H Club managers, exhibitors, their parents and/or family members and other persons authorized by the Show Management will be allowed to stay on the grounds overnight.

RULE 24. GENERAL CONDUCT RULES

No excessive noise of any kind will be allowed after twelve midnight. No Exhibitor, family member of any Exhibitor, AST, CEA, Club manager, or Assistant may use abusive language, be disruptive, interfere with the exhibits of others, exhibit lewd or lascivious behavior, possess or use non-prescription narcotics or controlled substances as defined by federal law, or otherwise create a nuisance or obstacle to the orderly continuation of the Show. Any person present on the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show grounds who refuses to allow a search of his or her person, exhibit area, supplies, overnight living quarters, vehicles, or other facilities under their possession or control within the confines of the Show grounds for substances prohibited by these rules may be subject to the penalties specified in Rule I. Constructive possession is the existence of substances in or within the areas specified herein other than on the person.

RULE 25. GROUND SECURITY

ASTs, CEAs and assistant CEAs shall work out a program between them so that one AST and one CEA or their assistant will be on duty throughout each night the exhibitors have their animals on the Show grounds. It will be the responsibility of those serving on night duty to supervise the exhibitors staying in the barns and to help care for any animals that may need attention. All exhibitors are solely responsible for the security and condition of their animals at all times until delivered on or to the truck or other conveyance of the buyer. The Show is no way responsible for security of any animal.

Each FFA Chapter and 4-H Club must supply the name and phone number of a person who can be reached at all times during the Show in case an emergency arises.

RULE 26. WRISTBANDS AND GATE TICKETS

- A. One Exhibitor Wristband will be provided to FFA, FCCLA and 4-H Club advisors for each exhibitor listed on their Summary Sheets. Wristband must be worn at all times during the Show. The Wristband will serve as the Exhibitor's admission to the grounds. Double entry in the Open and Jr. Breeding Cattle Division by a Jr. Exhibitor does not entitle exhibitor to additional passes and parking permits. No lost or stolen Wrist Band will be replaced.
- B. Agriculture Science Teachers and 4-H Club managers: Complimentary season gate tickets will be allowed each AST and 4-H Club manager based on the following number of exhibitors as shown on summary sheets.

<u># Of Exhibitors</u>	<u># Of Season Tickets</u>
1 – 10	2 season tickets
11 – 20	3 season tickets
21 – 30	4 season tickets
31 or more	5 season tickets

CEA's and Assistant CEA's who have exhibitors from their county will each be allowed one season gate ticket. Additional season gate tickets may be purchased at the discounted price of \$35.00.

- C. Adult Livestock Exhibitors: Listed below is the maximum number of season gate tickets that will be issued. Each exhibitor will be dealt with separately and if the maximum number of tickets is not required, the maximum will not be issued. Additional season gate tickets, in excess of the allowed number, may be purchased at the discounted price of \$35.00 each.

<u># Of Head</u>	<u># Of Season Tickets</u>
1	1
2 - 3	2
4 - 6	3
7 - 10	4
11 OR MORE	5

NOTE: All gate tickets of every character are good only for admission of the person to whom issued. Tickets are not transferable and will be forfeited if misused in any manner.

RULE 27. SALE - MARKET ANIMALS

As this is a terminal Show, exhibitors must sell all market steers, hogs, lambs, goats, poultry and rabbits that show in competition during the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show.

There will be no take-home market animals except those ordered by the Show to be removed because of sickness.

All market steers, hogs, rabbits, lambs, goats and poultry will be sold to the bidder submitting the highest bid. Market steers, hogs, lambs, and goats will be sold by the pound. Market rabbits and poultry will be sold by the pen. The Show reserves the right to return market animals to their exhibitor in the event a bid cannot be obtained by the Show.

RULE 28. CHECKS FOR SALE PROCEEDS

The "Toasting Texas Talent" auction will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, March 15, 2019. Buyers should make checks payable to the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show. **Payment is due on the day of the sale.**

A premium auction will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 16, 2019. Buyers should make checks payable to the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show. **Payment is due on the day of the sale.**

The 4-H & FFA Shop Project Auction will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 17, 2019. Buyers should make checks payable to the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show. **Payment is due on the day of the sale.**

AST or 4-H Club manager will be notified when checks for exhibitors are available. AST or 4-H Club manager will need to pick up checks at the Livestock Show Office. A \$30.00 charge will be made to replace any premium or sale check that is lost, stolen or misplaced. Checks **MUST** be cashed within 90 days of issue.

RULE 29. OWNERSHIP AND ANIMAL IDENTITY

Ownership of all terminal projects will remain with the Exhibitor until the project is delivered on or to the truck or other conveyance of the buyer.

Animal Identity DNA Testing – As a condition for participation in the Show, every exhibitor must agree to submit DNA validation/registration samples of any and all animals entered by exhibitor for purposes of identifications. The Show requires that the animal exhibited at the Show be the same as the animal enrolled at the validation/registration event. The Show specifically reserves the right to obtain and maintain hair and/or blood DNA samples and have analysis made on any animal entered for the competition. The conclusion reached by the testing company/laboratories shall be final, without recourse against the Show or its service providers. If the animal's identity (Show sample) is found to differ from its validation/registration sample then the exhibitor will forfeit any awards, prize money and/or sale proceeds and may forfeit all rights and privileges to exhibit in the future at the Show.

RULE 30. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

All livestock exhibited must meet the health requirements of the Texas Animal Health Commission and any additional requirements that the Show may in its sole discretion require.

Cattle and horses from tick or scabies quarantined areas must be accompanied by a certificate issued by a state or federal inspector showing freedom from infection or exposure thereto and have been dipped immediately prior to shipment. These Animals will be checked against health certificates at the gate of the Show grounds. Any animal may be inspected, refused entry or be required to be removed from the Show grounds due to disease or external parasites. Animals that show any evidence of abnormal discharge will not be admitted and all cows calving will be isolated.

HORSES - Effective January 1, 1997, all equines, regardless of origin, entering any show, fair and exhibition (interstate or intrastate) must have a negative test for EIA conducted within the previous 12 months.

RULE 31. FOREIGN SUBSTANCES

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show in its sole discretion may, any number of times and at any time, test any animal officially entered in any division for unethical fitting or any foreign substance including any type of drugs, chemicals or prohibited feed additives other than drugs or chemicals. Feed additives are prohibited if they are so indicated by the USDA or FDA at the time of the test. Unethical fitting is any physical or physiological attempt to alter the natural confirmation, musculature or weight in any animal.

There will be an ABSOLUTE zero tolerance for any such foreign substances in any animal regardless of the concentration of the amount found or withdrawal periods published or approved by any entity. Testing equipment available is quite sensitive. All exhibitors are urged not to participate in or allow the medication of their animals for any reason whatsoever within at least three weeks of entry or while at the show without express written consent of the Show's General Manager or Official Veterinarian. Such consent will only be granted upon extraordinary circumstances to be determined at the sole discretion of the show. Unless written consent was given by the Show's General Manager or Official Veterinarian, any animal testing positive for any such foreign substance, regardless of its source, whether it is otherwise approved or permissible by any entity or governmental agency for the treatment of any animal, the Exhibitor's knowledge of or participation in its administration, or by whom it was administered, or having been unethically fitted as determined at the sole discretion of the judge(s), will automatically be disqualified. If an entry is disqualified, no changes will be made in the placing of other animals. The carcass of a disqualified animal will be disposed of, if still available, only in accordance with written instructions from USDA or FDA if the substances detected are or could be hazardous to humans if consumed.

RULE 32. - MEDICATIONS

Rule 32 establishes a zero tolerance for any type of medication in an animal unless the Show's General Manager or Official Veterinarian has given express written consent. Accordingly, there is no need for any person to have any such medication in their possession on the Show grounds and it will not be permitted. Should any such medication be found or discovered in the actual or constructive possession of an Exhibitor, that person and his or her exhibit may be subject to the penalties specified in Rule 1. Should any such medication be found in the actual or constructive possession of any other person, that person may be expelled from the Show grounds for a length of time to be determined in the sole discretion of the Show. Veterinarian bringing such medications onto the Show grounds for the possible treatment of animals pursuant to this rule should advise the Show's General Manager or Official Veterinarian before doing so or they will expose themselves to the provisions of this rule.

Exhibitors who have animals on the grounds and service of a veterinarian is needed, should report to the superintendent of their division who will call a veterinarian. After that, exhibitors should wait near their animal until a veterinarian arrives. If an animal of an exhibitor is in need of medication, the decision to give it or allow it to be given is solely that of the exhibitor regardless of consent or lack thereof from the Show and the effect on the animal of its administration, or lack thereof, is solely the responsibility of the exhibitor. If the medications used to treat the animal are or could be hazardous to humans if consumed, the animal must be removed from the showgrounds immediately. If the animal of an Exhibitor is medicated without the express written consent of the Show's General Manager or Official Veterinarian and it tests positive for the substance administered, the provisions of Rule 1 will apply. Payment of veterinary fees is the responsibility of the Exhibitor.

RULE 33. – SHOW BOXES

All tack, feed and equipment, including show boxes and chairs, must be kept in feed alley or in stalls assigned. None will be allowed in public walkways. If additional room is needed, exhibitors should apply for extra stalls to be used for this purpose.

RULE 34. – COOKING

No cooking grills, crockpots, roasters, or BBQ grills in the showground/barn area.

RULE 35. – TENTS

No personal tents or shade in the showground/barn area.



Current as of March 21, 2017

TEXAS ANIMAL HEALTH COMMISSION
1-800-550-8242, Ext. 777 or 512-719-0777

Summary of Texas Requirements

For Intrastate, Interstate and International Livestock (Domestic and Exotic), Poultry and Ratties

Note: The following summary is a condensed version of the Texas Animal Health Commission regulations.
The regulations will supersede this summary if there is a dispute between the two.

Cattle Requirements (including Bison)

- I. **Intrastate (Cattle moved within the state of Texas)**
 - A. All cattle or bison originating in Texas and participating in:
 1. Intrastate shows, fairs, and exhibitions (those functions that require Texas livestock, poultry and ratties of the same species to be housed and exhibited separate and apart from livestock, poultry and ratties from out of state) are exempt from the certificate of veterinary inspection and testing requirements.
 2. Interstate shows, fairs, and exhibitions (those functions that permit livestock and poultry from other states to enter for show or exhibition and held in common facilities with Texas origin livestock and poultry of the same species) are exempt from an entry permit, but must meet the same other requirements as for those species entering from out-of-state and be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection.
 - a. Texas origin dairy cattle are not required to be tested for tuberculosis to participate in a show, fair or exhibition within the state but must be officially individually identified.
 - B. Requirements for Change of Ownership within Texas
 1. All dairy cattle must be individually identified prior to change of ownership.
 2. All sexually intact cattle, 18 months of age and older, changing ownership within Texas, shall be officially identified within seven days of the change of ownership.
 3. Trichomoniasis Requirements
 - a. All Texas origin bulls sold, leased, gifted, exchanged or otherwise change possession for breeding purposes in the State of Texas shall meet the following testing or certification requirements prior to sale or change of ownership in the state.
 - 1) Be certified as virgin, by the breeder or his representative, on and accompanied by a breeder's certificate of virgin status (up to 24 months and up to 30 months with owner & veterinarian's signature); or
 - 2) If from a herd of unknown status (a herd that has not had a whole herd test), be tested negative on three consecutive culture tests conducted not less than seven (7) days apart or one RT-PCR test conducted within 60 days of sale or movement, be held separate from all female cattle since the test sample was collected, and be accompanied by a Trich test record showing the negative test results.
 - 3) Untested Bulls: Bulls presented for sale without a breeder's certification of virgin status or a Trich test record showing negative test results may:
 - a) Be sold for movement only directly to slaughter; or
 - b) Sold for movement to a feedlot and then to slaughter; or
 - c) Be sold and moved under a Hold Order to such place as specified by the Commission for testing to change status from a slaughter bull to a breeding bull.
 - Such bulls require official permanent individual identification prior to movement; move to the designated location on a VS 1-27 permit, and be held in isolation from female cattle at the designated location for not less than 21 days where the bull shall undergo three culture tests or for not less than 7 days where the bull shall undergo one RT-PCR test.

If the results of any test are positive, the bull shall be classified as infected and be permitted for movement only directly to slaughter or to a market for sale directly to slaughter.

4. Brucellosis and Tuberculosis Requirements

No testing is required. Texas is a free state for both diseases.

II. Interstate (Cattle moved into the state from other states)

- A. Any livestock, poultry or ratites that are infected, exposed or quarantined in any manner for an infectious, contagious or communicable disease may not enter the state. Contact TAHC at 1-800-550-8242.
- B. An owner-shipper statement may be used in lieu of a certificate of veterinary inspection in some instances (see below).
- C. Entry permits are required as noted in the following section and may be obtained by calling 512/719-0777 (24 hours) or 1-800-550-8242, ext. 777 or by writing the Texas Animal Health Commission, 2105 Kramer Lane, P. O. Box 12966, Austin, Texas 78711-2966.
- D. Entry Requirements for Cattle
 1. Certificate on Veterinary Inspection within 30 days prior to entry, except for the following:
 - a. Female cattle, 18 months of age and over, delivered directly from the farm of origin to slaughter
 - b. Beef breed female cattle, 18 months of age and over, entering from other than a farm of origin may be moved to slaughter, or to an approved feedyard when accompanied by a Form VS 1-27 on which each animal is individually identified. Brucellosis test data, when required, shall be written on the VS 1-27 Form which must include the test date and results.
 - c. Beef breed female cattle, 18 months of age and over, delivered directly to a USDA specifically approved livestock market by the owner or consigned there with an owner-shipper statement.
 - d. Beef breed steers, spayed heifers, beef breed female cattle, under 18 months of age, delivered to slaughter and accompanied by an owner-shipper statement or to a livestock market by the owner or consigned there with an owner-shipper statement; or
 - e. Beef breed steers, spayed heifers and beef breed female cattle, under 18 months of age, delivered to a feedlot for feeding for slaughter by the owner or consigned there with an owner-shipper statement.
 2. Official individual identification is required:
 - a. On all beef cattle over 18 months of age
 - b. On all dairy cattle
 - c. On all breeding bulls more than 12 months of age
 - d. On all cattle and bison used for shows, exhibitions, rodeo or recreational events
 - e. Types of official identification
 - 1) Official Alpha-numeric USDA metal eartags (bangs tags)
 - 2) Official Alpha-numeric USDA metal vaccination tags
 - 3) Official 840 or 900 RFID tags (**900 series tags are no longer official if applied to the animal after March 11, 2015**)
 - 4) Official 840 flap or bangle tags
 - 5) Official individual animal breed registry tattoos or brands
 - 6) National Dairy Fair Tag or Dairy Herd Improvement Association Tag
 3. A permit is not required unless bulls are entering for exhibition and return to the state of origin per the Trichomoniasis requirements section #6 below.
 4. Brucellosis testing / vaccination requirements
 - a. A negative brucellosis test is required within 30 days prior to entry or be from a class free state, area or certified free herd.
 - b. Brucellosis vaccination is required for female cattle between 4 to 12 months of age or be from a class free state, area or certified free herd.
 - c. Brucellosis Designated Surveillance Area (DSA) (applies to all states)
 - 1) Cattle entering Texas directly from the DSA:

- a) Breeding bulls and sexually intact females shall be tested for brucellosis 60 to 120 days post entry, except:
 - Cattle for immediate slaughter
 - Cattle for feeding for slaughter in a feedlot; and
- b) Sexually intact females that have not calved must be held until tested negative 30 to 90 days after calving.
- c) Nonvaccinated sexually intact females between 4 and 12 months of age shall be officially brucellosis vaccinated prior to entry, except:
 - Cattle for immediate slaughter
 - Cattle for feeding for slaughter in a feedlot; and
- d) All cattle must also meet all applicable entry requirements.
- e) All breeding bulls and sexually intact females require an entry permit.
- 2) Cattle entering Texas from Idaho, Montana or Wyoming that do not currently reside in the DSA:
 - a) All breeding bulls and post parturient females shall enter Texas with one of the following statements on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection:
 - The cattle represented on this certificate never resided in the DSA; or
 - The cattle represented on this certificate tested negative for brucellosis at least 60 days after leaving the DSA.
 - b) Sexually intact females that have not calved must enter with an entry permit and be held until tested negative 30 to 90 days after calving or with a statement on the certificate that the cattle never resided in the DSA.
 - c) All cattle must also meet all applicable entry requirements.
- 3) Cattle entering Texas from states other than Idaho, Montana and Wyoming that previously resided in the DSA:
 - a) Sexually intact females that have not calved must enter with an entry permit and be held until tested negative 30 to 90 days after calving or with a statement on the certificate that the cattle never resided in the DSA.
 - b) All cattle must also meet all applicable entry requirements.

5. Tuberculosis testing requirements
 - a. All sexually intact dairy cattle that are two months of age or older must be tested for tuberculosis per the rules c through e in this section, below.
 - b. All sexually intact dairy cattle that are less than two months of age require an entry permit to a designated facility and held until tested negative at two months of age. Dairy cattle delivered to an approved feedlot and accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection with an entry permit are exempt from testing unless from a restricted herd. Calves from a Modified Accredited Free State must also originate from an accredited free herd or be from a herd that has been tested within 1 year prior to entry.
 - c. Cattle from Accredited Free States or Zones require the following:
 - 1) Beef cattle (including bison), no test is required
 - 2) All dairy cattle require a test within 60 days prior to entry except on sexually neutered cattle or cattle from an accredited free herd.
 - d. Cattle from Modified Accredited Advanced Free States or Zones require:
 - 1) A tuberculosis test within 60 days prior to entry or;
 - 2) Be from an accredited herd that has been tested within 1 year of date of movement or;
 - 3) The cattle or bison are moved directly to an approved slaughtering establishment or;
 - 4) The cattle or bison are sexually intact heifers moved to an approved feedlot (dairy cattle are required to be accompanied by a permit), or are steers or spayed heifers; are either officially identified or identified by premises of origin identification.
 - e. Cattle from Modified Accredited States or Zones require:
 - 1) A whole herd test conducted within 1 year prior from to date of movement and that the individual animals be identified and be individually tested within 60 days prior to entry or;
 - 2) Be from an accredited free herd that has been tested within 1 year date of movement or;

- 3) The cattle or bison are moved directly to an approved slaughtering establishment or;
- 4) The cattle or bison are sexually intact heifers moved to an approved feedlot (dairy cattle are required to be accompanied by a permit), or are steers or spayed heifers; are either officially identified or identified by premises of origin identification; and are tested negative within 60 days prior to entry.
- f. All "M" branded steers, which are recognized as potential rodeo and/or roping stock and used for either feeding or recreation purposes require:
 - 1) A permit prior to entry and;
 - 2) Be tested negative for tuberculosis within twelve months prior to entry.

6. **Trichomoniasis Requirements**

- a. A negative Trichomoniasis test is required within 60 days prior to entry on all breeding bulls twelve (12) months of age or older with an official Real name Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) test.
- b. Trichomoniasis samples pooled at the laboratory may qualify as the official test if no more than five total samples are pooled.
 - 1) Exceptions for testing for bulls 12 months of age or older:
 - a) Bulls entering Texas for the purpose of participating in a fair, show, exhibition or rodeo may enter without a Trichomoniasis test as long as a permit is issued prior to entry. The bulls must be isolated from female cattle and stay in the state for less than 60 days.
 - b) Bulls entering Texas directly to a feedyard that has executed a Trichomoniasis Certified Facility Agreement may enter without a Trichomoniasis test. Bulls must be accompanied by a permit issued prior to entry.
 - c) Bulls entering Texas directly to a facility that tests the gain and feed conversions of cattle (bull test station) may enter without a Trichomoniasis test if moved directly to the facility and are isolated from females and accompanied by a permit issued prior to entry.
 - d) A Texas bull that is enrolled in an out-of-state facility for the purpose of testing gain and feed conversions of cattle (bull test station) may enter without a Trichomoniasis test as long as the bull is moved directly to the Texas premises of origin. The certificate of veterinary inspection must state the bull was enrolled in a bull test station and was isolated from female cattle.
 - e) Bulls enrolled at an out-of-state Certified Semen Services certified artificial insemination facility (CSS facility) that isolates the bull from female cattle at all times may enter without a Trichomoniasis test as long as the bull is moved directly from the CSS facility into the state. The certificate of veterinary inspection shall state the bull was enrolled in a CSS facility.
 - f) Bulls originating from a herd that is enrolled in a Certified Trichomoniasis Free Herd Program or other certification program that is substantially similar may enter without a Trichomoniasis test.
 - g) The bull is 18 months of age or younger and accompanied by a commission or any state approved Trichomoniasis virgin status certificate and a certificate of veterinary inspection that includes a statement reflecting the bull's virgin status.
 - 2) The official identification number and age of bull shall be written on the certificate of veterinary inspection.
 - 3) Any bull, that has had contact with a female subsequent to the initial test, must be retested within 60 days prior to entry.
 - 4) All bison are exempt from meeting the above Trichomoniasis testing requirements.

III. **International (Cattle moved into the state from foreign countries)**

- A. Any livestock, poultry or ratites that are infected, exposed or quarantined in any manner for an infectious, contagious or communicable disease may not enter the state. Contact TAHC at 1-800-550-8242.
- B. Entry permits are required as noted in the following section and may be obtained by calling 512/719-0777 (24 hours) or 1-800-550-8242, ext. 777 or by writing the Texas Animal Health Commission, 2105 Kramer Lane, P. O. Box 12966, Austin, Texas 78711-2966.

C. Entry Requirements from Foreign Countries

1. USDA Importation Certificate (VS 17-30) within 30 days prior to entry.
2. Branding Requirements
 - a. Sexually intact cattle destined for an approved feedyard/pen must be "S" branded prior to or upon arrival at the approved feedyard/pen.
 - b. Spayed heifers shall be identified by branding prior to entry.
 - c. All cattle moved into Texas from Mexico shall be identified with an "M" brand prior to moving to a destination in Texas.
3. Permit Requirement
 - a. Sexually intact cattle must obtain an entry permit if for other than direct to slaughter or approved feedyard/pens.
 - b. The permit number must be entered on the Importation Certificate (VS Form 17-30).
4. Brucellosis Requirements
 - a. All sexually intact cattle from any foreign country or part thereof with no recognized comparable brucellosis status:
 - 1) Vaccination Requirement
 - a) Non-vaccinated sexually intact female cattle between 4 and 12 months of age entering for purposes other than immediate slaughter or feeding for slaughter in an approved feedyard/pen shall be placed under quarantine on arrival and officially brucellosis vaccinated.
 - b) The quarantine may be released after a negative test is conducted 30 days after they have had their first calf.
 - 2) Testing Requirements for Bulls
 - a) Bulls entering for purposes other than immediate slaughter or feeding in an approved feedyard/pen shall be tested at the port of entry into Texas under the supervision of the port veterinarian, and placed under quarantine and retested 120 to 180 days after arrival.
 - b) The quarantine will be released following a negative brucellosis test.
 - 3) Testing Requirements for Females
 - a) All sexually intact female cattle entering for purposes other than immediate slaughter or feeding for slaughter in an approved feedyard/pen shall be tested at the port of entry into Texas under the supervision of the port veterinarian, and placed under quarantine on arrival and retested for brucellosis in no less than 120 days nor more than 180 days after arrival for release of the quarantine however, if the sexually intact female cattle have not had their first calf prior to the 120 to 180 day post entry test, the quarantine will not be released until a second negative test for brucellosis is conducted no sooner than 30 days after the animal has had its first calf and the second negative test has been confirmed.
 - 4) Testing Requirements for Sexually Intact Cattle moving directly to an approved feedyard/pen.
 - a) All sexually intact cattle destined for feeding for slaughter in an approved feedyard/pen must be tested at the port of entry into Texas under the supervision of the port veterinarian. These cattle must be "S" branded prior to or upon arrival at the approved feedyard/pen, and may move to the approved feedyard/pen only in sealed trucks with a VS 1-27 permit issued by a representative of TAHC or USDA personnel.
 - b. All other cattle from foreign countries, foreign states or zones within foreign countries with comparable brucellosis status, would enter by meeting the requirements for a state with similar status.
 5. Tuberculosis Requirements
 - a. All sexually intact cattle, from any foreign country or part thereof with no recognized comparable tuberculosis status:
 - 1) To be held for purposes other than for immediate slaughter or feeding for slaughter in an approved feedyard/pen, must be tested at the port of entry into Texas under the supervision of the port veterinarian, and shall be under quarantine on the first premise of destination in Texas pending a negative tuberculosis test no earlier than

120 days and no later than 180 days after arrival. The test will be performed by a veterinarian employed by the TAHC or APHISNS.

2) When destined for feeding for slaughter in an approved feedyard/pen, cattle must be tested at the port of entry into Texas under the supervision of the port veterinarian; moved directly to the approved feedyard/pen only in sealed trucks; accompanied with a VS 1-27 permit issued by TAHC or USDA personnel; and "S" branded prior to or upon arrival at the feedyard.

b. All other cattle from foreign countries, foreign states or zones within foreign countries with comparable tuberculosis status, would enter by meeting the requirements for a state with similar status.

c. Cattle originating from Mexico

- 1) Regardless of reproductive status, test history, or Mexican state of origin, Holstein and Holstein cross cattle are prohibited from entering Texas.
- 2) All sexually intact cattle shall meet the requirements provided for in this section above.
- 3) Steers and spayed heifers from Mexico shall meet the federal importation requirements as provided in Title 9 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 93, Section 93.427, regarding importation of cattle from Mexico. In addition to the federal requirements, steers and spayed heifers must be moved under permit to an approved pasture or to an approved feedyard/pen.
- 4) Cattle utilized as rodeo and/or roping stock shall meet the requirements set out in this section and the applicable requirement below:
 - a) All sexually intact cattle shall be retested annually for tuberculosis at the owner's expense and the test records shall be maintained with the animal and available for review, or
 - b) All sexually neutered horned cattle imported from Mexico are recognized as potential rodeo and/or roping stock and must:
Be tested for tuberculosis at the port of entry under the supervision of the USDA port veterinarian, and
Be moved by permit to a premise of destination and remain under Hold Order until permanently identified, and retested for tuberculosis between 60 and 120 days after entry at owner's expense. The cattle may be allowed movement to and from events/activities in which commingling with other cattle will not occur and with specific permission by the TAHC until confirmation of the negative post entry retest for tuberculosis can be conducted, and
Be retested for tuberculosis annually at owner's expense and the test records shall be maintained with the animal and available for review.
- 5) A copy of the certificate issued by an authorized inspector of the USDA, APHIS, for the movement of Mexico cattle into Texas, must accompany such animals to their final destination in Texas, or so long as they are moving through Texas.

6. Trichomoniasis Requirements

All breeding bulls entering from foreign country, shall enter on and be moved by an entry permit, to a premises of destination in Texas and shall be placed under Hold Order and officially tested for Trichomoniasis with not less than three official culture tests conducted not less than seven days apart, or an official Real Time Polymerase Chain Reaction(RT-PCR) test, within 30 days after entry into the state.

All bulls shall be isolated from female cattle at all times until tested negative for Trichomoniasis.

The Hold Order shall not be released until all other post entry disease testing requirements have been completed.

All bulls tested for Trichomoniasis shall be officially identified at the time the initial test sample is collected. The identification shall be recorded on the test documents.

7. International (Cattle moved into the state from foreign countries)

Contact USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) for additional international animal requirements.



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Summary of Texas Requirements

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Equine Requirements

- I. Intrastate (Equine moved within the state of Texas)
 - A. Accepted Official Equine Infectious Anemia Tests (Coggins)
 1. Agar gel immunodiffusion (AGID) test
 2. Competitive Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay (CELISA) test
 3. Other USDA-licensed tests approved by the commission
 - B. Requirements for Change of Ownership within Texas
 1. A negative EIA test within the previous 12 months on all equine 8 months of age or older
 - a. Except zebras.
 - b. Except foals, under 8 months of age, nursing a negative dam.
 - C. Equine Assembly or Stabling Requirements:
 1. Equine are required to have a EIA test within the last 12 months when:
 - a. Equine participate in any assembly
 - 1) Assemblies include, but are not limited to, parades, rodeos, roping events, and trail rides.
 - 2) Sponsors/organizers of an assembly of equine are required to implement a procedure for review of records on each participating equine to confirm proof of a negative EIA test status prior to allowing entry of the equine into facilities or locations where the animals will be commingled.
 - b. Equine are housed in boarding stables, boarding pastures, breeding farms, and training stables.
 - c. Equine are stabled, boarded or pastured within 200 yards of equine belonging to another person.
 - d. Equine are utilized or used for riding on publicly accessible equestrian trails, and public lands open to equestrian riding, where a congregation of equine can occur.
 - D. Requirements for Equine Originating in Texas and participating in:
 1. Racetrack Facility
 - a. Definition of Racetrack Facility: a facility used to conduct organized horse racing.
 - b. Must be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection and a negative EIA test conducted within 12 months. Foals under 8 months of age, nursing a negative dam are exempt from testing.
 - c. A negative Piroplasmosis test (*Theileria equi*) is required within the previous 12 months prior to entering a racetrack facility.
 2. Show, fair, exhibition, and assembly
 - a. A negative EIA test is required within the previous 12 months prior to entering.
 - b. Foals under 8 months of age, nursing a negative dam are exempt from testing.
 - II. Interstate (Equine moved into the state from other states)
 - A. Any livestock, poultry or ratites that are infected, exposed or quarantined in any manner for an infectious, contagious or communicable disease may not enter the state. Contact TAHC at 1-800-550-8242.
 - B. Entry permits are not required unless noted in the following section. Permits may be obtained by calling 512/719-0777 (24 hours) or 1-800-550-8242, ext. 777 or by writing the Texas Animal Health Commission, 2105 Kramer Lane, P. O. Box 12966, Austin, Texas 78711-2966.
 - C. Entry Requirements for Equine
 1. Certificate of veterinary inspection within 30 days prior to entry.
 2. Proof of a negative EIA test within the previous 12 months prior to entry.

Exceptions to these requirements:

 - a. Equine may enter Texas when consigned directly to a veterinary hospital or clinic for treatment or for usual veterinary procedures when accompanied by an entry permit number. Following release by the veterinarian, equine must be returned immediately to the state of origin by the most direct route; or,

- b. Equine entering Texas for sale at a livestock market, may first be consigned directly to a veterinary hospital or clinic for issuance of the certificate of veterinary inspection and/or EIA testing, when accompanied by an entry permit; *or*,
 - c. Equine may enter Texas for shows, fairs, exhibitions or assembly purposes when accompanied by a valid equine interstate passport or equine identification card or equine go pass and a completed VS Form 10-11 showing negative results to an official EIA test within the previous six (6) months; *or*,
 - d. Foals, under eight months of age, accompanying and nursing a dam with a negative test within the last twelve months.
 - 3. A negative Piroplasmosis test (*Theileria equi*) is required within the previous 12 months prior to entering a racetrack facility.
 - 4. Owners, shippers or exporters of EVA carrier stallions which are to be imported into Texas, shall notify the buyer or receiver of the stallion, in writing, prior to shipment into the state, that the stallion is an EVA carrier stallion and be noted on the certificate of veterinary inspection.
 - III. International (Equine moved into the state from foreign countries)
 - Contact USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) for international animal requirements.



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Goats Requirements

I. Intrastate (Goats moved within the state of Texas)

- A. All goats originating in Texas and participating in:
 1. Intrastate shows, fairs, and exhibitions (those functions that require Texas livestock, poultry and ratties of the same species to be housed and exhibited separate and apart from livestock, poultry and ratties from out of state) are exempt from the certificate of veterinary inspection.
 - a. All exhibition breeding goats must have a scrapie identification eartag except registered goats with a registration tattoo and accompanied by registration papers listing the scrapie premise ID number.
 2. Interstate shows, fairs, and exhibitions (those functions that permit livestock and poultry from other states to enter for show or exhibition and held in common facilities with Texas origin livestock and poultry of the same species) must be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary.
 - a. All exhibition goats entering the State must have a scrapie identification eartag except registered goats with a registration tattoo and accompanied by registration papers listing the scrapie premise ID number.
 - b. All exhibition breeding goats must have a scrapie identification eartag except registered goats with a registration tattoo and accompanied by registration papers listing the scrapie premise ID number.

II. Interstate (Goats moved into the state from other states)

- A. Any livestock, poultry or ratties that are infected, exposed or quarantined in any manner for an infectious, contagious or communicable disease may not enter the state. Contact TAHC at 1-800-550-8242.
- B. Entry permits are required as noted in the following section and may be obtained by calling 512/719-0777 (24 hours) or 1-800-550-8242, ext. 777 or by writing the Texas Animal Health Commission, 2105 Kramer Lane, P. O. Box 12966, Austin, Texas 78711-2966.
- C. Entry Requirements for Domestic Goats
 1. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection required within 30 days prior to entry.
 2. Scrapie Eradication Program eartag required prior to entry on all goats.
 - a. Registered goats with a registration tattoo, accompanied by registration papers and a Scrapie Eradication Program premise identification number do not require individual identification.
 3. An entry permit is not required for domestic goats, except if from an Inconsistent State.
 4. Animals originating from scrapie-affected flocks, scrapie-positive, suspect, exposed, and/or high risk animals, or sheep originating from Inconsistent States, may be granted entry into Texas on a case-by-case basis only after permission of the Executive Director of TAHC or the Designated Scrapie Epidemiologist.
 5. Animals originating from Inconsistent States (without an active scrapie surveillance and control program) may enter the State of Texas only if:
 - a. Obtain an entry permit, and
 - b. Consigned directly to a terminal feedlot or consigned directly to slaughter.
 6. Animals entering slaughter channels must be identified but the identification does not need to be recorded on the accompanied certificate of veterinary inspection.

III. International (Goats moved into the state from foreign countries)

- Contact USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) for international animal requirements.



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Poultry Requirements

I. Intrastate (Poultry moved within the state of Texas)

- A. All poultry originating in Texas and participating in:
 1. Intrastate shows, fairs, and exhibitions (those functions that require Texas livestock, poultry and ratites of the same species to be housed and exhibited separate and apart from livestock, poultry and ratites from out of state) are exempt from the certificate of veterinary inspection but the poultry must originate from flocks or hatcheries free of pullorum disease and fowl typhoid or have a negative pullorum-typhoid test within 30 days before exhibition.
 2. Interstate shows, fairs, and exhibitions (those functions that permit livestock and poultry from other states to enter for show or exhibition and held in common facilities with Texas origin livestock and poultry of the same species) are exempt from an entry permit, but must meet the same other requirements as for those species entering from out-of-state and be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection.

II Interstate (Poultry moved into the state from other states)

- A. Any livestock, poultry or ratites that are infected, exposed or quarantined in any manner for an infectious, contagious or communicable disease may not enter the state. Contact TAHC at 1-800-550-8242.

B. Entry Requirements for Live Domestic Poultry from Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza Affected States

1. Avian Influenza negative test results with 72 hours of entry by either of the following methods:
 - a. A minimum of 30 birds per flock are serologically negative to an ELISA or AGID test for Avian Influenza (individual tests are required if shipment is less than 30 birds.), or
 - b. A minimum of 10 birds (e.g., two pools of 5 birds per house) are tested negative on tracheal swabs to a RRT-PCR test (Individual test are required if shipment is less than 10 birds.).
2. A certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) listing the general description of the birds, test date, test results and name of testing laboratory. The CVI should include a statement that reads, "These birds have not originated from an area or a flock where High Pathogenic Avian Influenza Avian Influenza is known to exist."
3. Specific permission must be granted by the Commission prior to entry. Request can be made by calling 1-800-550-8242, Ext. 77 or fax a request to the TAHC Permits Department with the A.I. test documents and CVI to 512-719-0729.
4. Exceptions to these requirements are baby poultry which have not been fed or watered if from a National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) Avian Influenza clean or equivalent hatchery, and accompanied by NPIP Form 9-3 or Animal and Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Form 17-6, or have an approved "Commuter Poultry Flock Agreement" on file with the state of origin and the Commission.
- C. An owner-shipper statement may be used in lieu of a certificate of veterinary inspection in some instances.
 1. Poultry delivered to slaughter by the owner or consigned there and accompanied by an owner-shipper statement.
- D. Entry permits are required as noted in the following section and may be obtained by calling 512/719-0777 (24 hours) or 1-800-550-8242 ext. 777 or by writing the Texas Animal Health Commission, 2105 Kramer Lane, P.O. Box 12966, Austin, Texas 78711-2966.
- E. Entry Requirements for Poultry
 1. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection required within 30 days prior to entry.
 - a. The certificate should state that the poultry have been vaccinated only with USDA and TAHC approved vaccines. (Contact TAHC for a list of approved vaccines.)

- 1) No modified live virus chick embryo origin Laryngotracheitis (LT) vaccine and no modified live virus mycoplasma gallisepticum (MG) attenuated vaccine may be used on poultry entering the State.
 - b. The certificate should state that the poultry have not originated from an area that has had active Laryngotracheitis within the last 30 days.
2. An entry permit is required within 15 days prior to entry. Exceptions to the permit:
 - a. Poultry delivered to a slaughter establishment (which maintains federal postmortem inspection) by the owner; or
 - b. Poultry delivered to a slaughter establishment and consigned there and accompanied by an owner-shipper statement indicating the plant of destination
3. Live domestic poultry, except those entering for slaughter and processing at a slaughter facility owned or operated by the owner of the poultry entering, may enter Texas only under the following circumstances:
 - a. Originate from a flock that is certified as Avian Influenza clean in accordance with the National Poultry Improvement Plan; or
 - b. Originate from an Avian Influenza negative flock that participates in an approved state-sponsored Avian Influenza monitoring program; or
 - c. Originate from a flock in which a minimum of 30 birds, 4 weeks of age or older, or the complete flock, if fewer than 30, are serologically negative to an Enzyme Linked Immunosorbent Assay (ELISA) or Agar Gel Immunodiffusion (AGID) test for Avian Influenza within 30 days of entry or a minimum of 10 birds (e.g. two pools of 5 birds per house) are tested negative on trachea swabs to a real-time reverse-transcriptase polymerase chain reaction (RRT-PCR) test within 30 days of entry or negative to other tests approved by the Commission.
 - d. Live domestic poultry from states affected with Avian Influenza may enter Texas for slaughter and processing only under the following circumstances: A minimum of 30 birds per flock are serologically negative to an ELISA or AGID test for Avian Influenza within 72 hours of entry, or a minimum of 10 birds (e.g., two pools of 5 birds per house) are tested negative on tracheal swabs to a RRT-PCR test within 72 hours of entry or negative to other tests approved by the TAHC, and specific written permission has been granted.
 - e. Live domestic poultry broilers from states affected with Infectious Laryngotracheitis and vaccinated with chick embryo vaccine may enter Texas for immediate slaughter and processing only under the following conditions:
 - 1) The request for authorization must be in writing and shall include a proposed route to slaughter that would not pose a disease risk to Texas poultry.
 - 2) The initial request must be approved by the Executive Director prior to entry.
 - 3) All shipments qualifying for entry shall have an entry permit and documentation of the origin of the shipment.
4. A negative pullorum-typhoid test is required within 30 days prior to entry or poultry must originate from flocks that meet either the Texas Pullorum-Typhoid Program and/or the National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP).
5. Baby poultry are exempt from these requirements if from a NPIP or equivalent hatchery and accompanied by a NPIP VS Form 9-3 or an APHIS Form 17-6; or, are covered by an approved "Commuter Poultry Flock Agreement" on file with the state of origin and the Texas Animal Health Commission.

F. Interstate Poultry Exhibition Requirements

- a. Poultry entered in terminal public exhibition shall be accompanied by a certificate of source which identifies the flock of origin.
- b. Poultry entered in a non-terminal public exhibition shall be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection which states the poultry:
 - 1) Have been inspected and are free from evidence of infectious or contagious diseases;
 - 2) Have been vaccinated only with approved vaccines;
 - 3) Have not originated from an area that has had an active avian disease within 30 days of entry.
 - 4) must have either a negative flock or individual bird test for Avian Influenza, within 30 days of entry.
 - 5) Have had a negative pullorum-typhoid test within 30 days prior to entry or that the poultry must originate from flocks that meet either the Texas Pullorum-Typhoid Program and/or the National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP).

II. International (Poultry moved into the state from foreign countries)

- Contact USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) for International animal requirements.



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Sheep Requirements

I. Intrastate (Sheep moved within the state of Texas)

All sheep originating in Texas and participating in :

- A. Intrastate shows, fairs, and exhibitions (those functions that require Texas livestock, poultry and ratites of the same species to be housed and exhibited separate and apart from livestock, poultry and ratites from out of state) are exempt from the certificate of veterinary inspection and testing requirements.
1. All exhibition breeding sheep must have a scrapie identification eartag.
- B. Interstate shows, fairs, and exhibitions (those functions that permit livestock and poultry from other states to enter for show or exhibition and held in common facilities with Texas origin livestock and poultry of the same species) must be accompanied by a certificate of veterinary inspection.
 1. All out of state exhibition sheep must have a scrapie identification eartag.
 2. All exhibition breeding sheep must have a scrapie identification eartag.
 3. Breeding rams originating in Texas are exempt from the brucella ovis test.

II. Interstate (Sheep moved into the state from other states)

- A. Any livestock, poultry or ratites that are infected, exposed or quarantined in any manner for an infectious, contagious or communicable disease may not enter the state. Contact TAHC at 1-800-550-8242.
- B. Entry permits are required as noted in the following section and may be obtained by calling 512/719-0777 (24 hours) or 1-800-550-8242, ext. 777 or by writing the Texas Animal Health Commission, 2105 Kramer Lane, P. O. Box 12966, Austin, Texas 78711-2966.
- C. Entry Requirements for Domestic Sheep
 1. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection required within 30 days prior to entry.
 2. Scrapie Eradication Program eartag required prior to entry on all sheep.
 3. An entry permit is not required for domestic sheep, except if from an Inconsistent State.
 4. Breeding rams, 6 months of age and over, require a negative ELISA test for brucella ovis within 30 days prior to entry or be from a brucella ovis free flock.
 5. All blackface ovine females and all blackface crossbred females, except hair sheep, imported for breeding purposes shall originate from a Scrapie Certified Free Flock or have documentation supporting that the animals are of the genotype RR at codon 171 or AA at codon 136 and QR at codon 171.
 6. Animals originating from scrapie-affected flocks, scrapie-positive, suspect, exposed, and/or high risk animals, or sheep originating from Inconsistent States, may be granted entry into Texas on a case-by-case basis only after permission of the Executive Director of TAHC or the Designated Scrapie Epidemiologist.
 7. Animals originating from Inconsistent States (without an active scrapie surveillance and control program) may enter the State of Texas only if:
 - b. Obtain an entry permit, and
 - c. Consigned directly to a terminal feedlot, or consigned directly to slaughter.
 8. Animals entering slaughter channels must be identified but the identification does not need to be recorded on the accompanied certificate of veterinary inspection.

III. International (Sheep moved into the state from foreign countries)

- Contact USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) for international animal requirements



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Swine Requirements

I. Intrastate (Swine moved within the state of Texas)

- A. All swine originating in Texas and participating in:
 1. Intrastate shows, fairs, and exhibitions (those functions that require Texas livestock, poultry and ratites of the same species to be housed and exhibited separate and apart from livestock, poultry and ratites from out of state) are exempt from the certificate of veterinary inspection and testing requirements.
 2. Interstate shows, fairs, and exhibitions (those functions that permit livestock and poultry from other states to enter for show or exhibition and held in common facilities with Texas origin livestock and poultry of the same species) must meet the same requirements as for those swine entering from out-of-state.
 - a. Swine entered in terminal shows are exempt from brucellosis, leptospirosis and pseudorabies requirements.
- B. Requirements for Change of Ownership within Texas
 1. Brucellosis test required for all breeding swine 6 months of age and older.
 - a. Texas is a free state for swine brucellosis.
- C. Feral Swine Movement Requirements Within Texas:
 1. These requirements apply to anyone who traps feral swine and moves them from the premises or location where they were trapped or otherwise captured and moved alive.
 2. Acceptable Methods of Movement
 - a. The feral swine are moved directly from the premises where they were trapped to a recognized slaughter facility;
 - b. The feral swine are moved directly from the premises where they were trapped to an approved holding facility;
 - c. The feral swine are moved directly from the premises where they were trapped to an authorized hunting preserve;
 - d. The feral swine are moved from an approved holding facility to a recognized slaughter facility;
 - e. The feral swine are moved from an approved holding facility to an authorized hunting preserve;
 - f. The feral swine are moved from an approved holding facility to another approved holding facility; or
 - g. The swine that have been trapped and are being held for transportation to an authorized location, as provided by this subsection, may be held in an escape-proof cage on the vehicle or trailer that transported them from their original premise, or held within the transport trailer itself for up to seven (7) days.
- D. Exotic Swine – see Exotic Livestock

II. Interstate (Swine moved into the state from other states)

- A. Any livestock, poultry or ratites that are infected, exposed or quarantined in any manner for an infectious, contagious or communicable disease may not enter the state. Contact TAHC at 1-800-550-8242.
- B. Entry permits are required as noted in the following section and may be obtained by calling 512/719-0777 (24 hours) or 1-800-550-8242, ext. 777 or by writing the Texas Animal Health Commission, 2105 Kramer Lane, P. O. Box 12966, Austin, Texas 78711-2966.
- C. Entry Requirements for Domestic Swine
 1. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection required within 30 days prior to entry.
 - a. Required statements on CVI:
 - 1) Have not been fed garbage
 - 2) Have not been exposed to pseudorabies
 - 3) Have not been vaccinated for pseudorabies

- 4) Have not originated from a premises known to be affected by Novel Swine Enteric Coronavirus Disease(s) (SECD), and have not been exposed to SECD within the last 30 days.
- b. Exceptions to CVI and entry permit:
 - 1) Swine consigned directly to slaughter and transported by owner
 - 2) Swine consigned directly to slaughter by other than the owner and accompanied by an owner-shipper statement. Swine consigned to a specifically approved market for sale to slaughter and accompanied by an owner-shipper statement in lieu of a certificate of veterinary inspection
 - 3) Swine from a premise of origin having a validated and qualified herd and consigned to a specifically approved market
2. Swine must be permanently identified with one of the following:
 - a. Official identification eartag approved by the commission or USDA;
 - b. Ear notching, if the ear notching has been recorded in the book of record of a purebred registry association;
 - c. Tattoos on the ear or inner flank, if the tattoos have been recorded in the book of record of a swine registry association; or
 - d. Any other official identification device or method that is approved by the commission.
3. An entry permit is not required for domestic swine.
4. Breeding swine are all sexually intact swine, 6 months of age or older.
5. A negative brucellosis test is required within 30 days prior to entry on breeding swine if not from a brucellosis validated herd or Validated Brucellosis Free state.
6. A negative pseudorabies test is required within 30 days prior to entry on breeding swine if not from a pseudorabies qualified herd or Stage V State.
7. Leptospirosis vaccination is required on breeding swine within 30 days prior to entry with vaccine containing the following strains: Canicola, Hardjo, Icterohaemorrhagiae, Grippotyphosa, Pomona.

III. International(Swine moved into the state from foreign countries)

- Contact USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) for international animal requirements.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WHOLESALE MEAT ACT

Market livestock and poultry shown at and sold through the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show must meet the requirements of the Wholesome Meat Act, which is administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The Act requires that animals intended for harvest for human consumption must be healthy and free of chemical or drug residues. Antibiotics and Sulfonamides have required withdrawal periods. Before administering these drugs, consult a licensed practicing veterinarian. Drug label directions and withdrawal periods must be followed. Unhealthy or lame animals may be rejected for processing. Entire carcasses may be condemned if drug or other chemical residues are found.

CHAMPS FOR CHAMPIONS ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP



2018 Champs for Champion Academic Scholarship Recipients.

JULISSA ALVAREZ, LICTOR BARRERA, MEGAN BLEVINS, MARIO BOCANEGRA, SEBASTIAN CARILLO, LEBARDO CASAS, BRANDON CERELLI, KLARISSA FARIAS, SYDNEY GARZA, ZACKARY GARZA, NOAH GOMEZ, ALEXANDRIA HERNADEZ, BRODY HILL, HUNTER LAMON, ROBERT LEAL, CHARLES LEE, ANDREA MARTINEZ, LEVI NEWELL, RUBEN OCHOA, JAYDEN OLSON, MORGAN PARKER, HOLDON PEREZ, JOSE PEREZ, MARK PEREZ, KAITLYN RAMIREZ, MELANIE RAMIREZ, ROLANDO RAMIREZ, TY RHYNER, LIZBETT RIVERA, CELESTE SAENZ, MATTHEW SALINAS, BRIANNA TOVAR, CEASER VARGAS, OLIVIA VELA, PRESTON VELA

REQUIREMENTS

1. Must have exhibited in the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show in at least 2 of the past 3 years.
2. Have a minimum S.A.T. or A.C.T score of one of the following:
 - a. A minimum S.A.T. score of 1280 (2400 Scale) if taken prior to March 2016
 - i. Critical Reading + Writing + Math
 - b. A minimum S.A.T. score of 950 (1600 Scale) if taken after March 2016
 - i. Evidence-Based Reading and Writing + Math + (Optional Essay)
 - c. A minimum A.C.T. score of 18
3. Applicants must be a resident of Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr or Willacy County.
4. Must have made formal application to enroll in a college or university of higher education.
5. In addition to the basic requirements above, applicants must meet the entrance requirements of the college or university they plan to attend.
6. Scholarship winners will be announced at the annual Sale of Champions and may be required to assist the Sale of Champions Committee throughout the sale.
7. Scholarship Funds must be requested within 12 months after graduation from high school. Funds will be forfeited after 12 months, unless approved by the scholarship committee.

JUDGING & SCORE SHEET

SCORING CATEGORIES

Academics ----- 30 Points
RGVLS Projects ----- 20 points
Projects (other than RGVLS) 10 Points
Leadership ----- 10 Points
Honors and Awards ----- 7 points
Citizenship ----- 5 points
Narrative ----- 10 points
Interview*(if selected)----- 8 points

*After preliminary judging, the Scholarship Committee will interview the top scoring applicants.

TOTAL MAXIMUM SCORE ----- 100%

Deadline for applications to be in the livestock show office is Friday, January 11, 2019. No applications will be accepted after this date. Mail to the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show, 1000 North Texas Ave, Mercedes, TX 78570, or deliver to the Livestock Show office at 1000 North Texas Ave, Mercedes, TX.

RIO GRANDE VALLEY LIVESTOCK SHOW

EXHIBITORS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will award scholarships to exhibitors of champion projects at the Show. Recipients must be a graduate from a Texas public, private or home high school and attend an accredited college, university, vocational or trade school.

In 2018 The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show awarded 112 Exhibitors Scholarships totaling \$80,750.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Recipient must compete in the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show according to the rules in the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Premium Book.
2. Recipient must be the owner and exhibitor of the project that the scholarship is awarded for.
3. Should an exhibitor or his/her project be disqualified for any reason from the RGVLS or in any subsequent RGVLS, any scholarship or scholarships he/she has been awarded will be forfeited.
4. Should a recipient not attend a college, university, vocational or trade school the first regular semester after graduation from high school or fail to maintain academic standards or enrollment, the balance of his/her scholarship or scholarships shall revert to the RGVLS Exhibitor Scholarship Program.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Recipient must attend an accredited college, university, vocational or trade school.
2. Recipient must submit to the RGVLS the completed RGVLS SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS AND CRITERIA FORM.
3. Recipient must submit to the RGVLS proof of graduation from high school showing the date of graduation.
4. Recipients must furnish the RGVLS an official registration slip and proof of enrollment past the two (2) week's withdrawal period in order to redeem their scholarship.
5. Scholarships will be paid directly to the college, university, vocational or trade school the recipient is attending, unless instructed in writing by recipient.
6. Recipients may not redeem more than \$2,000.00 in scholarships per semester from the RGVLS Exhibitor Scholarship Fund and may not accumulate more than \$10,000.00 in scholarships during their entire participation in Rio Grande Valley Livestock Shows. Once an exhibitor reaches \$10,000.00 and he/she wins again, in any particular class, the scholarship will go to the second place winner unless the second place winner has reached the \$10,000.00 limit. It would then go to the next place winner until it is given away.
7. The recipient must complete 12 credit hours per semester with a Grade Point Average of at least 2.0 for each semester. If the GPA falls below 2.0 for any semester and the recipient has not redeemed all of his/her scholarships the remaining balance will revert back to the Exhibitor Scholarship Program.

FUNDS

1. No funds will be paid directly to the recipient without written request from the recipient.
2. No funds will be distributed until the recipient has complied with all requirements and rules of eligibility listed above.

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Executive Committee reserves the right to interpret or to amend these rules and requirements anytime at its discretion and to settle and determine all disputes, questions or matters regarding, arising from, or incident to the scholarship program.

Scholarships will be awarded to exhibitors of Breed Champions in the Market Animal Divisions. Exceptions: In the Market Goat Division, Scholarships will be awarded to the exhibitors of the Weight Division Champions and to the exhibitor of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion in the Market Poultry Division.

Scholarships will be awarded to exhibitors of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champions in the Jr. Breeding Gilt and Jr. Breeding Goat Divisions. In the Jr. Breeding Sheep Division scholarships will be awarded to the exhibitors of the Supreme Champion Ram and Ewe.

Exhibitors of Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Heifers in the Jr. Breeding Cattle Divisions will receive Scholarships. Scholarships will not be awarded when there are less than 5 females shown in competition in any breed of the Jr. Breeding Cattle Division. If there are 5 to 14 entries shown, 50% of the full scholarship will be awarded. If there are 15 or more female entries shown, a full scholarship will be awarded to the Grand and Reserve Grand Champions of each division.

Scholarships will also be awarded to the exhibitors of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion in the Horticulture Division, the exhibitors of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion in the Jr. and Sr. Divisions of the All Valley Cotton Style Show, High Point Individuals of the Junior, Intermediate and Senior Divisions of the Livestock Judging Contest, the top three placing Calf Scramble Record Books and High Point individuals of the Horse Show provided they are members of 4-H or FFA and between the ages of 9 and 18.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION CONTEST

Contest developed by Texas 4-H Youth Development Program and adapted by the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show & Rodeo



Event Date: March 11, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. – Frances Cooper Event Center (2nd Floor)

This event is subject to the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show General Rules and Regulations and the Special Rules of this section. Where special rules conflict with other rules, Special Rules prevail.

Special Rules for Agricultural Product Identification Contest:

1. Eligibility:
 - A. This event is open to the first 100 teams to successfully submit an entry form.
 - B. Students must be in the 3rd grade up to the 12th grade as of the date of the contest.
 - C. Students must be enrolled in public, private, or homeschool in Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr, or Willacy Counties. Enrolled college or university students are not eligible.
 - D. Division:
 - i. 4-H/FFA – 4-H team members must be from the same county. FFA team members must be from the same Chapter. Public School – Team members must be from the same school campus.
 - E. Each team shall consist of a minimum of three (3) and a maximum of four (4) students. Team scores will be calculated based on the highest total score of three (3) team members.
 - F. Each team must be certified by a 4-H club manager, Ag Science Teacher, or school sponsor/official.
 - G. Contestants must meet academic eligibility rules as identified in the UIL Side-by-Side document.
2. Entry: An entry fee of \$10 per team made payable to RGVLS, at day of registration or online before February 25th. This will be charged per team. Entries must be submitted prior to the registration **deadline of 5pm on March 10th**
3. Conduct of Contestants:
 - A. There will be no talking between contestants during the contest. Violating this

rule may cause the contestants and their teams to be disqualified and ineligible to receive awards.

- B. Only contestants and contest officials will be allowed in the contest area during the competition.
- C. Contestants must have their contest number clearly visible on their clothing.
- D. Contestants cannot smoke or use any tobacco products in the contest facilities.
- E. Contestants must advance from one exhibit to the next when instructed to do so.
- F. Contestants must evaluate each exhibit in sequence and will not be allowed to return to any exhibit after advancing.
- G. Contestants should not in any way willfully obstruct the work of another contestant.
- H. If an ineligible contestant is permitted to judge, the team and individual members of that team will be ineligible for prizes and future entry into this contest may be denied to the school, County 4-H, or FFA Chapter.
- I. No electronic communication devices will be allowed in the contest area.
- J. Contestants will not be allowed to bring/use any materials (written/printed) while in the contest.

4. Contest Format: Twenty (20) Texas agricultural products selected from the **Texas Agriculture Product List & RGV Addendum** will be exhibited at separate stations. Contestants will select the correct identification of each product from four possible answers. In addition, each station will have one multiple choice question pertaining to the product on display. Question may be: a) general to the industry that produced the product (i.e. Texas' national ranking, economic impact to Texas, general nutritional content, region of production); or b) specific to the individual product that is on display (i.e. cooking method, use, growing season, specific nutrition of the cut or variety). Contestants will be allowed 30 seconds at each station before they are asked to advance to the next station.

5. Scoring: Contestants will receive five (5) points for each product that is correctly identified and five (5) points for each question that is correctly answered. Points will only be awarded on the follow-up questions (pertaining to the product displayed) if the product is correctly identified.

Total Points Possible

Individual.....	200 points
Team.....	600 points

6. Ties: Seven (7) stations will be selected as tie breakers in advance of the contest. Teams with the highest cumulative scores at these seven (7) stations will win any ties. If ties still remain, winners will be determined by the toss of a coin.

7. References: The following websites are recommended references. Teams will also benefit from their own web searches and by visiting supermarkets to view products listed on the Texas Agriculture Product List & RGV Addendum.

- A. Texas A&M AgriLife Extension's Texas Horticulture & Crops
<http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/extension/Texascrops.html>
- B. USDA Cuts of Beef
<http://consumer.certifiedangusbeef.com/cuts/Default.aspx>
- C. Pork Cuts
<http://www.texaspork.org/Consumer.html>
- D. Texas Agriculture Products
<http://www.beagsmart.org>

E. H.E.B.

<https://www.heb.com/category/shop/food-and-drinks/fruit-and-vegetables/2976>

8. Awards:

Contestants

- i. Teams – 1st through 5th place rosettes
- ii. High Point Individuals – 1st through 5th place banner
- iii.

Texas Agriculture Product List

Almond	Celery	Lime	Plum
Aloe Vera	Cherry	Loquat	Pomegranate
Apple	Cilantro	Mandarin	Potato
Apricot	Coconut	Mango	Pumpkin
Artichoke	Collard Greens	Mayhaw	Radish
Asparagus	Cucumber	Muscadine	Rosemary
Avocado	Dill	Napa	Serrano
Banana	Eggplant	Okra	Snap Peas
Bean	Fig	Olive	Spinach
Beet	Ginger	Onion (Dry)	Squash (Summer)
Black-Eyed Peas	Grapefruit	Onion (Green)	Squash (Winter)
Blackberry	Green Bean	Orange	Strawberry
Blueberry	Guava	Papaya	Sweet Corn
Bok Choy	Honeydew	Peach	Sweet Potato
Broccoli	Jalapeno	Pear	Tangerine
Brussels Sprout	Jicama	Peas	Tomatillo
Cabbage	Jujube	Pecan	Tomato
Cantaloupe	Kohlrabi	Pepper (Bell)	Turnip
Carrot & Maroon	Leeks	Pepper (Chile)	Walnut
Carrot	Lemon	Persimmon	Watermelon
Cauliflower	Lettuce	Pineapple	

* All beef and pork products are also subject to inclusion in this contest

RGV Addendum

Amaranth	Greens, arugula	Melons, honeydew
Arugula	Greens, collard	Melons, watermelon
Cabbage, chinese	Greens, dandelion	Melons, watermelon seedless
Cabbage, green	Greens, kale	Onions, dry red
Cabbage, red	Greens, lettuce	Onions, dry white
Cabbage, savoy	Greens, mustard	Onions, dry yellow
Cabbage, white	Greens, parsley	Onions, green
Citrus, grapefruit	Greens, swiss chard	Parsley root
Citrus, lemons	Greens, turnip	Peas, southern
Citrus, oranges	Herbs, basil	Peppers, chile
Citrus, tangelos	Herbs, cilantro	Peppers, green
Citrus, tangerines	Herbs, curly parsley	Potatoes, chipper
Cucumbers, pickling	Herbs, dill	Potatoes, fresh
Cucumbers, slicing	Herbs, parsley	Spinach, curly leaf (savoy)
Endive	Kohlrabi, green	Spinach, flat leaf Tomatillo
Escarole	Kohlrabi, purple	
Grapes, wine	Melons, cantaloupe	

PREPARED PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST



Entry Deadline: -----March 1, 2019

Contest: -----March 11, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. Check-In 9:00 a.m. Contest Start (Events Center)

Awards: ----- In Conclusion of Contest (Events Center)

The prepared public speaking contest is designed to enhance the communication skills of future leaders as well as promoting interest in the various facets of agriculture including natural resources and policy making. The Rio Grande Valley 4-H and FFA participants are challenged to write and present a speech in one of the following areas: Animal Science, Plant Science, Natural Resources, Agribusiness, Ag Policy, and Agricultural Technology & Communications.

This event will be ruled by the RGVLS General Rules plus the following special rules:

1. Entry- fee \$10.00 per entry. Fee along with three (3) copies of the manuscript with bibliography and certificate of authenticity is due in RGVLS office on or before March 1, 2019. Each contestant may only enter one speech. A bibliography in APA style must accompany each manuscript.

2. Originality-The manuscript and speech presentation must be the contestant's own effort. A statement of originality must accompany each entry.

3. Eligibility-Participation is limited to individuals who are members in good standing of 4-H Clubs or FFA Chapters in the State of Texas.

4. Age Groups:

Junior-8 years old and in the 3rd grade, but not more than in the eighth grade.

Senior- At least 9th Grade, but not graduated from high school nor more than 18 years old.

5. Format:

A. Presentations will be judged by a panel of 2-3 judges.

B. The Junior age group MAY be combined into one division for judging depending on number of entries. The top two contestants will compete for Grand Champion and Reserve in the Finals. If entries allow for separate divisions, all division winners will compete in the Finals.

C. Senior contestants will be divided into their respective divisions. Winners of each division will then face-off in the Finals to select a Grand and Reserve Grand Champion.

6. Time Limit:

A. Juniors - Each Speech shall be a minimum of four (4) minutes and a maximum of six (6) minutes.

B. Seniors - Each Speech shall be a minimum of six (6) minutes and a maximum of eight (8) minutes.

Deductions will be applied to overall score if time is under/over the allotted time. Time point deductions will apply as follows: one point for each 10 seconds over or under the allowed time.

7. Question/ Answer Period: A three minute question/answer period will follow each speech. At the end of three minutes, time will be called and all questioning will end. If time is called during the student's answer, the contestant may complete his/her answer. Only official judges may ask questions of the contestants.

8. Attire: Business attire or official 4-H or FFA dress is recommended.

9. Props: The use of props of any kind is prohibited. Violation will result in disqualification.

10. Score Sheet: The manuscripts will be reviewed and validated by show officials prior to the contest. A separate panel of judges will evaluate and score the presentations. Judges' comments will be returned to CEA or AST following the contest.

11. Results: The contest results as announced will be final.

12. Divisions

- A. Agribusiness-Any current or future subject that addresses topics such as cooperatives, sales, service, journalism, communications, entrepreneurship, marketing, finance, commodities, hedging, advertising, etc.
- B. Agricultural Policy-Any current or future subject that addresses police or legislation on the following: domestic farm issues, international trade, international competition, rural economic development, legal issues, animal welfare, subsidies, price supports, etc.
- C. Animal Science-Any current or future subject that addresses any aspect of the dairy, equine, poultry, sheep, goat, swine, beef, or specialty animal industries.
- D. Plant Science-Any current or future subject that deals with any aspect of horticulture and/or agronomy industries. This may include such areas as floriculture, fruit and/or vegetable production, nursery operations, turf and landscape management, crop production, specialty crop production, etc.
- E. Natural Resources-Any current or future subject that addresses topics such as soil, water, air, water quality, wildlife, forestry, aquaculture, conservation, recreation, recycling, energy environmental issues, etc.
- F. Agricultural Technology & Communications-Any current or future subject that addresses topics such as bio technology, bio genetics, bio engineering, mechanical engineering, farm safety, use of technology, research, laser, satellites, computers, embryo transfer, etc.

13. Awards: Jr & Sr division champions-Rosette

- Jr & Sr reserve division champions- Rosette
- Jr Grand Champion-Buckle
- Jr Reserve Grand Champion-Buckle
- Sr Grand Champion- Buckle and \$500 Scholarship
- Sr Reserve Grand Champion-Buckle and \$250 Scholarship

COVER GIRL REVUE



2019 Cover Girl is Cassandra Flores from Linn- San Manuel 4-H; 1st Runner Up Madison Callier from Goin' & Showin 4-H'; 2nd Runner Up is Laura Macmanus from Har-Tex 4-H; 3rd Runner up is Sydney O'Loughlin from Arroyo 4-H; 4th Runner Up is Cara Cash from Highland Hustlers 4-H.

Entry Deadline ----- Friday, December 14, 2018
Cover Girl Orientation ----- Monday, January 7, 2019
Cover Girl Rehearsal ----- Friday, March 1, 2019
Contest Date ----- Saturday, March 2, 2019

COVER GIRL SHOW RULES

1. Each FFA Chapter and 4-H Club in Hidalgo, Cameron, Starr and Willacy Counties will be allowed one contestant. Contestant must be a member of 4-H or FFA. No Jr. FFA Chapters will be eligible to enter a contestant.
2. A contestant must be under 18 years of age as of September 1, 2018.
3. A contestant must be a junior in high school at the time of the Contest in March. A contestant is only eligible to participate in the Cover Girl Contest once.
4. Confirm that contestants can only enter 1 year plus must be a junior in High School.
5. Any contestant who has attended school more than five semesters after the eighth grade, prior to September 1, 2018, is ineligible to participate.
6. A contestant must be single, never have been married (have no children) at the time of the Show.
7. A contestant must be a member of 4-H or FFA, must have a project entered in the 2019 Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show and must have had at least one other project in the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show in previous years.
8. Costumes of the contestants need not be elaborate or expensive. The main requirement of a costume is it be original in design and carry out a western theme.

9. Contestants, in addition to their costumes, will be judged on poise, beauty, figure and personality.
10. All contestants must attend the Cover Girl Orientation on Monday, January 7, 2019, to be eligible to compete in the show.
11. All contestants must attend the Cover Girl Rehearsal on Friday, March 1, 2019, to be eligible to compete in the Show.
12. A Certification Form, provided by the Livestock Show, must be submitted by each contestant. The principal of the school, which the contestant attends, her parent or guardian and the Ag Teacher or 4-H Club manager (of the Club/Chapter contestant is representing) must sign this Form.
13. Each contestant must furnish a portrait 4"x 6" photograph (head-shot) to be used for publicity purposes. PHOTOGRAPH MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY FORM. Keep in mind that these photos will be used to judge "Miss Photogenic".
14. Each contestant must EMAIL a written biography to the RGVLS Livestock/ Competitive Events Coordinator bailey@rgvls.com [185 word count minimum to 200 word count maximum] by the deadline. The biography will serve as background information for when the contestant walks on stage.
15. DEADLINE for entries and photographs will be December 14, 2018. A substitution for a contestant may be entered only by deadline, December 14, 2018.
16. The girl selected as Cover Girl will officiate at the 2019 Show and her picture will appear on the Cover of the 2020 Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Premium Book.
17. Winners will be present at all required events as stipulated by the guidelines of the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show. Failure to do so could result in relinquishment of title and scholarship award and disqualification of winner.
18. The Executive Committee of the Livestock Show will have the privilege of determining the availability of the Cover Girl and/or runners-up to represent the Livestock Show at any and all events.
19. The Cover Girl will be asked to ride in parades, at various times throughout the year, representing the Livestock Show. Should she be queen of another organization, her first obligation will be to represent the Livestock Show.
20. First Runner-up, Second Runner-up, Third Runner-up and Fourth Runner-up winners should be willing to participate in giving out awards at the 2019 Show when asked to do so.
21. Winners will be responsible for their own transportation to and from the Showgrounds.
22. Entry forms and pictures must be brought to the Livestock Show Office, 1000 North Texas, Mercedes or sent by certified mail.

PRIZES TO BE AWARDED

Cover Girl -----	\$1,500.00 Scholarship, trophy
1st Runner-Up-----	\$1,000.00 Scholarship and trophy
2nd Runner-Up-----	\$750.00 Scholarship and trophy
3rd Runner-Up -----	\$500.00 Scholarship and trophy
4th Runner-Up -----	\$300.00 Scholarship and trophy

4-H & FFA GOOD HOUSEKEEPING AWARDS



Prizes will be awarded to FFA Chapters and/or 4-H Clubs as a reward for their good housekeeping in the Market Steer, Market Hog, Market Rabbit, Market Lamb, Market Goat, and Jr. Beef Divisions. Prize money will be awarded in each Division as follows:

50 to 100 Entries

1st	-----	\$100 & Banner
2nd	-----	\$75 & Banner
3rd	-----	\$50 & Banner
4th	-----	\$25 & Banner

101 - 200 Entries

1st	-----	\$150 & Banner
2nd	-----	\$125 & Banner
3rd	-----	\$100 & Banner
4th	-----	\$75 & Banner

201- or more entries

1st	-----	\$200 & Banner
2nd	-----	\$175 & Banner
3rd	-----	\$150 & Banner
4th	-----	\$125 & Banner

In addition to the prize money, banners will also be awarded to first through fourth place in each division. First place winners of each market division will have the privilege of being first in line at the load out.

Each exhibit must consist of at least three exhibits.

A. Committee appointed by the Show Management will make inspections during the ten days of the Show to determine those who, in its judgment, make the best record for the period of the show, taking into consideration the following points:

1. Orderliness and cleanliness of animals, stalls, tack and public walkways.
2. Promptness in having stalls and pens clean by 9:00 a.m. each day and animals in their stalls or pens from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. except during sifting or judging or being prepared for judging.
3. All tack, feed and equipment, including show boxes and chairs, must be kept in feed alley or in stalls assigned. None will be allowed in public walkways. If additional room is needed, exhibitors should apply for extra stalls to be used for this purpose.
4. In the Rabbit division, hanging flip top metal rabbit feeders, securely attached, with approximately six ounces of dry pellet food per rabbit placed in each rabbit cage at each daily feeding (between 5:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.). A Spill proof 32 oz. or larger water bottle with clean water in each rabbit cage at all times. Only the exhibitor who is exhibiting a pen of rabbits can display his or her own rabbit to the public.

Nothing shall be displayed or attached to or below the rabbit cages other than pen assignment signage attached by the rabbit committee.

Nothing may be put under cages and no feed or supplies may be stored in empty cages or placed on top of cages.

5. Personal appearance of exhibitors.
6. Availability of personnel to furnish information about exhibit.
7. Number of animals in exhibit.
8. Observance of all rules and regulations of the Show.
9. Cooperating with Show officials, other exhibitors and exhibiting an attitude of good sportsmanship in general.
10. Plants, flowers, latticework and other decorations will not be taken into consideration when judging Good Housekeeping.
11. If in the opinion of the judges an exhibit is not worthy, no prize money will be awarded. Housekeeping should be done by the exhibitors and not by the parents.

4-H & FFA LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST



Entry Fee ----- \$20.00 per Team

Entry Fee ----- \$5.00 Individual

Registration ----- 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Friday, March 15

Pick Up Team Packets ----- 7:30 a.m., Saturday, March 16

Contestants Receiving a Champs Scholarship -----
Contest starts at 8:15 a.m., Saturday, March 16

Contest for All Other Livestock Judging Members ----- 9:00 a.m., Saturday, March 16

1. To be eligible to enter the contest, a contestant must be an active bona fide member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and be enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr or Willacy County at the time of the contest. Any contestant found to be ineligible (including those misrepresenting their age) will result in the disqualification of the contestant, as well as their team, for the current year's contest.
2. Contestants must have been enrolled in their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H Club as of November 1, 2018.
3. **There will be a separate division for Exhibitors that reside OUTSIDE of the counties of: STARR, HIDALGO, WILLACY and CAMERON.**
4. Team supervisor or team captain must register their team on Friday, March 15th, with the judging contest committee between 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Team packets can be picked up Saturday, March 16 at 7:30 a.m. at the Hog Barn Arena. Livestock Judging Contest will start at 9:00 a.m. at the Rodeo Arena and scholarship and auction participants will be first, followed by all other contestants. (Champs Scholarship recipients starts at 8:15 a.m.)
5. A team shall consist of three or four members; the three high scoring team members will count as the team's score with the fourth member automatically becoming the alternate.
6. Contestants will not be allowed to converse during the Contest. Pagers, cell phones or any other electronic devices will not be allowed. Violations can result in disqualification. Contestant should bring a clipboard, 1 blank sheet of paper and a pencil. This is a closed Contest. It is not open to the public during the Contest time.
7. Any conversation, hand gestures, notes, etc. toward another contestant will be perceived as cheating and will result in a score of zero for the class.
8. The Judging Contest will include Market Animals and Breeding Animals. There will be a minimum of 6 classes. A competent judge or judging committee will be on hand to discuss placing of each class as soon as all contestants have finished placing animals.

9. In the event of a tie, the team with the highest individual total score will be declared the winner. Should a tie still exist, the second highest individual total score will be the winner.
10. All contestants are eligible for High Point Individual.
11. Exhibitors of animals entered in the Livestock Show are required to allow animals to be used in the Livestock Judging Contest.
12. A plaque will be placed in the museum and updated yearly with the winning teams' name.
13. No Video/recording allowed during the contest. Reasons discussion by the judge.

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

There will be three age groups
Jr. team members ages 8 to 11
Intermediate team members ages 12 to 14
Sr. team members ages 15 and over
As of the day of the contest.

Awards will be made as follows in each age group

High Point Individual -----	Belt Buckle & \$500 Scholarship
High Point Individual/Beef -----	Ribbon & Belt Buckle
High Point Individual/Swine-----	Ribbon & Belt Buckle
High Point Individual/Sheep & Goats-----	Ribbon & Belt Buckle
1st Place Team-----	\$100.00, Banner & Ribbons
2nd Place Team -----	\$75.00, Banner & Ribbons
3rd Place Team -----	\$50.00, Banner & Ribbons

4-H & FFA SHOP DIVISION



Entry Deadline-----	-----Friday, January 25, 2019
Entry Fee-----	-----\$20.00 Each Exhibitor
Delivery to Show Grounds-----	-----9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Thursday, March 7
Judging-----	-----8:00 a.m., Friday, March 8
	-----8:00 a.m., Saturday, March 9
Awards Ceremony -----	-----5:30 p.m. Saturday, March 9
Release of Non-Sale Items -----	-----7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Friday, March 15 and
	-----Saturday, March 16
Live Auction-----	-----12:00 p.m., Sunday, March 17
Release of Sale Items -----	-----End of Sale, Sunday, March 17

The purpose of this Division is to encourage greater use of the shop in making implements for home-farm use, and to display to the general public, through exhibits, some of the values of agricultural science training.

PLEASE NOTE: ONLY AG ADVISORS, 4-H CLUB MANAGERS, A PARENT REPRESENTATIVE OR A STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE CAN TURN IN PROJECTS. THIS PERSON MUST HAVE A PROJECT REGISTRATION SHEET FOR EACH PROJECT HE OR SHE IS TURNING IN. (These forms can be downloaded from our web site, www.rgvls.com. You will also note that a 4x6 photograph of the project with the exhibitor(s) must be attached to the Shop Project Registration Form. **This applies to all entries**)

1. Eligible exhibitors must be FFA or 4-H members enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in Hidalgo, Cameron, Starr or Willacy County and their FFA Chapter or 4-H Club by November 1, 2018.
2. Exhibitors must be under twenty years of age as of January 1, 2019.
3. All projects must be constructed in a home or school shop under the supervision of an AST, 4-H Club manager or County Agent and **must be constructed within the current school year that they are exhibited.**
4. Projects previously exhibited at the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will not be eligible to be entered, neither will projects, which have been refinished or built from kits. The only exception will be trailers that may be built from kits.
5. There will be 3 Judges/Classifiers at the time of check in.
6. Projects without a record book will NOT be judged. Record book must contain student made draft and plans, materials list, cost of purchases list and photos of student(s) working on project in all stages beginning, middle and final. Exhibitor(s) must be present with their record book.
7. There will be **no substitution** of projects or exhibitors. The item entered on the entry application must be the item brought to the Show.
8. **THERE WILL BE NO MINIMUM BID ACCEPTED DURING THE SALE ON SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2019. EXHIBITORS MAY OPT OUT OF SALE IF THEY WISH.**
9. Entries must be made in the name of one person only on entry application. The exception will be projects that are team built such as squeeze chutes, livestock trailers, bedroom furniture, etc. These must have all team members' names appear on the entry application and the Project Registration Form, but each of the members listed on the application must pay a \$20.00 entry fee. Individual entries must pay a \$20.00 entry fee.
10. An exhibitor may enter TWO (2) projects – they can be wood, metal or a combination. A separate entry application must be completed for each entry and \$20.00 entry fee paid for each. If exhibitor and his/her club cannot load and unload the project it cannot be brought to the showgrounds. **No RGVLS staff will help unload or load a project.**
11. **All blanks on entry application must be completed.** A description of the project **must** be included on the entry application. The project brought to the Show must fit the description of the project entered on the entry application or it may be rejected and held ineligible to be shown. The Shop Committee will have final discretion to move any project to a different category if in its opinion the project is not correctly entered.
12. All vehicles pulling or hauling entries to the Show must be removed from the area next to exhibit building after entries are unloaded.
13. Any unfinished project with workmanship not up to standards may be sifted from the Show by the FFA & 4-H Shop Committee.

14. No painting or finishing of projects will be allowed in the exhibit building. Any project with wet paint or finish must remain outside the exhibit building until the finish is dry. Judges will be advised to disregard minor blemishes, scratches, etc., that may occur during transporting project, or assembly on the grounds.
15. After the judging is completed, judges will give reasons as to their placing, suggestions to improve projects, etc. This will occur at 5:30 p.m., Saturday, March 9, at which time awards will be announced and presented.
- 16. No advisors or parents in youth center while shop projects are being judged. Only one project per exhibitor can be in the live auction.**

Projects will be judged on: Workmanship - 20%, Degree of Difficulty - 20%, Design and Balance - 20%, Utility/Functionality- 10%/10%, Originality/Creativity - 10%/5%, Record Books – 5% and Interview - 5%.
17. Immediately after judging, butane bottles on any projects must be removed and taken out of the exhibit building.
18. Failure to comply with rules will result in forfeiture of awards.
19. Once a project reaches the Showgrounds, there will be no sales or private treaties.
20. Ag Teachers & 4-H Club managers must provide the Livestock Show Office with a list of those projects (with minimum dollar values declared), which are requesting to be sold at auction, at the time the projects are delivered to the show grounds Thursday, March 7. When the exhibitor has consigned a project to the Auction, it must remain in the Auction. There will be no withdrawals. Exhibitors of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion projects have the option to sell their projects in the Sale of Champions on Saturday, March 16.
- 21. Only projects placing Superior or Excellent will be eligible for the Live Auction. Only one project per exhibitor can be in the Live Auction.**

22. Any exhibitor who places his or her entry in the auction must be present for the auction of the entry on Sunday, March 17 at 12:00 p.m. If the exhibitor is not present when his project is up it will not be auctioned and will not be put at the end of the line-up.

23. All projects NOT IN THE AUCTION must remain in place until 7:00 a.m., Friday, March 15. Non-Sale Projects will be released for removal from the Showgrounds between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on Friday, March 15 and Saturday, March 16. The Show will not be responsible for projects left after 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 16.

24. Description of project must include physical dimensions, in the case of a BBQ pit include length, depth and/or diameter, if a firebox is attached include same for it, and if multiple pieces include this also. Similar information should be included for other projects. Project must match project description or it may be held ineligible to be shown.

25. Please be advised that due to the growing number of projects, items in Classes B, E, F, O and P along with hunting blinds and larger items in classes A, D and K shall be displayed along the south wall of the Youth Building.

26. Decorations shall be confined to only the project being exhibited. No decorations may be placed near or around the floor area of projects at any time during the Show.

FARM & RANCH DIVISION

- A. LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT - Squeeze chutes, feeders, mineral boxes, head gates, show boxes, etc.
- B. FARM MACHINERY AND CONVENIENCES - Mowers, shredders, packers, fertilizer distributors, headache racks, bale movers, bumpers, winches, grill guards, electrical machinery, gates, pickup rack, etc.
- C. SHOP EQUIPMENT - Worktables, drill stands, weld testers, welding tables, shop lights, storage bins, and anvils.
- D. WILDLIFE EQUIPMENT - Game feeders (both stationary and mobile), Hunting blinds (without the support legs which could be too tall to fit inside the building), Portable and stationary hunting seats (including tripods), Game trapping and loading devices (such as used by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department) and Game hanging devices.
- E. TRAILERS - 10'. Box and under (Please include a description of trailer. **All trailers must meet Texas D.O.T. regulations.**)
- F. TRAILERS - 10'1". Box and over (Please include a description of trailer. **All trailers must meet Texas D.O.T. regulations.**)
- G. BAR-B-QUE PITS - Larger type Bar-B-Que Pits. Generally those with rubber tires, single or tandem axle, 10' 1" box and over and designed to be pulled on roads by vehicles including Bar-B-Que Pits with other accessories on trailers. **Trailers must meet Texas D.O.T. regulations.**
- H. BAR-B-QUE PITS – Bar-B-Que pits generally with rubber tires, single or tandem axle, 10' box and under, and designed to be pulled on roads by vehicle, including Bar-B-Que pits with other accessories on trailers. **Trailers must meet Texas D.O.T. Regulations.**
- I. SMALL WILDLIFE EQUIPMENT – Fillet Boards, Fishing Rods, Lures, Scabbards & Holsters, Knives, Small Gun Holders, Rod Rack

HOME & GARDEN DIVISION

- J. HOME FURNITURE AND CONVENIENCES - Bookshelves, gun cabinets, household tables, electrical conveniences and other items designed for use inside the home.
- K. HOME INTERIOR AND CONVENIENCES SMALL (36" x 36" x 36")
- L. TABLE TOP CUTTING BOARDS (No Legs)
- M. YARD FURNITURE AND CONVENIENCES - Shop and storage building, greenhouses, playground equipment, yard and porch swings, electrical conveniences and other items designed for use outside the home (not in another category).
- N. PICNIC TABLES - Picnic tables, patio tables, other outdoor tables
- O. BAR-B-QUE PITS - All sizes of Bar-B-Que Pits with lids.
- P. BAR-B-QUE PITS – Bar-B-Que Pits with smokers/firebox.
- Q. TAXIDERMY
- R. METAL ART
- S. HOME INTERIOR AND CONVENINCES – Medium Size (over 36" and less than 60" in any dimension)
- T. Fire pit, fish fryers, tripas cookers, etc.

JUDGING OF PROJECTS WILL BE IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

Friday, March 8

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

- G. Bar-B-Que Pits 10' 1" & Over Box Trailer Mounted
- C. Shop Equipment
- S. Home Interior & Conveniences (Medium Size)
- T. Fire pit, fish fryers, tripas cookers, etc.

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (Lunch 12:00 – 1:00)

- J. Home Furniture & Conveniences
- B. Farm Machinery & Conveniences
- N. Picnic Tables
- Q. Taxidermy

2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

- A. Livestock Equipment
- D. Wildlife Equipment
- M. Yard Furniture & Conveniences
- I. Small Wildlife Equipment

Saturday, March 9

8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

- E. Trailers 10' and Under
- F. Trailers 10' 1" and Over
- K. Home Furniture & Conveniences Small
- O. Bar-B-Que Pits – All sizes of Bar-B-Que Pits with lids.

11:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. (Lunch 12:00 – 1:00)

- L. Table Top Cutting Boards
- R. Metal Art
- P. Bar-B-Que Pits – Bar-B-Que Pits with smokers/firebox.
- H. Bar-B-Que Pits 10' Box & Under Trailer Mounted

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Champion Drive

Select Division Champions, Reserve Champions.

Overall Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

Superior Projects -----	Purple Ribbon
Excellent Projects -----	Blue Ribbon
Good Projects-----	Red Ribbon

In addition to the above Awards, the following prizes will be awarded in each of the sixteen categories. Only purple (Superior) ribbon projects will be eligible to compete.

1st Place -----	\$ 60.00 and Rosette
2nd Place -----	\$50.00 and Rosette
3rd Place-----	\$40.00 and Rosette
4th Place-----	\$35.00 and Rosette
5th Place -----	\$30.00 and Rosette
Champion Farm & Ranch -----	\$500.00 & Plaque
Reserve Champion Farm & Ranch -----	\$300.00 & Plaque
Champion Home & Yard -----	\$500.00 & Plaque
Reserve Champion Home & Yard -----	\$300.00 & Plaque
Grand Champion -----	Special Award & Banner, Buckle
Reserve Grand Champion -----	Special Award & Banner, Buckle

(Champion winners in each division will compete for Grand Champion Award. Reserve Champion winner in division that produced the Grand Champion will compete with the remaining Champions for the Reserve Grand Champion award.) All first place winners, Division Champions and Reserve will receive special tool awards.

Special FFA Chapter or 4-H Club Award

High Point Chapter winner for the 2018 Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show FFA/4-H Shop Division was Rio Hondo FFA.

Special FFA Chapter or 4-H Club Award -----	\$300.00 and Banner
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This Award will be made to the FFA Chapter or 4-H Club whose members score the most points.

Points will be given as follows:

Superior Ribbon (purple)-----	3 points
Excellent Ribbon (blue)-----	2 points
Good Ribbon (red) -----	1 point

In addition points will be awarded in each category for:

<u>Place</u>	<u>Points</u>
Champion of Division	5
Reserve Champion of Division	3
1st	5
2nd	4
3rd	3
4th	2
5th	1

GOOD HOUSEKEEPING & HOSPITALITY CONTEST

There will be seven (7) separate days of competition. The seven (7) FFA Chapters or 4-H Clubs that have the largest number of entries in the Farm Shop Division will be eligible to participate. There will be two alternates, which will be the Club or Chapter with the 8th and 9th largest number of entries in the Farm Shop Division.

1. Teams will consist of no less than four members per Club or Chapter.
2. Teams will be assigned a day by random drawing for Housekeeping and Hospitality duty.
3. Teams will be responsible for keeping the Farm Show Area Clean and Selling Tickets for the Raffle.
4. Teams will be responsible for helping to educate the public as well as being available to answer questions concerning Shop Projects in general.
5. It is recommended that teams wear matching T-Shirts or clothing so that the Farm Shop Committee and the general public can recognize them as part of the Good Housekeeping & Hospitality Competition.

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will provide Hospitality Name Badges for each team member. The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will offer the following premium and awards for this competition:

1st-----\$163 & Banner plus a percentage from the Raffle tickets sold by that Club or Chapter
2nd-----\$138 & Banner plus a percentage from the Raffle tickets sold by that Club or Chapter
3rd-----\$113 & Banner plus a percentage from the Raffle tickets sold by that Club or Chapter

ALL VALLEY COTTON STYLE SHOW



Entry Deadline-----	Friday, January 25
Entry Fee-----	\$10.00 per exhibitor
Delivery of Garments-----	10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon, Saturday, March 9
Preliminary Judging -----	2:00 p.m. (closed to public), Saturday, March 9
Style Show Check-In -----	1:00 p.m., Sunday, March 10
Judging/Style Show -----	2:00 p.m., Sunday, March 10

ALL VALLEY COTTON STYLE SHOW QUALIFICATIONS

1. Each exhibitor must be a member of a 4-H Club, FFA or FCCLA Chapter, and enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr or Willacy County from November 1, 2018 through the Show period. Exhibitors must be in third grade or nine years old but under twenty as of January 1, 2019.
2. All garments must be constructed by the exhibitor by sewing, using a sewing machine or by hand with needle and thread, knitting, or crocheting using new or recycled materials in a home or school under the supervision of a Home Economics teacher, Ag Science Teacher or 4-H Clothing leader and must be constructed within the school year that they are exhibited. Accessories may be purchased. No late garments will be accepted after 12:00 p.m.
3. All fabrics in each garment entered into competition must be of a minimum 50% cotton content. There are no cost limits for construction.
4. All visible garments worn during the judging must have been constructed by the exhibitor (i.e. blouse under jumper).
5. Deadline for entries will be January 25, 2019. An entry fee of \$10.00 must accompany each entry.
6. An exhibitor may enter one outfit. Projects previously exhibited at the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will not be eligible to be entered.
7. A garment, which in the opinion of the committee does not meet the criteria of the category in which it was entered, may be moved to another category.

8. Garments must be checked by exhibitor's supervisor at time of fitting (before hemming) and at completion of garment. Information form must be signed and dated by supervisor at both checks and verified to be exhibitors' work. Information form must accompany garment.
9. A 4X6 photo of exhibitor in their finished project must be attached to the Information Sheet. This can be found on our website www.rgvls.com. Please include a list of hobbies, activities, etc. in the description of garment. Also, you will need to attach a copy of the back side of the pattern envelope to your information sheet. This information sheet must be turned in with the garment.
10. Exhibitor must be available for an interview on Saturday, March 9, between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. (delivery of garments).
11. Judging is based on the inner and outer garment construction, modeling (poise, posture) and interview.

VIOLATIONS

1. An exhibitor may receive a penalty of 5 or more point's deduction for not following all Style Show requirements. This would include not completing all forms, illegible, or incorrect forms.
2. Violations or complaints should be reported to the Style Show Committee prior to judging. Once preliminary judging has begun, disqualification will not be made.
3. Any legitimate infraction of the above rules and regulations will result in the immediate disqualification of the contestant. Further disciplinary action will be reviewed and considered by the Executive Committee of the Livestock Show.
4. Decisions of the judges are final.

CATEGORIES

A. CASUAL: For school and casual after school activities, such as spectator sports, picnics and casual dates. Examples are pants, jeans, skirts or shorts and tops, casual or sporty dresses, skirts or pants with casual/sporty jackets, school coats and coordinated separates.

B. DRESSY: For ensembles worn to dressy activities such as church, dinner dates, theater, banquets and job/scholarship interviews. Examples include men's and women's suits, dressy dresses and dressy coats.

C. FORMAL: Limited to garments worn to formal evening events and formal weddings. This category includes tuxedos, formal gowns, wedding dresses and bridesmaids' dresses. Garments in this category should not be suitable for ordinary daily activities.

D. SPECIALTY: Limited to athletic and special purpose garments. Examples are band, pep squad and cheerleader uniforms; athletic garments such as jogging suits, swim suits, leotards, ski-wear, sleep wear, theatrical and circus-type costumes such as clown suits and ballet costumes. Garments in this category should not be suitable for ordinary daily activities.

Junior Division -----Age 9 – 13

Senior Division ----- Age 14 - 19

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

AWARDS

Grand Champion----- Scholarship, Cash Award & Plaque

Reserve Champion ----- Scholarship, Cash Award & Plaque

Category Winners -----Cash Award

CALF SCRAMBLE

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2019 RULES & REGULATIONS

1. The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will not be responsible for any accidents that may occur to any contestant in the Calf Scramble before, during, or after the Scramble.
2. Each contestant must submit a Minor's Release to the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show by January 25, 2019. Contestants will be notified of their acceptance, and the date and time they are to participate.
3. INCOMPLETE MINOR'S RELEASE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. All information requested on the Minor's Release must be complete. Parents and contestant along with the witness must sign the Release.
Both parents **must** sign the Release. However, if the parents are divorced or if one is deceased, one signature is sufficient. But the notation of "divorced" or "deceased" must be made, or the Minor's Release will be returned.
4. No contestant will be permitted to participate in more than one scramble performance in any one year.
5. Contestant will be permitted to catch a calf no more than one time in his/her 4-H or FFA career.

SELECTION OF CONTESTANTS

1. Contestants must have reached their 14th, but not their 18th birthday by January 1, 2020, and not be enrolled beyond their junior year in high school. Contestants must reside in the Counties of Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr, or Willacy and be actively participating in an FFA or 4-H Program in one of these Counties.
2. The Scramble Committee will select contestants.
3. There will be two (2) Scrambles during the 2019 Show; one (1) during the Friday evening Rodeo, March 15, 2019 and one (1) during the Saturday evening Rodeo, March 16, 2019.

ARENA RULES

1. Contestants will carry into the arena a halter with attached rope that will be supplied by the Scramble Committee. Neither the halter nor the rope may be used as a lariat. The halter must be placed on the animal the usual way.
2. Contestants may not work as a "team." Each contestant will attempt to catch and halter one of the calves. Each contestant catching a calf is required to lead the calf across the finish line without aid. After placing the halter on the calf, the contestant will not be permitted to fasten the rope to themselves in any manner as to aid in leading the calf over the finish line.
3. If a contestant has hold of a calf, no other contestant will be allowed to touch the calf unless it breaks away. If two or more contestants catch the same calf, they will be ordered by the referee to release the calf.
4. If a calf is caught by the tail, the contestant will be allowed a reasonable amount of time to place the halter on. However, at the direction of the referees, the contestant must let the calf go.

5. Poor sportsmanship will automatically disqualify the contestant, and undue roughness will not be tolerated.
6. There will be not less than eight (8) referees appointed.

PURCHASE CERTIFICATES AND RULES FOR THE 2019 SHOW

1. A Purchase Certificate in the amount of \$800.00 will be issued to each of the contestants catching a calf.
2. A thank you letter must be written to the Scramble Sponsor and submitted to the Show Office. The Show will forward all letters to the Scramble Sponsors. **Calf Scramble Certificate will not be issued until the Thank You letter is received by the Show.**
3. The steer/heifer must be purchased no later than September 1, 2019.
4. Beef animal purchased must be a registered female of one of the following breeds and for which the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show has classes: ARB, AOB, Beefmaster, Brahman, Maine-Anjou (must be 3/4ths), Longhorns, Red Brangus, Santa Gertrudis (including Star 5 Females), Simbrah, Simmental, or Zebu. The certificate may also be used to purchase a Commercial Heifer.
5. Steers/Heifers must have been calved no earlier than January 2019
6. Calf purchased must be approved by the 4-H Club Manager or Agriculture Science Teacher before a check will be issued from the Calf Scramble Fund for payment.
7. The Purchase Certificate should be given to the seller, who is responsible for transferring the registration certificate to the scrambler's name. A Bill of Sale for Jr. Commercial Heifers or steers. An original Registration Certificate from the seller for a registered heifer (Beefmaster, Brahman, Red Brangus, Santa Gertrudis, and any other registered heifer that would fall in the Jr. All Other Breeds Division) and the scramble certificate must be returned to the Livestock Show Office by Monday, November 5, 2019.
8. Payment will not be made to the seller until the above papers are received in the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Office. The check will be mailed directly to seller upon receipt, in the Livestock Show Office, of the completed certificate, Bill of Sale and/or original Registration Certificate in the exhibitor's name.
9. A record book must be maintained for all records of expenses and management of the purchased animal. The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will provide guidelines for the Record Book.
10. The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Calf Scramble Record Book must be delivered, or mailed, to the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Office by 5:00 p.m. on February 22, 2019. Record Books will be judged for the "Most Outstanding Record Book". First, Second and Third place record books will be awarded scholarships. Only record books that have included all the required information will be judged. If Record Books are not received in the Livestock Show Office by February 22, 2019, exhibitor will be ineligible to show their animals in competition.
11. The obligations of the Calf Scramble Program must be met and must be verified by the scrambler's supervisor. If not, the participant will be required to return the \$800.00 to the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Calf Scramble Account.

GREASED PIG SCRAMBLE

1. The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will not be responsible for any accidents connected with this Scramble.
2. Qualifications for contestants are:
 - a. Age 12 thru 17 - Must have reached 12th but not 18th birthday by January 1, 2019.
 - b. High school seniors are not eligible to participate.
 - c. Contestants must be bona fide members of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter in Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr or Willacy County and enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school at the time of the Show. Contestants must have been enrolled in their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H Club by November 1, 2018.
3. Contestants must be in good health and be physically fit to participate. All participants must be present and checked in prior to orientation.
4. Every contestant will be expected to help set-up and take down hog panels used in the Contest. All contestants are subject to be chosen to wash pigs prior to being released by the committee.
5. **All contestants MUST wear shoes at all times.**
6. **Participants MUST show up to register **ONE HOUR** prior to event.**
7. There will be eight go-rounds of the Greased Pig Scramble during the Livestock Show, all to be held in the Jr. Livestock Arena. The number of pigs released in the Arena for each go-round, will be determined by the number of contestants.
8. Each contestant will attempt to catch one of the pigs. The contestant catching a pig is required to put the pig in a small pen within a reasonable length of time. Referees will declare winners.
9. If a contestant has hold of a pig, no other contestant will be allowed to touch the pig unless it breaks away.
10. If two or more contestants catch the same pig, they will be ordered by the referee to release it.
11. **POOR SPORTSMANSHIP EXHIBITED BY ANY CONTESTANT AND/OR PARENT WILL BE GROUNDS FOR IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION, AND UNDUE ROUGHNESS WILL NOT BE TOLERATED BY THE REFEREES.**
12. Scrambles will be refereed by a group of not less than four (4) referees.
13. No contestant will be permitted to participate in the Scramble more than one time in any one year.
14. Each boy or girl who wishes to participate must submit a Minor's Release to the Show. **Deadline** for Releases to be in the Livestock Show Office will be January 25, 2019. Releases will be checked for eligibility, etc. and names drawn to see who will participate. Boys and girls whose names are drawn will be advised as to date and time he or she is to compete.
15. The Interscholastic League Executive Committee, in cooperation with the State Board of Vocational Education has formulated a plan permitting Greased Pig Scrambles and still protecting a contestant's amateur standing. This is done by placing the matter under the supervision of the agricultural science department of the schools and the 4-H Club supervisors and prohibiting the participants from receiving anything of cashable value for winning the athletic part of the Program.
16. A Purchase Certificate will be issued to each contestant catching a pig in each go-round in the amount of \$125.00.

17. All Purchase Certificates **MUST** be used in the purchase of a market steer, market hog, market lamb, market goat, market rabbits, market poultry, breeding gilt, breeding sheep, breeding goat or breeding beef animal **which must be the contestant's FFA or 4-H project for the 2020 Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show.** If the project is not shown during the 2020 Show, you may be required to reimburse the show for the cost of the project, up to \$125.00.
18. The entire Program, including the selection of the kind and breed of livestock, the care and management, etc. will be under the supervision of the County Agent/4-H Club Manager or Agriculture Science Teacher.
19. Livestock must be purchased prior to February 11, 2020.
20. In order to accommodate 8 nights of Greased Pig Scrambles we will be combining 4-H and FFA contestants equally each night. This will allow contestants a better chance of catching a pig. Girls will be running with girls and boys running with boys.

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

Greased Pig Scrambles Sponsored By:



HORTICULTURE DIVISION



Entry Deadline -----January 15

Entry Fee -----\$10.00

Check-In/Classifying -----4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday, March 8

Judging-----9:00 a.m., Saturday, March 9

Judging of Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion --- 1:30 p.m., Saturday, March 9

Auction of Projects -----6:00 p.m. Friday, March 15

Release-----10:00 p.m. to 12:00 p.m., Sunday, March 17

SPECIAL REGULATIONS

1. All plants entered in the Horticulture Division must be in the possession of the exhibitor by December 12, 2018, and must not have been rooted or seeded before the previous year's Livestock Show. Exception: Class seven.
2. Each exhibitor must be a member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter, and enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr or Willacy County and in their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H Club from November 1, 2018, through the Show period.
3. FFA and 4-H exhibitors must be in third grade or nine years old but under twenty as of January 1, 2019.

4. Plants must be wiped clean. No plant shine or wax may be used to gloss the foliage other than soap and water.
5. All plants must be watered prior to entry. Exhibitors must water their own plants during the show.
6. Plants should be insect and disease free. Any infested plants will be subject to removal from the Show.
7. All plants must be living.
8. Each exhibitor will be permitted to enter 3 plants, but bring only 1 plant to the Show.
9. No entry may be re-potted within sixty days of the Show. Pots showing evidence of this will be subject to removal from the Show. All pots are subject to a re-potting test. Pots will not be sold after January 11, 2019.
10. Deadline for entries will be January 15, 2019. Each entry will consist of a \$10.00 entry fee. A total of **two photos** must be submitted along with each entry. The first photo needs to be taken on or before December 14, 2018. The second photo needs to be taken within 1 (one) week of the entry date – January 15, 2019. All plants should be in the official show pots by the January photo, with the exception of bulbs. No student, student name, school name, or club name will be allowed in the photo. Plants only. **Please attach your photos to the RGVLS Horticulture Worksheet.** These can be found on the website, www.rgvls.com under "Exhibitor Forms". Please keep in mind that you will also need to attach the same two photos in your record books so make double copies.
11. An entry identification card must be attached to each project at check-in time.
12. Horticulture Record Books - Each exhibitor shall prepare a written record book of his or her entry to be submitted with each entry at check-in time.
 - a. Horticulture Record Books may be typed, printed or neatly written by the exhibitor.
 - b. Horticulture Record Book worksheets can be obtained from the Livestock Show Office or online at www.rgvls.com.
 - c. Record book is used for validation and any information needed by the judge to break a class tie.
 - d. At least three photos of the plant project must be submitted in the Record Book. First photo should be taken before December 14, 2018, second photo before January 15, 2019, and the third photo to be taken at least two weeks prior to the March Show. Committee will meet to review and validate or sift entries and corresponding pictures within a week after the January 15, 2019 entry deadline.
13. Check-in time will be from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday March 8. Judging of Horticulture entries will begin at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, March 9. Judging for Grand and Reserve Grand Champion will be at 1:30 p.m. that afternoon by the Greenhouse
14. Exhibitors must be present with their plant entries and record book during judging. (If an exhibitor cannot be present during this time, substitution rulings will apply.)
15. Entries will be classified upon arrival at the Show. The Horticulture co-chairmen will resolve any questions regarding classification of entries. Entries that meet all rules and regulations will be placed in one of the 10 Divisions.
16. All projects must be grown in a home or school facility under the supervision of an AST/4-H leader.
17. No accessories on the outside or inside of the pots or special stands will be allowed in the greenhouse except for the trellises bought from the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show. No rocks

or aggregates in any pots larger than sand. No decorative bark on top of potting soil except for succulent division. Aggregates no larger than 2 cm in diameter will be allowed. Gravel larger than 2 cm will be disqualified. Judges discretion. See Show Container section of this book for more details.

18. Exhibitors must be responsible for getting their plants from greenhouse to judging area and back to greenhouse if they have a division winner.
19. All contestants need to be prepared, if necessary, to answer questions from the judge about planting dates, watering, fertilizing and/or other care and management questions about their projects at entry time.
20. After judging, all plants may be tagged for sale in the Greenhouse area. Plants will be released to students or buyers on Sunday, March 17 between 10:00 p.m. and 12:00 p.m. Any plants not picked up by this time will become the property of the Show.
21. Violation or failure to comply with any of these rules could cause a project to be sifted. The committee has the right to enforce that any sifted project must be immediately removed from the Show grounds.
22. Plants will be judged according to the ideal standards for that species, taking these things into mind in general.
 - A. Maturity stage
 - B. New growth
 - C. Symmetry, fullness, and balance
 - D. Insect damage
 - E. Disease
 - F. Leaf color
 - G. General appearance and size for age
 - H. Record Book, if good, could improve placing

SHOW CONTAINERS/TERRARIUMS/TRELLIS/TOMATO CAGES - All containers, terrariums, trellises, and tomato cages will be provided and sold by the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show. Entries that arrive at the Show in anything other than the official show containers, terrariums, trellises, or tomato cages will not be accepted. Containers, terrariums, trellises, and tomato cages must be paid for by the exhibitor or the 4-H or FFA leader when they are picked up at the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Office. Container, terrarium, trellis, and tomato cage prices will be based on the actual cost of the containers when they are purchased by the Show.

CONTAINER AND SUPPLY PRICES

(Containers will not be sold after January 15, 2019)

10" Hanging Basket - \$2.00

10" Round Pot - \$3.00

14" Round Pots (edible plants only) - \$7.00

Tomato Cage - \$1.00

16" Oval Planter - \$4.00

Trellis - \$8.00

Terrarium - \$15.00

PLANT DIVISIONS

- Division 1 Foliage Plants
- Division 2 Succulents (no older than three years - judge's discretion)
- Division 3 Trailers/Vines
- Division 4 Flowering Plants
- Division 5 Ferns
- Division 6 Bulbs (Corn, Rhizome, Tubers & Pseudo Bulbs)
- Division 7 Terrariums (All terrariums must have a lid which can be removed. **No colored sand.**)
- Division 8 Collection of Herbs (three or more varieties)
- Division 9 Combination Plants (must contain 2 or more different plant species. Example: Ivy, Crouton and/or flowering plants.)
- Division 10 Edible Plants – only one vegetable in a pot at a time (any live plant classified as a vegetable or fruit plant. Example: Tomato Plants).

Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion will be chosen from the 10 division champions only at 1:30 p.m. in front of the Greenhouse.

The Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, 1st and 2nd place from each division will go through the "Toasting Texas Talent" Auction Friday, March 15 at 6:00 p.m. Upstairs in the Event Center. At the time of sale these plants will become the property of the buyer and must be immediately given to the buyer before leaving the sale area.

Grand Champion -----Belt Buckle, Plaque and Banner
Reserve Grand Champion-----Plaque and Banner
Class Champions ----- Rosette
Reserve Class Champion -----Rosette

Third place through tenth places will be awarded ribbons.

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

SCHEDULE OF PREMIUMS

Premium will be based on the number of head showing in each class:

1 - 10 Entries -----To 5th Place
11 - 20 Entries----- To 10th Place
21 - 30 Entries----- To 15th Place
Over 30 Entries ----- To 20th Place

<u>PLACING</u>	<u>PREMIUM</u>
1 -----	\$25
2 -----	\$24
3 -----	\$23
4 -----	\$22
5 -----	\$21
6 -----	\$20
7 -----	\$19
8 -----	\$18
9 -----	\$17
10-----	\$16
11-----	\$15
12-----	\$14
13-----	\$13
14-----	\$12
15-----	\$11
16-----	\$10
17-----	\$9
18-----	\$8
19-----	\$7
20-----	\$6

PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST



Entry Deadline ----- January 15

Entry Fee ----- \$10.00

Delivery of Photos & Check-in----- 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Saturday, March 2

Auction of Photos----- 6:00 p.m., Friday, March 15

Release (LIVESTOCK OFFICE)----- 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m., Sunday, March 17

SPECIFIC RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All photography must have been taken between March of 2018 and January of 2019. Photographs may not have been entered in a previous Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show. The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will not be responsible for damaged photographs. Participants may protect their entries with clear plastic. Entries must be suitable for all groups. Inappropriate subject matter will be disqualified. The photography committee reserves the right to reject material considered inappropriate. Settlements of any disputes or discrepancies, that may arise, are at the sole discretion of the Photography Contest Committee. All decisions of the judges are final. All photos must have been taken by the person entering the photo. Photography of copyrighted material is strictly prohibited.

2. The exhibitor will enter in the division according to his/her age as of September 1, 2018.

Age divisions are as follows

- 5 - 9 Sub-Juniors
- 10 - 14 Juniors
- 15 - 19 Seniors

3. All participants must be enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school and be at least 5 years old and under 20 years of age as of September 1, 2018. All participants must be a resident of Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr or Willacy Country.
4. Professionals will not be allowed to enter. A professional is defined herein as one who is involved in photography as a livelihood.
5. Categories are as follows for each age division:
 - A. **Black & White:** Photos can be of any subject as long as they are printed in black and white. Black and white photos are not permitted in any other category. Images may not be printed in Sepia (brown tones), ONLY BLACK & WHITE. Sepia images do not qualify in any category.
 - B. **People:** Photos focus on a person or people from all walks of life - parenting and family, children, babies, models/fashion, sports and couples.
 - C. **Animals & Birds:** Photos focus on all types of animals or birds - wild or domestic. Photos in this category may also include all types of bugs, insects and fish.
 - D. **Still Life:** Photos of one or more inanimate (not living) objects in a composition, where the photographer has clearly given some thought to the arrangement of objects and to their lighting, focus and background. The objects in the photos must be ones which can be moved and rearranged, not part of the landscape or the fixtures of a building. Lighting can be either natural or artificial. Where the picture is just of a single object, it fits in here so long as obvious thought has gone into the placement of the object.
 - E. **Landscape & Scenery:** Photos focus on the beauty of nature. Photos in this category would include sunsets, sunrises, urban landscapes, seascapes, cityscapes, farms, nature images and other outdoor scenes.
 - F. **Action Photography** (previously Action Sports): Photos of any object in motion. Subjects can be those playing sports, dancing, race cars, running animals, etc. as long as the focus of the photo is in motion.
 - G. **Plants & Flora:** Photos of interesting, unique and beautiful flowers and flora. Photography can occur outdoors or indoors. Photo subject should be that of a single flower, plant, bush, tree, etc. Large collections of plants/flora should be considered for entry into the Nature & Landscape category.
 - H. **Current Livestock Show Theme** (Educating Youth & Promoting Agriculture): Photos that exhibit or express the theme of the Current Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show.
 - I. **Food:** This category is a still life specialization of photography aimed at producing attractive photographs of food for use in such items of advertisements, packaging, menus and/or cookbooks. NO PHOTOS OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE ALLOWED.
 - J. **Elements Of Design:** Photos that showcase elements of design such as line, shape, pattern, form, texture, perspective, etc. Photos can consist of any subject matter as long as the focus is clearly on an element of design.

Contestants can enter either film or digital format in all categories. Black & White photo may only be entered in the Black & White Category. Sepia (brown tone) colored images may not be entered in any category, including the black and white category.

6. All entries must be checked in at the Event Center at the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show grounds on Saturday, March 2, 2019 between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.
7. **Exhibitor may enter only one photo for contest.** Only ONE PHOTO per exhibitor entered. Entries must be submitted on-line at www.rgvls.com on or before January 15th.
8. Entry fees are \$10.00 for each category entered. Entries may be paid on line by credit card or your PayPal Account. If paying by check, please mail copy of your entry from the on-line system along with your check payable to Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show.
9. Judging will be based on the following criteria:
 - A. Composition
 - B. Originality
 - C. Quality of Print
10. **Photos must be 8" X 10" and must be matted with a black or white or black with white.** Mats must be 11" X 14" with an 8" X 10" opening. Cardboard or foam backing of matted photo is permissible but not required. The maximum dimension of the entry is 11 X 14. No framed pieces will be accepted.
11. All photos should have an Exhibitor Information Form taped to the back of each. Exhibitor information Forms may be downloaded from the RGVLS website.
12. Each entry must include an EXHIBITOR ID TAG. This tag can be downloaded from the RGVLS website. **Exhibitors should fill out the tag and securely mount it to the front left bottom corner of the mat. (Exhibitor information will be covered by committee members prior to judging).**
13. Exhibitors SHOULD NOT attach hanging tabs to mats. RGVLS standard hanging tabs will be attached by committee after judging.
14. **Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion and all 1st place photographs from each category will take part in the "Toasting Texas Talent" Auction Friday, March 15 Auction at 6:00 p.m. upstairs in the Event Center.**

1st Place-----	Rosette
2nd - 10th Places -----	Ribbons
Grand Champion -----	Belt Buckle
Reserve Grand Champion-----	Plaque
15. **All photographs must be picked up Sunday, March 17 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. AT THE LIVESTOCK SHOW OFFICE.** Photos will not be released to "individuals" on Sunday. Team or club leaders ONLY can pick up the photos MONDAY in the office. The photo area should be closed while the team takes down & sorts by club.

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

WESTERN ART CONTEST



All entries must be entered ONLINE through the ShowWorks program

Entry Deadline ----- January 15, 2019

Entry Fee (one entry per exhibitor) ----- \$10.00

Delivery of Art & Check-in ----- 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Saturday, March 2

Auction ----- 6:00 p.m. Friday, March 15

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Kindergarten, elementary, junior and senior high students of Cameron, Willacy, Hidalgo and Starr Counties are eligible to enter the Western Art Contest at the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show, March 7-17, 2019. There will be four (4) divisions: K thru 2nd grade, 3rd thru 5th grade, 6th thru 8th grade and 9th thru 12 grade.
2. Art must be the sole work of one student.
3. There will be a \$10 entry fee. Any entries submitted after the January 15, 2018 deadline will be charged a \$50 late fee.
4. Art may be entered in one of the following:

Only one piece of art may be entered for a student. When you and your student choose a category, it must be only the one category (Example: no pencil & felt tip markers or pencil & watercolor, etc.) Each category will be color coded for easier judging.

Grades K-2 and Grades 3-5

- Category A Oil, Acrylic
- Category B Watercolor, Tempera
- Category C Mixed Media, Collage, Wall Hangings
- Category D Pencil
- Category E Pen & Ink
- Category F Colored Pencils, Crayons
- Category G Felt Tip Markers

Grades 6-8 and Grades 9-12

- Category A Oil, Acrylic
- Category B Watercolor, Transparent Acrylic, Tempera
- Category C Mixed Media, Collage, Wall Hangings
- Category D Pencil
- Category E Pen & Ink
- Category F Colored Pencils
- Category G Pastel, Charcoal

5. NO GLASS, PLEXIGLASS, PLASTIC FIGURES OR COMMERCIAL OBJECTS OR LETTERING MAY BE USED as part of the picture. All art must be the original work of the exhibitor. No copies of any published artwork or photograph will be accepted.
6. Art may be realistic or abstract pictures of Texas ranch life, cowboy or rodeo episodes, any imaginative country and western scene or one depicting cowboys or Indians. If wildlife is used, it must be American Wildlife and must be shown in a western setting. NO NUDE OR SUGGESTIVE CHARACTERS.
7. Size of art work (matted or framed):
 - A. Minimum 11" x 14" (including up to 3" mat or frame)
 - B. Maximum 20" x 24" (including up to 3" mat or frame)
8. Display instructions:
 - A. Art must be backed or mounted on rigid medium weight illustration board or corrugated cardboard. **Do not use** poster board or construction paper. Support must be sturdy enough to prevent sagging and must not be pieced together.
 - B. Art must have some means of hanging it, attached. Work will be stapled to partitions (to stabilize). Pictures will not be accepted unless all rules are followed.
 - C. It is advisable to have each piece of art matted in such a way it may be stapled. Also it is advisable each piece be covered with plastic to maintain the medium.

Example:



D. Mat must not exceed 3 inches on any side.

E. Paintings on canvas stretcher frames and woodwork must have a wire on back.

F. Acrylic or acetate coverings may be used but are not mandatory, however it is suggested coverings be used on charcoals and pastels. Frames may be used but are not mandatory. If frames are used, art cannot exceed maximum size - detailed in (7).

G. All work must be dry.

H. Each art work must have a card attached to back containing: Student's name, (on the back card only home address, home phone number, grade), name of school, teacher's name and phone number. **Another** card bearing the same information must be attached to the lower right hand corner of the work (please do not put the telephone number or home address on the card that is attached to the front. Upper 6-12 grades only. **Both** cards **must** be attached to the artwork when you arrive. The people checking in the artwork will not be able to take the time or have the necessary materials to attach them properly.

I. Any work that does not meet the above rules will be disqualified.

9. Number of entries:

A. Teachers will be informed no later **than February 6, 2019** regarding the maximum number of pieces of art that may be brought to the Livestock Show from each school.

B. Each school will hold competition to select the pieces of art to represent that school in the Contest at the Livestock Show.

C. Only one entry per student in any category or level will be eligible to compete at the Livestock Show.

Judging and Awards:

A. Judging Criteria:

1. CREATIVITY -- ORIGINALITY - not from pattern, novel idea, not copies from any published art work or photograph.
2. HANDLING OF MEDIA - execution - uses media in a knowledgeable way
3. COMPOSITION - repetition, variety or variation, balance, unity, dominance, contrast, harmony, graduation of the 7 elements of art - shape, size, line, direction, texture, color and value.
4. PRESENTATION - neatness (not smeared or dirty), mat adheres to artwork, properly mounted for hanging, mats and/or frames enhance work

B. Each student who prepares an entry will receive a participation ribbon at the school level.

C. At the Livestock Show, the First Place Winner in each category, in each age level will receive a Rosette, Second Place Winner - a Red Ribbon and Third Place Winner - a White Ribbon.

D. Rosette winners from each of the categories will then compete for Best of Show.

- E. A Best of Show will be selected from each of the Four Divisions.
- F. The decision of the judges will be final.
- G. The four entries selected as Best of Show and Reserve Best of Show will receive a plaque. The "Toasting Texas" Auction will take place Friday, March 15 at 6:00 p.m. upstairs in the Event Center. 1st place in all divisions have the option to sale their art project, as well as the Grand and Reserve Grand Champions.**
- H. No ribbons will be placed on the art, only a card announcing 1st, 2nd, 3rd Place Winners. Ribbons will be given to art teachers when they pick up art on Sunday, March 17 between 12 p.m. & 2 p.m. AT THE LIVESTOCK OFFICE.

*****The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show, Show Chairperson, Show Committee Members cannot be held responsible or liable for loss, damage or deterioration of any works entered or projects that are not picked up on Sunday, March 17, 2019*****

Best of Show-----Plaque
Reserve Best of Show-----Plaque
1st Place-----Rosette
2nd – 6th Place-----Ribbon

MARKET GOAT DIVISION



Entry Deadline -----January 15

Entry Fee -----\$20.00

Delivery to Show Grounds ----- 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday, March 11
----- 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12

Weighing/Sifting/Classifying ----- 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12

Judging----- 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 13

Showmanship ----- (following Judging), Wednesday, March 13

Load out ----- 11:00 a.m., Sunday, March 17

MARKET GOAT DIVISION RULES

Notice to Exhibitors: Exhibitors must remove goats that are sifted from the Show grounds immediately after sifting. All others must be consigned by the exhibitor and or buyer to the processing plant, individual, etc. assigned by the Show Management. Violation of this rule will result in exhibitor being barred from future shows.

Sexually intact goats brought to the show grounds must have a Premise ID Tag issued by the Texas Animal Health Commission. If an exhibitor has purchased a project from a breeder the breeder should supply the Premise ID Tag.

1. Each exhibitor must be a member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and be enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr or Willacy County and in their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H Club from November 1, 2018, thru the Show period.
2. Exhibitors must be in the third grade or nine years old but less than 20 years of age as of January 1, 2019.
3. All goats must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and continuously fed and cared for by the exhibitor from October 31, 2018 thru the Show date under the supervision of an AST, CEA or 4-H Club manager.
4. Goats may be of any breed or crossbreed, a wether or unbred doe.
5. All male goats must be castrated by January 1, 2019.
6. All goats must be validated by October 31, 2018. **A copy of the validation form must be attached to the Entry Certification form.**
7. An exhibitor may enter only one goat.
8. Any animal found to have been entered in another show under a different exhibitor's name other than the name entered in this Show and/or any animal which has gone thru the auction at another show will be ineligible for this Show. Any goat found to have evidence of more than one validation, will be ineligible to show unless the proper Change of Ownership forms are received, reflecting why there is evidence of more than one validation and that the previous validation(s) have been canceled.
9. Exhibitors must declare animal weight at the time they Sift and Classify. The weight listed on the Weight Card will become that animal's official declared weight to be used for weigh back and selling purposes. Exhibitors must complete the Weight Card to include declared weight and state validation tag number.
10. Showmanship will take place Wednesday, March 13th following Judging. All exhibitors must declare showmanship during the sifting process.
11. Goats must meet the following requirements or be sifted.
 - A. Must weigh at least 65 pounds. Maximum weight for all goats will be 115 pounds.
 - B. Any goat that has had its natural musculature or weight altered by use of injections or ingested material not conducive of the continued health of goats or marketability of goat carcasses will be sifted.
 - C. All goats must be slick shorn from the hock up with 3/8 inch of hair or less.
 - D. Sharp or pointed horns must be clipped or rounded or sanded to the size of a dime or larger to meet the approval of the Goat Committee prior to going thru the sift.
 - E. Goats must be creditable from standpoint of quality, finish and not have been mutilated in any way at time of sifting.
 - F. Exhibitors must have a collar or halter on their goat at all times during weighing and sifting.

12. Chokers with spikes will not be permitted during sift or during judging.
13. The decision of the sifters will be final. Protest will not be accepted on sifter's opinion.
14. After sifting, goats will be divided into five weight divisions as nearly equal as possible. Each weight division will then be divided into four classes as nearly equal in number as possible. All goats of the same weight will be put in the same weight group.
- 15. All Market Goats will be sold to the person or company submitting the highest bid. **Sifted goats must be removed from showgrounds immediately after sifting.****
16. First place goats in each class will compete for Division Champion, 2nd place winners in class that produced the Division Champion will compete with remaining 1st place class goats for Division Reserve Champion. Grand Champion Goat (**Five Division Champions competing**). Reserve Grand Champion Goat (Reserve Champion of Division that furnished the Grand Champion eligible to compete with the 4 remaining division champions).

Division Champions-----Scholarship & Rosette
 Reserve Division Champions ----- Rosette
 Grand Champion----- Belt Buckle, Trophy & Banner
 Reserve Grand Champion ----- Trophy & Banner

17. Top Four (4) placing goats in each class of each weight division may be designated for re-weighing during judging at a time determined by the Goat Superintendent. Any goat weighing more than five (5) pounds above his initial official show weight will become ineligible for any award or placing.

The Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Goat **WILL** have hair samples collected for DNA analysis and the Goat Committee may collect hair and/or blood samples from any goat selected for the Sale Champions for the purpose of conducting a DNA analysis. Any goat not having a positive match from the DNA analysis of the hair and/or blood samples compared to the DNA analysis of the hair and/or blood samples taken from it at the time of enrollment in the state validation program will be disqualified

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

SCHEDULE OF PREMIUM AWARDS

Premium will be based on the number of head showing in each class:

1 - 10 Entries ----- To 5th Place
 11 - 20 Entries----- To 10th Place
 21 - 30 Entries----- To 15th Place
 Over 30 Entries ----- To 20th Place

<u>PLACING</u>	<u>PREMIUM</u>
4 -----	\$32
5 -----	\$31
6 -----	\$30
7 -----	\$29
8 -----	\$28

9 -----	\$27
10-----	\$26
11-----	\$25
12-----	\$24
13-----	\$23
14-----	\$22
15-----	\$21
16-----	\$20
17-----	\$19
18-----	\$18
19-----	\$17
20-----	\$16

MARKET GOAT DIVISION SHOWMANSHIP

All exhibitors of market goats are eligible to compete. Exhibitor must show their own goat for showmanship and exhibitor number is required. Exhibitors will be divided into three age groups.

15 years old and over
 12 to 14 years of age
 8 to 11 years of age
 As of day of show

Awards will be made on the basis of showmanship, neatness of exhibitor, show condition and behavior of animal. Prizes will be awarded in each age group as follow:

1st Place -----	\$345.00 and Belt Buckle
2nd Place -----	\$335.00 and ribbon
3rd Place -----	\$325.00 and ribbon
4th Place-----	\$315.00 and ribbon
5th Place-----	\$305.00 and ribbon

MARKET HOG DIVISION



Entry Deadline -----	January 15
Entry Fee -----	\$20.00
Delivery to Show Grounds -----	12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday, March 11 ----- 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12
Validation Check-----	5:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12
Classifying / Judging -----	4:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 13 ----- 8:00 a.m., Thursday, March 14
Showmanship -----	8:00 a.m., Friday, March 15
Load Out (time subject to change) -----	6:00 p.m., Saturday, March 16

MARKET HOG DIVISION RULES

Notice to Exhibitors: All sifted hogs must be removed from the Showgrounds immediately after sifting. Hogs suspected to be less than 220 pounds will be weighed by committee, hogs less than 220 pounds must be taken home at that time. All others must be consigned by the exhibitor and or buyer to the processing plant, individual, etc. assigned by the Show Management. Violation of this rule will result in exhibitor being barred from future shows.

1. Each exhibitor must be a member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr or Willacy County, and their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H Club from November 1, 2018 thru the Show period.
2. FFA and 4-H exhibitors must be in the third grade or at least nine years old, but under twenty as of January 1, 2019.
3. Market hogs must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor as of November 30, 2018, and must be continuously fed and cared for by the exhibitor as a project under the supervision of AST, CEA or 4-H Club manager. Exhibitor must care for their hog until Saturday 5 pm.
4. Both barrows and gilts are eligible to be entered. All market hogs must have been validated by the Texas Swine Validation Program by November 30, 2018. **A copy of the validation form must be attached to the Entry Certification form.**

5. An exhibitor may enter only one hog. An entry fee of \$20.00 must accompany the entry application. Deadline for entries is January 15, 2019.
6. Any animal, which is found to have been entered in another show under a different exhibitor's name, other than the name entered in this Show, will be declared ineligible. Any animal that has gone through an auction at another show is ineligible for this Show. Market hogs found to have evidence of more than one validation, will be ineligible to show unless the proper Change of Ownership Forms are recorded, reflecting why there is evidence of more than one validation and that the previous validation(s) have been canceled.
7. All market hogs weighing less than **225 lbs.** and over **280 lbs.** will automatically be sifted. Animals will be re-weighed at the discretion of the Division Chairman. The Sifting Committee will attempt to remove all market hogs, which in its opinion will not grade U.S. #1 or #2. The Sifting Committee will also sift market hogs, which in its opinion are not of stock show caliber regardless of the grade the carcass might produce. Hogs that are found to have injuries or illness are subject to sift at the discretion of the Market Hog Committee & Show Veterinarian.
8. Exhibitors must declare animal weight, breed and State Validation # on weight card. The weight listed on the Weight Card will become that animal's official declared weight to be used for weigh back and selling purposes. Exhibitors must complete the Weight Card to include declared weight and state validation tag number and breed. Errors on class and weight postings will NOT be changed after Wednesday, March 13th at 12:00 p.m. All exhibitors participating in showmanship must declare their decision on the back of their weight card along with their AGE. No showmanship entries will be added after Tuesday, March 13th at 5:00 p.m.
9. Market Hogs will be classified by the **Judge** as they enter the show ring.
10. Scales will be allowed in the barn during sifting and judging within organizations assigned pens or designated areas, provided they are tagged with the organizations name and they must state Non-Official Scale". No scales will be allowed in alley ways at any time. Scales must be removed within one our following the final judging. Failure to follow scale rules will result in a \$50 fine.
11. A market hog, which in the opinion of Judge, does not have predominant breed characteristics of the class in which it is entered may be sifted from the Show or, with the approval of the Division Superintendent and the Show Management, moved by the Judge to the class, which in his opinion, the animal is eligible to be entered.
12. Crossbreed is defined as an animal whose sire and dam are of different breeds.

13. Hogs may be re-weighed during judging at a time determined by the Superintendent. Any hog weighing more than 10 pounds above or 5 pounds less than his initial official show weight will become ineligible for any award or placing. Once market hog validation card is turned in, no hog will be permitted to leave RGVLS property.
14. No oil, oil-based products, or powder will be permitted on market hogs. Animals entering the ring groomed with any of these products will be ruled ineligible to show.
15. Positively no one but exhibitors and show officials will be allowed in the judging arena or on the arena director's stand during sifting and judging.
16. All Market Hogs will be sold to the person or company submitting the highest bid
17. The Hog Committee may collect a hair and/or blood sample from any hog entered in the Show for the purpose of conducting a DNA analysis. Any hog not having a positive match from the DNA analysis of this hair and/or blood sample compared to the DNA analysis of the samples taken from it at the time of enrollment in the state validation program will be disqualified.
18. Exhibitors may NOT remove ear tags from their animals. Any club with an animal ear tag missing will be fined. If ear tag falls off, it must be turned into the Market Hog Committee Chairperson. Exhibitors may NOT remove pen numbers from pen where their animal was stalled. Removal of ear tags and/or pen numbers may result in exhibitors' premium money and/or resale money being held by RGVLS.
- 19. Animals must stay in assigned pens! You cannot build your own pen. You should bring your own dividers.**
- 20. Champs for Champions Sale --Exhibitor or representative must be with the sale animal and be ON TIME.**
21. All alley ways are to be kept clear of show boxes, feed boxes, wagons and other items that may cause harm to hogs or people walking down the alley ways. No boxes will be allowed to hang on the outside of pen. All chairs are to be removed from alley ways during show hours.

CLASSES

After sifting and weighing, hogs will be divided by the following breeds:

1. Duroc	5. Light Other Purebreeds
2. Hampshire	6. Dark Crossbreeds
3. Yorkshire	7. Light Other Crossbreed
4. Dark Other Purebreeds	

Judging for the Market Hog show will start Wednesday, March 13 at 4:00 p.m. with the following classes: Duroc, Dark OPB, and Light OPB and Yorkshire. Judging will continue Thursday, March 14 at 8:00 a.m. starting with Hampshire, Dark Cross, Light Other Cross and then Champion Drive. Market Hog Showmanship will begin Friday, March 15 at 8:00 a.m.

In the event there are as many as seventy-five entries of another Purebreed, classes will be added for that breed. If the number of entries of any breed falls below 40, that breed class will be discontinued the following year. Hogs will be put in classes as nearly equal in number as possible. All hogs of the same weight will be put in the lower weight group.

First place hogs in each breed class will compete for Breed Champion. Second place winner in class, which produced the Breed Champion, will compete with remaining first place hogs of the breed for Reserve Breed Champion.

Breed Champions ----- Scholarship, Belt Buckle & Rosette
Reserve Breed Champion----- Rosette
Grand Champion----- Belt Buckle, Trophy & Banner
Reserve Grand Champion ----- Trophy & Banner
(Reserve Champion of the breed that furnished the Grand Champion will compete with remaining Breed Champions for Reserve Grand Champion.)

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

SCHEDULE OF PREMIUM AWARDS

Premium will be based on the number of head showing in each class:

PREMIUMS AWARDED

1 - 10 Entries ----- To 5th Place
11 - 20 Entries----- To 10th Place
21 - 30 Entries----- To 15th Place
Over 30 Entries ----- To 20th Place

PLACING	PREMIUM
4 -----	\$32
5 -----	\$31
6 -----	\$30
7 -----	\$29
8 -----	\$28
9 -----	\$27
10-----	\$26
11-----	\$25
12-----	\$24
13-----	\$23
14-----	\$22
15-----	\$21
16-----	\$20
17-----	\$19
18-----	\$18
19-----	\$17
20-----	\$16

MARKET HOG DIVISION SHOWMANSHIP

All exhibitors of hogs are eligible to compete. Exhibitor must show own hog for showmanship and exhibitor number is required. Exhibitors will be divided into three age groups.

15 years old and over

12 to 14 years of age

8 to 11 years of age

As of day of contest

Awards will be made on the basis of showmanship, neatness of exhibitor, show condition and behavior of animal.

Prizes will be awarded in each age group as follow:

1st place ----- \$415.00 and Belt Buckle

2nd place ----- \$390.00 and ribbon

3rd place ----- \$365.00 and ribbon

4th place----- \$340.00 and ribbon

5th place----- \$315.00 and ribbon

MARKET LAMB DIVISION



Entry Deadline -----January 15
Entry Fee -----\$20.00
Delivery to Show Grounds ----- 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday, March 11
----- 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12
Weighing/Sifting/Classifying ----- 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12
Judging----- 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 12
Showmanship -----following Judging, Tuesday, March 12
Load Out -----11:00 a.m. Sunday, March 17

MARKET LAMB DIVISION RULES

Notice to Exhibitors: Exhibitors must remove lambs that are sifted from the Show grounds immediately after sifting. All others must be consigned by the exhibitor and or buyer to the processing plant, individual, etc. assigned by the Show Management. Violation of this rule will result in exhibitor being barred from future shows.

Sexually intact sheep brought to the show grounds must have a Premise ID Tag issued by the Texas Animal Health Commission. If an exhibitor has purchased a project from a breeder the breeder should supply the Premise ID Tag.

1. Each exhibitor must be a member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and be enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr or Willacy County and in their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H Club from November 1, 2018, through the Show period.
2. Exhibitors must be in third grade or nine years old but under 20 years of age as of January 1, 2019.
3. All lambs must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and continuously fed and cared for by the exhibitor from October 31, 2018, thru Show date under the supervision of an AST, CEA or adult 4-H leader.
4. Lambs may be wether or ewe lambs. All lambs must have been validated by the Texas Lamb Validation Program by October 31, 2018. **A copy of the validation form must be attached to the Entry Certification form.**

5. An exhibitor can enter only one lamb.
6. Any animal found to have been entered in another show under a different exhibitor's name other than the name entered in this Show and/or any animal which has gone thru the auction at another show will be ineligible for this Show. Lambs found to have evidence of more than one validation, will be ineligible to show unless the proper Change of Ownership forms are received, reflecting why there is evidence of more than one validation and that the previous validation(s) have been canceled.
7. Exhibitors must declare animal weight and breed at the time they Sift and Classify. The weight listed on the Weight Card will become that animal's official declared weight to be used for weigh back and selling purposes. Exhibitors must complete the Weight Card to include declared weight, state validation tag number and breed designation.
8. Lambs must meet the following requirements or be sifted.
 - A. All Lambs must weigh at least 80 pounds. There will be no top weight.
 - B. Any lamb that has had its natural musculature or weight altered by use of injections or ingested material not conducive to the continued health of lambs or marketability of lamb carcasses will be sifted.
 - C. All lambs must be slick shorn from knee and hock up at time of sifting. Lambs with excessive wool will be sifted.
 - D. Lambs must be creditable from standpoint of types, quality, finish and breed characteristics.
 - E. Lambs that have been mutilated in any way will be sifted.
 - F. A lamb, which in the opinion of the sifter or classifiers does not have predominant breed characteristics of the class in which it is entered, may be sifted from the Show or, with the approval of the Division Superintendent, moved to another class.
9. The decision of the sifter and/or classifiers will be final. Protests will not be accepted on sifter's opinion.
10. After sifting, lambs will be divided into weight groups by breeds as nearly equal in number as possible but all lambs of the same weight will be in the same weight group. The number of classes per breed will be determined by the Superintendent of the lamb division.
11. All Market Lambs will be sold to the person or company submitting the highest bid. Sifted lambs must be removed from the showgrounds immediately after sifting.
12. Lambs may be re-weighed during judging at a time determined by the Superintendent. Any lamb weighing more than 5 pounds above or below his initial show weight will become ineligible for any award or placing.
13. No one but exhibitors and Show Officials will be allowed in the show ring or on the Arena Director's Stand during judging.
14. No painting, powdering or artificial coloring can be used on lambs.
15. The Lamb Committee may collect hair and/or blood samples from any lamb entered in the Show for the purpose of conducting a DNA analysis. Any lamb not having a positive match from the DNA analysis of the samples compared to the DNA analysis of the hair and/or blood samples taken from it at the time of enrollment in the state validation program will be disqualified.
16. Pens: Pens will NOT be taken apart or altered in any way without approval of the Superintendents. No lights are to be strung on the pens. Superintendents reserve the right to pen a minimum of three head per pen.

17. Trimming Tables: Trimming tables will not be allowed in the barn and must be placed in locations designated by the Superintendents. All trimming tables will require an Identification Tag of the 4-H Club or FFA Chapter.

MARKET LAMB CLASSIFICATION STANDARDS

I. HAIRLESS SHEEP

- A. Acceptable Breed Characteristics
 - 1. Bardo, St. Croix, Dorper, White Dorper, Katahdin or a cross among these breeds
 - 2. No wool below knees and hocks
 - 3. No wool forward of poll
 - 4. No excessive wool covering
 - 5. Strong breed characteristics of breeds other than the five listed above
 - 6. Solid black lambs
- B. Absolute Disqualifications
 - 1. No evidence of hair on britch, belly or forearm
 - 2. Steep hip or tendency to show callipyge gene

II. FINE WOOL

- A. Acceptable Breed Characteristics
 - 1. Rambouillet, Delaine, Debouillet or a cross between these three breeds
 - 2. Soft pelt
 - 3. Silky, white face that is narrow and clean cut
 - 4. Silky, medium size ears
 - 5. White hooves and legs
- B. Discriminatory Breed Characteristics
 - 1. Black or brown spots in the skin or wool on the body of the lamb.
 - 2. Freckles or pigmented areas of black or brown skin may be permitted on the face and ears if other breed characteristics are in order.
 - 3. Freckles or brown or black spots above the hooves.
 - 4. Coarse, chalky, white hair on the face, down the back of the hind legs, and above the hooves.
 - 5. Black pigmentation in the hoofs.
 - 6. Black lambs should be classified as medium wool

III. FINE WOOL CROSS

- A. Acceptable Breed Characteristics
 - 1. Must be a cross with evidence of at least 50% finewool breeding
 - 2. Soft pelt that is characteristic of 1/2 blood fine wool
 - 3. Mottling or some spotting on face and ears
 - 4. Mottling and/or spotting of legs below the knees and stifle joint
 - 5. Face and ears should be soft and silky
- B. Discriminatory Breed Characteristics
 - 1. Face, ears and legs should not be extremely dark or solid in color
 - 2. Coarse, chalky white hair on the face, ears, legs and in the flanks
 - 3. Colored fiber (black or brown spots) in the wool

IV. SOUTHDOWN

- A. Acceptable Breed Characteristics
 - 1. Hair color on muzzle and nose should be gray to dark brown, not approaching black. White is acceptable around muzzle and eyes
 - 2. Wool on the legs should correspond to hair color on the muzzle. A few colored spots on the body are acceptable.
 - 3. Ears should be of moderate length and size with a pointed end and may be approaching slick.
 - 4. Noses should be a colored pigment other than solid pink. A spotted nose is acceptable.
 - 5. Muzzle should be broad with a head of medium length.
 - 6. Hooves should be solid black.
- B. Discriminatory Breed Characteristics
 - 1. Face, ears and legs should not be extremely dark or solid in color
 - 2. Pink nose
 - 3. Coarse, chalky hair around the eyes and in the flank
 - 4. Completely slick ears
 - 5. Pink or striped hooves
 - 6. Black spots in the fleece
 - 7. Open poll on the head
- C. Absolute Disqualification
 - 1. Speckled face or legs
 - 2. Horns or scars
 - 3. Solid black lambs
 - 4. Steep hip and a genetic tendency to be double muscled

V. MEDIUM WOOL- All other breeds not mentioned in sections I, II, III and IV above.

CLASSES

1. -Haired Sheep
2. -Fine Wool
3. -Fine Wool Cross
4. -Southdown
5. -Medium Wool

Breed Champions----- Scholarship & Rosette
Reserve Breed Champions ----- Rosette
Grand Champion----- Belt Buckle, Trophy & Banner
Reserve Grand Champion ----- Trophy & Banner
(Reserve Champion of the breed that furnished the Grand Champion will compete with remaining Breed Champions for Reserve Grand Champion.)

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

SCHEDULE OF PREMIUM AWARDS

Premium will be based on the number of head showing in each class:

1 - 10 Entries -----	to 5th Place
11 - 20 Entries-----	to 10th Place
21 - 30 Entries-----	to 15th Place
Over 30 Entries -----	to 20th Place

<u>PLACING</u>	<u>PREMIUM</u>
4 -----	\$32
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11-----	\$25
12-----	\$24
13-----	\$23
14-----	\$22
15-----	\$21
16-----	\$20
17-----	\$19
18-----	\$18
19-----	\$17
20-----	\$16

MARKET LAMB DIVISION SHOWMANSHIP

All exhibitors of lambs are eligible to compete. Exhibitor must show own lamb for showmanship and exhibitor number is required. They will be divided into three age groups.

15 years old and over
12 to 14 years of age
8 to 11 years of age
as of day of contest

Awards will be made on the basis of showmanship, neatness of exhibitor, show condition and behavior of animal. Prizes will be awarded in each age group as follow:

1st Place -----	\$345.00 and Belt Buckle
2nd Place -----	\$335.00 and ribbon
3rd Place -----	\$325.00 and ribbon
4th Place-----	\$315.00 and ribbon
5th Place-----	\$305.00 and ribbon

MARKET POULTRY DIVISION



Order/Entry Deadline ----- Friday, December 7, 2018

Order Fee + Entry Fee ----- \$85

Delivery to Show Grounds & Sifting ----- 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 13

Judging----- 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 13

Load Out----- Sunday, March 17

The total cost of a poultry order will now be \$85.00. The \$85.00 fee will cover the actual poultry order fee and the exhibitors RGVLS entry fee.

MARKET POULTRY DIVISION RULES

Notice to Exhibitors: All birds brought to the showgrounds must be consigned by the exhibitor to the processing plant, individual, etc. assigned by the Show Management. Violation of this rule will result in exhibitor being barred from future shows.

1. Each exhibitor must be a member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr or Willacy County and in their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H Club from November 1, 2018 thru the Show period.
2. FFA and 4-H exhibitors must be in the third grade or nine years old but under twenty as of January 1, 2019.
3. All orders for chicks must be placed no later than December 7, 2018. Birds must be ordered through the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Office. Each exhibitor must order a box of 50 birds. Ordering birds does constitute a show entry
4. No requests for refund of money received for payment of chicks or cancellations of orders will be considered. Checks will be deposited upon receipt.
5. Chicks may be either straight run or sexed (if sexed birds become available). All exhibitors will be provided the same number of birds from the same hatchery order and will be distributed to exhibitors randomly. Birds of either sex may be shown.
6. All birds will be wing banded. Wing band numbers will be assigned when exhibitors pick up newly hatched birds. All birds brought to the Show must bear the wing band numbers assigned to that exhibitor.

7. Each Exhibitor will be allowed one entry in each of two classes: Pen of Broilers Class and Best Bird Class. The pen of broilers entry will consist of three birds. The Best Bird Class entry will consist of a single bird and may not come from the pen of broilers class.
8. The winner of the Best Single Bird class will be awarded a belt buckle and will **not** be eligible for premiums or the sale.
9. Each exhibitor may bring no more than 5 birds to sift: Pen of 3, Best Bird and one alternate or pen of three and two alternates. All birds brought to the showground become the property of the Show and will not be allowed to leave the grounds.
10. Birds will be inspected by the judge at sifting to eliminate entries not in proper show condition. Birds found to have a bruise, broken wing, etc. during sift may be replaced by an alternate bird or best bird brought by the exhibitor. Sick and /or diseased birds will be sifted and if discovered at any time during the course of the Show, will be subject to being removed by Show Officials as directed by the judge and/or Show veterinarian. Birds with reduced comb growth or other secondary sex characteristics which indicate the presence of a hormone will be sifted.
11. Birds losing their wing band for whatever reason are ineligible to show. Birds with wing bands showing sign of being tampered with are subject to being sifted. Birds bearing a wing band other than one assigned to the exhibitor will be sifted.
12. There is no maximum or minimum weight per bird. Birds will not be weighed at the Show. Very light weight birds will be subject to being sifted at the discretion of the judge.
13. During sifting and check-in, each exhibitor will be required to sign-up for housekeeping duty as organized by the Poultry Committee. Housekeeping duty will be assigned to individual exhibitors so that all exhibitors will take turns providing feed, clean water and fresh shavings to all birds for the duration of the Livestock Show. All birds must have clean feed and water at all times. It will be the responsibility of all exhibitors to perform their housekeeping duties as assigned. Failure to fulfill these responsibilities may result in disqualification of the exhibitor from future Shows. The Show will furnish feed and shavings. Exhibitors may also bring their own feed.
14. Birds must not be removed from the assigned cage after they are cooped, except by permission from the poultry committee chairman. On the day of the show, birds may be managed inside the cage only by the owner of the birds.
15. Exhibitors must be present at the time of sifting and judging to show their birds to the judge. Each exhibitor should arrange for two 4-H or FFA members to help them exhibit their birds during judging. Absolutely no adults will be allowed in the show ring during judging.
16. The Official Broiler Order Form will serve to meet the requirements of the Texas Pullorum Disease-Fowl Typhoid Act of 1977 and no other broiler health papers need be submitted to the Show.
17. All exhibitors are required to display an exhibitor card on their pens at all times.
18. If a bird expires between the time of sift and the time prior to the exhibitor entering the show arena, their alternate bird or best bird will be allowed to replace the expired bird (but only if an alternate bird and/or best bird was taken through the sift by that exhibitor). If a bird expires after entering the show arena, no substitution will be allowed and the final placing will be left to the discretion of the judge. All substitutions must be approved by the chairman of the poultry committee.

Grand Champion-----	Scholarship, Belt Buckle, Trophy & Banner
Reserve Grand Champion -----	Scholarship, Belt Buckle, Trophy & Banner
3rd, 4th, & 5th place -----	Banner
6th thru 15th place -----	Ribbon
Best Single Bird-----	Belt Buckle

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

SCHEDULE OF PREMIUM AWARDS

Premiums will be based on the number of entries in the Show:

1 - 10 Entries ----- To 5th Place
11 - 20 Entries----- To 10th Place
21 - 30 Entries----- To 15th Place
Over 30 Entries ----- To 20th Place

<u>PLACING</u>	<u>PREMIUM</u>
1 -----	\$35
2 -----	\$34
3 -----	\$33
4 -----	\$32
5 -----	\$31
6 -----	\$30
7 -----	\$29
8 -----	\$28
9 -----	\$27
10-----	\$26
11-----	\$25
12-----	\$24
13-----	\$23
14-----	\$22
15-----	\$21
16-----	\$20
17-----	\$19
18-----	\$18
19-----	\$17

The top 20% of the entries will be in the Sale of Champions with no less than the top four entries going through the Sale.

MARKET RABBIT DIVISION



Entry Deadline ----- January 15
Entry Fee----- \$10.00
Delivery, Weighing/Sifting/Classify ----- 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Monday, March 11
Register for Rabbit Showmanship Competition ----- 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Monday, March 11
Judging----- 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 12
Load Out -----Sunday, March 17

MARKET RABBIT DIVISION RULES

Notice to Exhibitors: All sifted rabbits must be removed from the Showgrounds immediately after sifting. All others must be consigned by the exhibitor and or buyer to the processing plant, individual, etc. assigned by the Show Management. Violation of this rule will result in exhibitor being barred from future shows.

Validation of Market Rabbits will take place **Saturday, February 9th 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the RGVLS Show Grounds in Mercedes**. One tattoo will be used for all validated market rabbits and will be done so by the Market Rabbit Committee during this day and time. **The exhibitor may validate as many market rabbits as they like.** Major shows like Houston, San Antonio, & Fort Worth have done this validation process for years.

One tattoo will be used for all validated market rabbits, **if a different tattoo shows up in the market rabbit pen during the 2019 show, the whole pen will be disqualified.** The rules and regulations will be handed to every exhibitor during validation that will include information on the rules, proper carrying cages, metal feeders, water bottles, and number of market pen rabbits allowed to bring to the sift and the show; these rules and regulations must be signed by the exhibitor and returned back to a committee member.

- 1 Each exhibitor must be a member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr, or Willacy County and in their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H Club from November 1, 2018 thru the Show period.
2. FFA and 4-H exhibitors must be in third grade or nine years old but under twenty as of January 1, 2019.

3. Rabbits must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor as of February 9, 2019, and must be continuously fed and cared for by the exhibitor as a project under the supervision of an AST, CEA or 4-H Club manager.
4. An exhibitor can enter only one pen. The pen is to consist of three rabbits, all the same breed or they will be sifted. **DO NOT BRING 4 RABBITS TO THE SHOW AND NOT TWO SEPARATE BREEDS, FOR EXAMPLE (2 CALIFORNIANS AND 1 CROSS BREED THEN CALL THE SET CROSS BREED.** Choose the three you want to enter before you get to the showgrounds. Please bring the 3 rabbits in wire carrying cage with lifted wire bottom. No Laundry baskets, dog/cat carriers, card board boxes or milk crates. Rabbits must be presentable to the judge and rabbit committee at the time of sift. Animals must be clean and dry or the pen of rabbits will be sifted.
5. Rabbits will be weighed on official show scales at time of entry.
6. Rabbits will be sifted in accordance with the current American Rabbit Breeder Association's (ARBA) Standard of Perfection. Defects include, but are not limited to:
 - A. Must weigh at least 3 1/2 pounds but no more than 5 1/2 pounds at the sifting weigh-in. If any one rabbit in the pen weighs less than 3 1/2 pounds or more than 5 1/2 pounds, the entire pen will be sifted.
 - B. Must be marketable meat and pelt (fur) quality.
 - C. Must not be over 70 days old at time of sifting.
 - D. Must be free of the following defects:
 - (1) Cysts, ruptures or tumors
 - (2) Cold or snuffles
 - (3) Abscesses (hocks or elsewhere)
 - (4) Matted eyelids
 - (5) Blindness in either or both eyes
 - (6) Mange
 - (7) Mites (ear or body)
 - (8) Fleas
 - (9) Malocclusion
 - (10) Vent Diseases
 - (11) Missing toes or missing complete toenail.
 - (12) Bob tail or broken tail
 - E. If anyone rabbit in the pen is disqualified, the entire pen will be sifted.
7. Identification card during sift with pen number will be color coded as per breed, color, and must follow exhibitor to the end of the sift table where the judge will place.
8. Judge will have final say if the animal is show worthy or will be sifted.
9. A pen of rabbits, which in the opinion of the sifter, does not meet ARBA Breed Standards of the breed in which it is entered, will be moved to the proper breed by the sifter.
10. After rabbits have been accepted by the Show, no exchange of animals may be made. To do so will disqualify the exhibitor.
11. Weighing/Sifting/Classifying of Market Rabbits – Only one parent or Ag Teacher/4-H Club Manager will be allowed in the rabbit area during the sift for a 15 minute time frame to help the exhibitor with unloading of rabbits. The exhibitor can hang their flip top metal rabbit feeders, 32 oz. water bottles and give rabbits water during this time. Feeding can be done after the sift is over. Signage,

show supplies and show boxes can be delivered after sifting is completed. Each exhibitor must identify the breed of their rabbits at the time of check-in /sift.

Only FLIP TOP METAL RABBIT FEEDERS (through the cage type and big enough to hold enough feed for 3 rabbits each day) and one or two 32 ounce or larger bottle type waterer (so rabbits will have enough water during warm weather). No crocks or bowls allowed.

Each exhibitor will be responsible for feeding and watering their rabbits each day until rabbits are loaded out at the end of the Show. Failure to do so may disqualify the exhibitor (at the Boards discretion) from showing next year.

The Rabbit area will be open from 9:00 a.m. till 9:00 p.m. each day. RABBITS MUST HAVE WATER AT ALL TIMES. THEY MUST BE FED BY 7:00 P.M. EACH DAY. THIS RULE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.

12. The Livestock Show will not be responsible for any rabbits that get sick or die while on exhibit or in case of fire.

13. No oils, polishes, powders, wipes or other products may be used which would cosmetically alter the rabbit's naturally groomed appearance at sifting or at the show table.

14. Rabbits will be judged in accordance with American Rabbit Breeders' Association's (ARBA) Standard and Guide for Judging Meat Classes. Judges will additionally refer to the appropriate Breed Standards, as they deem necessary.

15. The four judging factors are:

A. **MEAT TYPE** is worth 40%. Look for fryers that are compact, short and well filled out with rounded solid flesh. Protruding hips, pin bones, back bones (spines), etc. are faults. Look for wide, deep loins, thickness of the hindquarters and well-developed shoulders. Hindquarters are most important. Loin is next and shoulders are third in importance.

B. **CONDITION** is worth 30%. All three rabbits in the pen should be in prime condition.

C. **UNIFORMITY** is worth 20%. The pen must reflect uniformity of weight, size, appearance, condition, meat type and fur.

D. **FUR** is worth 10%

16. General public and spectators will not be allowed to handle any exhibitor's rabbit at any time during the week of the show. Only the exhibitor, FFA Leader, 4-H Project Leader or parent will be allowed to handle their own individual, club, or chapter's rabbit projects at any time during the week of the show.

17. Exhibitors will be required to display their rabbits at the show tables as directed by the judge. Any exhibitor who places in their class must remain in the rabbit barn until advised to leave. Failure to remain in the area will result in forfeiture of any further placing.

18. No locks will be permitted on cages after judging takes place. Cages may be locked until judging. Any locks found on cages after judging will be cut off. Nothing shall be displayed or attached to or below the rabbit cages other than pen assignment signage attached by the rabbit committee. Nothing should be placed in empty cages.

19. Delivery of rabbits to buyer or his agents will be made on Sunday, March 17. Feeders and Water bottles may be removed after load out.

BREEDS

Each breed will have classes as follows: 1 - 20 pens = 1 class; 21 - 40 pens = 2 classes; 41 - 60 pens = 3 classes; 61 - 80 pens = 4 classes. First place and second place of each class will compete for Breed Champion and Reserve Breed Champion. First place pen of rabbits in each class will compete

for Breed Champion. The second place winner in the class that produced the Breed Champion will compete with the remaining first place class winners for Reserve Breed Champion. Ribbons and premiums will be awarded in each class as indicated under "Premium Section".

The New Zealand classes will now include New Zealand White, New Zealand Black, New Zealand Broken, and New Zealand Red. Each individual New Zealand breed will have its own class and once the first and second place from each class is selected, then an overall New Zealand Breed Champion and Reserve Breed Champion will be selected to compete with the remaining breeds, (Californian and OPB/Crossbreeds) Then all breed and reserve breed champions will compete for the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion of the show. The judge of the show has the final decision in classification of Market Pen Rabbits.

Breed 1 - NEW ZEALAND

Champion New Zealand-----Scholarship & Rosette
Reserve Champion New Zealand-----Rosette

Breed 2 - CALIFORNIAN

Champion Californian-----Scholarship & Rosette
Reserve Champion Californian-----Rosette

Breed 3 - CROSSBREEDS AND OTHER PUREBREEDS (A Crossbreed is a rabbit whose sire and dam are of different breeds)

Champion Crossbreeds and Other Purebreeds-----Scholarship & Rosette
Reserve Champion Crossbreeds and Other Purebreeds-----Rosette
Grand Champion-----Belt Buckle, Trophy & Banner
(First Place Winner in Breeds 1, 2 and 3 competing)
Reserve Grand Champion-----Trophy and Banner
(Reserve Breed Champion from the Class that produced Grand Champion will compete with the remaining two Breed Champions)

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 41 also apply.

SCHEDULE OF PREMIUM AWARDS

Premium will be based on the number of pens showing in each class:

1 - 10 Entries -----To 5th Place
11 - 20 Entries----- To 10th Place
21 - 30 Entries----- To 15th Place
Over 30 Entries ----- To 20th Place

<u>PLACING</u>	<u>PREMIUM</u>
1 -----	\$35
2 -----	\$34
3 -----	\$33
4 -----	\$32
5 -----	\$31
6 -----	\$30
7 -----	\$29
8 -----	\$28
9 -----	\$27
10-----	\$26
11-----	\$25
12-----	\$24
13-----	\$23
14-----	\$22
15-----	\$21
16-----	\$20
17-----	\$19
18-----	\$18
19-----	\$17
20-----	\$16

RABBIT DIVISION SHOWMANSHIP

Monday, March 11

Only rabbit exhibitors who are exhibiting their own rabbits will be allowed to enter the Rabbit Showmanship Competition. They must register for showmanship during the sift at the Rabbit Sifting Table on Monday, March 11.

15 years old and over
12 to 14 years of age
8 to 11 years of age
As of day of contest

Exhibitors must report to the Rabbit Area at which time a multiple-choice exam will be given at a determined location. Test questions will be drawn from the Texas A&M Extension Service rabbit literature that is available through the County Agents and from the 2011 through 2015 edition of the American Rabbit Breeders Association Standard of Perfection (pages 4 - 15; 29 thru 57; 90 thru 91; and 182 thru 184).

Tuesday, March 12

(After completion of all rabbit judging):

The top five contestants from each of the age group, scoring highest on the multiple choice exam, will compete in the showmanship finals. Each finalist will be called individually to take one of their previously shown RGVLS market rabbits, to the show table for final competition. Physical "showing" of their rabbit as well as their knowledge of rabbit husbandry will constitute 100% of the score. The decision of the judge is final.

Prizes will be awarded in each age group as follows:

1st Place -----	\$150.00 and Belt Buckle
2nd Place -----	\$125.00 and ribbon
3rd Place -----	\$100.00 and ribbon
4th Place-----	\$75.00 and ribbon
5th Place-----	\$50.00 and ribbon

MARKET STEER DIVISION



Entry Deadline -----	January 15
Entry Fee -----	\$30.00
Delivery to Show Grounds -----	12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday, March 11 ----- 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12
Scales will be open -----	10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12
Sifting/Classifying -----	3:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 13
Judging-----	<u>[Event Center Arena]</u> 7:00 a.m., Friday, March 15
Showmanship -----	Following Judging, Friday, March 15
Load Out -----	10:00 a.m., Sunday, March 17

MARKET STEER DIVISION RULES

Notice to Exhibitors: All sifted steers must be removed from the Showgrounds immediately after sifting. All others must be consigned by the exhibitor and or buyer to the processing plant, individual, etc. assigned by the Show Management. Violation of this rule will result in exhibitor being barred from future shows.

1. All steers must have been validated on or before July 1, 2018, with a legible nose print, ear tag, ear tattoo, and completed Validation Form. **Validation tags must be in steers' ear prior to arriving on showgrounds. ONLY A VALIDATION TAG SHOULD BE PRESENT IN THE EAR. REMOVE ALL OTHER TAGS BEFORE SIFT.** Steers without an official Texas Steer Validation will be ineligible to show. A copy of the validation form must be attached to the Entry Certification Form.
2. Each exhibitor must be a bona fide member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and be enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr or Willacy County and in their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H Club by November 1, 2018 thru the Show period.
3. Exhibitors must be in the third grade or at least nine years old, but under 20 years of age as of January 1, 2019.

4. All steers must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and continuously cared for by the exhibitor from July 1, 2018, thru the Show date, under the supervision of AST, CEA or 4-HClub manager.
5. An exhibitor may enter only one steer. Number of State validation tag, breed of steer and breed of sire and dam must be shown on the entry application.
6. Any animal, which is found to have been entered in another show under a different exhibitor's name, other than the name entered in this Show, will be declared ineligible. Any animal that has gone through the auction at another show is ineligible for this Show. Market Steers found to have evidence of more than one validation, will be ineligible to show unless the proper Change of Ownership Forms are recorded, reflecting why there is evidence of more than one validation and that the previous validation(s) have been canceled.
7. Exhibitors must declare animal weight at the time they Sift and Classify. The weight listed on the Weight Card will become that animal's official declared weight to be used for weigh back and selling purposes. Exhibitors must complete the Weight Card to include declared weight and state validation tag number.
8. Any steer showing more than normal fill at weighing time will be sifted by Show Officials.
9. The act of artificially filling animals internally by stomach pumping, is prohibited and will result in disqualification of the animal.
10. Steers must meet the following requirements or be sifted:
 - A. Must weigh at least 1,050 pounds. There will be no top weight limit.
 - B. Must be creditable from standpoints of types, quality finish and breed characteristics.
 - C. Must be free of grub or grub damage.
 - D. Must be dehorned and show no secondary horn growth.
 - E. Must be trained to lead and handle properly. Nose leads will be permitted during sifting and judging. Any steer that is wild or requires handling by more than one person at weighing and sifting may be sifted. During the show, such animals may be removed from the ring.
 - F. All steers must be shorn prior to arrival at the Show grounds. Hair must not exceed 1/4 inch on any location of the body excluding the tail switch. (Tail switch is defined as no more than 10 inches above the end of the cartilage of the tail.) No trimming on the grounds with power equipment will be permitted. ALL STEERS MUST BE CLEAN AT THE TIME OF SIFTING.
11. A steer, which in the opinion of the Classifiers does not have predominant breed characteristics of the class in which it is entered, may be sifted from the Show or with the approval of the Division Superintendent and Show Management moved by the Classifiers to the class which in their opinion the animal is eligible to be entered.
12. No change of the major color pattern of a steer by painting or dying will be allowed. Any steer groomed with material that allows color to come off the steer will not be allowed in the Show.
13. Decision of Official Veterinarian, classifier and/or sifter will be final and no protests will be considered by the Show Management.
14. Any steer may be designated for re-weigh at any time determined by the Steer Superintendent. Any steer weighing more or less than 5% of his initial official show weight will become ineligible for any award or placing. All Breed Champions and Reserve Breed Champions will be re-weighed before Grand Champion judging.

15. No one but exhibitors and Show Officials will be allowed in the show ring or on the Arena Director's stand during sifting and judging. There is to be no feeding, drenching or watering in the arena during the judging.
16. Steers must remain in their assigned stalls from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. except during sifting and judging and being prepared for judging. Stalls will be located in the Middle Barn
17. Crossbreed is defined as a steer whose sire and dam are of different breeds.
18. After sifting and weighing, steers will be divided by the following breeds: **Brahman Purebred/ Brahman Cross**, Santa Gertrudis and Santa Gertrudis Crossbreeds, Simbrah, ABC (American Breeds & Crossbreeds), Charolais & Charolais Crossbreeds, Chianina (provided there are ten steers entered in competition) Maine Anjou, AOB (British & European Breeds), and put in classes as nearly equal in number as possible according to the following schedule. All steers of the same weight will be put in the lower weight group.

1 - 10 entries -----	1 class
11 - 20 entries -----	2 classes
21 - 35 entries -----	3 classes
36 - 50 entries -----	4 classes
51 & Over -----	5 classes
19. All Market Steers will be sold to the person or company submitting the highest bid. Sifted steers must be removed from the show grounds immediately after sifting.
20. First place steers in each breed class will compete for Breed Champion, second place winner in class which produced the Breed Champion will compete with remaining first place steers of the breed for Reserve Breed Champion.
21. The Steer Committee may collect a hair and/or blood sample from any steer entered in the Show for the purpose of conducting a DNA analysis. Any steer not having a positive match from the DNA analysis of this hair sample compared to the DNA analysis of the hair sample taken from it at the time of enrollment in the validation program will be disqualified.
22. Judging of the Market Steers will take place Friday, March 15 at 7:00 a.m. in the Event Center Arena. Followed by Showmanship.

STEER CLASSES

Except for Purebred Brahman Steers, eligibility for the following classes will be based solely on visible characteristics as determined by classifier(s) appointed by the Show management. (See Rule 11)

BRAHMAN PUREBRED & BRAHMAN CROSS STEERS

Steers must be purebred Brahman or Brahman Cross. Registration papers (*Purebred's Only*) of Sire and Dam must accompany the Entry Certification and ShoWorks receipt. Animals must be purchased from, **but are not limited to**, the four counties of Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr & Willacy.

SANTA GERTRUDIS & SANTA GERTRUDIS CROSSBRED STEERS

Steers must show a predominance of Santa Gertrudis characteristics indicating the animal is 50% or more Santa Gertrudis.

SIMBRAH STEERS

Steers must have a minimum of 1/4 and/or a maximum of 3/4 Simmental and Brahman characteristics and features with no other breed represented. No identification or registration numbers will be required.

ABC STEERS (AMERICAN BREEDS AND CROSSES)

This Class will encompass the American Breeds and their Crosses such as Brahman, Brahmousin, Red Brangus, Black Brangus, Charbray, and Beefmaster.

CHAROLAIS AND CHAROLAIS CROSSBREED STEERS

Steers must show a predominance of Charolais characteristics indicating the animal is 50% or more Charolais.

CHIANINA STEERS

(A class will be created provided there are 10 animals entered in competition)

Must exhibit Chianina influence in head and skeleton; Any shade of black, red, gray or yellow; Brindles, baldies, blaze face and motleys; Head tends to be narrow through the center part of the skull and exhibits a longer muzzle; Muscle conformation tends to be smooth, not coarse or excessively round. Skeleton tends to be lighter and smoother jointed. *Discriminatory Breed Characteristics:* Coarse joints or skeleton; Excessive spotting above the underline. *Absolute Disqualifications:* Appears to be a purebred of any other breed

MAINE-ANJOU STEERS

Steers must be 1/2 blood or more Maine-Anjou and must exhibit predominant characteristics of the breed.

AOB STEERS (ALL OTHER BREEDS)

This Class will encompass those steers that have European and British bloodlines and all crosses between them with no visible evidence of Brahman blood allowed. Breed of sire and dam must be shown on the entry application.

Breed Champions-----Scholarship, Belt Buckle & Rosette
Reserve Breed Champions-----Rosette
Grand Champion-----Belt Buckle, Trophy & Banner
Reserve Grand Champion-----Trophy & Banner
(Reserve Champion of breed that furnished the Grand Champion will compete with remaining Breed Champions for Reserve Grand Champion.)

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

SCHEDULE OF PREMIUM AWARDS

Premium will be based on the number of head showing in each class:

1 - 10 Entries ----- To 5th Place
11 - 20 Entries----- To 10th Place
21 - 30 Entries ----- To 15th Place
Over 30 Entries ----- To 20th Place

PLACING	PREMIUM
4 -----	\$47
5 -----	\$46
6 -----	\$45
7 -----	\$44
8 -----	\$43
9 -----	\$42
10-----	\$41
11-----	\$40
12-----	\$39
13-----	\$38
14-----	\$37
15-----	\$36
16-----	\$35
17-----	\$34
18-----	\$33
19-----	\$32
20-----	\$31

STEER DIVISION SHOWMANSHIP

All exhibitors of steers are eligible to compete. Exhibitor must show own steer for showmanship and exhibitor number is required. Exhibitors will be divided into three age groups

15 years old and over
12 to 14 years of age
8 to 11 years of age
As of day of contest

Awards will be made on the basis of showmanship, neatness of exhibitor, show condition and behavior of animal. Prizes will be awarded in each age group as follow:

1st place ----- \$415.00 and Belt Buckle
2nd place ----- \$390.00 and ribbon
3rd place ----- \$365.00 and ribbon
4th place----- \$340.00 and ribbon
5th place----- \$315.00 and ribbon

JR. BREEDING GILT DIVISION



Entry Fee ----- \$20.00

Delivery to Show ----- Earliest Arrival 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Friday, March 8
----- 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Saturday, March 9

Showmanship ----- 5:00 p.m., Saturday, March 9

Classifying / Judging ----- 9:00 a.m., Sunday, March 10

Release----- 5:00 p.m., Sunday, March 10

JUNIOR BREEDING GILT DIVISION RULES

1. Each exhibitor must be a member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school. Exhibitors must have been enrolled in their 4-H Club or FFA Chapter by November 1, 2018.
2. Exhibitors must be in the third grade or nine years old but less than 20 years of age as of January 1, 2019.
3. There is no limit as to the number of entries per exhibitor. **All animals in this division must be validated with the Texas FFA/4H Swine Validation Program by November 30, 2018** and a copy of the validation papers must be sent with the Entry Certification form. Validation papers must accompany exhibitor in the Show Ring.
4. **Registered animals are allowed to show with non-registered animals. All animals must be validated. There will NOT be a separate show for registered animals.**
5. All animals must be exhibited by their owners, with the following exceptions: when an exhibitor has more than one entry in a class, or the exhibitor cannot be present due to sickness or an emergency, any 4-H or FFA member from the same Club or FFA Chapter as the exhibitor, in whose name the entry is made, may exhibit the exhibitor's animal(s) with approval of the superintendent of the division. **THIS RULE WILL BE ENFORCED.**
6. All breeding gilts must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and continuously fed and cared for by the exhibitor from November 30, 2018 thru the Show date under the supervision of an AST, CEA or 4-H Club manager.

7. There will be no weight limit in this Division. There will be an age limit; no gilt will be more than 10 months of age by Show time. The Judge will classify all breeding gilts according to Breed Registerable Characteristics as they enter the showground. Animals not meeting these characteristics may be subject to reclassification.
8. Pen assignments will be made upon total entries and available pens. All exhibitors should be prepared to share pens. Dividers are the responsibility of the exhibitor.
9. The decision of the Judge will be final. Protest will not be accepted on the judge's opinion.
10. WATER ONLY. Any other products used prior to or on day of show must be thoroughly washed off. Animals entering the ring groomed with any of these products will be ruled ineligible to show.
11. Positively no one but the exhibitors and Show Officials will be allowed in the judging arena or on the arena director's stand during the weighing, classifying and judging.
12. Animals shown in this division will be ineligible for the Market Hog Division.
13. Gilts may be re-weighed during judging at a time determined by the Superintendent. Any gilt weighing 15 pounds more than her initial official show weight will become ineligible for any award or placing.
14. Anything under 225 lbs. will be in an under 225 lbs. class.
15. There will be a 15 lbs. weigh back on all Breed and Reserve Breed Champions.
16. Any hog exhibited in the Rio Grande Valley Jr. Breeding Gilt Show will not be eligible to compete in the Rio Grande Valley Jr. Market Hog Show.

CLASSES

After weighing and classifying breeding gilts will be divided into the following breeds:

1. Duroc	5. Hampshire
2. Yorkshire	6. Dark Other Pure Breeds
3. White Other Pure Breeds	7. Dark Crossbreed
4. Other Crossbreeds	

Gilts will be put in classes as nearly equal in number as possible. First place gilts in each class will compete for Breed Champion, 2nd place winners in the class that produced the Breed Champion will compete with the remaining 1st place Breeding Gilts for Reserve Breed Champion.

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 and Texas Animal Health Commission Rules and Regulations also apply.

GRAND CHAMPION & RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION GILTS

Breed Champions will compete for Grand Champion; Reserve Breed Champion winner in the breed that produced the Grand Champion will compete with the remaining Breed Champions for Reserve Grand Champion gilt.

Breed Champions ----- Belt Buckle Rosette & Scholarship

Reserve Breed Champions ----- Belt Buckle & Rosette

Grand Champion ----- Banner & Scholarship

Reserve Grand Champion ----- Banner & Scholarship

In the event the same individual has the Grand Champion and the Reserve Grand Champion Breeding Gilt, the Judge will pick the third best overall and that exhibitor will receive the Scholarship.

SCHEDULE OF PREMIUM AWARDS

Only the top 3 places in each class will receive a premium award. For example: 1st Place = \$35.00,

2nd Place = \$34.00, 3rd Place = \$33.00. Scholarships will be awarded to the Breed Champions.

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will offer premiums in each class as follows:

<u>PLACING</u>	<u>PREMIUM</u>
1 -----	\$35
2 -----	\$34
3 -----	\$33

JR. BREEDING GILT DIVISION SHOWMANSHIP

SATURDAY, MARCH 10 AT 5:00 P.M.

All exhibitors of Jr. Breeding Gilts are eligible to compete. Exhibitors will be divided into three age groups.

15 years old and over

12 to 14 years of age

9 to 11 years of age

As of day of Show

Awards will be made on the basis of showmanship, neatness of exhibitor, show condition and behavior of animal.

Prizes will be awarded in each age group as follow:

1st Place ----- \$415.00 and Belt Buckle

2nd Place ----- \$390.00 and ribbon

3rd Place ----- \$365.00 and ribbon

4th Place ----- \$340.00 and ribbon

5th Place ----- \$315.00 and ribbon

SWINE SKILLATHON



Saturday, March 9, 2019

Check In and Late Registration: 10:30 a.m. - Frances Cooper Events Center

Contest: 11:00 a.m., Frances Cooper Events Center

Awards: 4:00 p.m. in the Event Center Hog Arena

This show is subject to the RGVLS General Rules and Regulations and Special Rules listed in this section.

SPECIAL RULES

1. Entry: An entry fee of \$20.00 made payable to RGVLS is required. Entries must be submitted online and official RGVLS entry forms must be completed. We will accept onsite registrations on March 10, 2018 at 12:00 p.m.

2. Eligibility: Contestants must meet all Junior Show Rule Requirements. Contestants must be registered and show a hog in either the RGLVS Jr. Breeding Gilt or the RGVLS Market Hog Shows to be eligible to compete in the Swine Skillathon Contest.

3. Divisions: The contest will be divided into three divisions.

Junior Ages 8 - 10
Intermediate Ages 11 - 13
Senior Ages 14 - 18
Age as of August 31, 2018

4. Contest: Consists of written questions and skill stations. The written exam will be 1 hour in length and the Skill Stations 15 minutes each.

50 questions Juniors
75 questions Intermediates
100 questions Seniors
4 skill stations for each division

5. Awards: Awards will be presented at 4:00 p.m. in the Event Center Hog Arena.

JR. BREEDING GOAT DIVISION

Entry Deadline -----	January 25
Entry Fee -----	\$20.00
Delivery to Show Grounds -----	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Friday, March 8
Check-In -----	5:00 p.m. Friday, March 8 - 10:00 a.m., Saturday, March 9
Judging-----	1:00 p.m., Sunday, March 10
Release-----	5:00 p.m., Sunday, March 10

Sexually intact goats brought to the show grounds must have a Premise ID Tag issued by the Texas Animal Health Commission. If an exhibitor has purchased a project from a breeder the breeder should supply the Premise ID Tag. If animal has an official registration certificate and the tattoo matches that registration, then the premise tag requirements may be waived at the discretion of the committee Chairman.

All entries shown in the Junior Breeding Goat classes will be subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show and in addition, to the following rules and regulations.

1. Each exhibitor must be a bona fide member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and enrolled in an elementary, secondary or home school in Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr or Willacy, County and in their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H Club by November 1, 2018.
2. Exhibitors must be in the third grade or nine years old but less than twenty years of age as of January 1, 2019.
3. Animals entered in this division must be registered in the exhibitor's name by January 25, 2019. Animals must be in the possession of the Exhibitor by November 1, 2018 and personally fed and cared for by the exhibitor from that date thru the Show, under the supervision of an AST, CEA or 4-H Club manager.
4. Identification: Goats must have legible ear identification number, tag and tattoo corresponding to registration certification number. Ag Teachers and 4-H managers must check the tattoo on the animals and make sure the tattoo can be seen and identified with no problem prior to bringing entry to the Show. THERE WILL BE NO TATTOOING OF ANIMALS ON THE SHOW GROUNDS.
5. A copy of registration papers must be attached to Summary Sheet and Entry Certification Form. Original registration papers must accompany animal to Show.
6. Exhibitors will not be limited to the number of entries they can enter in this division but may enter no more than two entries per class.
7. Goats entered in this division cannot be shown in the Market Goat Division.
8. Abnormalities: Goats showing any pronounced defect, abnormality or open wounds will be barred from showing. Any evidence of cosmetic surgical alteration to enhance the physical conformation of an animal or dying of hair will disqualify the entry.
9. Fitting guidelines: Goats may be fully haired or trimmed to the owner's discretion.
10. Horns: Full bloods need to be horned, with minor tipping. Percentages may be horned or dehorned.
11. Goats will be shown by the age on the Registration Certificate in the following order.

12. Chokers with spikes may be permitted during sift or during judging at the discretion of parent, 4-H Leader of FFA Advisor for the safety of exhibitor.
13. Premis Tags will be enforced. Must be in place prior to registration. This is not the responsibility of the committee. Exhibitors without premis tags will not be allowed to show.
14. **Goats will be classified by weight and tooth age. (COMMERCIAL ONLY)**

PERCENTAGE BOER DOES



Class 1 - Percentage females ages 0 to less than 9 months

Class 2 - Percentage females ages 9 to less than 12 months

Class 3 - Percentage females ages 12 to less than 18 months

Class 4 - Percentage females 18 months to less than 24 months

Class 5 - Percentage females ages 24 months and older

Class 6 - Grand Champion Percentage Female - Scholarship, Belt Buckle and Banner

Class 7 - Reserve Grand Champion Percentage Female - Scholarship, Trophy and Banner

PUREBRED BOER DOES



Class 8 - Purebred females ages 0 to less than 9 months

Class 9 - Purebred females ages 9 to less than 12 months

Class 10 - Purebred females ages 12 to less than 18 months

Class 11 - Purebred females 18 months to less than 24 months

Class 12 - Purebred females ages 24 months and older

Class 13 - Grand Champion Purebred Female - Scholarship, Belt Buckle and Banner

Class 14 - Reserve Grand Champion Purebred Female - Scholarship, Trophy and Banner

PUREBRED BOER BUCKS



Class 15 Purebred bucks ages 0 to 6 months

Class 16 Purebred bucks ages 6 to 12

Class 17 Purebred bucks ages 12 months and older

Class 18 Grand Champion Purebred Buck - Scholarship, Belt Buckle and Banner

Class 19 Reserve Grand Champion Purebred Buck - Scholarship, Trophy and Banner

COMMERCIAL BOER DOES



1. Commercial Does in Jr. Show must be state validated & have a Texas State Validation Tag.
2. All Commercial Does must have Texas State Premis/Scrapies Tag each year.
3. If there are any questions by classifiers then the Doe will be moved to the next older Does Class. All classifier decisions are final for the Show.
4. Commercial Does entered in the Jr. Commercial Doe Show are eligible to be shown in the Open RGVLS Breeding Goat Show, however Commercial Does are not eligible to be shown in the RGVLS Market Goat Show.
5. Classifying and sifting of Commercial Does will start at 8:00 a.m. and end at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 8 in the designated area by the Goat committee for Jr. and Open Breeding Goat Exhibits.
6. If greater than 10 entries are in the class, the class will be divided to its own separate class and be divided by the show committee.

Class 20	Does with Milk Teeth
Class 21	Two Tooth Does
Class 22	Four Tooth & Older Does
Class 23	Grand Champion Jr. Commercial Doe - Scholarship, Belt Buckle and Banner
Class 24	Reserve Grand Champion Jr. Commercial Doe - Scholarship, Trophy and Banner

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

SCHEDULE FOR PREMIUM AWARDS

Premium will be based on the number of head showing in each class:

1 - 10 Entries ----- To 5th Place
11 - 20 Entries----- To 10th Place
21 - 30 Entries----- To 15th Place
Over 30 Entries ----- To 20th Place

<u>PLACING</u>	<u>PREMIUM</u>
1 -----	\$35
2 -----	\$34
3 -----	\$33
4 -----	\$32
5 -----	\$31
6 -----	\$30
7 -----	\$29
8 -----	\$28
9 -----	\$27
10-----	\$26
11-----	\$25
12-----	\$24
13-----	\$23
14-----	\$22
15-----	\$21
16-----	\$20
17-----	\$19
18-----	\$18
19-----	\$17
20-----	\$16

JR. BREEDING GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

All exhibitors of Jr. Breeding Goats are eligible to compete. Exhibitors will be divided into three age groups. Exhibitor must show his/her own goat.

15 years old and over

12 to 14 years of age

8 to 11 years of age

As of day of Show

Prizes will be awarded in each age group as follow:

1st Place-----	\$345.00 and Belt Buckle
2nd Place -----	\$335.00 and ribbon
3rd Place -----	\$325.00 and ribbon
4th Place-----	\$315.00 and ribbon
5th Place-----	\$305.00 and ribbon

JR. BREEDING RABBIT DIVISION



Entry Deadline-----	January 15
Entry Fee-----	\$10.00
Delivery, Weighing/Sifting/Classify -----	11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Saturday, March 9
Judging-----	10:00 a.m., Sunday, March 10
Release-----	5:00 p.m., Sunday, March 10

JUNIOR BREEDING RABBIT DIVISION RULES

1. Each exhibitor must be a member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in Cameron, Willacy, Starr or Hidalgo County and in their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H Club from November 1, 2018 thru the Show period.
2. FFA and 4-H exhibitors must be in third grade or nine years old but under twenty as of January 1, 2019.
3. Animals must be in the exhibitor's possession by January 15, 2019 and personally fed and cared for by the exhibitor from that date thru the Show, under the supervision of an AST, CEA or 4-H Club Manager.
4. RABBITS MUST HAVE A LEGIBLE BREEDER'S/OWNER'S TATTOO IN THE RABBITS LEFT EAR. Each tattoo must be a maximum of 5 digits, minimum of 2 digits. If there are more than one exhibitor from a family, every rabbit must have a different tattoo. Tattoo's must be in the rabbit's left ear by possession date, January 15, 2019, and not the day of the sift. TATTOO MUST BE ON THE ENTRY CARD. Please bring the rabbits in a wire carrying cage with a lifted bottom. No Laundry baskets, dog/cat carriers, card board boxes, or milk crates. Rabbits must be clean and dry or the rabbit will be sifted.
5. Each rabbit entered in the Jr. Breeding Rabbit division show must have its own different or distinctive breeder's tattoo in the left ear per exhibitor. Exhibitors who enter a rabbit or rabbits for Jr. Breeding Rabbit show from separate FFA Chapter or 4-H clubs must have different breeder tattoo's for each individual rabbit entered.
6. IDENTIFICATION: RABBIT'S BREEDER/OWNER TATTOO NUMBER AND BREED OF RABBIT MUST ON THE ENTRY APPLICATION, WHICH IS DUE JANUARY 15, 2019. There will be a 4 day grace

period from when online entries are submitted, to make sure all information (tattoo, classification, breed, sex) is correct.

7. Rabbits will be weighed on official Show scales at time of entry.
8. Rabbits must meet the following requirements or automatically be sifted:
 - a. Must be marketable meat and pelt (fur) quality
 - b. Must be free of the following defects:
 - i. Cysts, ruptures or tumors
 - ii. Cold or snuffles
 - iii. Abscesses (hocks or elsewhere)
 - iv. Matted eyelids
 - v. Blindness in either or both eyes
 - vi. Mange
 - vii. Mites (ear or body)
 - viii. Fleas
 - ix. Malocclusion
 - x. Vent Disease
 - xi. Missing toe or toenails
 - xii. Bobtail or broken tail
9. Identification card during sift with pen number will be color coded as per breed, color, and must follow exhibitor to the end of the sift table where the judge will place.
10. Judge will have final say if the animal is show worthy or will be sifted.
11. A rabbit, which in the opinion of the sifter does not meet ARBA Breed Standards of the breed in which it is entered, will be moved to the proper breed by the sifter.
12. After rabbits have been accepted by the Show, no exchange of animals may be made. To do so will disqualify the exhibitor.
13. Weighing/Sifting/Classifying of Jr. Breeding Rabbits – **Only one parent or Ag Teacher/4-H Club Manager will be allowed in the rabbit area during the sift for a 15 minute time frame to help the exhibitor with unloading of rabbits.** Each exhibitor must bring one hang flip top metal rabbit feeder (through the cage type and big enough to hold enough feed for the rabbit each day). Feeding can be done after the sift is over. Signage, show supplies and show boxes can be delivered after the sift is completed.

Each exhibitor must identify the breed of their rabbits at the time of check-in and sift.
Each exhibitor must bring one hanging metal rabbit feeder (through the cage type and big enough to hold enough feed for the rabbit each day) and one or two 32 ounce or larger bottle type waterier (so rabbits will have enough water during warm weather). These must be displayed to the Sifting Committee at check-in time. No crocks or bowls allowed. Rabbits will not be admitted unless properly functioning spill proof containers accompany the pen.

Each exhibitor will be responsible for feeding and watering their rabbits each day until rabbits are loaded out at the end of the Show. Failure to do so may disqualify the exhibitor (at the Board's discretion) from showing next year. The rabbit area will be open from 9:00 a.m. till 9:00 p.m. each day. Rabbits must have water at all times and they must be fed by 7:00p.m. each day. THIS RULE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.

14. The Livestock Show will not be responsible for any rabbits that get sick or die for any reason while on exhibit.
15. No oils, polishes, powders, wipes or other products may be used which would cosmetically alter the rabbit's naturally groomed appearance at the show table or at sifting.
16. Rabbits will be judged in accordance with American Rabbit Breeders' Association's (ARBA) Standard and Guide. Judges will additionally refer to the appropriate Breed Standards, as they deem necessary.
17. Basically the four judging factors are:
 - A. **GENERAL TYPE** - Look for rabbits that are compact, short and well filled out with rounded solid flesh. Protruding hips, pin bones, back bones (spines), etc. are faults. Look for wide, deep loins, thickness of the hindquarters and well-developed shoulders. Hindquarters are most important. Loin is next and shoulders are third in importance.
 - B. **CONDITION** - Each rabbit should be in prime condition
 - C. **COLOR**
 - D. **FUR**
18. General public and spectators will not be allowed to handle any exhibitor's rabbit at any time during the week of the show. Only the exhibitor, FFA Leader, 4-H Project Leader or parent will be allowed to handle their own individual, club, or chapter's rabbit projects at any time during the week of the show.
19. Exhibitors will be required to display their rabbits at the show tables as directed by the judge. Any exhibitor who places in their class must remain in the rabbit barn until advised to leave. Failure to remain in the area will result forfeiture of any further placing.
20. Each exhibitor will not be limited to the number of entries they can enter in this division but may enter no more than one (1) entry per class. Classes may be combined if necessary.

Class 1 Junior New Zealand Doe

Under 6 months of age
not over 9 lbs. (Minimum weight 6 lbs.)

Class 2 Junior New Zealand Buck

Under 6 months of age
not over 9 lbs. (Minimum weight 6 lbs.)

Class 3 Intermediate New Zealand Doe

6 to 8 months of age,
not over 11 lbs.

Class 4 Intermediate New Zealand Buck

6 to 8 months of age
not over 10 lbs.

Class 5 Senior New Zealand Doe

8 months of age and over
weight 10 to 12 lbs.

Class 6 Senior New Zealand Buck

8 months of age and over
weight 9 to 11 lbs.

Class 7 Junior Californian Doe

Under 6 months of age
not over 8 1/2 lbs. (Minimum weight 5 1/2 lbs.)

Class 8 Junior Californian Buck

Under 6 months of age
not over 8 lbs. (Minimum weight 5 1/2 lbs.)

Class 9 Intermediate Californian Doe

under 8 months of age
not over 9 1/2 lbs.

Class 10 Intermediate Californian Buck

Under 8 months of age
not over 9 lbs.

Class 11 Senior Californian Doe

8 months of age and over
weight 8 1/2 to 10 1/2 lbs.

Class 12 Senior Californian Buck

8 months of age and over
weight 8 to 10 lbs.

After classes 1 through 6 are judged, there will be judging for Breed Champion and Reserve Breed Champion for the New Zealand breed.

Classes 7 through 12 will be judged, then there will be judging for Breed Champion and Reserve Breed Champion of the Californian breed.

Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of the Show will be picked from the Breed Champions and the Reserve Breed Champion of the breed that produced the Grand Champion.

Rabbits and all belongings in pen areas must promptly be removed from showgrounds Sunday, March 10, 2019 by 5:00 p.m.

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

Breed Champion-----Rosette

Reserve Breed Champion -----Rosette

Grand Champion ----- Scholarship, Belt Buckle & Banner

Reserve Grand Champion--Scholarship, Trophy and Banner

SCHEDULE FOR PREMIUM AWARDS

Premiums will be paid as follows:

1 - 10 Entries ----- To 5th Place
11 - 20 Entries----- To 10th Place
21 - 30 Entries----- To 15th Place
Over 30 Entries ----- To 20th Place

<u>PLACING</u>	<u>PREMIUM</u>
1 -----	\$35
2 -----	\$34
3 -----	\$33
4 -----	\$32
5 -----	\$31
6 -----	\$30
7 -----	\$29
8 -----	\$28
9 -----	\$27
10-----	\$26
11-----	\$25
12-----	\$24
13-----	\$23
14-----	\$22
15-----	\$21
16-----	\$20
17-----	\$19
18-----	\$18
19-----	\$17
20-----	\$16

JR. BREEDING RABBIT DIVISION SHOWMANSHIP

Saturday, March 9

Only exhibitors who are exhibiting their own rabbits will be allowed to enter the Jr. Breeding Rabbit Showmanship Competition. They must register for showmanship a Rabbit Check-in on Saturday, March 10, 2018. Exhibitors will be divided into three age groups.

15 years old and over
12 to 14 years of age
8 to 11 years of age
As of day of show.

Exhibitors must report to the Rabbit Area, at which time a multiple-choice exam will be given at a determined location. Test questions will be drawn from the Texas A&M Extension Service rabbit literature that is available through the County Agents and from the 2011 through 2015 edition of the American Rabbit Breeders Association Standard of Perfection (pages 4 - 15; 29 thru 57; 90 thru 91; and 182 thru 184).

Sunday, March 10

(After completion of all rabbit judging):

The five contestants from each of the age groups, who scored highest on the multiple choice exam, will go to the show table, each with one of their previously shown RGVLS rabbits, individually as called, for final competition.

Physical "showing" of their rabbits will constitute 100% of the score. Prizes will be awarded in each age group as follows:

1st Place-----	\$150.00 and Belt Buckle
2nd Place-----	\$125.00 and ribbon
3rd Place-----	\$100.00 and ribbon
4th Place-----	\$75.00 and ribbon

JR. BREEDING SHEEP DIVISION



THIS DIVISION IS OPEN TO ALL 4-H AND FFA MEMBERS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS.

All sheep must be state validated. See rules 4 and 5.

Entry Deadline-----	January 25
Entry Fee-----	\$20.00
Delivery to Show Grounds & Check-In-----	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Saturday, March 9
Judging-----	8:00 a.m., Sunday, March 10
Release-----	5:00 p.m., Sunday, March 10

JR. BREEDING SHEEP DIVISION RULES

Sexually intact sheep brought to the show grounds must have a Premise ID Tag issued by the Texas Animal Health Commission. If an exhibitor has purchased a project from a breeder the breeder should supply the Premise ID Tag.

1. Each exhibitor must be a bona fide member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in State of Texas and in their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H Club by November 1, 2018.
2. Exhibitors must be in the third grade or nine years old but less than twenty years of age as of January 1, 2019.
3. Exhibitors will not be limited to the number of entries they can enter in this division but may enter no more than two entries per class.
4. **All breeding sheep must be validated in the Texas 4-H and FFA Breeding Sheep Program by October 31, 2018.** Animals must be in the possession of the Exhibitor by October 31, 2018 and personally fed and cared for by the exhibitor from that date thru the Show, under the supervision of an AST, CEA or 4-H Club manager.
5. **A copy of the state validation papers or registration papers must accompany the Entry Certification form at time of entry.**
6. Superintendents will verify ear tag/tattoo, photograph and nose prints at time of check-in. **All sexually intact sheep require a Breeder's Premise Ear Tag. Every entry will be required to have this Premise Ear Tag in place prior to entering the show grounds.**
7. Identification: Sheep must have a legible ear identification number, either tag or tattoo, corresponding to the validation records upon arrival on the Grounds.
8. Abnormalities: Sheep showing any pronounced defect, abnormality or open wounds will be barred from showing. Any evidence of cosmetic surgical alteration to enhance the physical conformation of an animal or dying of hair will disqualify the entry.
9. Sheep Age: Sheep will be shown according to tooth development. If there are less than 5 entries in a class, classes may be combined in the respective breed. Combining of classes in a respective breed will be at the discretion of the Division Superintendent. There will be no appeal from this determination.
 - A. All lambs in order to be eligible to compete in their respective classes must be carrying all milk teeth at the time of check-in. Lambs showing either or both of their first pair of permanent incisors will not be eligible to show in any of the lamb classes. Lambs under six (6) months of age will not be eligible.
 - B. Sheep eligible to compete in the two-tooth breeding classes must show only the first pair of permanent incisors. Sheep, which have dropped their central pair of milk teeth and show one or both teeth of first permanent pair are eligible to show as singles only in the two-tooth class of their respective breed. Lambs may be shown in the two-tooth class if the exhibitor has shown at least two (2) entries in the lamb class.
 - C. Four to Six Tooth classes - Sheep must show the first two or three pairs of permanent incisors.
10. Shearing Guidelines: Sheep must be slick shorn from knee and hock up, at time of check-in.
11. Pens: Pens will NOT be taken apart or altered in any way without approval of the Superintendents. No lights are to be strung on the pens. Superintendents reserve the right to pen a minimum of three head per pen.

12. Trimming Tables: Trimming tables will not be allowed in the barn and must be placed in locations designated by the Superintendents. All trimming tables will require an Identification Tag of the 4-H Club or FFA Chapter
13. Haired Sheep: Acceptable Breed Characteristics, Barbado, St. Croix, Dorper, White Dorper, Katahdin or a cross among these breeds. No wool below knees and hocks. No wool forward of poll. No excessive wool covering. Strong breed characteristics of breeds other than the five listed above. Solid black lambs. Absolute Disqualifications; No evidence of hair on britch, belly or forearm; and steep hip or tendency to show callipyge gene.

SHEEP BREEDS

Southdown	Haired Sheep
Suffolk	Hampshire

SOUTHDOWN

Class 1	Ram Lamb
Class 2	2 Tooth Ram
Class 3	4 - 6 Tooth Ram
Class 4	Champion Ram - Trophy & Rosette
Class 5	Reserve Champion Ram - Rosette
Class 6	Ewe Lamb
Class 7	2 Tooth Ewe
Class 8	4 - 6 Tooth Ewe
Class 9	Champion Ewe - Trophy & Rosette
Class 10	Reserve Champion Ewe – Rosette

HAIRRED SHEEP

Class 11	Ram Lamb
Class 12	2 Tooth Ram
Class 13	4 - 6 Tooth Ram
Class 14	Champion Ram - Trophy & Rosette
Class 15	Reserve Champion Ram - Rosette
Class 16	Ewe Lamb
Class 17	2 Tooth Ewe
Class 18	4 - 6 Tooth Ewe
Class 19	Champion Ewe - Trophy & Rosette
Class 20	Reserve Champion Ewe – Rosette

SUFFOLK

Class 21	Ram Lamb
Class 22	2 Tooth Ram
Class 23	4 - 6 Tooth Ram
Class 24	Champion Ram - Trophy & Rosette
Class 25	Reserve Champion Ram - Rosette
Class 26	Ewe Lamb
Class 27	2 Tooth Ewe
Class 28	4 - 6 Tooth Ewe
Class 29	Champion Ewe - Trophy & Rosette
Class 30	Reserve Champion Ewe – Rosette

HAMPSHIRE

Class 31	Ram Lamb
Class 32	2 Tooth Ram
Class 33	4 - 6 Tooth Ram
Class 34	Champion Ram - Trophy & Rosette
Class 35	Reserve Champion Ram – Rosette
Class 36	Ewe Lamb
Class 37	2 Tooth Ewe
Class 38	4 - 6 Tooth Ewe
Class 39	Champion Ewe - Trophy & Rosette
Class 40	Reserve Champion Ewe - Rosette

Class 41 Supreme Champion Ram Scholarship, Belt Buckle & Banner

Class 42 Supreme Champion Ewe Scholarship, Belt Buckle & Banner

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

SCHEDULE FOR PREMIUM AWARDS

Premium will be based on the number of head showing in each class:

1 - 10 Entries ----- to 5th Place
11 - 20 Entries----- to 10th Place
21 - 30 Entries-----to 15th Place
Over 30 Entries -----to 20th Place

<u>PLACING</u>	<u>PREMIUM</u>
1 -----	\$35
2 -----	\$34
3 -----	\$33
4 -----	\$32
5 -----	\$31
6 -----	\$30
7 -----	\$29
8 -----	\$28
9 -----	\$27
10-----	\$26
11-----	\$25
12-----	\$24
13-----	\$23
14-----	\$22
15-----	\$21
16-----	\$20
17-----	\$19
18-----	\$18
19-----	\$17
20-----	\$16

JR. BREEDING SHEEP DIVISION SHOWMANSHIP

All exhibitors of Jr. Breeding sheep are eligible to compete. Exhibitors will be divided into three age groups.

15 Years old and over

12 to 14 years of age

8 to 11 years of age

As of day of contest

Prizes will be awarded in each age group as follows:

1st Place----- \$345.00 and Belt Buckle

2nd Place ----- \$335.00 and ribbon

3rd Place ----- \$325.00 and ribbon

4th Place ----- \$315.00 and ribbon

5th Place ----- \$305.00 and ribbon

JR. BREEDING CATTLE DIVISION

(Female classes approved by Texas Club Calf Association.)

ALL BREEDS ENTRY DEADLINE ----- January 25
ENTRY FEE ----- \$30.00

Following applies to, All Other Breeds, Beefmaster, Red Brangus, Commercial Cattle, Longhorn & Santa Gertrudis

Arrival----- 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6
Check-In ----- 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6

JUDGING

Jr. All Other Breeds-----	9:00 a.m., Friday, March 8
Jr. Beefmaster-----	1:00 p.m., Thursday, March 7
Jr. Red Brangus-----	4:00 p.m., Thursday, March 7
Jr. Commercial Cattle -----	5:00 p.m., Thursday, March 7
Jr. Longhorns-----	11:00 a.m., Friday, March 8
Jr. Santa Gertrudis -----	8:00 a.m., Thursday, March 7
Jr. Showmanship -----	4:00 p.m., Saturday, March 9
Release of all cattle -----	8:00 a.m., Sunday, March 10

Following applies to ARB, Brahman, Zebu, Simbrah, and Simmental.

Arrival----- 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12
Check-In ----- 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12

JUDGING

Jr. ARB (American Registered Breeds) -----	1:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 13
Jr. Brahman/Zebu -----	2:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 13
Jr. Simbrah -----	8:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 13
Jr. Simmental-----	11:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 13
Jr. Showmanship -----	3:00 p.m., Friday, March 15
Release of all entries -----	7:00 a.m., Sunday, March 17

JR. BREEDING CATTLE DIVISION

1. All entries in this Division are subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show and in addition to the following special rules and regulations.
2. Each exhibitor must be a bona fide member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter, and enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school. Exhibitors must have been enrolled in their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H Club by November 1, 2018.
3. Exhibitors must be in the third grade or nine years old but under twenty as of January 1, 2019.
4. Animals must be personally fed and cared for exclusively by the exhibitor from December 1, 2018 thru the Show under the supervision of an AST, CEA or 4-H Club manager.
5. Deadline for entries will be January 25, 2019. An entry fee of \$30.00 per animal and a photocopy of registration papers must accompany entry application, **and exhibitors must have original papers at check in**. Late entries will be considered on an individual basis.
6. Exhibitors will not be limited to the number of entries they can make, however an animal may not be entered into more than one breed division in the Jr. Breeding Cattle Division.
7. All animals entered in the Jr. Breeding Cattle Division must be registered or recorded with an established breed association in the sole name of the Jr. Exhibitor and must be state validated.
8. Animals entered in this Division are eligible to be entered in the Open Breeding Cattle Division provided they were not sifted from the Jr. Show and there are classes for them. A separate entry application must be filed and an additional entry fee of \$30.00 paid for the animal to be shown in the Open Divisions.
9. Entries will be judged and placed 1, 2, 3, etc., in each class. Animals are to be presented in descending order according to age.
10. Breeding Cattle pregnancy rules will be based on the individual breed association rules.
11. No calf, either heifer or bull, can be shown at side of dam if older than 220 days of age on day of show.
12. No adhesives, oil, or any foreign substance of any type will be allowed as this is a "Blow and Go" Show.
13. Animals must remain in their stalls from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. each day except during judging or being prepared for judging.
14. In the event there are 10 or more entries of the same breed shown in competition, a separate division will be created for them.
15. In the event there are less than 10 entries shown in competition in a breed division for two consecutive years, the division may be discontinued the following year.
16. Scholarships will not be awarded when there are less than 5 females shown in competition in any breed of the Jr. Breeding Cattle Division. If there are 5 to 14 entries shown, 50% of the full scholarship will be awarded. If there are 15 or more female entries shown, a full scholarship will be awarded to the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of each division. There needs to be at least 15 head shown in each breed to receive money for calf, junior and senior champions.
17. All entries from the same FFA Chapter or 4-H Club will be required to stall together.
18. **Limit extra stalls: 2 stalls for 1-5 head, 3 stalls for 6 or more head (if more stalls are used for display a fine will be charged).**

19. The late entry fee has been increased to \$50 per head.
20. Heifers must have competed in a class to be eligible to compete in showmanship; the heifer must have competed in the Junior Show and shown by the owner to be eligible to compete in showmanship.

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

PREMIUM SCHEDULE

(Applies to all Junior Beef Divisions)

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will offer premiums in each breed division as follows based upon the number of entries shown in competition.

Premium money will be paid in all classes except Champion classes and Best of Polled classes in the Santa Gertrudis Division.

PREMIUM MONEY

1 to 15 entries -----	\$600.00
16 to 25 entries -----	\$950.00
26 to 40 entries -----	\$1,500.00
41 to 50 entries -----	\$1,875.00
51 to 60 entries -----	\$2,250.00
61 to 70 entries -----	\$2,625.00
71 to 80 entries -----	\$3,000.00
81 to 90 entries -----	\$3,375.00
91 and above-----	\$3,750.00

Premium money will be paid on a point system. Points will be awarded in each class except Champion Classes as follows:

<u>PLACE</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
1st -----	5
2nd -----	4
3rd-----	3
4th-----	2
5th-----	1

JR. ALL OTHER BREEDS



Arrival-----8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6
Judging-----9:00 a.m., Friday, March 8
Release-----8:00 a.m. Sunday, March 10

Registered British Breed and Exotic Breeds not shown in any other breeding cattle division are eligible to be shown in this division. All animals must be registered in their respective breed associations in the exhibitor's name.

JR. CHAROLAIS WILL NOW BE SHOWN UNDER JR. AOB.

DIVISION CLASS CHAMPION

FEMALES:

1. Heifers calved by May 1, 2018 and after
2. Heifers calved April 2018
3. Heifers calved March 2018
4. Heifers calved February 2018
5. Heifers calved January 2018
6. **CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette & \$300
7. **RESERVE CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette & \$150
8. Heifers calved November - December 2017
9. Heifers calved September - October 2017
10. Heifers calved May - August 2017
11. **CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$300
12. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$150
13. Heifers calved January - April 2017
14. Heifers calved July - December 2016
15. Heifers calved January - June 2016
16. **CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$300
17. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette \$150
18. **GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Plaque, Belt Buckle & Scholarship
19. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** – Special Award, Belt Buckle & Scholarship

JR. AMERICAN REGISTERED BREEDS (ARB)



Arrival----- 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12

Judging----- 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 13

Release ----- 7:00 a.m., Sunday, March 17

1. Open to heifers of *Bos indicus* type that have been **registered or issued a certificate of recordation with a recognized breed association**. Breeds defined below are recognized in this division, heifers must be at least 1/4 Brahman influence. Heifers with less than 1/4 Brahman influence will show as Registered AOB.
2. Tattoos and/or brands must be legible and match with the certificate of recordation.
3. All recognized breeds noted above will show together in this department.

DIVISION CHAMPION CLASSES**FEMALES:**

1. Heifers calved by May 1, 2018 and after
2. Heifers calved April 2018
3. Heifers calved March 2018
4. Heifers calved February 2018
5. Heifers calved January 2018
6. **CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette & \$300
7. **RESERVE CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette & \$150
8. Heifers calved November - December 2017
9. Heifers calved September - October 2017
10. Heifers calved May - August 2017
11. **CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$300
12. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$150
13. Heifers calved January - April 2017
14. Heifers calved July - December 2016
15. Heifers calved January - June 2016
16. **CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$300
17. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$150
18. **GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Plaque, Belt Buckle & Scholarship
19. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Special Award, Belt Buckle & Scholarship

JR. BEEFMASTER



Arrival-----8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6
Judging-----1:00 p.m., Thursday, March 7
Release-----8:00 a.m. Sunday, March 10

Tattoos and/or brands must be legible and match with certificate of breeding. Animals that do not show the day of the month of birth on registration certificate will be considered to be born on the first day of the month.

DIVISION CLASS CHAMPIONS

FEMALES

1. Heifers calved by May 1, 2018 and after
2. Heifers calved April 2018
3. Heifers calved March 2018
4. Heifers calved February 2018
5. Heifers calved January 2018
6. **CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette & \$300
7. **RESERVE CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette & \$150
8. Heifers calved November - December 2017
9. Heifers calved September - October 2017
10. Heifers calved May - August 2017
11. **CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$300
12. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$150
13. Heifers calved January - April 2017
14. Heifers calved July - December 2016

15. Heifers calved January - June 2016
16. **CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$300
17. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$150
18. **GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Plaque, Belt Buckle & Scholarship
19. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**- Special Award, Belt Buckle & Scholarship

JR. BRAHMAN & ZEBU



Arrival-----8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12
Judging-----2:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 13
Release-----7:00 a.m., Sunday, March 17

There will be two Jr. Brahman shows (Red and Gray shows) which will include two showmanship's and scholarships.

Only animals registered in the books of the American Brahman Breeders Association and/or the International Zebu Breeders Association are eligible to be shown in this Division.

DIVISION CLASS CHAMPIONS

FEMALES:

1. Heifers calved by May 1, 2018 and after
2. Heifers calved April 2018
3. Heifers calved March 2018
4. Heifers calved February 2018
5. Heifers calved January 2018
6. **CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** – Rosette & \$300
7. **RESERVE CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette & \$150
8. Heifers calved November - December 2017
9. Heifers calved September - October 2017
10. Heifers calved May - August 2017
11. **CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** – Rosette & \$300
12. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$150
13. Heifers calved January - April 2017

14. Heifers calved July - December 2016
15. Heifers calved January - June 2016
16. **CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** – Rosette & \$300
17. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$150
18. **GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Plaque, Belt Buckle & Scholarship
19. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** – Special Award, Belt Buckle & Scholarship

SPECIAL:

Double A Ranch, Danny Acevedo, Mission, will award prizes to exhibitors of all class winners and banners to the exhibitors of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Female of this division.

JR. COMMERCIAL FEMALE SHOW



Arrival-----8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6

Weighing-----6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6

Check-in -----1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6

Judging-----5:00 p.m., Thursday, March 7

Release-----8:00 a.m. Sunday, March 10

1. Each exhibitor must be a member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and enrolled in Elementary, Secondary or Home School in their respective 4-H Club or FFA Chapter by November 1, 2018.
2. Exhibitors must be in the third grade or at least nine years old but under 20 years of age as of January 1, 2019.
3. All females must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and continuously fed and cared for by the exhibitor from October 30, 2018 thru the show dates under the supervision of an AST, CEA or 4-H Club manager.
4. There will be no limit to the number of females an exhibitor can validate or show. A \$5.00 validation fee per head will be charged and collected at validation.
5. Deadline for entries will be January 25, 2019. An entry fee of \$30.00 must accompany each entry application.
6. Commercial cattle will be validated or re-validated, ear tagged and tattooed on **Saturday, November 3, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. to NOON** on the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show grounds

7. Change tattoo for validation.

Example: ®2018

Classification of Commercial Heifers will now be done during the 2019 March Show.

This will take place of pictures, also avoid second year heifer without ear tag to be reclassified.

8. At validation, females will be classified as either American Breeds Cross (must have at least one fourth Brahman blood) or All Other Breeds.
9. Crossbred females are desired but purebred females will be permitted. Any female exhibited in the Jr. Commercial Cattle Show will not be eligible to compete in the Rio Grande Valley Jr. or Open Registered Breeding Cattle Show; and any female entered in the Jr. or Open Registered Breeding Cattle Show will not be eligible to compete in the Jr Commercial Cattle Show
10. Commercial cattle more than 30 months old at the time of the 2019 Show will not be eligible to compete. They will be sifted and must be removed from the showground.
11. Commercial cattle that do not meet show quality or condition and those that exhibitors are unable to handle may be sifted.
12. All cattle must be halter broken and dehorned.
13. At the Show, females will be divided into three divisions by weight and breed and judged accordingly. The number of classes will be dependent on the number of entries. Entries will be placed 1, 2, 3, etc. in each class.
14. Turn in weight cards. Hold back top four per class, reweigh the top two.
15. Show Veterinarian will have full authority to determine age (rule 10).
16. Showmanship - Five (5) exhibitors from age group 15 and over, Five (5) from age group 12 to 14 years and five (5) from age group 8 to 11 years, a total of fifteen (15) exhibitors will be selected to compete in the FFA & 4-H Breeding Cattle Showmanship Contest.
17. The Grand Champion and Reserve Champion ABC and AOB heifers will be awarded a scholarship.

ABC CHAMPION FEMALE ----- Plaque, Belt Buckle & Scholarship

ABC RESERVE CHAMPION FEMALE ----- Plaque, Belt Buckle & Scholarship

AOB CHAMPION FEMALE ----- Plaque, Belt Buckle & Scholarship

AOB RESERVE CHAMPION FEMALE----- Plaque, Belt Buckle & Scholarship

JR. RED BRANGUS



Arrival-----	8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6
Judging-----	4:00 p.m., Thursday, March 7
Release-----	8:00 a.m. Sunday, March 10

SPECIAL RULES

1. The animals must be registered in the ARBA in the exhibitor's name and have a legible brand including a private herd number which shall correspond with the registration papers.
2. No false tails or tail heads may be used. No animal will be shown that has any foreign objects glued to or otherwise attached in a manner so as to alter its conformation, or change its appearance. The dying or artificial changing of the overall natural color of an animal is prohibited. Animals may not be brindled, black or have excessive white or white in front of the navel. Animals must be solid red with pink nose.
3. Any animal found to have scars or evidence of incision surgical or otherwise, in the following area - head, navel, testicles, sheath or dewlap will be disqualified from showing. All animals must be polled. Surgical removal of scurs is a disqualification.
4. Judging of Red Brangus will be based on "desirable" characteristics as entered into the ARBA Bylaws, Article IV-Standard of Excellence for Red Brangus.

DIVISION CHAMPION CLASSES

FEMALES

1. Heifers calved by May 1, 2018 and after
2. Heifers calved April 2018
3. Heifers calved March 2018
4. Heifers calved February 2018
5. Heifers calved January 2018
6. **CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette & \$300
7. **RESERVE CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette & \$150
8. Heifers calved November - December 2017
9. Heifers calved September - October 2017
10. Heifers calved May - August 2017
11. **CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$300
12. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$150
13. Heifers calved January - April 2017
14. Heifers calved July - December 2016
15. Heifers calved January - June 2016
16. **CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$300
17. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$150
18. **GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Plaque, Belt Buckle & Scholarship
19. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Special Award, Belt Buckle & Scholarship

SPECIALS:

Southern Star Ranch, Mike & Claudia Sander, Weslaco, will award a belt buckle to the exhibitor of the Grand Champion Jr. Red Brangus Female.

Michael D. Sander, Weslaco, will award a belt buckle to the exhibitor of the Reserve Grande Champion Jr. Red Brangus Female.

Elizondo Cattle Co., Dr. B. Octavio Elizondo, San Benito, will award a belt buckle to the exhibitor of the Senior Showmanship Champion.

Cantu Ranch, Raul & Mary Cantu, Mercedes, will award a plaque to the exhibitor of the Grand Champion Red Brangus Jr. Female.

Moreno's Feed & Pet, Weslaco, will award a belt buckle to the exhibitor of the Junior Showmanship Champion.

JR. SANTA GERTRUDIS SHOW



Arrival-----8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6

Judging-----8:00 a.m., Thursday, March 7

Release-----8:00 a.m. Sunday, March 10

SPECIAL RULES

1. All animals must be individually identified by tattoo, numerical firebrand or freeze brand.
2. All animals must be exhibited with the hair brushed down on the entire body, legs and tail, and with no foreign objects attached to the animals in a manner as to alter the animal's conformation or change its appearance.
3. Best of Polled Class - All animals that are eligible to be shown as Polled will automatically be eligible to be entered. A separate entry application will not be required, however animals must have been shown in a regular class to be eligible to compete for Best of Polled.

DIVISION CHAMPION CLASSES

FEMALES:

1. Heifers calved by May 1, 2018 and after
2. Heifers calved April 2018
3. Heifers calved March 2018
4. Heifers calved February 2018
5. Heifers calved January 2018
6. **CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette & \$300
7. **RESERVE CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette & \$150
8. Heifers calved November - December 2017
9. Heifers calved September - October 2017
10. Heifers calved May - August 2017

11. **CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$300
12. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$150
13. Heifers calved January - April 2017
14. Heifers calved July - December 2016
15. Heifers calved January - June 2016
16. **CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette \$300
17. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$150
18. **GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Plaque, Belt Buckle & Scholarship
19. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** – Special Award, Belt Buckle & Scholarship
20. **BEST OF POLLED FEMALE AWARD** - Must be smooth polled with no horny tissue.
(A separate entry application will not be required.) – Rosette

21. STAR 5 FEMALE CHAMPION

Class 1	Heifers calved after Sept. 1, 2018
Class 2	Heifers calved May 1 – August 31, 2018
Class 3	Heifers calved Jan. 1 – April 30, 2018
Class 4	Heifers calved Sept. 1 – Dec 31, 2017
Class 5	Heifers calved May 1 – Aug. 31, 2017
Class 6	Heifers calved Jan. 1 – April 30, 2017
Class 7	Heifers calved Sept. 1, - Dec 31, 2016
Class 8	Heifers calved April 1 – Aug. 31, 2016

22. **GRAND CHAMPION STAR 5 FEMALE** – Belt Buckle, Plaque and Scholarship
23. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION STAR 5 FEMALE** – Plaque and Scholarship

TEXAS STATE SUPREME CHAMPION

SANTA GERTRUDIS SHOW

To follow immediately after the Open Santa Gertrudis Show.

San Jose Ranch, Kingsville, TX, will present a belt buckle to the exhibitor of the Texas State Supreme Champion Female (Grand Champion Female from Open & Jr. Shows will compete)

San Jose Ranch, Kingsville, TX, will present a belt buckle to the exhibitor of the Texas State Supreme Champion Bull – (Open show only)

San Jose Ranch, Kingsville, TX, will present a belt buckle to the exhibitor Texas State Supreme Champion Star Five Female (Grand Champion from Open & Jr. Shows will compete)

JR. SIMBRAH



Arrival-----8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12

Judging-----8:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 13

Release-----7:00 a.m. Sunday, March 17

SPECIAL RULES

1. Only animals registered with the American Simmental Association are eligible to be shown in this Division.
2. All animals entered in this Division must be Purebred Simbrah (5/8 Simmental - 3/8 Brahman).
3. No foreign objects can be attached in any manner to alter an animal's conformation or appearance.

DIVISION CHAMPION CLASSES

FEMALES:

1. Heifers calved by May 1, 2018 and after
2. Heifers calved April 2018
3. Heifers calved March 2018
4. Heifers calved February 2018
5. Heifers calved January 2018
6. **CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Plaque & \$300
7. **RESERVE CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Plaque & \$150
8. Heifers calved November - December 2017
9. Heifers calved September - October 2017
10. Heifers calved May - August 2017

11. **CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Plaque & \$300
12. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Plaque & \$150
13. Heifers calved January - April 2017
14. Heifers calved July - December 2016
15. Heifers calved January - June 2016
16. **CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Plaque & \$300
17. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Plaque & 150
18. **GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Plaque, Belt Buckle & Scholarship
19. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** – Special Award, Belt Buckle & Scholarship

Specials:

La Muneca Cattle Co., Carlos & Sister Guerra, Linn, will award a plaque to the exhibitor of the Champion Jr. Simbrah Heifer Calf.

Reavis Farms, Inc., Randy Reavis, Mission, will award a plaque to the exhibitor of the Reserve Champion Jr. Simbrah Heifer Calf.

La Hacienda Hinojosa, Dr. Lucas & Norma Hinojosa, Edinburg, will award a plaque to the exhibitor of the Champion Jr. Simbrah Heifer.

Monte Cristo Cattle Co. LLC, Jud & Margie Flowers, Edinburg, will award a plaque to the exhibitor of the Reserve Grand Champion Jr. Simbrah Heifer.

JR. SIMMENTAL



Arrival ----- 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12
Judging----- 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 13
Release----- 7:00 a.m. Sunday, March 17

SPECIAL RULES

1. All animals must be purebred Simmental and registered with the American Simmental Association.
2. Animals must have a legible tattoo or such animal will be ineligible and barred from showing.

DIVISION CHAMPION CLASSES

FEMALES:

1. Heifers calved by May 1, 2018 and after
2. Heifers calved April 2018
3. Heifers calved March 2018
4. Heifers calved February 2018
5. Heifers calved January 2018
6. **CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette & \$300
7. **RESERVE CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette & \$150
8. Heifers calved November - December 2017
9. Heifers calved September - October 2017
10. Heifers calved May - August 2017
11. **CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$300
12. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette \$150
13. Heifers calved January - April 2017

14. Heifers calved July - December 2016
15. Heifers calved January - June 2016
16. **CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$300
17. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette & \$150
18. **GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Plaque, Belt Buckle & Scholarship
19. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** – Special Award, Belt Buckle & Scholarship

SPECIALS:

Los Ebanos Ranch, Zeke Cisneros, San Benito, will award a plaque to the exhibitor of the Jr. Simmental Grand Champion Female.

CKF Cattle Co., Carlos & June Flores, San Benito, will award a plaque to the exhibitor of the Jr. Simmental Reserve Grand Champion Female.

JR. TEXAS LONGHORNS

Arrival ----- 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6
Judging----- 11:00 a.m., Friday, March 8
Release----- 8:00 a.m. Sunday, March 10



SPECIAL RULES

1. All rules in the TLBAA and TLBT Official Handbook apply.
2. Longhorn calves must be registered with the Texas Longhorn Breeders Association of America and must be 180 days of age to show.
3. In showmanship class you must exhibit an animal that you have shown in competition in the same show.
4. No grooming chutes are allowed.
5. This is a haltered show. Cattle are required to be halter broke to compete and must be handled with a halter.

DIVISION CHAMPION CLASSES

FEMALES:

1. Heifers calved September – December 2018
2. Heifers calved July – August 2018
3. Heifers calved May – June 2018
4. Heifers calved March – April 2018
5. Heifers calved January – February 2018
6. **JUNIOR CHAMPION HEIFER** - Rosette & \$300
7. **RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION HEIFER** - Rosette & \$150
8. Heifers calved September – December 2017
9. Heifers calved May – August 2017
10. Heifers calved January – April 2017
11. Heifers calved 2016
12. **SENIOR CHAMPION HEIFER** - Rosette \$300
13. **RESERVE SENIOR CHAMPION HEIFER** – Rosette \$150
18. **GRAND CHAMPION HEIFER** - Plaque, Belt Buckle & Scholarship
19. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION HEIFER** – Special Award, Belt Buckle & Scholarship

FFA & 4-H BREEDING CATTLE SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

Heifers must have competed in a class to be eligible to compete in showmanship.

There will be one showmanship contest only!

First week of Jr. Showmanship will be on Saturday, March 9 at 4:00 p.m.

Second week of Jr. Showmanship will be on Friday, March 15 at 3:00 p.m.

Awards will be made on the basis of showmanship, neatness of exhibitors and attractiveness, show conditions and ring behavior of animal. Exhibitors will be divided into three age groups.

15 years old and over

12 to 14 years of age

8 to 11 years of age

As of day of Show

Awards will be made as follows in each of the three age groups in both sessions

1st Place----- \$415.00 and belt buckle

2nd Place ----- \$390.00 and ribbon

3rd Place ----- \$365.00 and ribbon

4th Place----- \$340.00 and ribbon

5th Place----- \$315.00 and ribbon

OPEN SHOW BREEDING CATTLE DIVISION

ALL BREEDS

ENTRY DEADLINE-----	January 25
ENTRY FEE -----	\$30.00
ENTRY FEE (OPEN PEN SHOW)-----	\$100.00

Following applies to All Other Breeds, Beefmaster, Santa Gertrudis, Red Brangus, Longhorns, Heifer Pen Show

Arrival -----	8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6
Check-In -----	1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6

JUDGING

All Other Breeds -----	9:00 a.m., Saturday, March 9
Beefmaster -----	1:00 p.m., Friday, March 8
Commercial Heifers -----	4:00 p.m., Friday, March 8
Longhorns -----	8:00 a.m., Saturday, March 9
Heifer Pen Show-----	6:00 p.m., Friday, March 8
Santa Gertrudis -----	10:00 a.m., Saturday, March 9
Red Brangus-----	3:00 p.m., Saturday, March 9
Release of all cattle-----	8:00 a.m., Sunday, March 10

Following applies to ARB, Brahman, Simbrah, Simmental and Zebu

Arrival -----	8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12
Check-In -----	1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12

JUDGING

Simmental -----	10:00 p.m., Thursday, March 14
Simbrah -----	11:00 p.m., Thursday, March 14
ARB -----	9:00 a.m., Thursday, March 14
Zebu -----	8:00 a.m., Thursday, March 14
Brahman, Red & Gray -----	2:00 p.m., Thursday, March 14
Release-----	7:00 a.m., Sunday, March 17

BREEDING CATTLE OPEN SHOW GENERAL RULES

1. All entries in this Division shall be subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the Show.
2. Entry fee of \$30.00 per animal, must accompany entries. Extra stalls for tack will be \$30.00 each; however, due to limited space, stalling of animals will be given preference over tack stalls.
3. Entries must be in the name of the registered owner.
4. Exhibitors must be in the third grade or nine years old as of January 1, 2019. Due to safety precautions, no one under the age of nine, or not yet in the third grade, will be allowed in the show ring at any time.
5. Stalls will be assigned on the basis of number of entries made by an exhibitor, one stall per animal. If at Show, an exhibitor has fewer animals than entered, the Management reserves the right to assign any extra stalls to another exhibitor. No refund of entry or stall fees will be made.
6. **Limit extra stalls: 2 stalls for 1-5 head, 3 stalls for 6 or more head (if more stalls are used for display a fine will be charged).**
7. No adhesives, oil or any foreign substance of any type will be allowed as this is a Blow and Go Show.
8. Nose leads are required on all bulls exhibited in the show ring with the exception of calves shown at side of dam.
9. If an animal becomes uncontrollable, the exhibitor may be required to tie the animal up or remove it from the show ring. This will be at the discretion of the Judge and/or Show officials.
10. It is the intent of the Show Management that no premium be given any animal that is not deserving. In cases where only one animal is being exhibited in a class, the judge shall make his award in accordance with the merits of the animals being exhibited which may be either first, second, third, etc. The judge must not award a premium to an unworthy animal.
11. Entries will be listed numerically according to age (oldest first within the class) in catalog and judging schedules.
12. Only first place-winning animals are eligible to compete for championship honors.
13. In the event there are less than twenty (20) entries in a breed division, the division, at the option of the Show Management, may be canceled for the following year.
14. Open Breeding Cattle pregnancy rules will be based on the individual breed association rules.
15. Bulls 18 months of age or older must have produced viable semen. If a protest is filed or at the request of Show Officials, exhibitors must furnish a certificate stating the bull has produced viable semen.
16. No calf, either heifer or bull, can be shown at side of dam if older than 220 days of age on day of show.

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

PREMIUM SCHEDULE

Breeding Cattle Division (Open Show)

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will offer premiums in each breed division as follows based upon the number of entries shown in competition.

Premium money will be paid in all classes except Champion classes and Best of Polled classes in the Santa Gertrudis Division.

PREMIUM MONEY

1 to 20 entries -----	\$750.00
21 to 30 entries -----	\$1,000.00
31 to 40 entries -----	\$1,250.00
41 to 50 entries -----	\$1,500.00
51 to 60 entries -----	\$1,750.00
61 to 70 entries -----	\$2,000.00
71 to 80 entries -----	\$2,250.00
81 to 90 entries -----	\$2,500.00
91 to 100 entries -----	\$2,750.00
101 to 110 entries -----	\$3,000.00
111 to 120 entries -----	\$3,250.00
121 to 130 entries -----	\$3,500.00
131 to 140 entries -----	\$3,750.00
141 to 150 entries -----	\$4,000.00
151 to 160 entries -----	\$4,250.00

Premium money will be paid on a point system. Points to be awarded in each class except Champion Classes as follows:

<u>Place</u>	<u>Points</u>
1st -----	5
2nd -----	4
3rd -----	3
4th -----	2
5th -----	1

ALL OTHER BREEDS



Arrival----- 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6

Judging----- 9:00 a.m., Saturday, March 9

Release----- 8:00 a.m., Sunday, March 10

Registered British and Exotic Breeds not shown in any other breeding cattle division are eligible to be shown in this division. All animals must be registered in their respective breed associations in the exhibitor's name.

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will provide Premiums for this Division based on Premium Schedule on page 189.

DIVISION CLASS CHAMPIONS

FEMALES

1. Heifers calved on or after May 1, 2018
2. Heifers calved March 1 - April 30, 2018
3. Heifers calved January 1 - February 28, 2018
4. Heifers calved November 1 - December 31, 2017
5. Heifers calved September 1 - October 31, 2017
6. **CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette
7. **RESERVE CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette
8. Heifers calved July 1 - August 31, 2017
9. Heifers calved May 1 - June 30, 2017
10. Heifers calved March 1 - April 30, 2017
11. Heifers calved January 1 - February 28, 2017
12. **CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette

13. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
14. Heifers calved September 1 - December 31, 2016
15. Heifers calved May 1 - August 31, 2016
16. Heifers calved January 1 - April 30, 2016
17. **CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
18. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
19. **GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Plaque
20. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** – Plaque

BULLS

21. Bulls calved on or after May 1, 2018
22. Bulls calved March 1 - April 30, 2018
23. Bulls calved January 1 - February 28, 2018
24. Bulls calved November 1 - December 31, 2017
25. Bulls calved September 1 - October 31, 2017
26. **CHAMPION BULL CALF** - Rosette
27. **RESERVE CHAMPION BULL CALF** - Rosette
28. Bulls calved July 1 - August 31, 2017
29. Bulls calved May 1 - June 30, 2017
30. Bulls calved March 1 - April 30, 2017
31. Bulls calved January 1 - February 28, 2017
32. **CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL** - Rosette
33. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL** - Rosette
34. Bulls calved September 1 - December 31, 2016
35. Bulls calved May 1 - August 31, 2016
36. Bulls calved January 1 - April 30, 2016
37. **CHAMPION SENIOR BULL** - Rosette
38. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR BULL** - Rosette
39. **GRAND CHAMPION BULL** - Plaque
40. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL** - Plaque
41. **PRODUCE-OF-DAM** - 2 animals. Any sex, embryo or natural, owned or co-owned by exhibitor
42. **GET-OF-SIRE** - 3 animals, either or both sexes represented, no ownership requirement

AMERICAN REGISTERED BREEDS (ARB)



Arrival----- 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12

Judging----- 9:00 a.m., Thursday, March 14

Release ----- 7:00 a.m., Sunday, March 17

1. Open to heifers of *Bos indicus* type that have been **registered or issued a certificate of recordation with a recognized breed association**. Breeds defined below are recognized in this division, heifers must be at least 1/4 Brahman influence. Heifers with less than 1/4 Brahman influence will show as Registered AOB.
2. Tattoos and/or brands must be legible and match with the certificate of recordation.
3. All recognized breeds noted above will show together in this department.

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will provide Premiums for this Division based on Premium Schedule on page 189.

DIVISION CHAMPION CLASSES**FEMALES:**

1. Heifers calved on or after May 1, 2018
2. Heifers calved March 1 - April 30, 2018
3. Heifers calved January 1 - February 28, 2018
4. Heifers calved November 1 - December 31, 2017
5. Heifers calved September 1 - October 31, 2017
6. **CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette
7. **RESERVE CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette
8. Heifers calved July 1 - August 31, 2017
9. Heifers calved May 1 - June 30, 2017
10. Heifers calved March 1 - April 30, 2017
11. Heifers calved January 1 - February 28, 2017
12. **CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
13. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
14. Heifers calved September 1 - December 31, 2016
15. Heifers calved May 1 - August 31, 2016
16. Heifers calved January 1 - April 30, 2016
17. **CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
18. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
19. **GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Plaque
20. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** – Plaque

BULLS:

21. Bulls calved on or after May 2018
22. Bulls calved March - April 2018
23. Bulls calved January - February 2018
24. Bulls calved November - December 2017
25. Bulls calved September - October 2017
- 26. CHAMPION BULL CALF - Rosette**
- 27. RESERVE CHAMPION BULL CALF - Rosette**
28. Bulls calved July - August 2017
29. Bulls calved May - June 2017
30. Bulls calved March - April 2017
31. Bulls calved January - February 2017
- 32. CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL - Rosette**
- 33. RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL - Rosette**
34. Bulls calved September - December 2016
35. Bulls calved May - August 2016
36. Bulls calved January - April 2016
- 37. CHAMPION SENIOR BULL - Rosette**
- 38. RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR BULL - Rosette**
- 39. GRAND CHAMPION BULL – Plaque & Belt Buckles**
- 40. RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL – Plaque & Belt Buckles**
41. **PRODUCE-OF-DAM** - 2 animals. Any sex embryo or natural, owned or co-owned by exhibitor
42. **GET-OF-SIRE** - 3 animals, either or both sexes represented no ownership requirement.

BEEFMASTER



Arrival-----8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6

Judging-----1:00 p.m., Friday, March 8

Release-----8:00 a.m., Sunday, March 10

DIVISION CLASS CHAMPIONS

FEMALES

1. Heifers calved on or after May 2018
2. Heifers calved March - April 2018
3. Heifers calved January - February 2018
4. Heifers calved November - December 2017
5. Heifers calved September - October 2017
- 6. CHAMPION HEIFER CALF - Rosette**
- 7. RESERVE CHAMPION HEIFER CALF - Rosette**
8. Heifers calved July - August 2017
9. Heifers calved May - June 2017
10. Heifers calved March - April 2017
11. Heifers calved January - February 2017
- 12. CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER - Rosette**
- 13. RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER - Rosette**
14. Heifers calved September - December 2016
15. Heifers calved May - August 2016
16. Heifers calved January - April 2016
- 17. CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER - Rosette**
- 18. RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER- Rosette**
- 19. GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE - Plaque & Belt Buckle**
- 20. RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE - Plaque & Belt Buckle**



BULLS

21. Bulls calved on or after May 2018
22. Bulls calved March - April 2018
23. Bulls calved January - February 2018
24. Bulls calved November - December 2017
25. Bulls calved September - October 2017
- 26. CHAMPION BULL CALF - Rosette**
- 27. RESERVE CHAMPION BULL CALF - Rosette**
28. Bulls calved July - August 2017
29. Bulls calved May - June 2017
30. Bulls calved March - April 2017
31. Bulls calved January - February 2017
- 32. CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL - Rosette**
- 33. RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL - Rosette**
34. Bulls calved September - December 2016
35. Bulls calved May - August 2016
36. Bulls calved January - April 2016
- 37. CHAMPION SENIOR BULL - Rosette**
- 38. RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR BULL - Rosette**
- 39. GRAND CHAMPION BULL – Plaque & Belt Buckles**
- 40. RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL – Plaque & Belt Buckles**
41. **PRODUCE-OF-DAM** - 2 animals. Any sex embryo or natural, owned or co-owned by exhibitor
42. **GET-OF-SIRE** - 3 animals, either or both sexes represented no ownership requirement.

SPECIALS:

Jose & Clara Rodriguez, Weslaco, will award the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion belt buckles to the Champion Beefmaster Females

BRAHMAN

(Red and Gray)

ABBA Sanctioned



Arrival-----8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12

Judging-----2:00 p.m., Friday, March 15

Release-----7:00 a.m., Sunday, March 17

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will provide Premiums for this Division based on Premium Schedule on page 189.

There will be two Jr. Brahman shows (Red and Gray shows) which will include two showmanship's and scholarships.

SPECIAL RULES

1. Animals must be registered in the American Brahman Breeders Association to be eligible to compete in Association sponsored shows. The registration certificate (or photocopy) for each entry must be available for presentation to the Superintendent or Manager of the Show at the time entries are verified prior to judging.
2. The registration number and animal identification number (number branded on animal) of (1) each animal must be entered in an individual class, (2) the sire of each get-of-sire entry and (3) the dam of each produce-of-dam entry must be listed on the entry card of each animal entered.
3. Entries that have not complied with rules one (1) and two (2) will not be eligible to show, receive premium monies or earn points in the Association's Register of Renown.
4. Animals to be eligible to be shown in group classes must be entered and shown in individual classes.
5. Entries will be listed numerically according to age (oldest first) in catalogs and judging schedules. **Include animal identification number (number brand) as a part of identification.** When entering the arena for judging, the handlers will line cattle up numerically in the same order.
6. Judges will be allowed to comment on placing in selected classes when conditions permit.
7. Each animal will be presented in the show ring in its natural conformation and structure without alteration or modification. Alteration or modification shall be defined to include any surgical or circulatory construction including banding or other appearance change, save only branding, tattooing, foot trimming or dehorning. Injections of foreign substances internally for cosmetic purposes, steroids, growth hormones or stimulants shall be prohibited. If to the satisfaction of

the ABBA's staff, officers, executive committee or board of directors an animal that has had its natural conformation and structure altered or been administered steroids, growth hormones or stimulants; then said animal shall be ruled ineligible to compete until such time the executive committee and owner/owners have reviewed the case. Any violators, both owner and fitter will be in-eligible to exhibit cattle at ABBA Approved Shows for 5 years.

8. If any exhibitor/owner/showman interferes in any way with the judge or shows disrespect to him or to the Show in the ring, the exhibitor/owner/showman may be dismissed by the judge or Show management from the ring. The management may withhold from each exhibitor/owner/showman any premium monies that may have been awarded or take other steps deemed desirable.
9. In cases where families, companies, corporations, etc., are operated as a unit under the same management but have cattle also registered in the name of individual partners, said cattle, even though bearing a different ownership brand, are eligible to be shown in competition under the firm name provided they have not been and will not be shown in the name of the individuals.
10. For females being shown in the three oldest classes (females calved January 1-December 31, 2016), exhibitor must have a certificate of pregnancy issued by a licensed veterinarian will be presented to show officials at time of check-in or registration paper check. The Show reserves the right to perform pregnancy determination by palpation for females in the above classes at any given ABBA approved show if an official protest has been filed. Females exhibited in the last class **MUST** have her nursing natural calf at side. The only exception from this rule will be cows that have already weaned a calf and a registration certificate of the calf **MUST** be presented to the judge.
11. **All bulls will be shown with a nose ring or nose restraint with lead attached.** For bulls being shown in the oldest class, the exhibitor must have a certificate issued by a licensed veterinarian stating the bull has produced viable semen. This certificate must be available for inspection by the judge on request.
12. This deals with the produce-of-dam classes and the get-of-sire class. All group classes must be held by a handler in the show arena to be placed.

Embryo Produce-of-Dam - two animals from the above classes produced by one dam by embryo transfer either or both sexes may be represented. No ownership requirement.

Natural Produce-of-Dam - two natural born animals produced by one dam from the above classes, either or both sexes may be represented. No ownership requirement.

Get-of-Sire - four animals from at least two dams by one sire from the above individual classes, both sexes represented. No ownership requirements.
13. No exhibitor shall be permitted to show more than one produce or embryo-produce of dam entry per dam.
14. Cows that are exhibited with calves at side must be in lactating stage. Calves must be shown and exhibited with their dams, and said calves must not exceed 240 days of age on day of judging. The judge will be made aware by the ring steward of those cows whose calves are ineligible to show by this rule.
15. Cattle will not be allowed to show if their switches have been balled or glitter applied to their skin.
16. All grey cattle and solid black cattle will show grey. Red, black and white speckled or red and white speckled cattle will show red. Cattle with questionable colored pigmentation may be entered in the color division the breeder selects, however, said cattle are subject to inspection by a three member ABBA Color Committee. If the Color Committee disagrees with the breeder,

the pedigree, features and color of said animal will then be considered on an equally weighed basis to aid in the final determination. The decision of the committee is final.

Once animals have been classified they will remain that classification unless they were young at time of classification and it is apparent that they have changed their color. Any animal that is color classified and is shown at an ABBA Approved Show in another color classification will be in-eligible to show their remaining career. Both the exhibitor and owner of the animal that is shown in the wrong color division will be in-eligible to show animals for 13 months following the infraction.

In the get-of-sire and produce-of-dam classes, breeders will not be allowed to show cattle of mixed color in split shows. They will be entered as to the color division they are assigned by the Color Committee for the show. In shows that are not split there is not color requirement for the group classes

At split shows where the Color Committee is not present, a staff member with two ABBA Directors will clarify questionable colored cattle for that particular show. The final classification will be done by the Color Committee.

17. The owner of record of any registered animal entered in an ABBA approved shows and/or his/her agent, exhibitor, fitter, handler and/or representative releases ABBA and its representatives from any and all liability that seller/owner might claim as a result of injury of any kind that seller/owner might claim as a result of injury of any kind sustained before, during or after handling cattle for any ABBA board approved activity.
18. For shows to remain approved, point show by ABBA they must maintain a twenty (20) head average for the previous two (2) years. Shows must also follow the Requirements of ABBA Approved Shows.
19. ALL animals MUST have a birth weight submitted to be eligible to show in ABBA Approved Shows.
20. The official ABBA rules & procedures governing showing & exhibiting or registered Brahman cattle supersede any rules printed in any show catalog.
21. ABBA Members may remit a protest to the ABBA if they find another participants conduct to be in violation of the ABBA Show Rules. All protests must be in writing and must be signed by a member of the ABBA. Such protests must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal and must be delivered to an ABBA Staff Person, ABBA Officer, ABBA Show Committee Chairman or Show Official within 72 hours of the infraction. Depending on the basis of the protest, a decision may be withheld until a complete investigation is done.

DIVISION CHAMPION CLASSES:

FEMALES

1. Heifers calved July 1 - August 31, 2018
2. Heifers calved May 1- June 30, 2018
3. Heifers calved April 1 - April 30, 2018
4. Heifers calved March 1 - March 31, 2018
5. Heifers calved January 1 - February 28, 2018
6. **CHAMPION HEIFER CALF**- first place winners of Classes 1 - 5 - Rosette
7. **RESERVE CHAMPION HEIFER CALF**- second place winner in class that produced Calf Champion eligible to compete for RESERVE - Rosette
8. Heifers calved November 1 - December 31, 2017
9. Heifers calved September 1 - October 31, 2017

10. Heifers calved July 1 - August 31, 2017
11. Heifers calved May 1 - June 30, 2017
12. **CHAMPION INTERMEDIATE HEIFER** - first place winners of Classes 8 - 11 - Rosette
13. **RESERVE CHAMPION INTERMEDIATE HEIFER** - second place winner of class that produced Intermediate Champion eligible to compete for RESERVE - Rosette
14. Heifers calved April 1 - April 30, 2017
15. Heifers calved March 1- March 31, 2017
16. Heifers calved January 1 - February 28, 2017
17. **CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - first place winners of Classes 14-16 - Rosette
18. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER**- second place winner in class that produced Junior Champion eligible to compete for RESERVE - Rosette
19. *Heifers calved September 1- December 31, 2016
20. *Heifers calved May 1 - August 31, 2016
21. ** Heifers calved January 1 - April 30, 2016
22. **CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - first place winners of Classes 19-21 - Rosette
23. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER**- second place winner in class that produced Senior Champion eligible to compete for RESERVE - Rosette
24. **GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**-CALF, INTERMEDIATE, JUNIOR AND SENIOR CHAMPION compete-Plaque
25. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE**- RESERVE to GRAND CHAMPION eligible to compete - Plaque

* Must be examined safe in calf

** Must have calf at side



BULLS:

26. Bulls calved July 1 - August 31, 2018
27. Bulls calved May 1 - June 30, 2018
28. Bulls calved April 1 - April 30, 2018
29. Bulls calved March 1- March 31, 2018
30. Bulls calved January 1 - February 28, 2018
31. **CHAMPION BULL CALF** - first place winners of Classes 26-30 – Rosette
32. **RESERVE CHAMPION BULL CALF** - second place winner in class that produced Calf Champion eligible to show for RESERVE - Rosette
33. Bulls calved November 1 - December 31, 2017
34. Bulls calved September 1 - October 31, 2017
35. Bulls calved July 1 - August 31, 2017
36. Bulls calved May 1 - June 30, 2017
37. **CHAMPION INTERMEDIATE BULL**- first place winners of Classes 33-36 - Rosette
38. **RESERVE CHAMPION INTERMEDIATE BULL** - second place winner in class that produced Intermediate Champion eligible to compete for RESERVE - Rosette
39. Bulls calved April 1 - April 30, 2017
40. Bulls calved March 1 - March 31, 2017
41. Bulls calved January 1 - February 28, 2017
42. **CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL**- first place winners of Classes 39-41 - Rosette
43. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL** - second place winner in class that produced Junior Champion eligible to compete for reserve - Rosette
44. Bulls calved September 1 - December 31, 2016
45. Bulls calved May 1 - August 31, 2016
46. Bulls calved January 1 - April 30, 2016
47. **CHAMPION SENIOR BULL** - first place winners of Classes 44-46 - Rosette

48. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR BULL** - second place winner in class that produced Senior Champion eligible to compete for RESERVE - Rosette
49. **GRAND CHAMPION BULL** - CALF, INTERMEDIATE, JUNIOR AND SENIOR CHAMPION competing – Plaque
50. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL** - RESERVE TO GRAND CHAMPION eligible to compete - Plaque
51. **PRODUCE OF DAM** - two natural born animals produced by one dam from the above classes, either or both sexes may be represented. No ownership requirement.*
52. **EMBRYO PRODUCE OF DAM** - two animals from the above classes produced by one dam by embryo transfer either or both sexes may be represented. No ownership requirement.*
53. **GET OF SIRE** - four animals from at least two dams by one sire from the above individual classes, both sexes represented. No ownership requirement.*

***No exhibitor shall be permitted to show more than one produce or embryo-produce-of-dam per dam. All Group Classes will be shown at the front of the show before any individual classes.**

COMMERCIAL FEMALE



Arrival ----- 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6

Check-in-----1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. (Event Center Arena), Wednesday, March 6

Judging----- 4:00 p.m., Friday, March 9

Release----- 8:00 a.m., Sunday, March 10

This is an All-Breed Cattle Show featuring Commercial Cattle from Cattle Ranchers and Jr. Breeding Exhibitors.

1. All entries in this Division shall be subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the Show.
2. Entry fee of \$30.00 per animal, must accompany entries. Extra stalls for tack will be \$30.00 each; however, due to limited space, stalling of animals will be given preference over tack stalls.
3. All females must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and continuously fed and cared for by the exhibitor from October 30, 2018 thru the show dates.
4. There will be no limit to the number of females an exhibitor can validate or show. A \$5.00 validation fee per head will be charged and collected at validation.
5. Deadline for entries will be January 25, 2019. An entry fee of \$30.00 must accompany each entry application.
6. Commercial cattle will be validated or re-validated, ear tagged and tattooed on **Saturday, November 3, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.** on the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show grounds.
7. Change tattoo for validation.
Example: ®2018

This will take place of pictures, also avoid second year heifer without ear tag to be reclassified.

8. At validation, females will be classified as either American Breeds Cross (must have at least one fourth Brahman blood) or All Other Breeds.
9. Crossbred females are desired but purebred females will be permitted. Any female exhibited in the Open Commercial Cattle Show will not be eligible to compete in the Rio Grande Valley Jr. or Open Registered Breeding Cattle Show; and any female entered in the Jr. or Open Registered Breeding Cattle Show will not be eligible to compete in the Open Commercial Cattle Show.
10. Commercial cattle more than 30 months old at the time of the 2018 Show will not be eligible to compete. They will be sifted and must be removed from the showgrounds.

11. Commercial cattle that do not meet show quality or condition and those that exhibitors are unable to handle may be sifted.
12. All cattle must be halter broken and dehorned.
13. At the show, females will be divided into three divisions by weight and breed and judged accordingly. The number of classes will be dependent on the number of entries. Entries will be placed 1, 2, 3, etc. in each class.
14. Turn in weight cards. Hold back top four per class, reweigh the top two. Turn in weight cards. Hold back top four per class, reweigh the top two.
15. Show Veterinarian will have full authority to determine age (rule 10).

AWARDS:

ABC Champion Female ----- Plaque & Belt Buckle
ABC Reserve Champion Female ----- Plaque & Belt Buckle
AOB Champion Female ----- Plaque & Belt Buckle
AOB Reserve Champion Female ----- Plaque & Belt Buckle

RED BRANGUS



Arrival ----- 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 6

Judging----- 3:00 p.m., Saturday, March 9

Release----- 8:00 a.m., Sunday, March 10

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will provide Premiums for this Division based on the Schedule on page 189.

SPECIAL RULES

1. Animals must be registered in the ARBA Herd Book and meet the breed's Standards of Excellence.
2. No false tails or tail heads may be used. No animal can be shown that has any foreign objects glued to or otherwise attached in a manner so as to alter its conformation, or change its appearance. The dying or artificial changing of the overall natural color of an animal is prohibited. Animals may not be brindled, black or have excessive white or white in front of the navel. Animals will be solid red with pink nose.
3. Any animal found to have scars or evidence of incision, surgical or otherwise, in the following areas: head, navel, testicles, sheath or dewlap, will be disqualified from showing. All animals must be polled. Surgical removal of scurs is a disqualification.
4. Animals eligible to be shown in group classes must be entered in individual classes.
5. Judging of Red Brangus will be based on "desirable" characteristics as entered into ARBA By-Laws, Article XV - Standard of Excellence for Red Brangus

DIVISION CHAMPION CLASSES:**FEMALES**

1. Heifers calved May 1 - October 31, 2018
2. Heifers calved March 1 - April 30, 2018
3. Heifers calved January 1 - February 28, 2018
4. Heifers calved November 1 - December 31, 2017
5. Heifers calved September 1 - October 31, 2017
6. **CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette
7. **RESERVE CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette
8. Heifers calved July 1 - August 31, 2017
9. Heifers calved May 1 - June 30, 2017
10. Heifers calved March 1 - April 30, 2017
11. Heifers calved January 1 - February 28, 2017
12. **CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
13. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
14. Heifers calved September 1 - December 31, 2016
15. Heifers calved May 1 - August 31, 2016
16. Heifers calved January 1 - April 30, 2016
17. **CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
18. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
19. **GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Plaque
20. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** – Plaque



BULLS

21. Bulls calved May 1 - October 31, 2018
22. Bulls calved March 1 - April 30, 2018
23. Bulls calved January 1 - February 28, 2018
24. Bulls calved November 1 - December 31, 2017
25. Bulls calved September 1 - October 31, 2017
26. **CHAMPION BULL CALF** - Rosette
27. **RESERVE CHAMPION BULL CALF** - Rosette
28. Bulls calved July 1 - August 31, 2017
29. Bulls calved May 1 - June 30, 2017
30. Bulls calved March 1 - April 30, 2017
31. Bulls calved January 1 - February 28, 2017
32. **CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL** - Rosette
33. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL** - Rosette
34. Bulls calved September 1 - December 31, 2016
35. Bulls calved May 1 - August 31, 2016
36. Bulls calved January 1 - April 30, 2016
37. **CHAMPION SENIOR BULL** - Rosette
38. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR BULL** - Rosette
39. **GRAND CHAMPION BULL** - Plaque
40. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL** - Plaque
41. **PRODUCE-OF-DAM** - 2 animals. Any sex embryo or natural, owned or co-owned by exhibitor
42. **GET-OF-SIRE** - 3 animals, both sexes represented, no ownership requirement
43. **PREMIER BREEDER** - 2 animals, any sex, bred and owned or co-owned by exhibitor or immediate family member.

SANTA GERTRUDIS



Arrival-----8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6

Judging-----10:00 a.m., Saturday, March 9

Release-----8:00 a.m., Sunday, March 10

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will provide Premiums for this Division based on Premium Schedule on page 189.

SPECIAL RULES

1. Animals entered in this Division must be registered in the herd book of Santa Gertrudis Breeders International and have an official SGBI Registration Certificate to be eligible to show.
2. All animals must be individually identified by tattoo, numerical firebrand or freeze brand.
3. All animals must be exhibited with hair brushed down on the entire body, legs and tail, and with no foreign objects attached to the animals in a manner as to alter the animal's conformation or change its appearance.
4. To be eligible to show in Best of Polled, animals to be slick polled with no scurs, no dehorning and with no evidence of horny tissue. Animals will be inspected by Field Service Representative (if present) assisted by one member of Shows and Exhibits Committee or Breed Standards Committee if needed to settle disputes. If no Field Service Representative is present, it will be done by committee members not involved in that class.
5. Best of Polled Class - All animals that are eligible to be shown as Polled will automatically be eligible to be entered. **A separate entry application will not be required**; however animals must have been shown in a regular class to be eligible to compete for Best of Polled.

DIVISION CHAMPION CLASSES

FEMALES:

1. Heifers calved May 1, 2018 and after
2. Heifers calved March 1 - April 30, 2018
3. Heifers calved January 1 - February 28, 2018
4. Heifers calved November 1 - December 31, 2017
5. Heifers calved September 1 - October 31, 2017
6. **CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** (Heifers from Classes 1-5) - Rosette
7. **RESERVE CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** (remaining first place Junior Heifer plus second place heifer from class that produced the Calf Champion - Rosette)
8. Heifers calved July 1 - August 31, 2017
9. Heifers calved May 1 - June 30, 2017
10. Heifers calved March 1 - April 30, 2017
11. Heifers calved January 1 - February 28, 2017
12. **CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** (heifers from classes 8-11) - Rosette
13. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** (remaining first place Yearling Heifers, plus second place heifer from class that produced the Champion - Rosette)
14. Heifers calved October 1 - December 31, 2016
15. Heifers calved July 1 - September 30, 2016
16. * Heifers calved April 1 - June 30, 2016
17. *Heifers calved January 1 - March 31, 2016
18. **CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** (from classes 14-17) - Rosette
19. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** (remaining first place Senior Female plus second place heifer from class that produced the Champion - Rosette)
20. **GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** (Senior, Yearling and Calf Champion females competing) – Plaque
21. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** (Senior, Yearling or Calf Champion females plus the Reserve Champion from the class that produced the Grand Champion Female) - Plaque
22. **BEST OF POLLED FEMALE AWARD** (must be smooth polled with no horny tissue) (A separate entry application will not be required.) – Rosette



23. STAR 5 FEMALE SHOW

Class 1	Heifers calved after September 1, 2018
Class 2	Heifers calved May 1 – August 31, 2018
Class 3	Heifers calved January 1 – April 30, 2018
Class 4	Heifers calved September 1 – December 31, 2017
Class 5	Heifers calved May 1 – August 31, 2017
Class 6	Heifers calved January 1 – April 30, 2017
Class 7	Heifers calved September 1 – December 31, 2016
Class 8	Heifers calved April 1 – August 31, 2016

24. GRAND CHAMPION STAR 5 FEMALE – Plaque

25. RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION STAR 5 FEMALE - Plaque

*Must have produced a calf or be safe in calf as verified by a graduate veterinarian.



BULLS

26. Bulls calved March 1, 2018 and after
27. Bulls calved January 1 - February 28, 2018
28. Bulls calved November 1 - December 31, 2017
29. Bulls calved September 1 - October 31, 2017
30. **CHAMPION BULL CALF** (from classes 26-29) - Rosette
31. **RESERVE CHAMPION BULL CALF** (remaining first place bulls plus second place bull from class that produced the Calf Champion) - Rosette
32. Bulls calved July 1 - August 31, 2017
33. Bulls calved May 1 - June 30, 2017
34. Bulls calved March 1 - April 30, 2017
35. Bulls calved January 1 - February 28, 2017
36. **CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL** (from classes 32-35) - Rosette
37. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL** (remaining first place bulls plus second place bull from class that produced the Junior Champion) - Rosette
38. Bulls calved October 1 - December 31, 2016
39. Bulls calved July 1 - September 30, 2016
40. Bulls calved April 1 - June 30, 2016
41. Bulls calved January 1 - March 31, 2016
42. Bulls calved July 1 - December 31, 2016
43. **CHAMPION SENIOR BULL** (from Classes 38 - 42) - Rosette
44. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR BULL** (remaining first place bulls plus second place bull from the class that produced the Senior Champion Bull) - Rosette
45. **GRAND CHAMPION BULL** (Senior, Yearling and Calf Champion Bulls competing) - Plaque
46. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL** (remaining Senior, Junior or Calf Champions, plus the Reserve Champion from the classes that produced the Grand Champion Bull) - Plaque
47. **BEST OF POLLED MALE AWARD:** (Must be smooth polled with no horny tissue) (A separate entry application will not be required.) – Rosette

48. **PRODUCE-OF-DAM:** Two off-springs, the produce of one cow, within the age limits or individual classes and must have been exhibited in their respective classes.
49. **GET-OF-SIRE:** Three animals all by one sire and from at least two dams, both sexes represented, within age limits of individual classes and must have been exhibited in their respective Classes.

TEXAS STATE SUPREME CHAMPION

SANTA GERTRUDIS SHOW

To follow immediately after the Open Santa Gertrudis Show.

San Jose Ranch, Kingsville, TX, will present a belt buckle to the exhibitor of the Texas State Supreme Champion Female (Grand Champion Female from Open & Jr. Shows will compete)

San Jose Ranch, Kingsville, TX, will present a belt buckle to the exhibitor of the Texas State Supreme Champion Bull – (Open show only)

San Jose Ranch, Kingsville, TX, will present a belt buckle to the exhibitor Texas State Supreme Champion Star Five Female (Grand Champion from Open & Jr. Shows will compete)

SIMBRAH



Arrival-----8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12
Judging-----11:00 a.m., Thursday, March 14
Release-----7:00 a.m., Sunday, March 17

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will provide Premiums for this Division based on Premium Schedule on page 189.

SPECIAL RULES

1. Entries in this Division must be Purebred Simbrah (5/8 Simmental - 3/8 Brahman).
2. Animals to be eligible to be shown must be registered with American Simmental Association
3. No foreign objects can be attached in a manner to alter an animal's conformation or appearance.

DIVISION CHAMPION CLASSES

FEMALES:

1. Heifers calved on or after May 1, 2018
2. Heifers calved April 2018
3. Heifers calved March 2018
4. Heifers calved January - February 2018
5. **CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette
6. **RESERVE CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette
7. Heifers calved October - December 2017
8. Heifers calved July - September 2017
9. Heifers calved April - June 2017
10. Heifers calved January - March 2017
11. **CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
12. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette

13. Heifers calved September - December 2016
14. Heifers calved May - August 2016
15. Heifers calved January - April 2016
16. Pairs, Dams calved prior to January 1, 2016 (calves- 220 days or less on Show day)
17. **CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
18. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
19. **GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Plaque
20. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** – Plaque



BULLS:

21. Bulls calved on or after May 1, 2018
22. Bulls calved April 2018
23. Bulls calved March 2018
24. Bulls calved January - February 2018
25. **CHAMPION BULL CALF** - Rosette
26. **RESERVE CHAMPION BULL CALF** - Rosette
27. Bulls calved October - December 2017
28. Bulls calved July - September 2017
29. Bulls calved April - June 2017
30. Bulls calved January - March 2017
31. **CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL** - Rosette
32. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL** - Rosette
33. Bulls calved September - December 2016
34. Bulls calved May - August 2016
35. Bulls calved January - April 2016

36. **CHAMPION SENIOR BULL** - Rosette
37. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR BULL** - Rosette
38. **GRAND CHAMPION BULL** - Plaque
39. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL** - Plaque
40. **PRODUCE-OF-DAM** - Two animals by one dam from above classes, either or both sexes may be represented, no ownership requirement.
41. **GET-OF-SIRE** - Three animals by one sire from the above individual classes, either or both sexes may be represented, no ownership requirement.
42. **BEST-THREE-HEAD** - Owned or co-owned by exhibitor and shown in the above individual classes, either or both sexes may be represented.

SIMMENTAL DIVISION



Arrival ----- 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12
Judging----- 10:00 a.m., Thursday, March 14
Release----- 7:00 a.m., Sunday, March 17

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will provide Premiums for this Division based on Premium Schedule on page 189.

Entries must be purebred Simmental and registered with the American Simmental Association. Cattle not old enough to be eligible for registration must be accompanied by a completed Application for Registration (Herd Handler).

DIVISION CHAMPION CLASSES

FEMALES:

1. Heifers calved on or after May 1, 2018
2. Heifers calved April 2018
3. Heifers calved March 2018
4. Heifers calved January - February 2018
5. **CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette
6. **RESERVE CHAMPION HEIFER CALF** - Rosette
7. Heifers calved October - December 2017
8. Heifers calved July - September 2017
9. Heifers calved April - June 2017
10. Heifers calved January - March 2017
11. **CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
12. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
13. Heifers calved September - December 2016

14. Heifers calved May - August 2016
15. Heifers calved January - April 2016
16. Pairs, Dams calved prior to January 1, 2016 (calves- 220 days or less on Show day)
17. **CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
18. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** - Rosette
19. **GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Plaque
20. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Plaque



BULLS:

21. Bulls calved on or after May 1, 2018
22. Bulls calved April 2018
23. Bulls calved March 2018
24. Bulls calved January - February 2018
25. **CHAMPION BULL CALF** - Rosette
26. **RESERVE CHAMPION BULL CALF** - Rosette
27. Bulls calved October - December 2017
28. Bulls calved July - September 2017
29. Bulls calved April - June 2017
30. Bulls calved January - March 2017
31. **CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL** - Rosette
32. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL** - Rosette
33. Bulls calved September - December 2016
34. Bulls calved May - August 2016
35. Bulls calved January - April 2016

36. **CHAMPION SENIOR BULL** - Rosette
37. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR BULL** - Rosette
38. **GRAND CHAMPION BULL** - Plaque
39. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL** - Plaque
40. **PRODUCE-OF-DAM** - Two animals by one dam from above classes, either or both sexes may be represented, no ownership requirement.
41. **GET-OF-SIRE** - Three animals by one sire from the above individual classes, either or both sexes may be represented, no ownership requirement.
42. **BEST-THREE-HEAD** - Owned or co-owned by exhibitor and shown in the above individual classes, either or both sexes may be represented – Rosette

TEXAS LONGHORN DIVISION

Arrival ----- 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 6
Judging----- 8:00 a.m., Saturday, March 9
Release----- 8:00 a.m. Sunday, March 10



SPECIAL RULES

1. All rules in the TLBAA and TLBT Official Handbook apply.
2. Longhorn calves must be registered with the Texas Longhorn Breeders Association of America and must be 180 days of age to show.
3. All bulls must show with nose ring and nose lead. The nose ring can be a temporary nose ring until they are 12 months old. Once they are 12 months old, the nose ring must be permanent.
4. No grooming chutes are allowed.
5. This is a haltered show. Cattle are required to be halter broke to compete and must be handled with a halter.

DIVISION CHAMPION CLASSES

FEMALES:

1. Heifers calved September – December 2018
2. Heifers calved July – August 2018
3. Heifers calved May – June 2018
4. Heifers calved March – April 2018
5. Heifers calved January – February 2018
6. **JUNIOR CHAMPION HEIFER** - Rosette
7. **RESERVE JUNIOR CHAMPION HEIFER** - Rosette
8. Heifers calved September – December 2017
9. Heifers calved May – August 2017
10. Heifers calved January – April 2017
11. Heifers calved 2016
12. **SENIOR CHAMPION HEIFER** - Rosette

13. **RESERVE SENIOR CHAMPION HEIFER**- Rosette
14. **GRAND CHAMPION HEIFER** - Plaque
15. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION HEIFER** - Plaque
16. Females calved January 2012 – December 2015
17. Females calved December 2011 and before
18. **CHAMPION MATURE FEMALE** - Plaque
19. **RESERVE CHAMPION MATURE FEMALE** – Rosette



DIVISION CHAMPION CLASSES

BULLS:

1. Bulls calved September – December 2018
21. Bulls calved July – August 2018
22. Bulls calved May – June 2018
23. Bulls calved March – April 2018
24. Bulls calved January – February 2018
25. **CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL** – Rosette
26. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL** – Rosette
27. Bulls calved September – December 2017
28. Bulls calved May – August 2017
29. Bulls calved January – April 2017
30. **CHAMPION SENIOR BULL** - Rosette
31. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR BULL** - Rosette
32. **GRAND CHAMPION BULL** - Plaque
33. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL** - Plaque
34. **PRODUCE-OF-DAM**: two animals, natural birth, any sex and can have different owners (ET calf not eligible)
35. **GET-OF-SIRE**: Three animals, natural birth, both sex: two or more different dams: can have different owners (ET calf not eligible)

ZEBU DIVISION



Arrival ----- 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 12
Judging----- 8:00 a.m., Thursday, March 14
Release----- 7:00 a.m., Sunday, March 17

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will provide Premiums for this Division based on Premium Schedule on page 189.

SPECIAL RULES

1. All entries in the Zebu Show will be subject to the General Show Rules & Regulations of the International Zebu Breeders Association (IZBA).
2. Animals altered in any manner other than de-horning will not be eligible to show.
3. Cow and calf are to be judged as a pair.
4. All bulls 24 months of age or older on show date must have a certificate of fertility issued by a licensed veterinarian available on request.

DIVISION CHAMPION CLASSES

FEMALES

1. Heifers calved April 2018 and after
2. Heifers calved January - March 2018
3. Heifers calved October - December 2017
4. **CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** (1st place winners in classes 1-3 are eligible to compete) - Rosette
5. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR HEIFER** (2nd place winner from class that produced Junior Champion eligible to compete) - Rosette
6. Heifers calved July - September 2017
7. Heifers calved April - June 2017

8. Heifers calved January - March 2017
9. Heifers calved July - December 2017
10. Heifers calved January - June 2016
11. **CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** (1st place winners in classes 6 - 10 eligible to compete) - Rosette
12. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR HEIFER** (2nd place from class that produced Senior Champion eligible to compete) - Rosette
13. **GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Plaque
14. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE** - Plaque



BULLS:

15. Bulls calved April 2018 and after
16. Bulls calved January - March 2018
17. Bulls calved October - December 2017
18. **CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL** (1st place winners from classes 15-17 eligible to compete) - Rosette
19. **RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR BULL** (2nd place winner from class that produced Jr. Champion eligible to compete) - Rosette
20. Bulls calved July - September 2017
21. Bulls calved April - June 2017
22. Bulls calved January - March 2017
23. Bulls calved July - December 2016
24. Bulls calved January - June 2016
25. **CHAMPION SENIOR BULL** (1st place winners in classes 20-24 are eligible to compete) - Rosette
26. **RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR BULL** (2nd place winner from class that produced Senior Champion eligible to compete) - Rosette
27. **GRAND CHAMPION BULL** - Plaque

28. **RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL** - Plaque
29. **PRODUCE-OF-DAM** - Two animals, either sex, produce of one dam, shown in their respective classes, may be owned by different exhibitors, dam's name and IZBA registration number must be stated on entry card.
30. **GET-OF-SIRE** - Three animals, all by one sire, both sexes represented, shown in their respective classes, may be owned by different exhibitors, sire's name and IZBA registration number must be stated on entry card.

HEIFER PEN SHOW



OPEN TO THE ENTIRE STATE OF TEXAS

Entry Deadline ----- January 15
Entry Fee----- \$100.00 per pen (Junior or Open)
-----\$200.00 Dual Entry
Arrival----- 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Thursday, March 7
Judging----- 6:00 p.m., Friday, March 8
Release of Commercial Cattle -----8:00 a.m., Sunday, March 10

OPEN COMMERCIAL & PUREBRED FEMALE PEN SHOW GENERAL RULES

This is an All Breed Cattle Show featuring both Commercial and Purebred Cattle from South Texas Cattle Ranchers. Jr. Breeding Exhibitors are welcome.

New location is the Middle Barn.

1. Only two (2) heifers per pen may participate to be judged. Exhibitors may enter multiple pens.
2. Upon arrival exhibitors will be issued pen assignments. Exhibitors must furnish the birth date of the animals (month and year), date of purchase by the exhibitor and date of delivery to the exhibitor.
3. Upon arrival all cattle will be classified into ABC or AOB classes.
4. The Pen Show Committee reserves the right to re-classify heifers and has the authority to disqualify any entry.
5. Cattle more than 24 months old at the time of the livestock show will not be eligible to compete. No cow/calf pairs are allowed. They will be sifted and must be removed from the Showgrounds.
6. Any entry is defined as a pen of 2, with both animals owned by one owner. The owner can have more than one entry.
7. All animals must be gentle. Dehorning or tipping is allowed.
8. Cattle will be judged on uniformity and productivity.
9. Exhibitor must provide care and feed for their animals during Show. Pens must be kept clean.

10. All heifers will be judged on uniformity/productivity and all first place heifers will compete for Champion ABC and AOB, Reserve Champion ABC and AOB.
11. Any female exhibited in the Open Commercial Cattle show will not be eligible to compete in the Rio Grande Valley Open or Jr. Registered Breeding Cattle Show; and any female entered in the Open or Jr. Registered Breeding Cattle Show will not be eligible to compete in the Open Commercial Cattle Show.

ADDITION OF JUNIOR SHOW

-Jr. Division will be split into two breeds with the following prizes awarded:

-Overall Grand Champion – Belt Buckle

-Overall Reserve Grand Champion – Belt Buckle

ABC

-Breed Champion – Scholarship

-Reserve Breed Champion – Scholarship

AOB

-Breed Champion – Scholarship

-Reserve Breed Champion - Scholarship

Champion

10+ showing ----- Belt Buckle & \$1,000

5 to 9 showing----- Belt Buckle & \$600

4 or less showing----- Belt Buckle & \$300

Reserve Champion

10+ showing----- Plaque & \$500

5 to 9 showing----- Plaque & \$300

4 or less showing----- Plaque & \$150

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on Page 40 also apply.

BREEDING CATTLE HERDSMEN AWARDS

Prizes will be awarded to herdsmen or caretakers in charge of breeding cattle exhibits as a reward for their good housekeeping. The breed of cattle being shown will not enter into the placing.

1st place ----- \$200.00 and Plaque
2nd place ----- \$175.00
3rd place ----- \$150.00

A Committee appointed by the Show Management will make inspections daily to determine those who, in their judgment, do the best job of housekeeping, taking into consideration the following points. If in the opinion of the judges an exhibitor is not worthy, no prize money will be awarded.

1. Orderliness and cleanliness of the stalls, animals, tack alleys and public walkways.
2. Personal appearance of herdsmen and helpers.
3. Promptness in having stalls or pens cleaned by 9:00 a.m. each day. All cattle must be in their stalls from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., except during judging and preparing animals for judging.
4. Observance of all rules and regulations of the Show.
5. Availability of personnel to furnish information about their exhibits
6. Number of animals and caretakers per exhibit. (Minimum of 5 animals per exhibit.)
7. Cooperation with other exhibitors and Show Officials

OPEN BOER GOAT SHOW

(American Boer Goat Association Sanctioned)

Entry Deadline ----- January 25
Entry Fee----- \$20.00
Earliest Arrival----- 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Thursday, March 7
Check- in ----- 5:00 p.m Friday March 8- 10:00 a.m. Saturday March 9
Judging----- 1:00 p.m., Saturday, March 9
Release of Open Breeding Goats----- 9:00 a.m., Sunday, March 10

OPEN SHOW BREEDING GOAT GENERAL RULES

1. All entries in this division shall be subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the Show. Please refer to www.rgvls.com for all rules and entry information.
2. Entry fee of \$20.00 per animal must accompany entry Summary Sheet and Entry Certification Form. Extra stalls for tack will be \$20.00 each, however due to limited space, stalling of animals will be given preference over tack stalls.
3. Entry deadline is January 25, late entries will be accepted until February 12. Late entries postmarked after February 13 and entries that are hand delivered to the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show office after February 12 must pay a \$30 per head late entry fee in addition to the \$20 per head entry fee, if stall space is available. If stall space is unavailable then Management reserves the right to return late entry.
4. Open show substitution deadline is March 1. All open show substitutions received after this date will be charged a \$10.00 substitution fee per entry.
5. Entries must be in the name of the registered owner. Animals must be registered in the Herdbook of their Association in the name of the owner(s) by January 31. Superintendents will check original registration certificates at time of check in. Recognized Associations include American Boer Goat Association.
6. Exhibitors must be in the third grade or nine years old as of January 1, 2019. Due to safety precautions, no one under the age of nine, or not yet in the third grade, will be allowed in the show ring at any time.
7. Age of animals shall be computed from the open show check in date of March 8, 2019. Birth dates as listed on the registration certificate will be used to determine class entries. If open show check in date is the same day of the month as the registration date then the animal will be classed in next older age group.
8. Stalls will be assigned on the basis of number of entries made by an exhibitor, two animals per stall. If at Show, an exhibitor has fewer animals than entered, the Management reserves the right to assign any extra stalls to another exhibitor. No refund of entry or stall fees will be made.
9. Grooming and trimming tables will be allowed in designated areas at the Show.
10. Goats must have a legible ear identification number; tattoo or other means of permanent identification that matches the ones on its registration certificate. If the animal has a microchip as its permanent identification, the exhibitor is responsible for providing a microchip reader.

11. Fitting will be left up to the discretion of the exhibitor. No artificial coloring will be allowed and may be cause of disqualification.
12. Any female over 24 months of age, that has not kidded, may be cause for that entry to be disqualified.
13. **Goats will be classified by weight and tooth age. (COMMERCIAL ONLY)**

PERCENTAGE DOES



Class 1 - 0 to under 3 months Percentage Doe Kid----- A
 Class 2 - 3 to under 6 months Percentage Doe Kid----- A
 Class 3 - 6 to under 9 months Percentage Doe Kid----- A
 Class 4 - 9 to under 12 months Percentage Doe Kid ----- A
 Class 5 - Champion Percentage Doe Kid ----- B
 Class 6 - Reserve Champion Percentage Doe Kid ----- B
 Class 7 - 12 to under 16 months Percentage Yearling Doe - A
 Class 8 - 16 to under 20 months Percentage Yearling Doe - A
 Class 9 - 20 to under 24 months Percentage Yearling Doe - A
 Class 10 - Champion Percentage Yearling Doe ----- B
 Class 11 - Reserve Champion Percentage Yearling Doe ---- B
 Class 12 - 24 to under 36 months Percentage Senior Doe --A
 Class 13 - 36 months plus Percentage Senior Doe ----- A
 Class 14 - Champion Percentage Senior Doe ----- B
 Class 15 - Reserve Champion Percentage Senior Doe ----- B
 Class 16 - Grand Champion Percentage Doe ----- C
 Class 17 - Reserve Grand Champion Percentage Doe----- C

FULLBLOOD/PUREBRED DOES



- Class 18 - 0 to under 3 months Purebred Doe Kid----- A
- Class 19 - 3 to under 6 months Purebred Doe Kid----- A
- Class 20 - 6 to under 9 months Purebred Doe Kid----- A
- Class 21 - 9 to under 12 months Purebred Doe Kid----- A
- Class 22 – Champion Purebred Doe Kid ----- B
- Class 23 - Reserve Champion Purebred Doe Kid ----- B
- Class 24 - 12 to under 16 months Purebred Yearling Doe--- A
- Class 25 - 16 to under 20 months Purebred Yearling Doe--- A
- Class 26 - 20 to under 24 months Purebred Yearling Doe--- A
- Class 27 - Champion Purebred Yearling Doe----- B
- Class 28 - Reserve Champion Purebred Yearling Doe----- B
- Class 29 - 24 to under 36 months Purebred Senior Doe---- A
- Class 30 - 36 months plus Purebred Senior Doe ----- A
- Class 31 - Champion Purebred Senior Doe----- B
- Class 32 - Reserve Champion Purebred Senior Doe ----- B
- Class 33 - Grand Champion Purebred Doe ----- C
- Class 34 - Reserve Grand Champion Purebred Doe ----- C

FULLBLOOD/PUREBRED BUCKS



Class 35 - 0 to under 3 months Purebred Buck Kid----- A
Class 36 - 3 to under 6 months Purebred Buck Kid----- A
Class 37 - 6 to under 9 months Purebred Buck Kid----- A
Class 38 - 9 to under 12 months Purebred Buck Kid -----A
Class 39 - Champion Purebred Buck Kid----- B
Class 40 - Reserve Champion Purebred Buck Kid ----- B
Class 41 - 12 to under 16 months Purebred Yearling Buck-- A
Class 42 - 16 to under 20 months Purebred Yearling Buck-- A
Class 43 - 20 to under 24 months Purebred Yearling Buck-- A
Class 44 - Champion Purebred Yearling Buck----- B
Class 45 - Reserve Champion Purebred Yearling Buck ----- B
Class 46 - 24 to under 36 months Purebred Senior Buck--- A
Class 47 - 36 months plus Purebred Senior Buck ----- A
Class 48 - Champion Purebred Senior Buck----- B
Class 49 - Reserve Champion Purebred Senior Buck ----- B
Class 50 - Grand Champion Purebred Buck ----- C
Class 51 - Reserve Grand Champion Purebred Buck ----- C

OPEN COMMERCIAL BOER DOES



1. If there are any questions by classifiers then the Doe will be moved to the next older Does Class. All classifier decisions are final for the Show.
2. Commercial Does entered in the Jr. Commercial Boer Doe Show are eligible to be shown in the Jr. and Open RGVLS Breeding Goat Show, however Commercial Does are not eligible to be shown in the RGVLS Market Goat Show
3. Classifying of Commercial Boer Does will start at 2:00 p.m. and end at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, March 8 in the designated area by the Goat committee for Jr. and Open Breeding Goat Exhibits.
4. All Open commercial does entering the RGVLS show grounds will be examined and sifted by the Open Boer Goat Show Committee. Any sifted entry will be asked to be removed from the Show grounds immediately.
5. If greater than 10 entries are in the class, the class will be divided to its own separate class (with own premium and will be brought out to show for Grand/Reserve) and will be divided by the show committee.

Class 52 - Does with Milk Teeth----- A
Class 53 - Two Tooth Does ----- A
Class 54 - Four Tooth & Older Does----- A
Class 55 - Grand Champion Open Commercial Doe – Banner
Class 56 - Reserve Grand Champion Open Commercial Doe – Banner

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 40 also apply.

AWARD A

1st Place-----	\$50
2nd Place -----	\$35
3rd Place -----	\$25
4th Place-----	\$15
5 th Place -----	\$10

AWARD B

Division Champion ----- Rosette & Trophy
Reserve Division Champion-----Rosette

AWARD C

Grand Champion ----- \$300 & Banner
Reserve Grand Champion---- \$200 & Banner

OPEN/YOUTH HORSE SHOW

PERFORMANCE DIVISION



Entry deadline----- February 18

Late registration deadline*----- February 25

*LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED THE DAY OF THE SHOW with a \$50.00 late fee, plus all required entry fees.

Entry fee (per class) ----- \$12.00

Stall fee (per day) ----- \$20.00

RV Hook-up (per day) ----- \$25.00

Performance & Versatility Classes Check-In----- 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 12

Show begins promptly at 9:00 a.m.

OFFICIAL RULES

1. Stallions are allowed in Ranch classes only. Any unruly behavior will not be tolerated.
2. Entry fees are non-refundable.
3. Class changes/deletions will be accepted at least two classes prior to the class you wish to add/delete. No refunds will be given for deleted classes. If a horse becomes unexpectedly ill or dies, with approval by the Show committee, a new horse may be substituted. All paperwork for the new horse must be completed prior to the start of the first class.
4. AQHA rules will apply where applicable. No tie downs, martingales, roping reins, or mechanical hackamores will be allowed except in speed classes. Ranch Horse Classes

will follow a combination of AQHA and SHOT rules. Working Cow Horse will follow SHOT rules (if cattle are available)

6. Any protests must be accompanied by \$250.00, to be refunded if protest is validated by show committee.
7. Walk/Trot Classes: Individuals may participate in the walk/trot division if a horse/rider PAIR has not loped or cantered in any RGVLS show in the past 2 show seasons.

9. Unruly behavior will not be tolerated in horse or humans!

11. An original negative Coggins is required for entry to the show grounds and must be shown at time of registration.
12. Certificates and other prizes will be awarded to all divisions

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on Page 40 also apply.

HIGH POINT AWARDS

SAME HORSE/SAME RIDER RULE APPLIES. You need not designate your high point horse. Points will be calculated for the horse/rider combo on all classes with the exception of non-high point classes.

Horses need not be owned by participant. Borrowed or leased horses are allowable.

POINT SYSTEM

In Class	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
6	6	5	4	3	2	1
5	5	4	3	2	1	
4	4	3	2	1		
3	3	2	1			
2	2	1				
1	1					

Participants need to keep track of their own points. The Show Committee will post points at the end of the horse show.

PERFORMANCE DIVISIONS BY AGE:

Youth Division

Youth Walk/Trot

13 years of age and under

14-18 years of age

Adult Division

Adult Walk/Trot

19 years of age and over

Ranch Horse (All Ages) No W/T riders

Age division is determined by your age as of January 1, 2019

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

Tuesday, March 12

8:00 a.m. – Books Open

9:00 a.m. – Show Begins Competition

Class-01 Geldings 2 and Under ----- Award & Rosette

Class-02 Geldings 3 and Over ----- Award & Rosette

Grand Champion Halter Geldings ----- Belt Buckle

Reserve Grand Champion Halter Geldings ----- Belt Buckle

Class-03 Mares 2 and Under ----- Award & Rosette

Class-04 Mares 3 and Over----- Award & Rosette

Grand Champion Halter Mares ----- Belt Buckle

Reserve Grand Champion Halter Mares ----- Belt Buckle

Class-05 Color Non Solid (Paints, Apps, Etc.) ----- Award & Rosette

Class-06 Color Solid (Palomino, Buckskin, Etc.) ----- Award & Rosette

Class-07 Showmanship Youth W/T ----- Award & Rosette

Class-08 Showmanship Adult W/T ----- Award & Rosette

Class-09 Showmanship 13 and Under ----- Award & Rosette

Class-10 Showmanship 14-18 ----- Award & Rosette

Class-11 Showmanship 19 and Over ----- Award & Rosette

Break

Class-12 Hunter Under Saddle Youth W/T-----Award & Rosette

Class-13 Hunter Under Saddle Adult W/T ----- Award & Rosette

Class-14 Hunter Under Saddle 13 and Under ----- Award & Rosette

Class-15 Hunter Under Saddle 14-18-----Award & Rosette

Class-16 Hunter Under Saddle 19 and Over-----	Award & Rosette
Class-17 English Discipline Rail Youth W/T All Ages -----	Award & Rosette
Class-18 English Discipline Rail-All Ages (Canter class) -----	Award & Rosette
Class-19 English Equitation Youth W/T -----	Award & Rosette
Class 20 English Equitation Adult W/T -----	Award & Rosette
Class-21 English Equitation 13 and Under -----	Award & Rosette
Class-22 English Equitation 14-18-----	Award & Rosette
Class-23 English Equitation 19 and Over -----	Award & Rosette

BREAK / WARM UP 45 MINUTES

Class-24 Lead Line (3-8yr olds) -----	Trophy
Class-25 Western Pleasure Youth W/T -----	Award & Rosette
Class 26 Western Pleasure Adult W/T -----	Award & Rosette
Class-27 Western Pleasure 13 and Under -----	Award & Rosette
Class-28 Western Pleasure 14-18 -----	Award & Rosette
Class-29 Western Pleasure 19 and Over -----	Award & Rosette
Class-30 Western Discipline Rail W/T All Ages -----	Award & Rosette
Class 31 Western Discipline Rail All Ages (Lope Class) -----	Award & Rosette
Class-32 Western Horsemanship Youth W/T -----	Award & Rosette
Class 33 Western Horsemanship Adult W/T-----	Award & Rosette
Class-34 Western Horsemanship 13 and Under -----	Award & Rosette
Class-35 Western Horsemanship 14-18 -----	Award & Rosette
Class-36 Western Horsemanship 19 and Over -----	Award & Rosette
Class-37 Trail Youth W/T -----	Award & Rosette
Class 38 Trail Adult W/T-----	Award & Rosette
Class-39 Trail 13 and Under -----	Award & Rosette
Class-40 Trail 14-18 -----	Award & Rosette
Class-41 Trail 19 and Over -----	Award & Rosette
Class-42 Ranch Horse Trail (Ranch Horse HP only) -----	Award & Rosette
Class-43 Ranch Horse Pleasure (Ranch Horse HP only) -----	Award & Rosette
Class-44 Ranch Horse Reining open all ages (Ranch Horse HP only)	Award & Rosette
Class 45 Working Cow Horse – Novice-----	Award & Rosette
Class 46 Working Cow Horse – Junior-----	Award & Rosette
Class 47 Working Cow Horse – Open -----	Award & Rosette
Class 48 Ranch Horse Halter (Ranch Horse HP only) -----	Award & Rosette

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

High Point (6 divisions) ----- \$500 Certificate & Scholarship
(A \$500 scholarship will be awarded to the High Point individual in each division provided they are members of 4-H or FFA)

Reserve High Point (6 Divisions)-----An Award

8 & Under Classes-----Trophy

Certificate of chosen saddle company to be determined

OPEN/YOUTH HORSE SHOW

SPEED DIVISION



Entry deadline----- February 18

Late registration deadline*----- February 25

*LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED THE DAY OF THE SHOW with a \$50.00 late fee, plus all required entry fees.

Entry fee (per class) ----- \$10.00

Stall fee (per day) ----- \$20.00

RV Hook-up (per day) ----- \$25.00

Speed Events Check In ----- 8:00 a.m., Monday, March 11

Speed Events begins promptly at 9:00 a.m.

OFFICIAL RULES

- 1. Stallions are allowed at the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show. NOTE: Unruly behavior is not permitted under any circumstance and is subject to ejection by Committee Chair.**
2. Entry fees are non-refundable.
3. Class changes/deletions will be accepted at least two classes prior to the class you wish to add/delete. No refunds will be given for deleted classes. If a horse becomes unexpectedly ill or dies, with approval by the Show committee, a new horse may be substituted. All paperwork for the new horse must be completed prior to the start of the first class.
4. AQHA rules will apply where applicable. No tie downs, martingales, roping reins, or mechanical hackamores will be allowed except in speed classes. Ranch Horse Classes

will follow a combination of AQHA and SHOT rules. Working Cow Horse will follow SHOT rules (if cattle are available)

6. Any protests must be accompanied by \$250.00, to be refunded if protest is validated by show committee.
8. The two minute gate rule will be strictly adhered to except for tack changes which MUST be approved prior to the start of the Show. The participant is responsible for being at the gate ready one class prior. Rider will be lined up ready to ride during their drag. After 3rd call rider will be scratched.
9. **Unruly behavior will not be tolerated in horse or humans!**
10. Points will be tabulated at the end of the Show after careful analysis and confirmation. You must be present to get your awards.
11. An original negative Coggins is required for entry to the show grounds and must be shown at time of registration.
12. Saddles will be awarded to 13 and under, 14-18, 19 and over and Ranch Horse.

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on Page 40 also apply.

HIGH POINT AWARDS

SAME HORSE/SAME RIDER RULE APPLIES. You need not designate your high point horse. Points will be calculated for the horse/rider combo on all classes with the exception of non-high point classes.

Horses need not be owned by participant. Borrowed or leased horses are allowable.

POINT SYSTEM

In Class	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
6	6	5	4	3	2	1
5	5	4	3	2	1	
4	4	3	2	1		
3	3	2	1			
2	2	1				
1	1					

Participants need to keep track of their own points. The Show Committee will post points at the end of the horse show.

SPEED EVENTS DIVISIONS BY AGE:

Youth Division

13 years of age and under
14-18 years of age

Adult Division

19-34 years of age
35 years of age and older

Monday, March 11

8:00 am-----Check-In

9:00 pm – 11:00 pm-----Exhibition

11:15 am----Race

Timed Events

Class-1	Poles (0-8)-----	Belt Buckle & Rosette
Class-2	Poles (9-13) -----	Belt Buckle & Rosette
Class-3	Poles (14-18)-----	Belt Buckle & Rosette
Class-4	Poles (19-34)-----	Belt Buckle & Rosette
Class-5	Poles (35+)-----	Belt Buckle & Rosette

Break - 45 minutes

Class-6	Barrels (0-8)-----	Belt Buckle & Rosette
Class-7	Barrels (9-13) -----	Belt Buckle & Rosette
Class-8	Barrels (14-18)-----	Belt Buckle & Rosette
Class-9	Barrels (19-34)-----	Belt Buckle & Rosette
Class-10	Barrels (35+) -----	Belt Buckle & Rosette

DAIRY GOAT DIVISION

Entry Deadline-----	January 25
Entry Fee-----	\$20.00
Delivery to Show Grounds-----	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Friday, March 8
Check-in-----	5:00 p.m. Friday, March 8
Judging-----	4:00 p.m. Saturday, March 9

All entries shown in the Dairy Goat classes will be subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show and in addition, the following rules and regulations:

1. Each exhibitor must be a member of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and be enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr or Willacy County and in their respective FFA Chapter or 4-H Club from November 1, 2018, through the Show period.
2. Exhibitors must be in third grade or nine years old but under 20 years of age as of January 1, 2019.
3. All goats must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor and continuously fed and cared for by the exhibitor from November 30, 2018, thru Show date under the supervision of an AST, CEA or adult 4-H Leader.
4. Goats entered in this division cannot be shown in the Market Goat Division.
5. Goats must be registered with ADGA and meet all requirements with the American Dairy Goat Association. A copy of registration papers must be attached to Summary Sheet and Entry Certification Form. Original registration papers must accompany animal to Show.
6. Exhibitors will not be limited to the number of entries they can enter.
7. Abnormalities: Goats showing any pronounced defect, abnormality or open wounds will be barred from showing. Any evidence of cosmetic surgical alteration to enhance the physical conformation of an animal or dying of hair will disqualify the entry.
8. Fitting guidelines: Goats may be fully haired or trimmed to the owner's discretion.
9. Goats will be shown by the age on the Registration Certificate in the following order.

10. Training collars may be permitted during sift or during judging at the discretion of parent, 4-H Leader of FFA Advisor for the safety of exhibitor.

Dairy goats are shown in different categories (listed below)

1. Junior Division: does(females): That are under 24 months old and have never been bred
 - a. Junior kids: under 4 months old
 - b. Senior kids: 4-8 months old
 - c. Junior yearlings: 8-12 months old
 - d. Senior yearlings: 12-24 months old

CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR are selected from these classes and then can compete for show champion

2. Senior Division: does (females) that are over 24 months old or have freshened
 - a. Under two years
 - b. Two years and under three years
 - c. Three years and under 5 years
 - d. 5 years and over

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Junior Champions -----	Scholarship & Rosette, Special Award
Reserve Junior Champions -----	Rosette
Senior Champion-----	Scholarship & Rosette, Special Award
Senior Reserve Champion -----	Rosette
Show Champion-----	Buckle, Banner & Rosette

SCHEDULE FOR PREMIUM AWARDS

Premium will be based on the number of head showing in each class:

1 - 10 Entries ----- To 5th Place
11 - 20 Entries----- To 10th Place
21 - 30 Entries----- To 15th Place
Over 30 Entries ----- To 20th Place

<u>PLACING</u>	<u>PREMIUM</u>
1 -----	\$35
2 -----	\$34
3 -----	\$33
4 -----	\$32
5 -----	\$31
6 -----	\$30
7 -----	\$29
8 -----	\$28
9 -----	\$27
10-----	\$26
11-----	\$25
12-----	\$24
13-----	\$23
14-----	\$22
15-----	\$21
16-----	\$20
17-----	\$19
18-----	\$18
19-----	\$17
20-----	\$16

JR. DAIRY GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

All exhibitors of Jr. Dairy Goats are eligible to compete. Exhibitors will be divided into three age groups. Exhibitor must show his/her own goat.

15 years old and over

12 to 14 years of age

8 to 11 years of age

As of day of Show

Prizes will be awarded in each age group as follow:

1st Place -----	\$345.00 and Belt Buckle
2nd Place -----	\$335.00 and ribbon
3rd Place -----	\$325.00 and ribbon
4th Place-----	\$315.00 and ribbon
5th Place-----	\$305.00 and ribbon