

Cass County Livestock Show 2023

Schedule of Events
November 14, 2023

8:00 - 9:00 a.m. Swine & Goat Weigh-In

8:00 - 9:00 a.m. Poultry & Rabbit Check-In

9:00 a.m. Broiler Show

10:00 a.m. Swine Show

12:00 p.m. Goat Show

1:00 p.m. Rabbit Show

7:00 p.m. Parade of Champions

Premium Sale will follow Parade of Champion

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Cass County Junior Livestock Board of Directors, hereafter referred to as the Board, reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations, and may arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, or differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, or connected with, or incidental to the show.

These regulations shall be subject to change or amendment by the Board at any time prior to the opening of the show. This is a market show for each of the following animals: swine, goats, broilers and rabbits. The show and sale will be held on Tuesday, November 14, 2023.

The Cass County Junior Livestock Show is based on high standards of competition, sportsmanship, ethics, and fair play. Participants are expected to conduct themselves according to these standards. Any exhibitor or family member who violates these standards may be barred from participating in the show and sale. Any exhibitor attempting to or actually interfering with, annoying, or attempting to influence the judge shall have their stock eliminated and shall be ejected from the show and will forfeit all awards and monies. No alcoholic beverages will be allowed in the barn or on the premises at any time during the show by exhibitors or family members. This will result in disqualification of animals.

The board will be in charge of handling any protests. Protests must be in writing prior to judging and accompanied by a \$100 fee in cash, which will be refunded if the protest is upheld. All decisions are final.

Exhibitors must be an active member in 4-H, FFA or Junior FFA in Cass County, and enrolled in a public elementary, junior high, senior high, private school or home school located in Cass County. For the purposes of this show, the students physical home address will be used to determine location of home school.

Exhibitors may participate in all divisions of the show (swine, broilers, rabbits, or goats); however, *each exhibitor may sell only one entry*. Exhibitors may choose the entry they wish to sell and must notify the show secretary within 15 minutes of the conclusion of the Rabbit Show. In the case of no notification, it will default to the exhibitor's highest placing animal. In the event that the exhibitor places Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion, they may sell one entry regardless of species. Grand and Reserve animals must sell.

If an exhibitor is academically ineligible on the date of the show, their animal will also be ineligible to show. Substitute exhibitors may be considered by the board due extenuating circumstances such as illness or family emergency. To be eligible for the sale the exhibitor must be present for the show and the sale.

All exhibitors are subject to Species Rules as well as General Rules and Regulations and must comply with Texas Animal Health Commission Regulations.

Entries (swine, goat, broiler or rabbit) must not have received any substance not approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and/or the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) for food animals. Animals must not have been fed any feed containing protein derived from mammalian tissues.

All entries have a \$25.00 entry fee and 6% commission on all animals sold.

All swine and goat projects requiring weights must be weighed in by 9 a.m. Scales will be available on the premises.

An exhibitor's check shall not be released until the W-9 forms are completed and returned, and the premiums and add-on money is paid into the Cass County Livestock Show Association for his/her project.

All show participants must pay the \$25 entry fee, per species, and complete an entry form, & W-9 form to be turned in to the appropriate Ag. Teacher or County Extension Agent by September 15, 2023. Exhibitors must already be enrolled in 4-H or FFA prior to the entry date. No late entry fees will be accepted.

RABBIT DEPARTMENT

Best Two Fryers Species Rules

Starting fall 2022 - Each FFA or 4H will be responsible for procuring rabbits for their own exhibitors. Exhibitors will show a pen of 2 rabbits weighing 3 to 5.5 pounds each from those they validate in September. Exhibitors may validate a maximum of 5 rabbits in a pen. Minimum of 2 rabbits per pen, but it is suggested to validate at least 3 rabbits per pen. Rabbits will be tattooed at validation on October 3, 2023 at the Expo Center.

There will not be cages available for your rabbits at the show. Bring rabbits in their own cages. **If cages have solid bottoms, there should be shavings or something similar to prevent check-in committee members or judges from having to handle soiled rabbits.**

Exhibitors must be present for judging of animals. Diseased rabbits will be removed from show.

No one except judges and show officials will be allowed behind the judging table.

Rabbits will be weighed and checked by the committee members to verify the rabbits' ear tattoos, health, and exhibitor identity. Minimum weight 3 lbs. & Maximum of 5.5 lbs.

The top 50% of entries present will qualify for the premium sale, up to a maximum of 20, including Grand and Reserve Champions.

SWINE DEPARTMENT

Species Rules

Animals must be owned and continuously cared for by the exhibitor, by September 15 through the date of the show and be under the supervision of the Ag. teacher or CEA..

No artificial dressing may be used.

Minimum and maximum weights for the Premium Sale are *230 and 280 pounds*. There will be a 5-pound tolerance. Official weight will be taken with one immediate re-weigh by the officials. Pigs may not leave weigh in location in between.

The show will be open to market barrows or gilts.

No exhibitor may show more than two swine, and sell only one in the Premium Sale.

Showmanship classes will be held with plaques awarded in two divisions: Junior (age 8 to 13); and Senior (age 14 and up).

The sale order will be determined following the judging.

The Grand Champion and the Reserve Grand Champion will sell with a maximum of 20.

All animals (swine) that make the sale and are transported directly to the packers from the Expo Center, must have an exhibitor or a representative present when the animal is loaded on the designated trailer. Failure to comply will result in a \$100 loading fee to be deducted from the exhibitors premium.

MARKET GOAT SHOW

Species Rules

Animals must be owned and continuously cared for by the exhibitor, by September 16 through the date of the show and be under the supervision of the Ag. teacher or county agent.

No exhibitor may show more than two market goats, and sell only one in the Premium Sale. Official weight will be taken with one immediate re-weigh by the officials. Goats may not leave the designated weigh in location in between.

Goats must: Weigh a minimum of *60 pounds to a maximum of 125 pounds* with a 4 pound tolerance. Be slick shorn to no more than 3/8" from knee and hock up, excluding tip of tail. This is to be done before the day of the show. Be free of external parasites.

Have horns tipped, tips no smaller in diameter than a dime. No sharp points.

CCLSA show is a Premium *only* sale in regards to Market Goats. Exhibitors retain ownership of individual goats.

Wether and doe goats of any breed or cross of breeds are eligible for entry. Wethers are to be completely healed from castration or banding before the day of show.

The sale order will be determined following the judging.

Showmanship classes will be held with plaques awarded in two divisions: Junior (age 8 to 13); and Senior (age 14 and up).

Grand and Reserve Champion goats will sell with a maximum of 20. (Premium Only)

BROILER DEPARTMENT

Species Rules

Each participant may enter one pen of three broilers, consisting of either sex.

All birds will come from the same source, be picked up at the same time, and distributed from a central location.

Each exhibitor will receive approximately 30 birds. Exhibitors must show birds they raised. No extra birds will be allowed from other exhibitors not showing.

All birds must be owned, fed, and exhibited by the exhibitor from delivery date to show.

Sifting committee will sift birds not meeting the following requirements:

1. Sick or diseased birds.
2. Any pen that is not considered a good representation of the show will be removed.
3. Replacements may be made, if necessary, prior to judging. No substitutes may be made during judging.

Litter will be furnished by the show. Feed and care of birds will be the exhibitors responsibility. The show will assume no responsibility for the birds at any time.

The top 50% of entries present will qualify for the premium sale, with a minimum of 10 and up to a maximum of 20, including Grand and Reserve Champions.

Cass County Livestock Show Association

Entry Form
Due Before: September 15, 2023
Show Date: November 14, 2023

Student Name: _____

FFA Chapter/4-H Club _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, & Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Project : (circle) \$25 per species

Rabbit

Chickens

Swine

Goat

Entry Fee Paid: _____

Cash or Ck.# _____

I _____, acknowledge that I have read and have a full understanding of the rules of the Cass County Livestock Show and agree to abide by said rules. I further agree that I will fulfill my commitment of raising a livestock project for the Cass County Livestock Show on November 14, 2023. I also understand that refunds of entry fees will not be given for any reason.

Student Signature

Parent Signature

Completed W-9 forms, in the exhibitors' name, must accompany this entry form.