

Rules, Regulations, Contests, Events & Shows

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Entry Form/Weight/Tag-In Dates and Times

Saturday, September 24, 2016:	7:00a - 9:00a	Market Steers
Tuesday, December 6, 2016:	Entry Form	BBQ, Dairy Cow, Dog,
Tuesday, December 13, 2016:	Deadlines	Goat, Heifer, Horse, Poultry, Rabbit
Friday, December 9, 2016:	3:00p - 5:30p	Feeder Steers
Saturday, December 10, 2016:	7:00a - 9:30a	Swine

MARCH 9-12, 2017

Wednesday, March 1:

Scholarship Application Deadline

Thursday, March 9:

3:00p - 7:00p - Poultry & Rabbit Entry

Friday, March 10

4:00p - 6:00p - Dairy Cow, Goat & Heifer Entry

5:30p - Cloverbud Rabbit Show/Showmanship

After Cloverbud Show - Rabbit Show

6:00p - Poultry Show

6:00p - Poultry & Rabbit Showmanship

Saturday, March 11:

7:30a - 8:00a - Horse Entry

8:30a - Horse Show

After Horse Show - Gymkhana (Speed) Contest

8:30a - 10:00a - Dairy/Meat Goat Showmanship

After Showmanship - Dairy/Meat Goat Shows

After Goat Shows - Dairy Goat Contests

After Contests - Dairy/Meat Goat Release

10:00a - 12:30p - Dairy Cow Show/Showmanship

After Show - Dairy Cow Release

12:30p - 2:30p - Agriculture Life Contest

2:00p - 4:00p - Rabbit & Poultry Release

3:00p - Heifer Show

After Show - Home Grown Heifer Show

After Home Grown - Heifer Showmanship

Sunday, March 12:

2:00p - Dog Show Entry & Show

Fair grounds will be opened by 6:00 a.m. and closed by 10:00 p.m. every day.
No one is to sleep in the Livestock area, in tents, or in any area not designated.
All children must be under adult supervision at all times.

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**SUWANNEE RIVER FAIR ASSOCIATION INC.
FAIR OPERATING POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

2017 RULE AND REGULATION CHANGES

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- ✓ 4. All cattle must have OIA ID
- ✓ 11. Unruly Animals will be tied
- ✓ Heifers do not weight-in, Must register by December 4 Deadline

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- ✓ Must be tattooed in left ear

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- ✓ 10. Show ring implements must be of proper size and dimension for the exhibitor. Permitted show ring implements are flexible whips, crops, and bats. NO wooden canes and PVC pipes.

2018 PROPOSED RULE CHANGES

None at this time

BARNS - GROUNDS - PAVILION RENTAL

The pavilion is available for rental for your event. The heat and cooled 15,000 square feet handicap accessible main pavilion building seats up to 975 people. For more information: www.suwanneeriverfairpavilion.com

ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

- ✓ Eligibility: Any resident of Dixie, Gilchrist or Levy County.
- ✓ Dues: Persons meeting eligibility must submit \$5.00 annually.
- ✓ Nominate and elect Directors from each of the three counties participating in the Fair.
- ✓ Provide input to the Board of Directors addressing concerns of the participating public.
- ✓ Members must be 18 years old. Members cannot be a student grade K-12 or home school equivalent in Dixie, Levy or Gilchrist counties.

SUWANNEE RIVER FAIR ASSOCIATION INC. PARENTAL PERMISSION, RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

ADULT AND MINOR PARTICIPANTS:

Let it be known that all those directly associated with the Suwannee River Fair Association Inc./Suwannee River Youth Livestock Show & Sale/Suwannee River Fair (hereafter "Releasee"), including but not limited to Board Members, Staff, Show Committees, Sponsors, and Volunteers are to be held harmless and not responsible in any way in case of any damage, fire or accident as to person, lost articles, livestock, etc. entered and/or exhibited or any accidents that might occur to the exhibitor or their family, and/or the general public while visiting on the grounds at any time during fair activities. It is understood that all exhibitors entering any of the Suwannee River Fair shows and/or contests agree to comply with all General Rules and Regulations, Animal Inspections Rules & Regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics, as well as the rules governing each individual show and contest.

NOTICE TO THE MINOR CHILD'S PARENT or LEGAL GUARDIAN

READ THIS FORM COMPLETELY AND CAREFULLY. YOU ARE AGREEING TO LET YOUR MINOR CHILD ENGAGE IN A POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS ACTIVITY. YOU ARE AGREEING THAT, EVEN IF RELEASEE USES REASONABLE CARE IN PROVIDING THIS ACTIVITY, THERE IS A CHANCE YOUR CHILD MAY BE SERIOUSLY INJURED OR KILLED BY PARTICIPATING IN THIS ACTIVITY BECAUSE THERE ARE CERTAIN DANGERS INHERENT IN THE ACTIVITY WHICH CANNOT BE AVOIDED OR ELIMINATED. BY SIGNING THIS FORM YOU ARE GIVING UP YOUR CHILD'S RIGHT AND YOUR RIGHT TO RECOVER FROM RELEASEE IN A LAWSUIT FOR ANY PERSONAL INJURY, INCLUDING DEATH, TO YOUR CHILD OR ANY PROPERTY DAMAGE THAT RESULTS FROM THE RISKS THAT ARE A NATURAL PART OF THE ACTIVITY. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE TO SIGN THIS FORM, AND RELEASEE HAS THE RIGHT TO REFUSE TO LET YOUR CHILD PARTICIPATE IF YOU DO NOT SIGN THIS FORM. F.S. 744.301(3)(b) PARENTAL CONSENT.

IN CONSIDERATION of being permitted to enter any of the livestock areas at the Suwannee River Fair (including, but not limited to, the show ring, competition areas, chutes, hog pens, steer barn, scales, washing/drying areas, areas reserved and intended for exhibitors or restricted to the general public), or being permitted to compete, officiate, observe, work for, or for any purpose participate in any way in the event, by signing below, I agree as follows:

1. I am aware that there are livestock animals at the Suwannee River Fair and I

understand that livestock can be unpredictable and dangerous at times.

2. *If allowed to enter any livestock area, I agree to be mindful and aware of my surroundings in any areas that I may be in and will conduct myself in a safe and sensible manner.*
3. *I agree that if, at any time, I am in a livestock area and I feel anything to be unsafe, I will immediately notify Fair officials of such and will leave the area. '*
4. *I agree not to sue any youth exhibitors, the Suwannee River Fair or any affiliate of the Fair, the Fair Board Members, Fair Superintendents, Fair Officers, or anyone else associated with the Fair for any loss or damage claimed by myself due to the injury or death of myself or any person under my care at this event.*
5. *I understand that the activities of the Fair can be very dangerous and could involve the risk of serious injury and/or death and/or property damage, and I assume this risk on behalf of myself and anyone under my care while at this Fair.*
6. *I understand that neither the Suwannee River Fair nor any of its affiliates are responsible for loss of or damage to any of my personal property or belongings while at the fairgrounds.*
7. *I understand that this release, waiver, and indemnity agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the law of the Province or State in which the event is conducted and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.*
8. *I agree the laws of the State of Florida shall govern the validity of this Release, the construction of its terms, and the interpretation of the rights and duties hereunder.*

I HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT IN ITS ENTIRETY. I UNDERSTAND IT IS A WAIVER AND RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS. I UNDERSTAND THAT I ASSUME ALL RISK INHERENT IN THIS FAIR WHICH INVOLVES UNPREDICTABLE LIVESTOCK ANIMALS. I FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY SIGN MY NAME EVIDENCING MY ACCEPTANCE OF THE ABOVE PROVISIONS.

RESALE AUCTION PROCEDURE

The President will form a committee to evaluate resale options prior to the sale.

SHOW & BELT BUCKLE SPONSORS

1. *To defray the cost of each show, all superintendents are responsible for securing a \$250 dollar Primary Show Sponsor. The name of the sponsor will be added to trophies and plaques if applicable. Show superintendents will announce and thank the sponsor during their show. Show sponsors will be encouraged to have a representative present at the awards night. Primary show sponsors can supply the Fair Association a banner (3x5) to be displayed in the arena. Current sponsors will be billed in October and if they choose to cancel their sponsorship, the show superintendent will need to secure another sponsor.*
 2. **Belt Buckles:** *First place showmanship plaques for each show may be replaced with belt buckles as long as additional funding or sponsors are secured for the buckles. See Fair Secretary for Information.*
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SHOW AND CONTEST JUDGE SELECTION

A judge selection committee will be chosen by random drawing at the meeting held after the elections in August/September. The committee will consist of 2 directors from each county. This committee will submit the names and contact information for 3 judges for each of the following:

1. Swine show/showmanship
2. Heifer show/showmanship/home grown show
3. Steer show
4. Steer showmanship/home grown show

The president will be given these names and he/she in turn will submit them to the fiscal clerk who will contact the judges and make the final selection.

For all other shows and contest the superintendents and/or show committees are personally responsible for the selection and securing of judges. The name, title and address of ALL judges, including show judge and showmanship judge, are to be submitted the Fair Secretary no later than December 1.

SALE RULES AND PROCEDURES

1. The sale order will provide for a mixed animal sale. A certain number of swine, then a number of fat calves, then a number of feeder calves will sell. The numbers in each "cycle" will be determined by calculations based on total numbers in each category.
2. Grand Champions in each category will sell first, then Reserve Champions in each group. Entries in each category (swine, feeders and fats) will sell based on this order while maintaining the mixed animal "cycle" described in #1 above.
3. Each animal will be sold separately to the highest bidder.
4. Auctioneer will determine the highest bidder and settle all disputes.
5. Terms are cash, credit card, or check made payable to the **Suwannee River Fair and Livestock Association, P O Box 252, Trenton, FL 32693.**
6. Sale weight on steers will be the official weigh-in weight less 3% shrinkage. Market swine sale weight will be the official weigh-in weight.
7. A resale price will be established and announced at the beginning of the sale. Buyers will be billed for the purchase price less the announced resale value.
8. Any person buying animals for another party must sign their name to the purchase contract and is legally responsible for the payment of the bill.
9. Payment is due no later than 30 days after the date of the sale. Payment is overdue after 30 days and interest on the unpaid balance will be charged after 60 days. After 90 days, appropriate legal action will be taken to collect unpaid bills. Such bills will be charged attorney and legal fees plus interest on the unpaid balance.
10. Add-ons will be allowed until 5:00p on the Friday following the sale. Add-ons must use form with complete billing address and signature. All add-ons are subject to sales commission, no resale credit will be applied.
11. No Individual resale is allowed.
12. No custom kill or retained ownership purchases are allowed. All animals must be resold and delivered to the resale buyer.

MARKET ANIMAL SALE CHECK RULES AND PROCEDURES

1. All market animal participants are **REQUIRED** to write an appropriate thank you letter as defined on the following page, **Marketing Responsibility Of Participants**. The original letter(s) must be a minimum of 3 paragraphs and 9 sentences. Your letter(s) will be placed in an unsealed, stamped, addressed envelope. In case of multiple buyers, all buyers must receive a letter. **NO FORM LETTERS** are allowed.
2. Prior to the last day of school, all thank you letters shall be given to the 4-H Agent or FFA Advisor for mailing. 4-H Agents and FFA Advisors will notify the Fair Secretary, at least weekly, as to receipt of Thank You Letters. After the last day of school all thank you letters will be submitted to the Fair Secretary.
3. Sale check will be mailed in participants name to the legal guardian address upon receipt of an appropriate thank you letter(s) from exhibitor to their buyer (s).
4. The mailing address will be obtained from the official mailing address of the legal parent/guardian on the Market Animal Entry Form.
5. After 90 days from Sale Date, any checks that have not been mailed due to lack of proper thank you letters shall be subject to a 5% penalty fee.

MARKETING RESPONSIBILITY OF PARTICIPANTS (THANK YOU LETTERS)

As a participant in the Suwannee River Youth Livestock Show and Sale you are required to write thank you letters to show sponsors, contest sponsors, and market animal buyers.

Your Letters **AT THE MINIMUM MUST** include 3 paragraphs with at least 9 sentences, using the following format:

- ▶ Paragraph 1: Introduce yourself (name, age, school, club/chapter, what other shows you participate in, etc.);
- ▶ Paragraph 2: tell what the project is (steer, swine, horse, rabbit, etc.) and describe what you learned from the project (do not just say "I learned responsibility" or "I learned time management," but explain how you learned it and why it is important);
- ▶ Paragraph 3: Express your appreciation and -
 - tell how you intend to use these funds or
 - tell how much you appreciate them and their sponsorship or
 - Invite them to the fair and using salesmanship ask them to buy your market animal.

Buyer's Invitation Letter: If you want to be successful and get the best price for your animal, you must market yourself and your animal. You need to find a buyer before the fair who is interested in your animal and you. You simply cannot show up at the fair auction and expect buyers to want your animal. You have spent a lot of time and energy raising and caring for your animal, now you need to spend a lot of time finding the right people to buy your animal. **It is your responsibility to help get new and returning buyers to come to the livestock sales.** The buyer's letter is an excellent way to market your project steer or swine animal.

Required Show and Contest Sponsors: Think of a sponsor thank-you letters as a self-

marketing tool and a critical component of your project. Your relationship with the sponsor does not end once the fair has banked their cash and purchased trophies. It is the start of an ongoing exchange. An important part will be keeping your sponsor informed of how well their money is being spent and how much you appreciate them. The start and finish of this is, of course, saying thank you.

- ▶ Your animal will not be checked into the fair until a sponsor letter (using the above letter format of 3 paragraphs and 9 sentences) is submitted. No Cards or Envelopes.

Required Buyer's Thank You Letter: Probably one of the most important tasks you will have is sending thank you letters. Remember -- this person or business did NOT have to do this for you! If they purchased your market animal let them know you are grateful. Put yourself in their place: If you were the one who donated some hard-earned money, you would want someone to thank you!

- ▶ See **MARKET ANIMAL SALE CHECK RULES AND PROCEDURES** on the preceding page..

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

1. Applicants must be active FFA, FCCLA or 4-H member in good standing in Dixie, Gilchrist or Levy Counties.
2. Applicants must be a senior in high school and exhibiting in the current year of the Suwannee River Fair and Livestock Show.
3. Application must be made on an approved form and submitted to the Suwannee River Fair business office, **P. O. Box 252, Trenton, FL 32693** by 4:30 p.m. of the **1st Wednesday In March**.
4. Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of information supplied on approved application form including: Financial Need, Scholarship (Grade Point Average), Project Record, Fair Participation, Leadership Experience, Personal Information.
5. Volunteer work at the Suwannee River Fair is required. A total minimum of 40 hours are required and must be completed by February 15 of your 12th grade year.
6. Recipients must submit proof of enrollment in either college or trade school within 1 year following their award, if not all monies will be forfeited to the SRF Association. Exceptions will be considered by the board on a case by case basis.

Suwannee River Fair Scholarships:

The following applies to the Suwannee River Fair Scholarships.

1. Two - \$500.00 scholarships will be awarded and these awards are for attendance at a University or Community College or Trade School.
2. Applications will be reviewed anonymously and recipients selected by a committee appointed by the President of the Board of Directors.

Suwannee River Fair "Swine Committee" Scholarship:

The following applies to the Suwannee River Fair "Swine Committee" Scholarship.

1. One - \$500.00 scholarships will be awarded and these awards are for attendance at a University or Community College or Trade School.
2. Applications will be reviewed anonymously and the recipient selected by members of the Swine Committee.

IAFE NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics," fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial and national levels. All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada. The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:

- 1. All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.*
- 2. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.*
- 3. Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.*
- 4. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of drugs. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event. If the laboratory report on the chemical analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample or urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the approved laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise at*

any hearing in regard to the matter conducted by the fair or livestock show. At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or irritant substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.
 6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.
 7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.
 8. No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.
 9. The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.
 10. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have any disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Expositions and any special notices to members.
 11. The act of entering of an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.
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GENERAL FAIR RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR ALL SHOWS AND CONTESTS

1. *The SRF Association reserves to its Board of Directors, the final and absolute right to interpret all rules and regulations.*
2. *The Suwannee River Fair Association reserves all rights to make changes to individual shows, events, and/or rules and regulations throughout the year as the Executive Board deem necessary for the betterment, improvement and safety of exhibitors, volunteers, and guests.*
3. *The fair will take place at the discretion of the Suwannee River Fair Board of Directors and when possible the following year Fair dates will be set in January prior to the opening of the current Fair year.*
4. *Market animals that show must sell. Exhibitor owns the animal until it goes on the trailer of the resale buyer after the sale.*
5. *All animals will be the responsibility of the exhibitor and remain in their designated area during the feeding period or until released by show committee. The care and welfare of the shows animals will be checked periodically by FFA advisors, county Agents, 4-H leaders and/or board members.*
6. *The website mysrf.org has entry forms, project record books, updates and changes to any rules.*
7. *No animals, concessions or goods may be advertised for sale on the fair grounds unless officially sanctioned by the Board of Directors.*
8. *Gate at SE corner of Horse arena will stay shut all the time. NO VEHICLES, NO TRAILERS.*
9. *The Fair will not be responsible for any actions by the US Post Office concerning entries or thank you letters. This includes letters lost or delayed through the mail.*
10. *FAIR ASSOCIATION RESALE BUYER QUALITY ASSURANCE & DRUG STATEMENT This is to acknowledge that I have been advised that the presence of any drug, antibiotic or biological residue in my market animal at slaughter will result in the condemnation of the carcass and forfeiture of all sale proceeds and premiums. I certify that any drug, antibiotic or biological substance which may have been administered by myself or any other person, was done so in strict compliance with the manufacturers label requirements or as prescribed by a veterinarian. I certify that I produced this animal, it was not fed any prohibited feedstuffs and all feeds were fed in strict compliance with the manufacturer's label instructions.*
11. *Rule #4 of the IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics deals specifically with drugs. Use of drugs, in animals, not in compliance with manufacturer's label as to dosage, time of withdrawal limitations, or other manufacturer's limitations and show regulations is prohibited. The use of tranquilizers or possession of same after arrival at the Fair will be construed as tampering.*
12. *Show officials may refuse participation in any show, contest or sale, any exhibit or exhibitor who they feel is not a credit to the fair and/or does not adhere to all rules and regulations.*
13. *The decisions of Judges, Graders, DFACS Inspectors and other officials of the fair are final. There will be no arguments, verbal or written, or protest to the fair Judges or Graders. Protests are allowed under the provisions of SRF general rule #14.*

14. Any disagreement or protest regarding any fair activities must be made in writing to the Fair Board President. The executive board will consider such protests and a decision rendered as soon as possible.
15. Sale Checks will be released to participants as defined in the MARKET ANIMAL SALE CHECK RULES AND PROCEDURES.

CODE OF CONDUCT

16. Exhibitors and exhibitor's parents are expected to adhere to the following rules of conduct at all fair sanctioned events. Failure to do so could result in forfeiture of all premiums, awards and elimination or expulsion from participation in the current or future fair events.
 - a. Abide by all SRF rules and regulations.
 - b. Consumption, possession of alcoholic beverages on fair property or being under the influence of such beverages is strictly forbidden.
 - c. The use of profanity or fighting on fair property is forbidden.
 - d. The possession of firearms by anyone under the age of 18 on fair property is forbidden. Adults must secure firearms in locked vehicles when left unattended.
 - e. No open fires are permitted on fair property.
 - f. Any intentional destruction or abuse of Fair property will be grounds for immediate expulsion from the fair grounds and/or activities.
 - g. No improper comments or conduct toward buyers, fair officials or volunteers will be tolerated.

EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY & RESPONSIBILITY

17. Participants in SRF must be certified members in good standing of 4-H, FFA or FCCLA in Dixie, Gilchrist or Levy Counties. Verification of membership is the sole responsibility of the advisors or agents and implies member compliance with national, state and local membership rules and policy. Membership is certified initially by the signature of the appropriate Advisor, Agent or Leader on the appropriate entry form. Final certification from Advisor or Agent will be verified from SRF Master Entry List.
18. The age division between Cloverbuds, Primary, Junior, and Senior classes shall be uniform throughout the Fair. **The age for all shows is as of September 1, 2016.** Primaries: 8-10 years, Jr.: 11-13 years, Sr.: 14 years and older. Except Horse. Horse: Beginner any age, Jr.: 8-13 years, Sr.: 14 years and older. Cloverbud: 4-H members under the age of 8 (as of September 1) may not compete for any awards and/or prizes. They may enter only those events specific to their age group (5 to 7 years old).
19. **Suwannee River Fair Dress Code:** All exhibitors participating in Shows, Sale, Contests and at Awards Program will be required to be clean, neat and dressed in gender appropriate dark black jeans, slacks or skirts, a solid white shirt with a white collar and dark or green tie. FFA or 4-H Jacket or 4-H Accessories are required. Closed-toed shoes with backs or boots are required. No hats or caps allowed. **Show Only Exceptions:** 4-H Cloverbuds may wear 4-H Accessories. BBQ Contest participants check contest for dress code requirements. Dairy Cow and Goat participants may wear white pants and shirt. Dog participants check division for dress code requirements. Horse participants are required to wear attire, boots and helmet appropriate to riding style.

20. *Animals must be entered at the initial and final entry time. The steer and/or heifer exhibitor is required to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the directors that they are able to handle their animal safely. This will include an unassisted walk around the indoor arena by the exhibitor. If any animal is deemed "green, unbroke, or unsafe" the exhibitor will be excused from the show and sale, regardless of division. There are two opportunities to do this: at the March weigh-in and a time to be announced prior to the Show. Failure to do so will result in dismissal from the show and sale.*
21. *Exhibitors must show and sell, his/her own animal unless the show committee approves an alternate.*
22. *All exhibits must be picked up no later than the time and date listed in the schedule of events or show barn for each show and division.*
23. *Early removal of exhibits may result in loss of ribbons and future showing privileges.*

EXHIBITOR ENTRIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

24. *Exhibitors must own in full any animal exhibit offered for sale. No individual may show and/or sell more than one **SALE** animal per year.*
25. *For the safety of all exhibitors, any animal that becomes loose or unruly while in the show ring due to lack of control by the exhibitor shall be penned or tied to the fence for the remainder of the class.*
26. **STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING:** *By signing and submitting an entry to the Suwannee River Youth Fair, the exhibitor, parents, leaders, and advisors agree that they have read and agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations as published by the Suwannee River Fair Association, and that all information on the entry form is true. By signing the entry form you release the Suwannee River Fair Association and those directly associated with it from any liability to your person or property and you consent to the use, by the Fair, of any pictures taken during the events for promotion or advertising of the Suwannee River Youth Fair.*
27. **LIABILITY WAIVER:** *Parent/Guardian and/or Exhibitor must sign and submit a Parental Permission, Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement with their entry form.*
28. **WRIST BANDS:** *Colored wrist band will be issued to exhibitor and parent/guardian. Wristbands are required to enter restricted livestock areas of the fair grounds.*
29. **Entry Fees:**

\$35.00	Feeders, Markets, & Swine
\$30.00	Dairy Cattle, Goats (dairy, meat doe, wether) & Horse
\$30/25.00	Beef Heifers \$30.00 1st then \$25.00/Head
\$20.00	Rabbit & Poultry
\$10.00	Dogs & BBQ Contest
\$5.00	Cloverbud Rabbit & Poultry
None	Creative Life Skill Shows
30. **Entry Forms:** *Exhibitors must enter their animals on a completed official entry form that has been signed by the exhibitor, exhibitor's parent or guardian, and the FFA Advisor, 4-H Agent or 4-H Leader. Entry forms are due according to*

Registration Deadlines and with the correct fees. No refunds will be made after entry deadline.

31. **Registration Deadlines:** All paperwork is the responsibility of the exhibitor and entry forms are due into the show superintendents no later than: **Sale Animals:** On Day of Weight/Tag-in. **Non-Sale Projects:** Forms must be post marked by the 1st Tuesday in December of the current fair year; exhibitors are encouraged to include a self-addressed, stamped post card which will be returned upon receipt of their entry forms. A list of all received entries will be posted on the Fair website. Entries post marked after the deadline but on or before the 2nd Tuesday of December will be accepted at double the entry fee. Dropped off forms will not be accepted.
32. **REQUIRED Show/Contest Sponsor Thank You Letters:** Your animal will not be checked into the fair until a show/contest sponsor thank you letter is submitted. An appropriate thank you letter as defined in the **Marketing Responsibility Of Participants** is a minimum on 3 paragraphs and 9 sentences. No Cards, Torn Pages, Frayed Edges or Envelopes will be excepted.
33. **Mandatory Project Summary Sheet OR Record Book:**
 - a. All animal exhibitors must complete either a Project Summary Sheet, OR a Record Book for each division they enter. Any exhibitor wishing to participate in the Record Book Contest must fully complete a Record Book. Those exhibitors who do not wish to participate in the Record Book Contest MUST complete a Project Summary Sheet.
 - b. The completed project summary sheet(s) or record book(s) will be presented to the show committee check-in station where all summary sheets and record books will be examined for completeness.
 - c. If a summary sheet or record book is found to be incomplete, the exhibitor and his/her animal WILL BE diverted out of line to an area where they will complete their sheet/book.
 - d. Exhibitors showing in multiple animal divisions have the choice of completing either the project summary or the record book, so long as one or the other is completed for each division.
 - e. If the sheet/book is complete, it will be rubber stamped as approved, and the exhibitor's hand will be stamped for entry into the scale house, arena or barns.
 - f. **Optional Record Book Contest:** Refer to Contests and Other Events Rules and Regulations.
34. **Showmanship Contests – General Rules:**
 - a. There will be Primary, Jr., and Sr. divisions.
 - b. Refer to show division for specific criteria.
 - c. The exhibitor must show his own animal. No one will be allowed to participate unless they have an official entry in the show and division. Exhibitors of chapter or club animals may compete in the showmanship contest, 1 per club/chapter by designated club leader or chapter advisor.
 - d. Awards will be given to the top three (3) showmen in each show category.

ANIMAL INSPECTION RULES & REGULATIONS

35. All animals shall enter the show grounds through the North gate, unless specified in SRF Division and Show.
36. Exhibitors will be required to maintain their exhibits in a clean and attractive

manner, properly care for (feed and water) animal exhibits, for the duration of the Fair. Inspections will be performed by the Board.

37. **Proper Care:** If your animal is reported for lack of care and the grievance is found to be valid, the pen will be tagged with a date and time. Once your pen is tagged you must immediately report to the office/show superintendent. If the problem or concern is not corrected you will be withdrawn from the show.
38. State Veterinarian, USDA representative, SRF Grievance Committee or their representative reserve the right not to accept animals if they appear to be unhealthy, infected with external parasites (such as lice, mites & fleas), malnourished, or not in the best interest of the fair.
39. There will be no medicating of animals, unless approved by SRF Grievance Committee or their representative.
40. If illness appears during the course of the Fair, the SRF Grievance Committee or their representative reserve the right to remove animals from the barn that day.
41. Liability in case of death or injury to any exhibited animal remains with the exhibitor until released from Fair.
42. All health rules as outlined by the Suwannee River Fair and the Florida Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Industry must be adhered to. State inspectors will be on the grounds to verify health papers and check in all animals. No animals will be unloaded without the inspector's approval.
43. The State Inspector has the right to test any animal on the facility without prior notice.
44. SRF Health Rules and Regulations and Excerpts from FL 5C-4 are as follows:

CHAPTER 5C-4 - ADMISSION OF ANIMALS FOR EXHIBITION
Effective Date (2/19/2014)
AS REQUIRED BY THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF
AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES
INCLUDING ADDITIONAL SRF HEALTH REGULATIONS

5C-4.0017 General Requirements & Limitations

1. Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) Required. Animals presented for exhibition purposes in Florida, unless specifically exempted, must be accompanied by an OCVI issued by a veterinarian accredited in the state of origin.
 - (a) The OCVI must be complete including the breed, sex, and registration number, and the official individual identification of each animal.
 - (b) Results of a specific test requirement or herd accreditation, certification or validation number for each animal must be recorded on the OCVI with the date of the test or herd accreditation, certification or validation.
2. Expiration of Required OCVI.
 - (a) For Florida-origin animals an OCVI is valid for 90 days from the date of issue; or until the expiration date of any required tests, whichever is the earliest date.
3. Exemption to Required OCVI. An OCVI is not required for animals originating in Florida and entered in market classes provided that animals are segregated

from other animals and the pens are occupied only by the animals in a market class. Pens used for market classes must not be reused until after cleaning and disinfecting.

4. *Inspection Required. Prior to immediate acceptance at an exhibition, all animals presented for exhibition must be visually inspected by an authorized representative for:*
 - (a) *The required official individual identification of the animal; and*
 - (b) *Clinical signs of disease including, but not limited to: caseous lymphadenitis, blisters/ulcers around the mouth, nostrils, coronary band, pinkeye, pox, scabies, lice, ringworm, atrophic rhinitis, or multiple warts that are clearly visible; and*
 - (c) *Evidence of compliance with animal tests and OCVI requirements, where required.*
5. *Animals Rejected for Exhibition.*
 - (a) *Any animal in noncompliance with animal tests and OCVI requirements, or*
 - (b) *Any animal not meeting the official individual identification requirements, or*
 - (c) *Any animal which is suspected of having or showing clinical signs of dangerous transmissible, contagious or infectious disease on visual inspection, or any animal which is known to be exposed to such diseases must be:*
 1. *Immediately withdrawn from exhibition and returned to the place of origin, or*
 2. *Examined by a Florida-licensed and USDA-accredited veterinarian at the owner's expense within 24 hours, who certifies by a signed, written statement, that the animal is free of dangerous transmissible, contagious or infectious disease and pests.*

5C-4.002 Cattle (Beef & Dairy)

1. **OCVI Required.**
 - (a) *Florida-origin cattle or bison moved for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI dated not more than 90 days prior to exhibition.*
 - (b) *Cattle or bison imported from other states for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI dated not more than 30 days prior to exhibition.*
1. **Test or Certification Required.**
 - (a) **Tuberculosis**
 1. *Florida-origin cattle or bison may be entered for exhibition without a tuberculin test.*
 - (b) **Brucellosis.**
 1. *Test Required. Cattle or bison, six (6) months of age or older, must have evidence of a negative brucellosis test within 30 days prior to the date of exhibition.*
 2. **Exemption from Required Brucellosis Test**
 - a. *Steers and spayed heifers; and*
 - b. *Cattle or bison originating from a Certified Brucellosis-Free Herd, or a Brucellosis Class Free State or Area which when certified, the OCVI must show the certified herd number and the date of the last herd certification test;*

Dog

1. NO Chapter 5C-4 definitions.

A Signed Veterinarian Slip With The Dogs Vaccination for rabies covering Expiration Dates Must Be Attached To The Entry Form (SRF Rule)

5C-4.005 Goat

1. OCVI Required.

(a) Florida-origin goats or sheep presented for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI dated not more than 90 days prior to presentation.

(b) Goats or sheep imported into Florida for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI completed within 30 days prior to exhibition.

2. Identification. All goats or sheep entered for exhibition purposes must have an official individual identification in accordance with the National Scrapie Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules, APHIS 91-55-066, June 1, 2005.

3. Test or Certification Required.

(a) Tuberculosis Test. All dairy goats six (6) months of age or older imported for exhibition purposes must originate from an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free Herd, or have had a negative caudal fold tuberculosis test within 90 days prior to exhibition. When originating from accredited tuberculosis-free herds, the OCVI must show, the accredited herd number and the date of the last herd accreditation test.

(b) Brucellosis Test. All dairy goats six (6) months of age or older imported for exhibition purposes must originate from a Certified Brucellosis-Free Herd, or have had a negative brucellosis test within 90 days prior to exhibition. When originating from a certified brucellosis-free herd, the OCVI must show the certified herd number and the date of the last herd certification test.

(c) Exemption From Test Requirements. There are no tuberculosis or brucellosis test requirements for meat type goats or Florida-origin dairy goats.

4. Goats shall be free of any health or skin illnesses, and free of lice. (SRF Rule)

5. All goats registered, unregistered, or grade must have a scrapie ID number. (SRF Rule)

5C-4.008 Horse

1. OCVI Not Required for exhibition of horses.

2. Test or Certification Required. All horses presented for exhibition must be accompanied by evidence of a negative official test for Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA), conducted within 12 months prior to exhibition. The negative EIA test must be reported on:

(a) An original owner's copy of a VS Form 10-11;

(b) A laboratory certified copy of a VS Form 10-11;

(c) A legible photocopy of a VS Form 10-11;

5C-4.004 Poultry, Domestic Fowl

1. OCVI Not Required ...poultry, domestic fowl or ratites presented for exhibition without an OCVI, must be inspected as provided in subsection 5C-4.0017(4), F.A.C.

2. Test or Certification Required. All poultry or domestic fowl entered for exhibition must originate from Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flocks or hatcheries, as provided in 9 CFR § 145 (2005) and § 147 (2005), or have a negative pullorum-typhoid test

within 90 days prior to exhibition..

On the day of entry, a State Veterinarian or USDA representative will examine the general health of the birds. All birds not on the NPIP program will be bled to check for pullorum-typhoid and throats swabbed for Avian Influenza and Exotic Newcastle. If you participate in the NPIP (National Poultry Improvement Plan) write your card number on your entry form in the space provided. Upon arrival at the fair notify USDA representatives prior to bleeding and show them your card. (SRF Rule)

Rabbits

1. No Chapter 5C-4 definitions.

Rabbits will NOT be accepted for entry if they are emaciated, unhealthy or infested with interior or external parasites such as lice, mites and fleas. Ears and fur must be clean and free of lice and mites. Any rabbit with traces of medication or oil in ear or fur will be denied entry into the fair. (SRF Rule)

5C-4.003 Swine

3. **OCVI Not Required.** Exemptions. Swine for exhibition as "market class" swine are exempt from the OCVI and test requirements provided that all swine in the class go directly to slaughter following the exhibition.

Swine with evidence of atrophic rhinitis "crooked nose disease" will not be allowed in the fair. (SRF Rule)

ALL DIVISION SHOW RULES AND REGULATIONS

4-H CLOVERBUD DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The SRF General Rules and Regulations apply to this Division and Shows.
 2. Cloverbuds are 4-H members who are 5 years old as of **September 1 2016**, but not 8 years old.
 3. 4-H Cloverbuds may not compete for any awards and/or prizes. They may enter only those events specific to their age group (5 to 8 years old).
 4. 4-H members who are NOT 8 years old by **September 1 2016** CAN NOT participate in Large Animal Projects.
 5. 4-H Cloverbuds are eligible for participation in the Creative Life Skills, Small Animal Division Show and showmanship. 4-H Cloverbud entries will be judged and will be awarded green ribbons of participation. See Specific Shows for Rules and Regulations.
 6. A show sponsor thank you letter, drawing, or picture on 8.5x11 paper is required.
 7. Complete a 4-H Cloverbud project summary sheet on rabbit and or poultry shows.
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CATTLE DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS: Beef Cattle Shows

BEEF GENERAL RULES & REQUIREMENTS

1. The SRF General Rules and Regulations apply to this Division and Shows.
2. Health Requirements: **5C-4.0017 & 5C-4.002 Cattle**
3. All cattle must have an official health certificate to enter the show.
4. All cattle must have an Official Individual Animal ID, except Fat Steers.
5. All cattle must be polled or dehorned at the time of the initial weigh-in, limited at the discretion of the board.
6. All steers must be entered at the Suwannee River Fair pavilion at the time of the initial (1st) weigh-in. All steers will be weighed and must have an official fair identification tag applied in the animals ear at this time. All vehicles will enter the fairgrounds at the discretion of the Board and Show superintendent.
7. All cattle must be halter broken in March. A screening committee appointed by the board of directors may sift out any animal that becomes unruly and dangerous at any time during the show and sale.
8. All cattle must be clipped prior to arrival at the fairgrounds in March, according to good show ring practices.
9. No reserving spots or setting up cages in advance of the weigh in. All spots will be selected in the order of weigh in. No cages will be setup until all animals are weighed and have selected their spots.
10. All Beef Cattle shows and contests will be blow and go (shampoo and blow-dry). This means no hair care products. **Wash, Blow, Comb, Show.** If you have grooming products on your animal you will not show.
11. Cattle must be shown with show halters only. Animals requiring a rope halter will be tied if unruly, but must enter the show ring in a show halter.
12. All Beef Cattle Must Stay In Designated Area. If an animal leaves their designated area the exhibitor will be disqualified from the show.
13. Homegrown Champions, a Grand and Reserve, grown on the family farm, will receive a plaque. Homegrown means the mother of the show animal was owned by your family's farm. Only 1 Heifer per exhibitor may be shown in the homegrown section of the show.

BEEF HEIFER SHOW RULES

- ◆ Show Superintendent: Jean Jones 352.463.6223
 - ◆ Show Committee: Adam Elliott, Lint Jerrels,
 - ◆ Entry Fee: \$30.00 1st then \$25.00/head
1. The Beef General Rules and Regulations apply to this show.
 2. You may enter 3 Heifers in the show. Heifers must be **6 months to 30 months** of age.
 3. Participants can only show 3 heifers or 2 heifers and a cow/calf pair. Cow/Calf pairs will not be considered for Grand and Reserve Trophies.
 4. Any evidence of tampering with a heifer (such as the use of unapproved drugs) will automatically be disqualified.
 5. Heifers will be classed by weight. No more than 8 heifers to a class.

6. All heifers will be released following showmanship. Please clean up your area before you leave. After the heifer show, all cages must be removed.

STEER SHOW RULES

- ◆ Show Superintendent: Pee Wee Jones 352.463.6223
 - ◆ Show Committee: Todd Begue, Frank Dola, Adam Elliott
 - ◆ Entry Fee: \$35.00
1. The Beef General Rules and Regulations apply to all shows and contests.
 2. Any calf determined by the committee to be structurally unsound and therefore unmarketable may be rejected from the show & sale.
 3. Sifted steers will not be sold by the Association and must be removed from the grounds.
 4. Any suspicion of tampering with a steer, unethical or altering, will be subject to the fair requiring an inspection by a certified vet at the owner's expense.
 5. Steer will be weighed only once. The exhibitor, at this time, may request the animal be removed from the scales, the scales rebalanced and the animal re-weighed. Any request for re-weighing must be at the time of the initial weighing. Animal must not leave scale area. No animal will be weighed more than twice.
 6. Any chapter or club steer must be shown and sold by someone that does not have a market animal in the show.
 7. No nose rings allowed.
 8. No altering of steers: including but not limited to pumping, false switches, or improper injections. The Board reserves the right to retain ownership in any animal deemed suspicious. If determined that unlawful practices are found, that exhibitor and their immediate family will be barred from participation from the SRF for one generation and exhibitor will forfeit all proceeds on the sale of this animal.
 9. Steers must exhibit a predominance of beef breeding.
 10. The top steer from each class will compete for Grand Champion. In the class from which the champion comes from, the 2nd place animal can compete for Reserve Grand Champion.
 11. Ethical Treatment of Animals: Immediately following each class in both Market and Feeder Steer shows, the top 2 winners will report to the scale house with their animal. Steers will be weighed and must not weigh more than 5% of their beginning March weight. Violators of this rule will be disqualified from placing in that class. Subsequently placed animals will advance to the vacated positions and be weighed. The disqualified animal will still be eligible for sale.
 12. If any rules are found to be violated, exhibitors will only receive resale value. Immediate family (one generation) of violator will be banned from future exhibits in the Suwannee River Fair.
 13. Exhibitors must deliver steers to the holding pen and sign delivery list after the conclusion of the sale.

FEEDER STEER RULES

1. Maximum weight at first weigh-in is 500 lbs.
2. Calves must gain a min. of 2 pounds per day during the feeding period.
3. Weight in March will be a minimum of 600 and maximum of 850. The objective is to grow the calf, not to fatten the calf, producing a healthy growing steer.
4. After all steer are entered, they will be classed by ending weight.
5. A 13% sales commission, plus a \$1.00 Beef Check-off Fee as required by law, will be deducted from the exhibitor's proceeds. The exhibitor is paid on a 3% shrunk weight (97% of the ending weight).

MARKET (FAT) STEER RULES

1. Maximum weight at first weigh-in is 950 lbs.
2. Steers entered in the show and sale must have gained a minimum of 2 pounds per day during the feeding period and weigh a minimum of 1000 pounds at the final weigh-in, in March.
3. After all the steers are entered, they will be classed by weight starting at 1000 pounds with no more than 8 animals in a class.
4. A 11% sales commission, plus a \$1.00 Beef Check off fee as required by law, will be deducted from the exhibitor's proceeds. The exhibitor is paid on a 3% shrunk weight. (97% of the ending weight). weight will be used at the end of the feeding period weight.

MARKET GROUP STEER CONTEST

1. A steer group will consist of 3 animals. These animals are to be selected from all steers accepted for entry from each individual 4-H club or FFA chapter participating in the fair. Any club or chapter may enter only one group of steers.
2. Groups selected should be uniform by size, conformation and desirable carcass traits. Judging will be based on 50% uniformity and 50% carcass traits.
3. Group entries selected for competition by chapter or club shall be submitted to the Superintendent of the show by 12 noon prior to the start of the market steer show.
4. Awards will be given to the top 3 groups.

MARKET GAIN IN WEIGHT CONTEST

1. Designed to measure the exhibitor's ability as a herdsman to select and feed an animal for economical gain.
 2. Steer committee will be responsible for weighing and certifying these weights to the sponsor. Any certified steer entry in the SRF, which meets contest rules, will be eligible to compete.
 3. Each steer must be identified at the time of weigh-in with an ear tag and EID provided by the association. The show classification weight will be used at the end of the feeding period weight.
 4. Awards will be given for top 3 places.
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CATTLE DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS: Dairy Cattle Show

- ◆ Show Superintendent: Sherry Roux 386.623.4387
- ◆ Entry Fee: \$30.00

DAIRY CATTLE GENERAL REGULATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

1. The SRF General Rules and Regulations apply to this Division and Shows.
2. Health Requirements **5C-4.0017 & 5C-4.002 Cattle**
3. All cattle must have an official health certificate to enter the show.

DAIRY CATTLE SHOW

1. All animals must be halter broken, clipped and washed prior to arrival at the show, and groomed ethically and according to good show ring practices. Animals must be groomed by the exhibitor, no professional groomers allowed.
2. All animals must show a predominance of dairy breeding.
3. Only females of recognized breeds may be shown.
4. All dairy cattle must be dehorned for entry; animals with horns may be disqualified.
5. All dairy animals must be owned or leased. Leasing of dairy cattle will be allowed with proof of a one year lease and minimum date of possession will be 90 days prior to the show.
6. All exhibits must remain on display until the release time.
7. Heifer & Cow Grand & Reserve Divisions
8. Each exhibitor may enter and show only one animal in each class with a maximum of 3 animals in the show.
9. Classes will be as follows:

Heifer Classes

- 1: Junior Heifer Calf
- 2: Intermediate Heifer Calf
- 3: Senior Heifer Class
- 4: Winter Yearling
- 5: Junior Yearling
- 6: Summer Yearling

Cow Classes

- 7: Senior Yearling
- 8: Junior Two-Year Old
- 9: Senior Two-Year Old
- 10: Senior Milk Cows

CONTESTS AND OTHER EVENTS RULES AND REGULATIONS

GENERAL REGULATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

1. The SRF General Rules and Regulations apply to all Contests & Events.
2. Contests and Other Events **WILL NOT HAVE SEPARATE 4-H & FFA Awards.**
3. Contact <http://mysrf.org> for study materials.

AGRICULTURE LIFE CONTEST: - Holly Houghton Superintendent

This contest encourages youth to continue expanding their understanding, knowledge, and participation in all areas of agriculture with the opportunity to blend the knowledge and skills acquired into one activity.

1. Entry fee: None
2. Individual contest with Primary, Junior and Senior age divisions.
3. Dress Code: You must be dressed according to the rules of the show you are participating in or according to the SRF official dress code.
4. During the contest participants can start and stop station rotation as needed to compete in other shows and contests. You must turn in your score cards prior to leaving contest area and it is your responsibility to complete this contest.
5. Discussing the competition will result in disqualification.
6. Areas of study and study materials will be published on mysrf.org.
7. **AWARDS** - Ribbons and Prizes are awarded at the discretion of the Suwannee River Youth Fair. CHAMPION - One Belt Buckle Champion will be selected based on total score, regardless of age division.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST - Brad Etheridge SuperIntendent

1. Entry fee: None
2. Dress Code: SRF Official Dress REQUIRED. To Judge on the Rail, you must be in SRF official attire.
3. Individual and Team contest. Primary, Junior, Senior and Mixed age divisions. A mixed team would be entered at the level of the oldest participant. Club/ Chapter may enter multiple judging teams & individuals per age division.
4. A team will consist of three or four members. The team score will be the total of the three highest individual scores of members of the team.
5. Contestants and or Teams must be registered 30 minutes prior to the start of the contest. No one is allowed in the judging area except judging teams (No Adults). NO CELL PHONES.
6. Classes for the judging contest will be selected from available market animals and set up by the contest committee prior to the start of the contest.
7. 10 minutes will be allowed to judge a class.
8. Outside counties/schools will be permitted to "school" or "audit" the livestock judging contest for their educational benefit; however these FFA and 4-H groups will be ineligible for SRF awards.
9. Only SRF participants will be allowed to judge on the rail. Auditing teams will judge from the stands.
10. Awards will be given to the first three (3) places in Primary, Junior and Senior Divisions and high individuals for each age group.

MR. LORAN'S BBQ CONTEST: Holly Houghton & Murlie Turner Superintendents

1. Entry fee: \$10.00, pre-registration is required
2. Individual Belt Buckle Contest for ages 9 and up.
3. Participants are **REQUIRED** to view and follow the safety videos for contest. All videos, required forms, study materials, and type of meat for this years contest are available at <http://mysrf.org>
4. **Dress Code:** Participants **WILL NOT** have any means of identification as to their name, club, chapter or community. You are **NOT REQUIRED** to wear official dress; however, you are to wear appropriate clothing and hair covers/hats.
5. Judges reserve the right to disqualify anyone for unsafe or unsanitary procedures.
6. Sharing is not permitted. Where there are multiple contestants from the same family, each contestant must have their own supplies.
7. Fair will **provide** meat, presentation plate and portion cup, if participants want to furnish a sample of BBQ sauce use.
8. Each participant will:
 - a. Be scored on their completed registration form, completed record sheet, barbeque skills and sensory evaluation of final product.
 - b. **Furnish** their own **prep table** (1- 4' x 6' or 2 smaller) and **small portable charcoal grill**. You should be able to walk/carry it into the contest area. **Furnish** all other equipment, supplies and sauces. A food thermometer is expected to be part of the equipment. **Furnish** their charcoal and lighter fluid. **No** self-starting charcoal or automatic fire starter blocks will be permitted. However chimney-starters may be used.
9. Check in and Set up begins at posted time. Check in will include signing in and turning in a completed registration form and record sheet. You will receive your participant number and any last minute instructions.
10. The contest will start at posted time with the lighting of the fires. There will be a 2 hour time limit. Each participant will present **cooked** meat to the panel of judges at the conclusion of the contest. One (1) point will be deducted for every five (5) minutes late to the judging table.
11. **NO ONE** except exhibitors will be permitted in the cooking area until **ALL** contestants have been judged.
12. All contestants:
 - a. must set up and start his/her own grill, is required to stay in their assigned area until end of contest and will work alone during cooking unless officials have safety concerns. You will loose points if lighter fluid is sprayed on live (hot) coals. You must use the technique outlined on our website.
 - b. will receive their meat when they are ready to cook, and cook the meat to **minimal internal temperature and time**.
 - c. may not inject any fluid or sauce into the meat and may not place meat in baskets to aid in turning.
 - d. will be observed from the time of setup and fires are lit until the food is submitted for judging and their respective area is cleaned. Trash bins will be provided.
13. **AWARDS** - Ribbons and Prizes are awarded at the discretion of the Suwannee River Youth Fair. **CHAMPION** - One Belt Buckle Champion will be selected based on total score, regardless of age division.

RECORD BOOK CONTEST - Jaime NesSmith Superintendent

1. Entry fee: None
 2. Exhibitors who complete a record book for an animal do not have to also complete a project summary sheet for the same animal.
 3. Individual Contest. Primary, Junior, and Senior age divisions.
 4. Age Divisions for the contest will be grouped as follows:
 - a. **Primary** division (ages 8-10)
 - b. **Junior** division (ages 11-13)
 - c. **Senior** division (ages 14+)
 - d. **4-H Cloverbuds** are Not eligible to participate in Record Book Contest
 5. Animal Divisions for the contest will be grouped as follows:
 - a. **Market Animals** (Swine, Feeder Steer, Market Steer)
 - b. **Large Animals** (Dairy Cow, Dairy/Meat Goat, Beef Heifer, Horse)
 - c. **Small Animals** (Dog, Poultry, Rabbit)
 6. Exhibitors may enter 1 record book per animal division they are participating in.
 7. A portion of the entry fee will be utilized to provide a cash award.
 8. When possible, individuals from outside the Tri-County area will be sought to judge and score the record book competition.
 9. Rubrics will be provided in the back of each record book template for all participants. These rubrics will then be used to score individual books.
 10. Ribbon Awards: Blue 90-100 points; Red 80-89 points; White 70-79 points; Green 69 points & below.
 11. Awards: First, second and third place may be awarded.
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CREATIVE LIFE SKILLS DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS:
Trisha Barber Superintendents

1. *The SRF General Rules & Regulations apply to this show. No Entry Fee*
2. *The Suwannee River Fair Association reserves to its Board of Directors, the final and absolute right to interpret all show rules and regulations. All Creative Life Skills exhibitors will be under control of the Creative Life Skills Superintendent. The Association will in no case be responsible for any loss or damages that may occur to entries.*
3. **Eligibility:** *Exhibitors will be grouped as follows: Cloverbuds, Primary, Junior, Senior, and Participants. **Participants** in any grade who have a diagnosed mental or physical condition that prevents them from competing at their grade level. With **WRITTEN PARENTAL** consent, participants may enter their items into the Creative Life Skills Show for display only and will be awarded a ribbon for their participation.*
4. **Shows & Contests:** *Clothing, Textiles, Foods, Handicrafts, Program Cover Contest, Poster Contests & Photography.*
5. **Number of Entries:** *Exhibitors are limited to 6 entries in this Department. Only one entry per division will be accepted at registration.*
6. **Registration:** *Entry forms, which will also serve as registration forms, will be sent to leaders and advisors before the fair and must be signed by both the exhibitor and the leader or advisor. Division and class information may be completed on the form when the exhibit is entered into the show. No entry will be accepted without a signed entry form.*
7. **Exhibits:** *All exhibits must have been completed in the last 12 months and must be individual work of the exhibitor. All exhibits must be clean and attractively displayed.*
8. **Entry and Release Times:** *Non-food exhibits can be entered between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Friday. All exhibits, including food exhibits, can be entered between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on Saturday. All cakes and breads entered into the Food Division will be released from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday. **Perishables not picked up at this time will be disposed of by show superintendent.** Exhibits and ribbons must be picked up between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Tuesday.*
9. **Judging:** *All sessions of judging will be closed except to judges and designated volunteers. The Creative Life Skills Superintendent and Division chairs are responsible for orienting judges and encouraging them to write comments for each exhibit.*
10. **Awards:** *The decision of the judges will be final in all cases except where misrepresentations or mistakes are discovered. Those cases will be referred to the Creative Life Skills Superintendent.*
11. *Judges will first award blue, red and white ribbons for all exhibits. Only blue ribbon exhibits will be considered for Best of Division Rosettes in the respective age categories. Only exhibits awarded rosettes will be considered for Best of Show plaques, which are awarded annually to the top entry in clothing, textiles, foods, handicrafts and photography.*
12. **Protest** – *All protest must be made in writing within 3 days of judging by the exhibitor's leader or advisor, given to the Creative Life Skills Superintendent and*

addressed to the Creative Life Skills Grievance Committee.

13. **Names** – The only place that an exhibitor's name can appear is on the entry form. This is to insure anonymity for judging. Items marked with an exhibitor's name will not be accepted.

CLOTHING SHOW RULES

1. Participation in the evening Fashion Revue is **optional, but recommended** for all clothing entries.
2. To insure garments are correctly identified by the judges, print the number of your entry form onto a 1" by 3" piece of white fabric. Also print the number of pieces of clothing being entered (for example: 1 of 2, or 3 of 3). Pin fabric inside the garment and hang your garment on a hanger.
3. The entry form number must also be written on the pattern envelope and guide sheet. Put the envelope and guide sheet into a plastic bag and hang it on the same hanger as the garment. Exhibitors who draft their own pattern should write that information and their entry form number on an index card as well as a brief description of how they assembled their garment and put the card in the plastic bag in place of the guide sheet and pattern envelope.
4. A personal data form is due at the time the clothing exhibit is entered into the fair.
5. Repurposed Clothing: participants designs and sews a wearable garment from previously used materials. The completed garment is different from its original use.
6. Belts may be professionally made and finished garments professionally pressed, but must be so labeled.
7. Accessories constructed to complement clothing entry (shoes, hat, purse, jewelry, etc...) will be entered into appropriate division for judging and will not be judged as an ensemble. However accessories entered in other divisions may be used to complement garment during the Fashion Revue.

FOOD SHOW RULES

1. Food containing **UN-BAKED** ingredients such as custard, cream cheese, or raw eggs will be accepted. However, this division does not have accessibility to refrigeration before, during or after the judging session. All cakes and breads entered into the Food Division will be released from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday. **Perishables not picked up at this time will be disposed of by show superintendent.**
2. For each entry, write the exhibitor's entry form number on a small piece of white paper and attach to the underside of the exhibit.
3. With the exception of pies and canned goods, **foods must be set on cardboard covered aluminum foil. No cake plates or glass pie dishes will be accepted.**
 - a) For smaller items such as cookies, muffins, candies, rolls or biscuits, place six (6) of them on a 6" by 6" foil-covered cardboard and put in a plastic bag. All six (6) items will be retained for display.
 - b) Larger items such as cakes and bread should be entered on a 12" by 12" or smaller foil covered cardboard. Place unfrosted cakes right side up and cover with plastic wrap.

- c) Canned Good entries will include two jars of the same product canned within the last 12 months in identical, clear, standard jars in good condition with new, two-piece canning lids (flat lid and band). Each jar must be labeled with the name of the food and the date it was preserved. Entries without required labeling will not be judged. Unsealed exhibits or products showing signs of spoilage will not be judged. Any foods that are considered hazardous to consume will be disposed of by the judges or volunteers. Jar one will be opened for judging then disposed of by volunteers. Jar two will be kept for display and must be picked up on Tuesday at exhibit release time. Fancy padded lids, fabric overlaps or cozies interfere with the judging process and should not be used.
4. Recipes are mandatory and must be stapled to the entry form with the exhibitor's entry form number clearly written across the top. **Do not write exhibitors name on recipe cards.** The use of box mixes and bread machines are prohibited.

HANDICRAFT SHOW RULES

THIS SHOW IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR BREAKAGE!

1. In general, handicrafts are items that are inedible and have not been hand or machine stitched. Kits are not permitted with the exception of paint-by-number kits for Cloverbuds and Primaries.
2. Each exhibit must come with an explanation of how it was made. The explanation should be printed or typed on an index card. Both the card and the form must be attached to the exhibit.
3. Items must be ready for their intended use. This means that pictures and other works of art intended for hanging must be ready to hang or will be disqualified.
4. Pot hangers should have unbreakable pots rather than clay or pottery pots.
5. All hemming and finishing must be the work of the exhibitor.

PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW RULES

NO FRAMES, GLASS OR PLEXIGLAS WILL BE ALLOWED!

1. A photo entry may be either black/white or color, processed from a negative or a digital camera and must be taken by the exhibitor.
2. The exhibit must have a short explanation of why the picture was taken and chosen for entry. The explanation should be printed or typed on an index card. Both the card and the entry form must be attached to the exhibit.
3. Exhibitors may submit one entry as either: (a) A series of photos: picture sequence or story showing a logical progression of images, or (b) An individual photo.
4. Pictures should depict activities typical of those in which a 4-H or FFA member and their friends would likely participate.
5. The photo must be mounted on foam board and the maximum size for a single photo is 8"x 10".

POSTER CONTEST RULES

1. This contest is open to all participants to show project knowledge gain.
2. Refer to website for current year topic
3. Acceptable poster size is **20"x30"** on poster board or foam board and must

be of education value.

4. Art work must be that of an exhibitor, but parents are encouraged to help guide their child especially the Primary and Cloverbud divisions.

PROGRAM COVER DESIGN CONTEST RULES

1. This is an open contest to anyone age 8 - 18 as of September 1.
2. Decisions of the Judging Committee will be final.
3. No offensive or obscene material will be allowed.
4. No copyright material will be allowed.
5. All designs become the property of the Suwannee River Youth Fair to be used in whatever advertising capacity they deem acceptable without compensation to the exhibitor.
6. If deemed worthy by the panel of judges, the winning design will become the cover for the following year Suwannee River Youth Fair and/or promotional items or advertising.
7. The exhibitor must have done the work on the design.
8. Only one (1) design per exhibitor will be allowed.
9. Design must be Portrait/Vertical submitted on 8½ x 11 paper.
10. Computer generated art is allowed, but it must be printed out, not submitted on disk.
11. The following must be incorporated into the design:
 - a. The 66th Anniversary of the Show & Sale.
 - b. The general theme of the Fair (farm animals, 4-H, FFA, crafts, etc.)
 - c. The dates for the Fair.
 - d. "Free Admission" for the Fair.
 - e. Create a slogan
 - f. The location of the events – Suwannee River Fair Grounds and Dixie, Gilchrist, and Levy Counties, Florida.
 - g. There must be room left for the insertion of the Fair Logo.

TEXTILE SHOW RULES

1. Textiles are made with fabric or yarn that has been hand or machine stitched or both.
 2. Kits may be used, but that information must be plainly noted.
 3. Each exhibit must come with an explanation of how it was made and whether a kit was used. The explanation should be printed or typed on an index card. Both the card and the entry form must be attached to the exhibit and have the exhibitor's name on them.
 4. Entries must be complete and ready to use. For example: a counted cross-stitch sampler should be framed and ready to hang. However, **NO GLASS!!** Label any items that have been professionally framed.
 5. Liquid embroidery is acceptable if at least 25% of the item is stitched, crocheted or otherwise needle worked.
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DOG DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS

- ◆ Show Superintendent: Becky Bussard 352.284.6861
- ◆ Entry Fee: \$10.00

DOG GENERAL REGULATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

1. The SRF General Rules and Regulations apply to this Division and Shows.
2. Exhibitors are **REQUIRED** to attend at least one SRF dog workshop with their dog prior to entry deadline in December to determine their competition level. You will be given a class description of what will be expected of you and your dog.
3. Health Requirements: A signed veterinarian slip with the dogs rabies vaccination covering expiration date must be attached to the entry form.
4. Each owner/handler is responsible for his/her dog's behavior. Any dog exhibiting acts of aggression will be excluded from participation. Uncontrollable or aggressive dogs will immediately be removed from grounds
5. All dogs must be at least 6 months of age.
6. A female dog in season will be allowed to compete in all classes following the end of all regularly scheduled classes if permitted by the judge.
7. Purebred and mixed breed dogs are welcomed as entries.
8. All dogs must be owned by the exhibitor or their immediate family. No dogs may be leased or loaned to the exhibitor.
9. Two members of the same family may show the same dog. The Dog will be allowed in each class one time.
10. Each exhibitor will be responsible for cleaning up after their dog. Any dogs relieving themselves in the show ring will be disqualified from their entry in that class.
11. Dogs must be well groomed, washed and brushed with all mats removed from the coat, ears clean and nails trimmed.
12. Dogs must have been trained by their handler. No dog shall be individually hands-on trained by a professional dog trainer.
13. Dogs must be on a leash at all times, except during advanced, off-leash exercises. A six (6) foot leash with a choke-chain or nylon training collar. No pinch collars, lead collars, chain leash, or harness will be accepted.
14. Dogs are not permitted anywhere on the Fairgrounds except with their handler in the Arena & grooming areas. Do not take dogs in any other area of the fairgrounds. Anyone found violating this rule will be disqualified from the show.
15. While on the fairgrounds, only the exhibitor may handle, train, work or groom his/ her dog. Violation of this rule will result in disqualification.
16. Dogs must be entered in a class comparable to their level of training.
17. Classes may be split into Primary, Junior and Senior divisions if entries warrant. Classes may be combined with small numbers of entrants.

Handler attire:

- For all classes: Clean and neat, shoes must have closed toes & heels, no caps or hats.
- Showmanship: Dressy clothing, skirts/dresses for girls and button up, collared shirts for boys, SRF Official Dress Preferred.
- Obedience and Rally Obedience: Casual shorts or pants.

WHAT TO BRING: Proper leash and collar for class entered, treats and water, crate, and lots of patience!

CLASS DIVISIONS AND PLACEMENT: All classes may be divided into age divisions if the number of entries received warrant it at the Show Committee's discretion. Age groups are determined by the exhibitor's age as of September 1st, of the current year. Junior (8-10 years), Intermediate (11-13 years,) and Senior (14-18 years). Participants under the age of 8 as of September 1st will be in the Clover bud Class.

PLEASE NOTE: Keep safety and common sense in mind at all times. Dogs must be leashed or crated at all times outside of class requirements. Please report any stray or unattended dogs to the fair board.

SHOWMANSHIP: Handlers will be judged on their preparation and presentation of their dog as well as grooming, posing and waiting. In addition, they will be judged on their knowledge of ring procedures, appearance and conduct. Appropriate show lead required. The appropriate class entered should be determined by the experience and show record of the handler first, the dog's experience is secondary.

- **BASIC** - Beginning handler and beginning dog in their first year of showing.
- **NOVICE** - Handler in their second (or greater) year of showing or beginner handler with an experienced dog.

OBEDIENCE: Obedience will be judged according to A.K.C. rules as modified by 4-H. A 6' lead (cloth or leather) and the following collars are permitted: Metal or nylon training, martingale or flat buckle/snap collars. All classes will be scored out of 200 points. In Obedience, scoring ties will be broken first by the best sits and downs score, second by the best heeling score, and third by the best stand for examination score.

BASIC: For beginning handler and beginning dog in their first year of showing.

- Basic Exercises - Individual: All On Lead - Heeling, figure 8; Stand for Examination, Recall.
- Basic Exercises - Group: All On Lead - One minute Sit, One Minute Down.

NOVICE: For handlers and their dogs ready to compete in OFF LEAD novice exercises.

- Novice Exercises - Individual: On Lead - Heeling and Figure 8; OFF Lead-Stand for examination, Heeling Recall.
- Novice Exercises - Group: Off Lead: One Minute Sit, Three Minute Down.

RALLY: Rally is a form of obedience in which the dog and handler complete a course which has been designed by the judge. The judge tells the handler to "begin" and the dog and the handler proceed at their own pace through a course of designated stations. Each of the stations has a sign that is numbered sequentially, providing the instructions, regarding the skill that is to be performed. There will be no more than five (5) stationary exercises per class. In Rally an enthusiastic attitude and wagging tail are more important than precision. Dogs and handlers should both appear to be enjoying the competition and each other's company. Handlers are allowed to encourage their teammate (the dog) in the ring using a lot of verbal praise.

- **BASIC** - For handlers and dogs in their first year of showing.
- **NOVICE** - For handlers in their second (or greater) year of showing who have not won Novice Classes at other state 4-H Shows or are not showing in Novice Obedience or higher.

AGILITY: Only open to dogs that are old enough to meet the AKC/ 4-H rules. Exhibition show only. All exhibitors will receive a copy of the pattern and rules no less than 2 weeks prior to the show. All exhibitors will receive a ribbon for participating. This is subject to change depending on what type of equipment and supplies we are able to secure before the fair.

GOAT DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS

- ◆ Show Superintendent: Susan Owens 352.463.2452
- ◆ Dairy Goat Entry Fee: \$30.00 No Substitutions of Goats allowed.
- ◆ Meat Doe Entry Fee: \$30.00 No Substitutions of Goats allowed.
- ◆ Meat Wether Entry Fee: \$30.00 No Substitutions of Goats allowed.

GOAT GENERAL REGULATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

1. The SRF General Rules and Regulations apply to this Division and Shows.
2. Health Requirements: **5C-4.0017 & 5C-4.005 Goat.**
 - a. Goats shall be free of any health or skin illnesses, and free of lice.
 - b. All goats registered, unregistered, or grade must have a scrapie ID number.
 - c. Goats must meet the identification requirements mandated by the USDA.
 - d. Scrapie Tag ID (Premise ID) # must be included on entry form or entry will be considered incomplete and not accepted.
 - e. All dairy does, breeding meat does and wethers must have official scrapies ear tag or legible tattoo if registered to be able to show. No exceptions.
3. All Tattoos regardless of where they have been shown previously, will be LEGIBLE. If you are unsure, it is the exhibitors responsibility to contact the show Superintendent and make arrangements for the tattoos to be viewed 2 weeks prior to entry into the fair. If they can't be read at check in, they are not eligible to show.
4. **Proof of Ownership:**
 - a. All animals must be owned **or leased** by the exhibitor 90 days prior to registration deadline as shown on the animals registration papers.
 - b. 3 clear 4"x5" color photos (front view, left view, right view) must accompany your entry form.
 - c. A photo copy of ADGA or AGS or ABGA or USBGA registration paper work for each goat entered must accompany your entry form.
 - d. Grade or unregistered meat goats must provide proof of ownership with entry form.
5. No painting, powdering or artificial coloring is allowed.
6. No Bucks will be allowed to show.
7. Meat goats and dairy goats are separate shows. A goat cannot be shown in both shows nor will the shows be combined, except in showmanship.
8. Each exhibitor must provide their own equipment to maintain the health of their animal and the cleanliness of their pens. Such as feed, water and milking buckets, rakes, wheelbarrows and large clips or snapping device for the latching of their pens gate. Bedding will be provided by the fair.
9. All goats must be checked in at the goat barn. All animals not checked in during this time, will be considered "No Shows" and will be deleted from the show.
10. All goats must be broken to lead, clipped and washed prior to arrival at the fair grounds. Unclipped goats will not be permitted to check in. Clip before you come to the fair grounds.
11. There will be NO BODY CLIPPING OF GOATS ALLOWED AT THE SHOW. However,

you may do minor trimming, washing, grooming and fitting as necessary for show appearance.

12. *Only 1 goat per class is allowed to be shown. You can not show 2 goats in the same class.*
13. *Exhibitors will be in control of their goat at all times or they may be dismissed/disqualified from the show.*
14. *Exhibitors are encouraged to contact the goat Superintendent if they are unsure about their entry.*
15. *Only goats that are in the shows are allowed in the barn. No exceptions.*
16. *Exhibitors will be allowed to use halters or collars in the show ring.*
17. **Showmanship Is Mandatory**
 - a. *The exhibitor must indicate on the entry form which goat is being used for showmanship.*
 - b. *Exhibitors will not lift front legs of goats off of the ground or brace the animal during examination by the judge in showmanship.*
 - c. *The Superintendent reserves the right to combine Dairy Goat and Meat Goat shows for Showmanship if there are less than 4 in each age division.*
 - d. *Prior of show entry date, if there are less than 4 exhibitors in an age division the superintendent reserves the right to withhold belt buckle.*

18. **Poster Contest Is Mandatory**

All exhibitors must turn in an Educational poster for judging. Posters must be turned in during the designated time and cannot be recycled from previous shows. Posters must be done on a 20"x30" foam board. The purpose of the poster is to help educate the public about goats. The required information must be on the back of the poster as follows: name, age and club name and county. The poster must be removed during the scheduled release time. While parents are encouraged to help, posters where it is apparent that the work was done by parents or others will not be judged.

19. **Goat Costume Contest Is Mandatory**

The goat is in costume and the exhibitor is encouraged to dress up as well, but is not required. Costumes must be comfortable and allow for movement of both the exhibitor and the goat. The sky is the limit, use your imagination and have fun! All ages compete together.

DAIRY GOAT SHOW RULES

1. *The Goat General Rules and Regulations apply to this show and contests.*
2. *Exhibitors will be limited to a total of 6 entries, only 1 entry in each class is allowed.*
3. *Only registered females dairy breeds of ADGA or AGS may be shown.*
4. *Dairy goats with horns will not be allowed in the show. Scurs must be clipped to within 3 inches.*
5. *Dairy Goat is considered clipped when hair has been clipped with an 8,9 or 10 blade. If the weather is unseasonably cold, it is the exhibitors responsibility to check with Show Superintendent 2 weeks before show to see if goats can just be cold weather clipped.*
6. *If there are less then 5 exhibitors/goats to make a Sr Doe or Jr Doe show, the*

Superintendent reserves the right to combine the shows and award 1 grand and 1 reserve. However, all goats will be judged according to their breed characteristics and age.

7. Over uddering of dairy goats is frowned upon. The judge shall have the authority to excuse animals from the ring for removal of excess milk.
8. **Base Date:** The base date is the day of the show of the current fair year. Date of birth must be included on entry form Exhibitors are encouraged to contact the dairy goat superintendent if they are unsure about their entry.

Junior does are under 24 months that have never kidded & are not in milk.

- 1: Jr. Kids birth & under 6 months
- 2: Sr. Kids 6 months & under 12 months
- 3: Jr. Yearlings 12 months & under 18 months
- 4: Sr. Yearlings 18 months & under 24 months

Jr. Grand and Reserve Grand Champions

Senior does are any that have ever freshened or is in milk, including dry milkers.

- 5: Milkers Under 2 years
- 6: Milkers 2 years & under 3 years
- 7: Milkers 3 years & under 4 years
- 8: Milkers 4 years & over

Sr. Grand and Reserve Grand Champions

***Goats over 24 months must have freshened (had kids) or can not be shown.**

DAIRY GOAT MILKING CONTEST: This is a timed event in which the exhibitor will milk as much milk as fast as they can within the time limit. The milk will be measured to determine the winners. All ages will compete together. A minimum of 6 exhibitors with their goats.

DAIRY GOAT ADULT MILK OFF CONTEST: Parents, this is your chance to challenge a friend or your child to a milking contest! The winner gets bragging rights and a prize. The losers pay a \$20 fee to be used for exhibitor premiums/prizes. This event is timed and the milk is weighed.

MEAT GOAT SHOW RULES

1. The Goat General Rules and Regulations apply to all shows.
2. Goats must be show trimmed. Animals must be clipped and washed prior to entry on fairgrounds.
3. Any percentage meat goat may be shown as long as it shows the characteristic of a meat goat. Pygmy goats will enter in meat classes and be judged to meat standards.
4. All goats must be disbudded, polled or have their horns either tipped or cushioned with a material to help prevent injury to the exhibitor. No tipping of horns on the show grounds. Animals that endanger exhibitors shall be removed from the show.

BREEDING DOE SHOW RULES

1. Each exhibitor is limited to 6 entries in the breeding doe show.
2. If you have an expectant goat and wish to enter the kid(s), it must be noted on the entry form.

3. *If there are less than 5 exhibitors/goats to make a Sr Doe and or Jr Doe show, the Superintendent reserves the right to combine the shows and award 1 grand and 1 reserve. However, all goats will be judged according to their breed characteristics and age.*
4. **Doe Base Date:** *The base date is the day of the show of the current fair year. Date of birth must be included on entry form Exhibitors are encouraged to contact the dairy goat superintendent if they are unsure about their entry.*

DOE MEAT GOAT SHOW CLASSES

- 1: *Junior Doe 1 – 3 mos old*
- 2: *Junior Doe 3 – 6 mos old*
- 3: *Junior Doe 6 – 12 mos old*
- 4: *Yearling Doe 12 – 24 mos old*
- 5: *Mature Doe- 2 – 3 yrs of age*
- 6: *Mature Doe – over 3 yrs old*

Doe Grand and Reserve Grand Champions

WETHER SHOW RULES

1. *Each exhibitor is limited to 6 entries in the wether show.*
2. *Wethers must show no evidence of testicular tissue and be completely healed from castration.*
3. **Base Date:** *The base date is the day of the show of the current fair year. Date of birth must be included on entry form Exhibitors are encouraged to contact the dairy goat superintendent if they are unsure about their entry.*

WETHER SHOW CLASSES

- 1: *Wether 1 – 3 mos old*
- 2: *Wether 3 – 6 mos old*
- 3: *Junior Wether 6 – 12 mos old*
- 4: *Yearling Wether 12 – 24 mos*
- 5: *Mature Wether – 2 - 3 yrs old*
- 6: *Mature Wether – over 3 yrs old*

Wether Grand and Reserve Grand Champions

HORSE DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS

- ◆ Show Superintendent: Leonora Hale leonorahale51@gmail.com
- ◆ Entry Fee: \$30.00
- ◆ All exhibitors are **REQUIRED** to wear an SEI or SEI/ASTM approved safety equestrian helmet with fastened chin harness in all classes and all warm-up and make-up areas. Additionally, appropriate footwear and approved helmets must be worn, with harness fastened, at all times when mounted. This pertains to the entire show grounds from the time of arrival until departure. Failure to comply may result in disqualification. (SEI - Safety Equipment Institute, ASTM - American Society of Testing and Measures).

HORSE GENERAL REGULATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

1. The SRF General Rules and Regulations apply to this Division and Shows.
2. Health Requirements **5C-4.0017 & 5C-4.008**
3. Previous Year Florida 4-H Area and State Horse Show Contest Rules, Regulations and Procedures are the guiding rules for this show; however they do not supersede the rules and regulation of the Suwannee River Fair. The Horse Show Committee and SRF Board of Directors have the option of applying any additional rules and classes to meet SRF regulations. The complete Florida 4-H Official Rules are listed at <http://www.animal.ufl.edu/youth/horse/showRules.shtml>. The following are SRF Horse Show specific rules and excerpts from the Florida 4-H Horse Show Official Rules.

PARTICIPANT AND HORSE ELIGIBILITY

4. All SRF horse projects will begin on December 1st of the year prior to the actual horse show date. (SRF) All other requirements and standards concerning ownership and replacement will follow the Florida 4-H Area and State Horse Show Official.
5. **Junior and Senior Divisions:** Juniors are 13 or under as of September 1st of the current 4-H year. Seniors must be 14 years old on or before September 1st of the current 4-H year. Junior entrants have the option of competing in either the Junior or Senior division.
6. **Beginner Division - Walk/Trot Only, Showmanship is Mandatory, Does not have an age division, Can not compete for Championship Trophies.**
7. The Horse Show Committee reserves the right to combine, split, or cancel any class(es).
8. Leasing of Horse is Permissible. Complete Lease Agreement.

GENERAL EVENTS PROCEDURES

9. Helmets will be worn during in hand and mounted classes.
10. The SRF Horse Division has 2 separate shows Performance and Speed Contest. **Exhibitors are encouraged to participate in all events.**
11. An exhibitor may show only one horse. More than 1 rider may exhibit a horse. When 2 people ride the same horse, the maximum number of classes **per event or contest** for that HORSE is 6 and under no circumstance will a horse be allowed to compete in any class twice or run any timed pattern twice.
12. The show will be held on the date scheduled barring a natural catastrophe. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor's parent or guardian to determine if he/she is able to compete safely. In case of inclement weather, all contestants must realize that the conditions and facilities are the best available as determined

by the show management and show accordingly. Management reserves the right to stop or cancel a class in progress due to storm, accident, or other emergency. In the event of a class being stopped while in progress due to any of the above, the Florida 4-H Area and State Horse Show Official Rules apply.

13. Show management reserves the right to alter or modify any class procedures, obstacles, patterns, or rules for safety concerns, show facility restrictions, or other mitigating circumstances.
14. Show management reserves the right to refuse an exhibitor entry into any class or event if they deem that entry unsafe for the exhibitor and/or other exhibitors or animals. With the exhibitor's safety in mind, any activity or situation deemed unsafe can and will be stopped by show management and may result in disqualification from that class.
15. In support of the SRF horse philosophy and to insure maximum acceptance of responsibilities through learning experiences, only the exhibitor is allowed to be riding the horse while on the show grounds. "Tuning-up" by persons other than the exhibitor is prohibited. Lunging by someone other than the exhibitor is permitted. **Failure to comply may result in disqualification of the contestant.**
16. **Assistance or coaching of contestants while competing in a class may warrant penalties or disqualification.** No electronic communication devices will be allowed by exhibitors while in the class. An official of the show may check the appointments of any horse/rider combination throughout the duration of the show. It is the responsibility of the contestant to comply with all rules and regulations. The judge, at his discretion, may disqualify an exhibitor for inappropriate appointments or equipment.
17. **Protest** – SRF Rules Apply
18. In concern for humane treatment of the horse, the judge, at his discretion, has the authority to excuse any horse from a class which is obviously lame. Obvious lameness is: consistently observable at a trot under all circumstances; marked nodding, hitching, or shortened stride; minimal weight-bearing in motion and/or at rest and inability to move.
19. Striking a horse in front of cinch with anything other than the open hand is a disqualification. Striking the horse with anything, including hand, in front of the throatlatch is a disqualification.
20. The judge or designated show officials have the authority to require the removal or alteration of any piece of equipment which, in their opinion is unsafe, tends to give unfair advantage or is deemed inhumane. Any horse receiving inhumane treatment while exhibiting may be dismissed upon the discretion of the judge or show official appointed by the show management committee. The standard by which conduct or treatment will be measured is that which the show management committee rules a reasonable person, informed and experienced in generally accepted equine training and exhibition procedures, would determine to be cruel, abusive, or inhumane.
21. The management of the show reserves the right to determine the number of horses that will be brought back to any semifinals, finals, or workout unless that number has been previously determined.
22. No string, rubber bands, or other material to tie feet or legs in stirrups is allowed.
23. Bandages (leg wraps) are not permitted in any class.

24. Random bit checks may be conducted by the judge or show management. Examples of Legal and Illegal Bits can be found at <http://www.animal.ufl.edu/youth/horse/showRules.shtml>.

CHAMPIONSHIP/HIGH POINT AWARDS: (SRF)

In a case of ties, the following priority order apply:

1. Most points earned in Showmanship
2. The horse with the highest placing's

CLASS POINT SYSTEM: Each of the first 6 horses in a class will be given 1 point for each horse placing below it, plus 1 point. Points not to exceed 6 for first place. Horses not placing in the top 6 in a class will not receive points for that class. The number of horses in a class will be determined by the number actually shown. Under no circumstances shall a disqualified contestant receive points; however, all horses brought into the ring will constitute an entry and will be counted. (SRF)

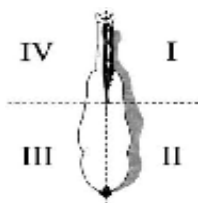
CLASS TIE BREAKING PROCEDURES: Ties for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in judged events will be worked off. Ties for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in timed events will be run off. Ties below 3rd place in any class will be broken at discretion of judge and show committee. For ties not broken by judge or run off, any points involved will be evenly split between contestants.

SHOWMANSHIP RULES - MANDATORY

1. Combined Performance Show & Speed Contest.
2. Three divisions Beginner, Junior and Senior.
3. Awards: 1st - 6th Ribbons, Showmanship Buckles and/or other awards.
4. **Points earned in this class will be added to the total points earned in the performance and/or speed shows.**

Procedure: Walk, trot, turn, stop, back, and pose your horse as directed by the judge or ring steward. Lead from the left side of your horse with your right hand on the lead shank or bridle reins. When showing your horse at a walk, walk by his side - never directly in front of him. His head should be about even with your shoulder. When moving, keep your horse's neck, head, and body in a straight line and maintain precise control. Move him directly toward or away from the judge, unless the judge indicates that he wishes to see him from the side. Show the horse with a shank short enough to assure maximum control and responsiveness from the horse. The basic position of the exhibitor should allow constant observation of the horse's feet and also permit observation of the judge and ring officials. Never obstruct the view of the judge and do not stand directly in front of the horse.

The following suggested guidelines of movement are meant to serve as an illustration of proper movement around the horse while showing in Showmanship, and are for exhibitor information. Imaginary lines divide the horse into four equal parts as seen in the figure below.



One line runs across the horse just behind the withers. The other imaginary line runs from head to tail. When the judge is in I, the exhibitor should be in IV. As the judge moves to II, the exhibitor should move to I. When the judge moves to III, the exhibitor moves to IV. As the judges move up to IV, the exhibitor returns once more to I. This method is based on safety, as you can keep the horse's hindquarters from swinging toward the judge.

PERFORMANCE HORSE SHOW RULES

1. The Horse Show will be an open horse show or a show without riding style divisions. Western, and English (Saddle and Hunt Seat) classes will be offered and a contestant may choose any combination of classes that fit their riding abilities. The show will be divided by age into Junior and the Senior Divisions with a Grand and Reserve Championship awarded in each age division. (SRF)
2. Total score will be an accumulation of showmanship and performance show points
3. AWARDS:
Beginners: 1st - 6th Ribbons, High Point, Reserve High
Juniors: 1st - 6th Ribbons, Grand & Reserve
Seniors: 1st - 6th Ribbons, Grand & Reserve
4. CLASSES:

Showmanship Class: Participation is **mandatory** and points earned in this class will be added to the points earned in the following classes.

Command/Obedience Class: An elimination contest where any rider not executing the judge's exact commands promptly and correctly will be eliminated. Individuals may be stationed at various points in the ring to aid in observing and eliminating contestants. Awarding of ribbons is to be based on the order of elimination of final contestants.

Equitation/Horsemanship Class: This may be a combined class consisting of both English Equitation and Western Horsemanship, but contestants will still be evaluated on the criteria for their respective class. Riders will be asked to perform individual patterns. The patterns will consist of a combination of maneuvers that will test the equitation/ horsemanship skills of the rider. All individuals, or finalists from the individual workouts, may be asked to enter the ring and work on the rail.

Pleasure Class: This may be a combined class consisting of Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle and Saddle Seat. Judged on the horse's ease on going. Horses will be shown at three gaits walk, trot/jog/natural gait and lope/canter/third gait in each direction of the arena. Extreme highly animated action is not desired. Horses must back easily and stand quietly. Judge has option to ask exhibitor to extend any gait or request any additional work.

Trail Class: No Beginners. Riders will be attired appropriately for the type of horse and tack shown. Tack (bridle/saddle) must be acceptable for use in Pleasure classes. No tie downs, martingales or mechanical hackamores. The trail course will be closed until the start of the class (no practice on the obstacles). The period in which the obstacle course will be open and **contestant order of go** will be posted and announced. Riders must take obstacles in order. Missing an obstacle or taking an obstacle out of order constitutes a disqualification. Failure to complete an obstacle once attempted does not constitute a disqualification but should be scored accordingly. **A maximum of 3 refusals or 1 minute after first refusal will be allowed on any 1 obstacle.**

SPEED SHOW RULES

1. These contests are strictly timed events. The contestant is allowed a running start. Timing shall begin as soon as the horse's nose crosses the starting line and will be stopped when the horse's nose passes over the finish line. Horses must be started and stopped in the arena. **No horse or rider will be assisted inside the arena. Failure to comply will result in disqualification.**
2. An electric timer is preferred for timed events and will be used when available. In the absence of an electric timer, the average time from at least two stop watches will constitute the official time. In the event of a malfunction by the electric timer the contestant will be given a rerun.
3. A clearly visible starting line shall be provided. Times will be announced at the completion of each contestant's run.
4. No rerun will be given to any contestant if handicapped by failure of personal equipment or accident to horse or rider.
5. Loss of helmet from head while in arena will result in disqualification.
6. Failure to follow or complete course is disqualification.
7. Touching barrels or poles with hand(s) is disqualification. Contestant should leave no doubt as to whether or not they touched barrel or pole with hands. This may be accomplished by keeping hands completely away from these objects. Hands should be on the reins, some part of the saddle or holding a bat and completely away from the barrels and poles.
8. Total score will be an accumulation of showmanship and speed show points

9. AWARDS:

Beginners: May Not Participate

Juniors: 1st - 6th Ribbons, Grand & Reserve

Seniors: 1st - 6th Ribbons, Grand & Reserve

10. CLASSES:

Showmanship Class: Participation is **mandatory** and points earned in this class will be added to the points earned in the following classes.

Cloverleaf Barrels is a timed pattern to be run around three barrels. Size of course will be determined by available space. First and second barrel should be at least 20 feet from fence. Each barrel knocked equals 5 second penalty.

Pole Bending is a timed pattern run around 6 poles. Each Pole knocked equals 5 second penalty.

Texas Barrels is a timed pattern run around 3 barrels. Each barrel knocked equals 5 second penalty.

Keyhole: is a timed event in which the contestant races from starting line to entrance way of key. Passes through entrance, turns in the circle, then return through the entrance and cross the start-finish line between markers. The contestant is disqualified if a horse steps on or outside the markings of the circle or the opening or fails to cross start-finish line

SMALL ANIMAL DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS

SMALL ANIMAL GENERAL REGULATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

1. The SRF General Rules and Regulations apply to this Division and Shows.
2. Health Requirements **5C-4.0017 & 5C-4.004 Poultry, Domestic Fowl**
3. All animals must remain in the possession of exhibitor and in the area during the feeding period or until released by show committee. Animals will be checked periodically by FFA advisors, county agents, 4-H leaders and/or board members. Early removal of exhibits may result in loss of ribbons and future showing privileges.
4. All small animals must be owned by the exhibitor 60 days prior to fair entry. Leased or borrowed animals will not be permitted.
5. Small Animals will check-in in the arena. At check-in Each Exhibitor Must Be Present with Their Animal, Completed Project Summary, and Cage or Coop Their Own Animal. **Parents are not allowed to check in for exhibitors.** The Fair Association will furnish exhibition pens or coops.
6. Exhibitors must provide feed and water containers (for each cage) and feed and water animal(s) daily. **Containers must be attached to cage. DO NOT FEED ANIMALS THAT DO NOT BELONG TO YOU.** Contact Superintendent or committee member for assistance.
7. Animals may only be removed from cages with permission of the Superintendent, with the exception of pre-judging grooming.

4-H CLOVERBUD

8. 4-H Cloverbud entries will be judged and will be awarded green ribbons of participation.
9. A show sponsor thank you letter, drawing, or picture on 8.5x11 paper is required.
10. Complete a 4-H Cloverbud project summary sheet.

SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST:

11. Scores: 90-100 Blue, 80-89 Red, 70-79 White and 69 or below Green.
12. 4-H Cloverbuds may participate in these contests for experience and will be awarded a green ribbon.
13. Illustrated steps for showmanship are available at <http://mysrf.org>

SMALL ANIMAL POSTER CONTEST

Refer to website for current year topic. Posters should be made on a **large** poster or foam board (16 x 22 or larger size) and must be of education value. Posters are to be entered in the **Creative Life Skill Division**. The purpose of the posters is to teach exhibitors and public about different aspects of the rabbit or poultry project. Art work must be that of an exhibitor, but parents are encouraged to help guide their child especially the Primary and Cloverbud divisions.

POULTRY SHOW RULES

Show Superintendent: Trisha Barber 352.949.3154

- ◆ Entry Fee: \$20.00
- ◆ Cloverbud Entry Fee: \$5.00

1. The Small Animal General Rules and Regulations apply to this show.
2. Each exhibitor may enter into the following classes:
6 Fancy Exhibition Chickens, 2 Commercial Egg Production Hens, 1 Pen of 3 Pullets, 2 Exhibition Ducks,.
2. The Judge has the right to, NOT handle any bird to determine placement for judging or due to aggressive behavior.
3. Enter only fancy or best producing poultry by the division listed and age, cockerel, pullet, cock or hen. No guineas, quail, turkeys, peafowl, swans, geese, pigeons, pheasants, ostrich, emus, rheas or other exotic poultry or waterfowl may be entered.

FANCY EXHIBITION CHICKEN DIVISION: Six (6) Pure Bred Large Fowl and/or Bantam Chickens recognized in the American Poultry Association and /or American Bantam Association Standard of Perfection may be shown. Refer to <http://www.amerpoultryassn> for a list of recognized breeds and their standards. Commercial Egg Production hens entered in Fancy Exhibition will not receive a blue ribbon or be considered for Best of Breed or Best of Class.

EXHIBITION DUCK DIVISION: Two (2) Pure Bred Ducks recognized in the American Poultry Association and /or American Bantam Association Standard of Perfection may be shown. Refer to <http://www.amerpoultryassn> for a list of recognized breeds and their standards.

COMMERCIAL EGG PRODUCTION HEN DIVISION: Two (2) Production Large Fowl hens of the following breeds may be entered, White Leghorns, Rhode Island Reds, and Sex Links.

PULLET MANAGEMENT CONTEST: To enter this contest pullets must be pre-ordered in September by contacting Superintendent and picked-up in October. Exhibitors will register the best of 3 pullets as a pen in December and show this pen of 3 in March. Pullets must have been purchased from the Fair Association to compete in this contest. Pullets not purchased from the Fair Association will receive a participation ribbon only.

4. AWARDS

- a. Small Animals will be judged on the Modified Danish System. Blue, Red and White ribbons will be awarded to recognized purebred breeds and/or varieties, except for Cloverbuds which will receive a green ribbon. Red or White ribbons will be awarded to unrecognized breeds and/or varieties, except for Cloverbuds, which will receive a green ribbon. White ribbons will be awarded to all mixed breed entries, except for Cloverbuds, which will receive a green ribbon.
- b. Rosettes will be given to all Champion and Reserve Champion Class winners.
- c. An Overall Grand and Reserve Champion Poultry will be selected, based on overall qualities determined by the judge according to American Poultry Association and American Bantam Association Standards of Perfection. Poultry entries included in the Commercial Class will not be considered for these awards.

RABBIT SHOW RULES

◆ Show Superintendent:	Krystina Thompson 352.281.2343
◆ Entry Fee:	\$20.00
◆ Cloverbud Entry Fee:	\$5.00

1. The Small Animal General Rules and Regulations apply to this show.
 2. All rabbits entered in the Rabbit Show must be tattooed in the left ear to be shown. 4-H Cloverbud projects are exempt.
 3. No doe may be shown pregnant.
 4. Entries will be limited to three (3) rabbits plus one (1) meat pen.
 5. All rabbits will be judged individually, with the exception of meat pens, they are judged as a group of 3.
 6. Meat pens shall consist of three rabbits, all of the same breed and variety. Maximum age limit is 10 weeks. Minimum weight will be 3 pounds each and Maximum weight 5 pounds each.
 7. Exhibitor must physically show his/her exhibit during the show, using accepted handling techniques and abiding by SRF Dress Code.
 8. All rabbits must be purebred to enter the show. Refer to American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) Standard of Perfection and the ARBA website <http://www.arba.net> for a list of recognized breeds and their standards. A purebred rabbit will be defined as an animal whose parents are of the same recognized breed and meet the requirements for the standards of their breed as defined in the ARBA Standard of Perfection.
 9. Rabbits will NOT be accepted for entry if they are emaciated, unhealthy or infested with interior or external parasites such as lice, mites and fleas. Ears and fur must be clean and free of lice and mites. Any rabbit with traces of medication or oil in ear or fur will be denied entry into the fair.
 10. **AWARDS:**
 - a. Small Animals will be judged on the Modified Danish System. Blue, Red and White ribbons will be awarded to recognized purebred breeds and/or varieties, except for Cloverbuds which will receive a green ribbon. Red or White ribbons will be awarded to unrecognized breeds and/or varieties, except for Cloverbuds, which will receive a green ribbon. White ribbons will be awarded to all mixed breed entries, except for Cloverbuds, which will receive a green ribbon.
 - b. Rosettes will be awarded to the class winners.
 - c. A Grand and Reserve Champion will be selected, based on overall qualities determined by the judge according to ARBA.
 - d. Rosette will be given to the 1st place meat pen
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SWINE DIVISION RULES AND REGULATIONS

- ◆ Show Superintendent: Lorán Brookins 352.221.5935
- ◆ Show Committee: Frank Bussard, Troy Johnson, Jaime NesSmith, Scott Mills
- ◆ Entry Fee: \$35.00

SWINE GENERAL RULES & REQUIREMENTS

1. The SRF General Rules and Regulations apply to this Division and Shows.
2. Health Requirements **5C-4.0017 & 5C-4.003**
3. Swine with evidence of atrophic rhinitis "crooked nose disease" will not be allowed in the fair.

SWINE SHOW RULES

1. All swine must be barrows or gilts. Male hogs must have been cut at the time of the initial tag in.
 2. Swine will not be weighed at the initial tag in. All animals and exhibitors must be present at the initial tag in.
 3. Swine must be clean and parasite free at the March entry.
 4. Maximum weight at the March weigh-in will be 290 pounds, minimum weight will be 230 pounds.
 5. Swine will be weighed only once. The exhibitor, at this time, may request the animal be removed from the scales, the scales re-balanced and the animal immediately re-weighed.
 6. No clipping at fair grounds, violation is subject to removal from show and sale.
 7. Recommended Clipping: No Shorter Than 3/8 inch.
 8. The wash area next to the dairy barn and facing the concession stand is for washing of swine only. NO clipping or electrical equipment allowed.
 9. Exhibitors must provide an automatic watering system for their hog. Each animal/family must have their own sufficient water source.
 10. Show ring implements must be of proper size and dimension for the exhibitor. Permitted show ring implements are flexible whips, crops, and bats. NO wooden canes and PVC pipes.
 11. No swine may change their assigned pens without authorization of a fair official.
 12. No hay is allowed in the swine pens.
 13. A 16% sales commission and a pork check-off fee of .0045% of market (resale) value, as required by law, will be deducted from the exhibitor's proceeds.
 14. "Swine Committee" Scholarship is offered to graduating Seniors. See Scholarships Awards for selection criteria.
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Rules, Regulations, Contests, Events & Shows

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

MARCH 17-22, 2017

Friday, March 17:

- 4:00p - 7:00p - Swine Entry
- 5:00p - 8:00p - Creative Life Skills Entry (NON-FOOD ITEMS)

Saturday, March 18:

- 7:00a - 9:00a - Steer Entry
- 9:00a - 11:00a - Creative Life Skills Entry
- 10:30a - 11:00a - Livestock Judging Registration
- 11:00a - Livestock Judging Events
- 1:00p - Creative Life Skills Exhibits Judging
- 3:00p - Home Grown Steer Show
- After Home Grown - Market Steer Showmanship
- After Market - Feeder Steer Showmanship
- 4:00p - 8:00p - Creative Life Skills Open for viewing
- 4:00p - 5:00p - Release PERISHABLE FOOD ENTRIES

Sunday, March 19:

- 1:00p - BBQ Contest Entry
- Posted at Entry - BBQ Contest
- 1:00p - 5:00p - Creative Life Skills Open For viewing
- 1:30p - SRF Alumni Show Registration
- 2:00p - Alumni Steer Show
- 3:00p - Alumni Swine Show

Monday, March 20:

- 8:30a - Swine Showmanship
- 9:00a - 7:00p - Creative Life Skills Open For viewing
- 5:00p - Swine Show

Tuesday, March 21:

- 8:30a - Feeder Steer Show
- 9:00a - 3:00p - Creative Life Skills Open For viewing
- 1:30p - Market Steer Show
- 3:00p - 5:00p - Release of Creative Life Skills
- 6:00p - Fashion Revue
- 7:00p - Awards Ceremony

Wednesday, March 22:

- 9:30a - Sale
- 12:00p - Buyers Luncheon
- 1:30p - Sale

Fair grounds will be opened by 6:00 a.m. and closed by 10:00 p.m. every day.
 No one is to sleep in the Livestock area, in tents, or in any area not designated.
 All children must be under adult supervision at all times.