



2023 Major Show Updates

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2022 Show Recap

Attendance: 2,417,248

Junior Show Entries: 19,833

Educational Giving

The Show committed more than \$22 million to the youth of Texas:

- \$14,186,000 in scholarships
- \$ 472,390 in graduate assistantships
- \$ 2,418,610 in educational program grants
- \$ 5,048,250 for junior show exhibitors (this includes the junior auctions).
- Auction additional premiums will go out by September 1st

2023 Show Dates

February 27 – March 19, 2023

Major Changes

Adjusting schedule to alleviate over congestion of facilities

- Junior Breeding Heifer Show
 - Wave 1 – American Division:
 - Monday, March 6 – Wednesday, March 8, 2023
 - Wave 2 – British & Continental Divisions:
 - Thursday, March 9 – Saturday, March 11, 2023
 - Calf Scramble shows will take place in each wave, heifers must arrive to the correct wave based on their breed.

- Junior Market Steer Show
 - Wave 1 – ABC, Brahman, Brangus, Charolais, Maine-Anjou, Santa Gertrudis, Shorthorn, Simbrah, Simmental:
 - Sunday, March 12 – Tuesday, March 14, 2023
 - Wave 2 – Angus, Black Cross, Hereford, Limousin, Other Cross, Polled Hereford, Red Angus, Red Cross:
 - Wednesday, March 15 – Friday, March 17, 2023
 - Calf Scramble Shows will take place in each wave, steers must arrive to the correct wave based on the breed they intend to show.
 - Classification: Steers classed out of their breed in Wave 1 to Black Cross, Other Cross or Red Cross will hold over for Wave 2. If an exhibitor decides they don't want to hold over for the second wave, they will need to notify the Superintendents Office and will be eligible to leave during the first posted release for Wave 1.

- Calf Scramble Steer & Heifer Awards Banquets
 - Awards will take place at the conclusion of the show
 - Awards Brunch will be replaced with a less formal breakfast in the stalling area. More information will be sent to exhibitors.

- Steer & Heifer Stalling & Camping
 - Each animal that arrives at the show will receive 8' of stall space to allow for stalling and camping space in the stall.
 - Tie-outs will not be available, space will be repurposed for additional unloading space and camping.
 - Note: ends aisles and the wall inside and outside of the back dock will no longer be used as camping space

- Junior Market Lamb, Goat, and Barrow Penning & Camping
 - Adding additional pens to aid in overcrowding of animals
 - Adding a 66' x 300' tent in area formerly used as tie-outs for additional camping space
 - Note: ends aisles and the wall inside and outside of the back dock will no longer be used as camping space
- State Tractor Tech Contest
 - Moving to Sunday, March 5 – Monday, March 6 to fit in new schedule.
- Discontinuing following open cattle shows to allow for changes in the junior show schedule:
 - Open/Youth American Aberdeen
 - Open American Red Brangus
 - Open/Youth Dexter
 - Open Limousin
 - Open Maine-Anjou and MaineTainer
 - Open Shorthorn
 - Open Wagyu
- Junior Market Poultry Show
 - New Location: Fort Bend County Fairgrounds
 - One day Show – broilers and turkeys will show on the same day on Thursday, March 9th
 - Top 2 pens of birds in each division will advance to NRG Center for Champion Drive on Friday, March 10th
- Poultry Judging Contest
 - New Location & Contest Date: Fort Bend County Fairgrounds on Wednesday, March 1st.
- Youth Breeding Rabbit & Cavy Shows
 - Expanding show into 2 waves to accommodate growth in the program.
 - No entry limit for 2023.

Expanded Young Guns Shooting Sports & Archery Contests

- Young Guns Shooting Sports: Friday, February 10 – Sunday, February 12
 - Total Capacity: 720 Total with a Max of 360 Senior Male
- Archery Contest: Saturday, February 18 – Sunday, February 19
 - Total Capacity: 360 Total
 - Eliminating the Tournament Style Finals. Preliminary scores will be used for final placings in each division.

Junior Market Barrow Show

- Removing Dark Cross breed, will instead have an Other Cross breed in each wave
- Readjusting the breeds in each wave as follows:

| Breed | Wave | No. of Classes | Placings | Total Sale Lots per Breed |
|------------------------|------|----------------|----------|---------------------------|
| Hampshire | 1 | 10 | 9 | 90 |
| Other Crossbred I | 1 | 15 | 10 | 150 |
| Poland China | 1 | 2 | 12 | 24 |
| Spotted | 1 | 4 | 12 | 48 |
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| Berkshire | 2 | 4 | 10 | 40 |
| Chester White/Landrace | 2 | 3 | 11 | 33 |
| Duroc | 2 | 8 | 10 | 80 |
| Other Crossbred II | 2 | 14 | 11 | 154 |
| Yorkshire | 2 | 5 | 9 | 45 |

- Weight Limit: 250 lbs to 300 lbs.
- Barrows that arrive to the ring prior to their class will be held in the holding pens until their class sifts.

Junior Commerical Steer Contest

- 30 days are being added to the feeding period
 - Intent Form will open July 18, 2022, at 9 a.m.
 - Steers will need to be purchased on or before Aug. 31, 2022
 - Scale tickets will be due Sept. 15, 2022
- Sale weights are being adjusted up 100 lbs. on both ends
 - Minimum weight will be 1,150 lbs.
 - Maximum weight will be 1,650 lbs.
- Steer points for select grading cattle are being adjusted.
 - USDA Select Yield Grades 1, 2 or 3 will receive 1 point
 - Previously Select Yield Grade 1 or 2 received 3 points
 - Previously Select Yield Grade 3 received 2 points
 - All other grade points will remain unchanged
- Steer Sales Premiums are being removed for all cattle grading select or below
 - Choice and Prime Cattle in the auction will still receive up to 20 cents per pound above the market price with a minimum \$200
 - The \$140 premium for Select steers and the \$80 premium for steers grading below Select, ungraded or steers outside the weight limits are being eliminated

Livestock Exhibitor Grounds Passes

- Price of season grounds passes is increasing to \$50 to cover additional cost related to inflation. Season grounds passes are good for entry for one person for the entire run of show.

Exhibitor Parking Changes

- Changing the distribution of parking for Exhibitor Lots to represent the availability of parking for the lot to what is distributed.
- Gate 10 Parking (onsite parking):
 - Each club/chapter will only receive 1 parking parking pass for this lot for each time period that the club/chapter has entries for teacher/agents or whomever the teacher/agent decides to distribute the pass to.
 - If the lot meets capacity, vehicles with a pass to this lot will be sent to Gate 21.
- Gate 21 (lot located South of 610 at the corner of West Bellfort and Kirby)
 - Parking will be distributed for each time period as follows based on total entries per time period:

| Number of Exhibitors | Permits Allowed |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| 1 | 1 |
| 2-3 | 2 |
| 4-10 | 4 |
| 11-15 | 6 |
| 16-20 | 8 |
| 21-25 | 10 |
| 26-30 | 12 |
| 31-50 | 20 |
| 51 & more | 30 |

- Parking Pass Definition:
 - Parking time period are defined as follows:
 - Livestock 1: Junior Breeding Gilt & Junior Breeding Sheep
 - Livestock 2: Junior Breeding Beef Heifes, Junior Market Lambs/Goats
 - Livestock 3: Junior Market Barrows/Steers
 - Livestock 4: Ag Mechanics & Junior Dairy Heifers

Junior Market Shows

Market Lamb & Goat Shows: Tuesday, March 7 – Thursday, March 9

- **Judges:**
 - Lambs – Chris Mullinix
 - Goats – Spencer Scotten

Market Poultry: Thursday, March 9 – Friday, March 10

- **Shows:** Broilers and Turkeys sift & show at Fort Bend County Fairgrounds on March 9. Champion Drive on March 10 at NRG Center – East Arena
- **Judges:** TBD

Market Barrow Show – Saturday, March 11 – Thursday, March 16

- **Wave 1:** March 11-13
- **Wave 2:** March 14-16
- **Judges:** Miles Toenyas & David Ammann

Market Steer Show/Scramble Steer Show: Sunday, March 12 – Friday, March 17

- **Judges:**
 - Market Steer: Scott Greiner
 - Scramble Steer: TBD
- **Wave 1 Breeds:** ABC, Brahman, Brangus, Charolais, Maine-Anjou, Santa Gertrudis, Shorthorn, Simbrah, Simmental
- **Wave 2 Breeds:** Angus, Black Cross, Hereford, Limousin, Other Cross, Polled Hereford, Red Angus, Red Cross

Junior Breeding Shows

Junior Breeding Sheep: Monday, February 27 – Wednesday, March 1

- Judge: TBD
- Open Show: Tuesday, March 28th
- Junior Show: Wednesday, March 1st

Junior Breeding Gilts: Thursday, March 2 – Friday, March 3

- Judge: TBD

Junior Breeding Beef Heifer Show/Scramble Heifer Shows: Monday, March 6 – Saturday, March 11

- Wave 1 – American Division: Beefmaster, Brangus, Grey Brahman, Red Brahman, Red Brangus, Santa Gertrudis, Simbrah, American Registered Breeds
- Wave 2 – British & Continental Divisions: Angus, Charolais, Chianina, Hereford, Limousin, Maine-Anjou, Polled Hereford, Red Angus, Shorthorn, Simmental, Other Registered Breeds
- Junior Heifer Judges: TBD
- Scramble Heifer Judges: TBD

Junior Dairy Heifer Show: Friday, March 17 – Sunday, March 19

- Judge: TBD

Contests

| Schedule | | | |
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| Contest | Date(s) | Contest | Date(s) |
| Young Guns Sporting Clay Shoot | Feb. 10 - 12 | Junior Commercial Steer | Sun, March 5 - Tues. March 7 |
| Archery | Feb. 18 - 19 | 4-H/FFA Horse Judging | Monday, March 6 |
| * 4-H/FFA Poultry Judging | Wednesday, March 1 | 4-H/FFA Wildlife | Saturday, March 11 |
| 4-H/FFA Livestock Quiz Bowl | Friday, March 3 | Public Speaking Contest | Sat., March 11 - Sun., March 12 |
| 4-H/FFA Floriculture | Saturday, March 4 | 4-H/FFA Livestock Judging | TBD |
| 4-H/FFA Nursery Landscape | Saturday, March 4 | 4-H/FFA Wool Judging | Monday, March 13 |
| 4-H/FFA Range & Plant ID | Saturday, March 4 | 4-H/FFA Food Challenge Contest | Tuesday, March 14 |
| Ranching & Wildlife Poster Board | Saturday, March 4 | Ag Product ID | Wednesday, March 15 |
| Ranching & Wildlife Video Contest | Saturday, March 4 | Ag Robotics | Wednesday, March 15 |
| 4-H/FFA Meat Judging | Sunday, March 5 | 4-H/FFA Vet Science | Thursday, March 16 |
| Ag Science Fair | Sunday, March 5 | Ag Mechanics Contest | Fri, March 17 - Sun, March 19 |
| * State FFA Tractor Tech Contest | Sun, March 5 - Mon, March 6 | 4-H/FFA Dairy Judging | Saturday, March 18 |

*Denotes new contest date

Important Dates/Deadlines

Junior Commercial Steer

- Important Dates
 - July 18th – Online Intent Form Opens (*note: the program is limited to the first 160 exhibitors to complete an intent form online*)
 - August 31st – Last day to purchase and weigh steers
 - September 15th – Deadline to submit Scale Tickets

Calf Scramble

- Current Scrambler Deadlines
 - Monthly Reports are due on the 10th of every month for the following month. Exhibitors who fail to submit reports every month may become ineligible for the completion bonus.
 - August 1: Steer exhibitors must enter validation EID Tag Number in scramble system & Initial Assessment of the Business Plan is due
 - September 1: Scramble Certificates, heifer registration papers, and breed essays are due.
- Progress Show: November 5 -6 at the Washington County Expo, Brenham, TX.
 - Open to all current exhibitors in the calf scramble program
 - No fee to attend
 - Heifers are shown by division, steers are shown by weight
 - Entry will be taken via the calf scramble portal; more information will be sent out directly to scramblers and AST/CEA's in early Fall.

Handbook & Entry Forms: Available online 1st part of October

Online Entry: opens October 15th

Entry Deadline: Online entries must be submitted by December 1st

- Late fees apply after this date
 - Dec. 2nd – 5th: \$250 late fee per club/chapter
 - After Dec. 5th: \$500 per entry

Reminders

Scholarships: Each year, more than 800 scholarships are awarded to Texas students by the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™. Please visit rodehouston.com to learn more about scholarship opportunities for graduating seniors.

Scholarship Alumni: The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarship Alumni Association was started in 2015 as a way to build a community of past scholarship recipients. Since then, we have grown to roughly 2,150 members and are continuing to grow. Our alumni benefit from a complimentary life membership, networking and volunteer opportunities, social engagement, and much more. Any recipients of a four-year undergraduate scholarship are welcome to join at no cost. Our mission is to further develop the relationship between the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo and its Scholarship Alumni, encourage continued involvement with the Show, facilitate networking with fellow Alumni, and build relationships with current scholars via events and outreach. Please contact alumni@hlsr.com for more information.

Super Scramble

19 scramblers will compete for \$42,000 in prize money. The first catch winner from the first 19 rodeo performances will be eligible to return on the last Sunday during the rodeo finals. 9 out of the 19 scramblers will have the opportunity to catch a calf. The prize money will be distributed as follows:

- 1st Catch: \$10,000
- 2nd Catch: \$6,000
- 3rd Catch: \$4,000
- 4th – 9th Catch: \$2,000 each
- Non-Catchers: \$1,000 each

Judging Contest Entry

Entry for team related judging contests will be taken via judgingcard.com. Entries will open on January 5th and are due on Feb. 1st. **No Late Entries will be accepted!** Contests that are entered as an individual only including Ag Public Speaking, Ag Science Fair, Archery, Poster Board Contest, Video Contest, and Young Guns Shooting Sports, will continue to enter in the HLSR Junior Show Entry Portal with a deadline of Dec. 1st.

Entry Forms

Individual Show and Contests entered via the HLSR Junior Show Entry Portal:

- Indemnities: Only one indemnity form will be used for all individual shows/contests to simplify the entry process, all indemnity forms must be notarized. **Note:** *Indemnity forms for Ag Mechanics contestants should be brought to the show on the day of move-in.*
- Entry Forms: All exhibitors/contestants will need to use the Junior Show Entry Form, for some contests including Ag Mechanics, Archery, Poster Board, Video Contest, and Young Guns, an additional form will be needed to be completed as well.
- W-9's: A paper W-9 will be required for all exhibitors/contestants.

Contests entered via Judging Card: no paper entry form is required. Indemnity forms should not be mailed to the show, please bring the completed indemnity forms to the contest.

