

2025 Arkansas State Fair Livestock Schedule

Each day is sorted by species (same color), please pay attention to times and location.

		Location	
	MAY ARRIVE: Rodeo Queen Contestants	Coliseum	Horse
Sept 19-20	RODEO - Queens	Location	Category
	Rodeo Queens Contest and Horse Show - More details to come	Coliseum	Horse
Thursday, October 2nd			
5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Junior and Open Breeding Sheep.	Swine Barn	Breeding Sheep
Friday, October 3rd			
8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Junior and Open Breeding Sheep.	Swine Barn	Breeding Sheep
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 pm	CHECK-IN: Junior and Open Breeding Sheep	Swine Barn	Breeding Sheep
7:00 p.m.	IN PLACE: All Junior and Open Breeding Sheep must be in place & checked in	Swine Barn	Breeding Sheep
Saturday, October 4th			
9:00 a.m.	JUDGING: Open & Junior Breeding Sheep Show (Judges concurrently as well as Bred and Owned) Showmanship will follow	Swine Barn	Breeding Sheep
Sunday, October 5th			
Monday, October 6			
Tuesday, October 7			
Wednesday, October 8th			
8:00 am - Midnight	MAY ARRIVE continued: Market Goats, Wether Dam Goats	Swine Barn	Market Goats
8:00 am - Midnight	MAY ARRIVE: Market Lambs, Wether Dam Lambs	Swine Barn	Market Lambs
Midnight	IN PLACE: Market Lambs, Wether Dam Lambs, ABL	Swine Barn	Market Lambs
6:00 p.m.	Arkansas Junior Sheep Council Jackpot Series Awards	Swine Barn	Market Lambs
6:30 p.m.	Sheep Fitting Contest	Swine Barn	Market Lambs
Thursday, October 9th			
8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.	Market Lamb Classifications. Check Rules for info and time slots & sign up for showmanship	Swine Barn	Market Lambs
8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.	WEIGHTS SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY AND HARD COPY WEIGHT CARDS RETURNED TO CHECK IN TABLE: Market Lambs, Wether Dam Lambs and ABL	Swine Barn	Market Lambs
11am	JUDGING: Lamb Showmanship (Market and Wether Dam), followed by Wether Dam Lambs, followed by Arkansas Bred Lamb Show;	Swine Barn	Market Lambs
8:00 am - 5:00 pm	MAY ARRIVE continued: Market Goats, Wether Dam Goats	Swine Barn	Market Goats
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Junior and Open Boer Goats and all Meat and Fiber Goats	Goat Center	Boer, M&F Goats

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5:00 - 6:00 p.m.	CHECK-IN: Junior ONLY Boer Goats and all Meat and Fiber Goats (SIGN UP FOR SHOWMANSHIP AT CHECK-IN)	Goat Center	Boer, M&F Goats
6:00 p.m.	IN PLACE: All JUNIOR Boer Goats, all Meat and Fiber Goats must be in place	Goat Center	Boer, M&F Goats
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Junior & Open English Breeding Cattle (Angus, Red Angus, Hereford, Shorthorn, Shorthorn Plus, English AOB), Miniature Cattle Breeds	Cattle Barns	Cattle
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Junior & Open Exotic Breeding Beef Cattle (Charolais, Charolais Plus, Chianina, Limousin, Lim Flex, Maine-Anjou, Maintainer, Simmental, Percentage Simmental, Exotic AOB)	Cattle Barns	Cattle
Friday, October 10th			
8:00 a.m. - 10:00* p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Junior & Open English Breeding Cattle (Angus, Red Angus, Hereford, Shorthorn, Shorthorn Plus, English AOB), Miniature Cattle Breeds	Cattle Barns	Cattle
8:00 a.m. - 10:00* p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Junior & Open Exotic Breeding Beef Cattle (Charolais, Charolais Plus, Chianina, Limousin, Lim Flex, Maine-Anjou, Maintainer, Simmental, Percentage Simmental, Exotic AOB)	Cattle Barns	Cattle
*Any cattle arriving from 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm will have to go to tieouts, No BARN ACCESS			
8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE continued: Market Goats, Wether Dam Goats	Swine Barn	Market Goats
10:00 PM	IN PLACE: All Market Goats, Wether Dam Goats	Swine Barn	Market Goats
9:00 a.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Market Rabbits	Rabbit Barn	Rabbits
3:00 p.m.	CHECK-IN: Market Rabbits	Rabbit Barn	Rabbits
5:00 p.m.	JUDGING: Market Rabbits (Meat Pen and Single Fryer)	Rabbit Barn	Rabbits
Release of Junior Market Rabbits at conclusion of show.		Rabbit Barn	Rabbits
9:00 a.m.	JUDGING: Market Lambs	Swine Barn	Market Lambs
8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: OPEN ONLY Boer Goats and all Meat and Fiber Goats	Goat Center	Boer, M&F Goats
9:00 PM	IN PLACE: Open Boer Goats, all Meat and Fiber Goats must be in place	Goat Center	Boer, M&F Goats
10:00 AM	JUDGING: Junior Showmanship, Junior Boer Goat Show, Junior Meat and Fiber Show,	Goat Center	Boer, M&F Goats
7-9 pm	CHECK-IN: Open Boer Goats and all Meat and Fiber Goats	Goat Center	Boer, M&F Goats
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Commercial Poultry (Broilers and Poultry Chain)	Poultry Barn	Poultry
Saturday, October 11th			
7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Junior & Open English Breeding Cattle, Miniature Cattle Breeds	Cattle Barns	Cattle
7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Junior & Open Exotic Breeding Beef Cattle	Cattle Barns	Cattle
9:00 AM	IN PLACE: Junior & Open Exotic, English and Miniature Breeding Beef Cattle	Cattle Barns	Cattle
TBD - Throughout day	CHECK-IN: Junior & Open Exotic, English and Miniature Breeding Beef Cattle	Cattle Barns	Cattle
5:00 p.m.	Fitting Contest for Beef Cattle Exhibitors	Cattle Barns	Cattle
6:30 a.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Junior and Open Rabbits	Rabbit Barn	Rabbits

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7:30 a.m.	CHECK-IN: Rabbits for Junior Show	Rabbit Barn	Rabbits
10:00 a.m.	JUDGING: Junior Rabbit Show SIGN UP FOR SHOWMANSHIP AT CHECK-IN	Rabbit Barn	Rabbits
Release of Junior Rabbits at conclusion of show. LOOK INTO BUNNY HOPPING CONTEST		Rabbit Barn	Rabbits
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Commercial Poultry (Broilers and Poultry Chain)	Poultry Barn	Poultry
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 am	SIFTING: Junior Broilers	Poultry Barn	Poultry
9:00 a.m.	IN PLACE: All Commercial Poultry must be in place	Poultry Barn	Poultry
11:00 a.m.	JUDGING: Commercial Poultry	Poultry Barn	Poultry
	COMMERCIAL POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP following Market Show	Poultry Barn	Poultry
Release of commercial poultry at conclusion of show. Broiler show is terminal. Birds must be loaded on trailer at Poultry Barn.		Poultry Barn	Poultry
11:00 AM	JUDGING: Open Boer Goat Show, Open Meat and Fiber Show,	Goat Center	Boer, M&F Goats
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	WEIGHTS SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY AND HARD COPY WEIGHT CARDS RETURNED TO CHECK IN TABLE AT ANNOUNCERS STAND IN SWINE BARN: Market Goats, Wether Dam Goats - SIGN UP FOR SHOWMANSHIP DURING THIS TIME	Swine Barn	Market Goats
11:30 a.m.	EXHIBITOR MEETING: Market Goats, Wether Dam Goats	Swine Barn	Market Goats
12:30 p.m.	JUDGING: Goat Showmanship (Market and Wether Dam)	Swine Barn	Market Goats
3:00 p.m.	JUDGING: Wether Dam Goats slick shorn division first followed by haired division	Swine Barn	Market Goats
6:00 p.m.	Natural State Goat Show (Enter show through the association)	Swine Barn	Market Goats
Beef Skill-a-thon			
Sunday, October 12th			
9:00 a.m.	JUDGING: Junior English & Exotic Breeding Cattle & Miniature Breeding Cattle Showmanship - BLOW AND GO SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING: Bred and Owned (follows showmanship and shown by Breeds alphabetically English, followed by Exotics followed by Miniature breeds). BLOW AND GO	EQUINE ARENA	Cattle
8:00:00 a.m.	JUDGING: Market Goats	Swine Barn	Market Goats
Release of Market Goats at conclusion of show. Barn must be cleared within 2 hours of show conclusion.		Swine Barn	Market Goats
6:30 a.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Open Rabbits	Rabbit Barn	Rabbits
7:30 a.m.	CHECK-IN: Open Rabbits	Rabbit Barn	Rabbits
10:00 a.m.	JUDGING: Open Rabbits	Rabbit Barn	Rabbits
Release of Open Rabbits at conclusion of show.		Rabbit Barn	Rabbits
Market Hogs Allowed in Barn after Official Barn Release from Livestock office ONLY			
Monday, October 13th			
5:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Market Breed Hogs and Light (Color) Crossbred Market Hogs (if needing to bring hogs in late, late on Sunday night, PRIOR ARRANGEMENTS MUST BE MADE WITH SCHARIDI ONLY)	Swine Barn	Market Hogs

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2:00 p.m.	IN PLACE: ALL Market Breed Hogs and Light (Color) Crossbred Market Hogs must be in place	Swine Barn	Market Hogs
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Market Hog Classifying (Market Breed Hogs Only)	Swine Barn	Market Hogs
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.	WEIGHTS SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY AND HARD COPY WEIGHT CARDS RETURNED TO CHECK IN TABLE AT ANNOUNCERS STAND IN SWINE BARN: Market Hogs SIGN UP FOR SHOWMANSHIP DURING THIS TIME	Swine Barn	Market Hogs
5:00 p.m.	JUDGING: Market Hog Showmanship for Market Breed Hogs and Light (Color) Crossbred Market Hogs	Swine Barn	Market Hogs
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	May Arrive: Ag Mechanics Arrive Call or text Scharidi 501-626-3168 ahead of arrival if forklift needed	Rabbit Barn	Ag Mech
2:00 p.m. Will break between groups if necessary, otherwise will run consecutively	JUDGING: Group 1 - Junior & Open English Breeding Beef Cattle (English breed show order will be announced closer to fair), – Bulls will show after heifers in their respective breeds	Coliseum	Cattle
	JUDGING: Group 2 - Junior & Open English Breeding Beef Cattle (English breed show order will be announced closer to fair) – Bulls will show after heifers in their respective breeds.	Coliseum	Cattle
	JUDGING: Group 3 - Junior & Open English Breeding Beef Cattle(English breed show order will be announced closer to fair) – Bulls will show after heifers in their respective breeds.	Coliseum	Cattle
SUPREME DRIVE	SUPREME DRIVE FOR TOP 5 BULL & HEIFER ENGLISH WILL FOLLOW THE LAST GROUP OF ENGLISH		
Release of all English cattle at conclusion of Englis Supreme Drive		Cattle Barns	Cattle
Tuesday, October 14th			
8:00 a.m.	JUDGING: Market Breed Hogs and Light (Color) Crossbred Market Hogs	Swine Barn	Market Hogs
Release of Market hogs at conclusion of show. Barn must be cleared within 2 hours of show conclusion, unless keeping your stalls		Swine Barn	Market Hogs
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	May Arrive: Ag Mechanics Arrive Call or text Scharidi 501-626-3168 ahead of arrival if forklift needed	Rabbit Barn	Ag Mech
12:00 p.m.	In Place: Ag Mechanics projects	Rabbit Barn	Ag Mech
4:00 p.m.	Judging: Ag Mechanics	Rabbit Barn	Ag Mech
	JUDGING: Group 1 Junior and Open Miniature Breeding Cattle	Coliseum	Cattle
	JUDGING Group 2: Junior & Open (Exotic breed show order will be announced closer to fair), Bulls will show after heifers in their respective breeds	Coliseum	Cattle
	JUDGING Group 3: Junior & Open Exotic Cattle: (Exotic breed show order will be announced closer to fair). – Bulls will show after heifers in their respective breeds	Coliseum	Cattle
SUPREME DRIVE	SUPREME DRIVE FOR TOP 5 BULL & HEIFER EXOTICS WILL FOLLOW THE LAST GROUP OF EXOTICS		
Release of all Exotic cattle at conclusion of Exotic Supreme Drive		Cattle Barns	Cattle
8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Market Steers, Commercial Heifer	Cattle Barns	Cattle

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Wednesday, October 15th			
5:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Dark Cross Market Hogs. (if needing to bring hogs in late, late on Tues night (likely after midnight before the barn is ready), PRIOR ARRANGEMENTS MUST BE MADE WITH LIVESTOCK DIRECTOR ONLY)	Swine Barn	Market Hogs
2:30 p.m.	IN PLACE: ALL Dark Cross Market Hogs must be in place	Swine Barn	Market Hogs
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 pm	WEIGHTS SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY AND HARD COPY WEIGHT CARDS RETURNED TO CHECK IN TABLE AT ANNOUNCERS STAND IN SWINE BARN: Crossbred Market Hogs, ALL WIEGHTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 4:00 p.m. SIGN UP FOR SHOWMANSHIP - 2:00 - 3:00 AT TABLE	Swine Barn	Market Hogs
5:00 p.m.	JUDGING: Market Hog Showmanship for Dark Crosses	Swine Barn	Market Hogs
9:00 a.m.- 7 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Junior and Open Poultry (Exhibition Poultry)	Poultry Barn	Poultry
10:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Processing of Market Steers & Commercial Heifers	TBD	Cattle
2:00 PM	JUDGING: Commercial Heifer Showmanship Show followed by Market Steer Showmanship Show (Blow and Go)	Coliseum	Cattle
7:00 p.m.	Market Steer Weights DUE in Livestock office	TBD	Cattle
7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Junior and Open American Breeding Cattle (depending on barn clean-out, cattle may have to go to tieouts first)	Cattle Barns	Cattle
4:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Junior and Open Dairy Goats	Goat Center	Dairy Goats
Thursday, October 16th			
8:00 a.m.	JUDGING: Dark Cross Market Hogs	Swine Barn	Market Hogs
	Release of Market Hogs at conclusion of show.	Swine Barn	Market Hogs
9:00 AM	JUDGING: Commercial Heifer Show, 30 min break, Market Steer Show	Coliseum	Cattle
	Release of Market Steers and Commercial Heifers at conclusion of Market Steer Show		Cattle
11:00 am - 11:00 pm	MAY ARRIVE: Junior and Open Dairy Cattle	Cattle Barn 1-2	Dairy Cattle
6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Junior and Open American Cattle: American Breeding Cattle	Cattle Barns	Cattle
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	CHECK-IN: Junior and Open Dairy Goats	Goat Center	Dairy Goats
1:00 p.m.	IN PLACE: All junior and open dairy goats must be in place by 1:00 p.m.	Goat Center	Dairy Goats
7:00 p.m.	IN PLACE: Junior and Open Poultry	Poultry Barn	Poultry
Friday, October 17th			
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Junior Breeding Swine, Commercial Gilts	Swine Barn	Breeding Hogs
12:00 p.m.	All junior breeding swine must be in place by 12:00 p.m.	Swine Barn	Breeding Hogs
4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	CHECK-IN (Registered Gilts) and Electronic Weights & Hard Copy Weight Card Submission Deadline (Commercial Gilts)	Swine Barn	Breeding Hogs
6:00 p.m.	JUDGING: Junior Breeding Swine Showmanship (commercial and registered gilts)	Swine Barn	Breeding Hogs
8:30 a.m.	JUDGING: Junior and Open Poultry (Exhibition Poultry)	Poultry Barn	Poultry

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8:30 a.m.	JUDGING: Junior and Open Poultry & Junior Poultry Showmanship	Poultry Barn	Poultry
9:00 a.m.	JUDGING: Junior Dairy Goat Showmanship, Followed by Junior Dairy Goats (Senior Does then Junior Does) and Open Show Junior Does	Goat Center	Dairy Goats
7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: All Junior and Open Dairy Cattle	Cattle Barn 1-2	Dairy Cattle
12:30 p.m.	IN PLACE: Junior and Open Dairy Cattle	Cattle Barn 1-2	Dairy Cattle
10:00 am - 12:00 p.m.	CHECK-IN: Junior and Open Dairy Cattle	TBD	Dairy Cattle
5:00 p.m.	JUDGING: Junior and Open Dairy Heifer Show (Commercial and Registered)	Coliseum	Dairy Cattle
11:30 a.m.	Junior Livestock Sale of Champions - Exhibits on Display, Sale starts at Noon	Coliseum	
7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	MAY ARRIVE: Junior and Open American Cattle: American Breeding Cattle	Cattle Barns	Cattle
12:30 p.m.	IN PLACE: Junior and Open American Breeding Cattle	Cattle Barns	Cattle
TBD	CHECK-IN: Junior and Open Beef Master, Brahman, Brangus, Brangus Composite, Santa Gertrudis, Star Five, Simbrah, Braford, American AOB Breeding Cattle	TBD	Cattle
4:00 p.m.	Release of Ag Mechanics Projects - Must be off Fairgrounds by 2:00 p.m. Sunday Oct 20th		
Saturday, October 18th			
8:00 a.m.	JUDGING: Junior Breeding Swine (Registered followed by Commercial Gilts)	Swine Barn	Breeding Hogs
	Release of Junior Breeding Swine at conclusion of show.	Swine Barn	Breeding Hogs
8:30 a.m.	JUDGING: Open Dairy Goats – Senior Does	Goat Center	Dairy Goats
	Release of all Dairy goats as shows conclude	Goat Center	Dairy Goats
9:00 a.m.	JUDGING: Junior SHOWMANSHIP for Beefmaster, Brahman, Brangus, Santa Gertrudis, Star Five, American AOB Breeding Cattle. BLOW AND GO JUDGING: Bred and Owned (follows showmanship and shown by Breeds alphabetically). BLOW AND GO	Coliseum	Cattle
2:00 p.m. Will break between groups if necessary, otherwise will run consecutively	JUDGING: Group 1- Junior and Open (American breed show order will be announced closer to fair). – Bulls will show after heifers in their respective breeds.	Coliseum	Cattle
	JUDGING: Group 2 -Junior and Open American:(American breed show order will be announced closer to fair). – Bulls will show after heifers in their respective breeds.	Coliseum	Cattle
	Release of all American cattle at conclusion of American Cattle	Cattle Barns	Cattle
9:00 a.m.	JUDGING: Showmanship Junior Dairy	Coliseum	Dairy Cattle
	JUDGING: Junior and Open Dairy Cows, Supreme Drive following the Showmanship	Coliseum	Dairy Cattle
11:00 a.m.	Poultry Show Awards Ceremony	Poultry Barn	Poultry
	Release of all Poultry following awards ceremony	Poultry Barn	Poultry

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Sunday, October 19th			
	JUDGING: Group 3 -Junior and Open American (Brahman, Santa Gertrudis, Star 5). – Bulls will show after heifers in their respective breeds.	Coliseum	Cattle
SUPREME DRIVE	SUPREME DRIVE FOR TOP 5 BULL & HEIFER AMERICANS WILL FOLLOW THE LAST GROUP OF AMERICANS	Coliseum	

Subject to change if deemed necessary.

Breeding Sheep
Market Lambs
Market Goats
Boer Goats & Meat and Fiber Goats
Rabbits
Poultry
Market Hogs
Breed Cattle
Steers and Comm Heifers
Dairy Cattle
Dairy Goats
Breeding Hogs
Sale of Champions
Ag Mechanics