

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK
2026 COMPETITION GUIDE

YUBA-SUTTER
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June 25-28
2026



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Key Dates to Remember

2026 Deadlines & Entry Dates

November 3	INDEPENDENT EXHIBITOR DEADLINE Deadline to Register as an Independent Exhibitor
January 1	ONLINE ENTRY REGISTRATION AVAILABLE
February 13	RV SPACES - INSIDE RV & DRY CAMP RV SPACE FEE PAYMENT DEADLINE
February 22	ENTRY DEADLINE FOR ALL MARKET BEEF & HORSE LEASE AGREEMENTS Entries are due for all Market Beef and Horse Lease Agreements
March 2	ANY AVAILABLE DRY LOT RV SPACES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
April 24	ENTRY DEADLINE FOR ALL MARKET LAMBS, SWINE & GOATS Online Entries are due for all Market Lambs, Market Swine, Market Goats
May 1	ENTRY DEADLINE FOR ALL SMALL ANIMAL MARKET ENTRIES - RABBIT MEAT PENS, CHICKEN MEAT PENS & TURKEYS Online Entries are due for all Small Animal entries.
May 1	ENTRY DEADLINE FOR ALL BREEDING ANIMALS, SHOWMANSHIP, HORSE SHOW, DOG SHOW Online Entries are due for all Breeding Animals & Showmanship
May 1	QUALITY ASSURANCE DEADLINE (VALID FOR 3 YEARS) Deadline to submit proof of course completion to the fair office by 5 pm
May 1	PURCHASE OF CREDENTIALS DEADLINE Deadline to purchase Discounted Gate & Parking Credentials & Exhibitor Carnival Passes online.
May 31	ENTRY DEADLINE FOR ALL STILL EXHIBITS & VOCATIONAL PROJECTS Online Entries are due for all Vocational Projects and Still Exhibits.

2026 Livestock Schedule

(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Saturday, May 16th

9 am 4-H Horse Show, Yuba County Sheriff Posse Arena, Browns Valley

Wednesday, June 17th thru Friday June 19th

8 am – 5 pm Barns available for delivery and setup of Exhibit Displays.

Saturday, June 20th

9 am - 2 pm RV Trailers arrive per notified schedule

2 pm **4-H Archery Competition** – Main Exhibit Building Lawn Area

3 pm - 8 pm Barns available for delivery and setup of Exhibit Displays & Tack. All RV's must be in place before we will allow barn setup

Sunday, June 21st

8 am - 8 pm Barns available for delivery and setup of Exhibit Displays & Tack.

8 am – 1 pm Barns available for Swine.
Official Weigh-in & Health Check of Swine will occur upon unloading the animal. Clubs & Chapters will be scheduled within allotted time periods for delivery of animals.

8 am **Jr. Dog Show** – Picnic Area & Flower Building Lawn Area

12 pm – 2 pm Arrival of Pygmy Goats & Dairy Goats

2 pm **Pygmy Goat Show** (South End - Show Pavilion Arena)
Shown in order of;
Primary Pygmy Goat Showmanship followed by,
4-H Pygmy Goat Showmanship followed by,
FFA Pygmy Goat Showmanship followed by,
Pygmy Goat Breeding Show

2 pm **Dairy Goat Show** (North End – Show Pavillion Arena)
Shown in order of:
4-H Dairy Goat Showmanship followed by,
FFA Dairy Goat Showmanship followed by,
Dairy Goat Breeding Show

7 pm – 8 pm Barns available for arrival of Sheep, Beef & Goats.

10 pm Barns Closed

2026 Livestock Schedule

Monday, June 22nd

- 5 am - 2 pm Barns available for arrival of Sheep, Beef & Goats.
- 7 am – 7 pm Livestock Office Open
Pre-purchased Admission & Parking Credentials available at Livestock Office. All Gate & Parking Credentials will be required starting Wednesday at 5 am.
- 8 am – 10 am **Arrival of Turkeys – Official Health Check & Weigh-in**
Health Inspection and official weigh-in of all turkeys will take place at Gate 16 in the North Parking Lot. Enter thru Gate 12 on C Street. Proceed to drive to Gate 15 for the Health Inspection and weigh-in. Upon completion, you will be admitted to drive into the fairgrounds to the Turkey Barn for drop off.
- 10 am – 11 am **Arrival of Chickens – Official Health Check & Weigh-in**
Health Inspection and official weigh-in of all chickens will take place at Gate 16 in the North Parking Lot. Enter thru Gate 12 on C Street. Proceed to drive to Gate 15 for the Health Inspection and weigh-in. Upon completion, you will be admitted to drive into the fairgrounds to the Small Animal Chicken Barn for drop off.
- 11 am – 12 Noon **Arrival of Rabbits - Official Health Check & Weigh-in**
Health Inspection and official weigh-in of all rabbits will take place at Gate 16 in the North Parking Lot. Enter thru Gate 12 on C Street. Proceed to drive to Gate 16 for the Health Inspection and weigh-in. Upon completion, you will be admitted to drive into the fairgrounds to the Small Animal Rabbit Barn for drop off.
- 2 pm **ARRIVAL DEADLINE for Livestock. All livestock must be in place.**
- 3 pm – 5 pm **Official Weigh-in, Classification & Health Check of Sheep Entries.**
All Wether Sire & Dam entries must be weighed in and will take place at the conclusion of the market lamb weigh-in. All breeding sheep will be health checked at the scale staging area. Weigh-ins will take place at the scales in the Sheep Barn. Weigh-in order will be in alphabetical order of all the Clubs & Chapters combined.
Weigh-in Order: Barry 4-H, Bear River Wheatland FFA, Browns Valley 4-H, East Nicolaus FFA, Franklin 4-H, Hallwood 4-H, Lindhurst FFA, Live Oak 4-H, Live Oak FFA, Marysville FFA, Pleasant Grove 4-H, Sutter Buttes 4-H, Sutter FFA, River Valley FFA, Wheatland 4-H, Wheatland FFA, Yuba City FFA, Independent & Grange Exhibitors
- 3 pm – 5 pm **Official Weigh-in, Classification & Health Check of Beef Entries.**
All breeding cattle entries must be health checked at the scale staging area during the same allotted time period as the market beef animals. All Replacement Heifer entries must be health checked and weighed in during this time period. Weigh-in order will be in alphabetical order of all the Clubs & Chapters combined.
Weigh-in Order: Barry 4-H, Bear River Wheatland FFA, Browns Valley 4-H, East Nicolaus FFA, Franklin 4-H, Hallwood 4-H, Lindhurst FFA, Live Oak 4-H, Live Oak FFA, Marysville FFA, Pleasant Grove 4-H, Sutter Buttes 4-H, Sutter FFA, River Valley FFA, Wheatland 4-H, Wheatland FFA, Yuba City FFA, Independent & Grange Exhibitors
- 5 pm – 6 pm **Official Weigh-in, Classification & Health Check of Goat Entries.**
Will immediately follow the conclusion of the Sheep Weigh-in. All breeding goat and pygmy goat entries will be health checked at the scale staging area during the same allotted time period as the market meat goat animals. Weigh-ins will take place at the scales in the Sheep Barn. Weigh-in order will be in alphabetical order of all the Clubs & Chapters combined.
Weigh-in Order: Barry 4-H, Bear River Wheatland FFA, Browns Valley 4-H, East Nicolaus FFA, Franklin 4-H, Hallwood 4-H, Lindhurst FFA, Live Oak 4-H, Live Oak FFA, Marysville FFA, Pleasant Grove 4-H, Sutter Buttes 4-H, Sutter FFA, River Valley FFA, Wheatland 4-H, Wheatland FFA, Yuba City FFA, Independent & Grange Exhibitors
- 10 pm **Barns Closed**

2026 Livestock Schedule

Tuesday, June 23rd

- 7 am – 7 pm Livestock Office Open
Pre-purchased Admission & Parking Credentials available at Livestock Office.
All Gate & Parking Credentials will be required starting Wednesday at 5 am.
Check-in Breeding Animal Registration Papers at Livestock Office. Papers
must be verified by 5 pm.
- 8 am **Jr. Rabbit Show** (South End – Show Pavilion Arena)
Shown in order of:
Primary Rabbit Showmanship followed by,
4-H Rabbit Meat Pen Show followed by,
4-H Rabbit Showmanship followed by,
FFA Rabbit Meat Pen Show followed by,
FFA Rabbit Showmanship followed by,
Supreme Champion Meat Rabbit Selection followed by,
Jr. Breeding Rabbit Show
- 9 am **Jr. Chicken Show** (North End – Show Pavillion Arena)
Shown in order of:
Primary Chicken Showmanship followed by,
4-H Chicken Meat Pens followed by,
4-H Chicken Showmanship followed by,
FFA Chicken Meat Pens followed by,
FFA Chicken Showmanship followed by,
Supreme Champion Chicken Meat Pen Selection
- 11 am **Jr. Horse Show** (Grandstand Arena)
- 1 pm **Jr. Turkey Show** (North End – Show Pavillion Arena)
Shown in order of:
4-H Market Turkey Show followed by,
4-H Turkey Showmanship followed by,
FFA Market Turkey Show followed by,
FFA Turkey Showmanship followed by,
Supreme Champion Turkey Selection
- 5 pm **Exhibitor's Meeting** (Show Pavilion Arena)
Rule Updates
Show Updates
Pie Eating Contest
Will be immediately followed by the Ag Bowl Contest
- 6 pm AG Quiz Bowl Contest (Show Pavilion Arena)
Sponsored & Coordinated by the Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau
- 10 pm Barns Closed

2026 Livestock Schedule

Wednesday, June 24th

5 am	Barns Open Gate Admission & Parking Passes are required for all Livestock Exhibitors and Parents for gate entry and parking.
5 am – 7 am	Supply and Tack deliveries allowed in Livestock and RV Areas. All Vehicles must be off grounds by no later than 7:00 am
6 am – 6 pm	Livestock Office Open
7 am	FFA Swine Show (North End - Show Pavilion Arena) Shown in order of; FFA Market Swine Show followed by, FFA Bred & Fed Market Swine Show followed by, FFA Swine Showmanship
8 am	Jr. Sheep Show (South End - Show Pavilion Arena) Shown in order of; 4-H Market Lamb Show followed by, 4-H Sheep Showmanship followed by, -15 MINUTE BREAK- FFA Market Lamb Show followed by, 4-H/FFA Bred & Fed Market Lamb Show followed by, FFA Sheep Showmanship followed by, Jr. Breeding Sheep Show
6:30 – 8:00 pm	Exhibitors' Social Enjoy pizza dinner, music, dancing and cornhole board games for the Livestock Exhibitors in the Picnic Area Line Dancing Lessons – Sponsored & Coordinated by the Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau
8 pm - 10 pm	Exhibitors' Carnival Showcase Special two-hour Carnival Showcase for livestock exhibitors and their family members to enjoy the carnival rides and games prior to the official fair opening. All carnival rides and games are available at the normal fair-time applicable rates. Exhibitors will be required to have a carnival wristband or purchase individual ride tickets.
10 pm	Barns Closed

Thursday, June 25th "Opening Day of Fair"

5 am	Barns Open
5 am - 7 am	Supply and Tack deliveries allowed in Livestock and RV Areas. All Vehicles must be off grounds by no later than 7:00 am
7 am – 7 pm	Livestock Office Open
8 am	Gate Admission for General Public Admission Passes will be required for gate entry of all attendees starting at 8 am. Admission tickets will be available for purchase at Gate #8.
8 am	4-H Swine Show (North End - Show Pavilion Arena) Shown in order of; 4-H Market Swine Show followed by, 4-H Bred & Fed Market Swine Show followed by, 4-H Swine Showmanship followed by, Jr. Breeding Swine Show

2026 Livestock Schedule

Thursday, June 25th "Opening Day of Fair" (continued)

- 8 am **Jr. Beef Show** (South End - Show Pavilion Arena)
Shown in order of;
4-H Market Beef Show followed by,
4-H Beef Showmanship followed by,
FFA Market Beef Show followed by,
4-H/FFA Bred & Fed Market Beef Show followed by,
FFA Beef Showmanship followed by,
Bred Replacement Heifer Show followed by
Jr. Breeding Beef Show
- 12 Noon **Jr. Meat Goat Show** (North End - Show Pavilion Arena)
Shown in order of;
4-H Market Goat Show followed by,
4-H Market Goat Showmanship followed by,
FFA Market Goat Show followed by,
4-H/FFA Bred & Fed Market Goat Show followed by,
FFA Market Goat Showmanship followed by,
Jr. Breeding Meat Goat Show
- 8 pm **Supreme Champion Selection** (Show Pavilion Arena)
Shown in order of;
Recognition of the Small Animal Supreme Champions, followed by,
Supreme Champion Markey Swine, followed by,
Supreme Champion Market Goats, followed by,
Supreme Champion Market Lambs, followed by,
Supreme Champion Market Beef
- 10 pm Barns Closed

Friday, June 26th

- 5 am Barns Open
- 6 am - 7 am Supply and Tack deliveries allowed in Livestock and RV Areas.
All Vehicles must be off grounds by no later than 7:00 am
- 7 am – 5 pm Livestock Office Open
- 10 am **Pee-Wee Showmanship** (Show Pavilion Arena)
Enter/Register at Showring
- 1 pm **Small Animal Master Showmanship** (Show Pavilion Arena)
Breeding Rabbits & Poultry will be released after Small Animal Master Showmanship. Must be removed from fairgrounds by 8 pm.
- 5 pm **Large Animal Master Showmanship** (Show Pavilion Arena)
- 8 pm All Breeding Rabbits & Breeding Poultry dismissed.
Must be removed from the fairgrounds. Will be released following the conclusion of the Small Animal Master Showmanship.
- 10 pm Barns Closed

2026 Livestock Schedule

Saturday, June 27th

5 am	Barns Open
5 am – 7 am	Supply and Tack deliveries allowed in Livestock and RV Areas. All Vehicles must be off grounds by no later than 7:00 am
8:30 am	Jr. Livestock Auction Introductions & Announcements
9 am	Jr. Livestock Auction Starts (Show Pavilion Arena)
9 am – 2 pm	Industrial & Vocational Skills Projects Silent Auction (Sale Area)
12 Noon	Sale of Champions followed by Mark Lemenager Scholarship lot
10 pm	Barns Closed

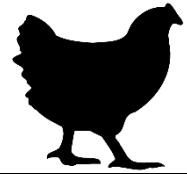
Sunday, June 28th

5 am	Barns Open
7 am – 7 pm	Livestock Office Open
7 am	LOAD-OUT of Market Steers
10 am	Awards Ceremony (Show Pavilion Arena)
1 pm -2 pm	LOAD-OUT of Market Goats and Market Lambs: Move to Load-out pens located at the Show Pavilion
6 – 9am / 5 - 8pm	Jr. Livestock Released per approval by Livestock Superintendent Exhibitor must receive a signed release form in order to enter the Livestock Gate with trailer for loadout.

JUNIOR POULTRY CHICKENS

Quick Reference Entry Information

Follow these steps to enter a Market Poultry Pen for the 2026 Yuba-Sutter Fair:
Complete your online entry by no later than May 1, 2026.



ENTRY INFORMATION	DIVISION #	CLASS #
Market Poultry Meat Pen: Entry Fee \$40.00		
Fair-time Minimum/Maximum Weight Requirements: 2 – Chickens - 3.5 lbs. to 6 lbs. each		
4-H Market Poultry Meat Pen	489	1
FFA Market Poultry Meat Pen	490	1
4-H Poultry Chicken Showmanship – Entry Fee \$10.00		
4-H Novice & Independent (age 9–13) (1st year of specie)	484	1
4-H Junior & Independent (age 9-13)	485	1
4-H Senior (age 14 & over)	486	1
FFA Poultry Chicken Showmanship – Entry Fee \$10.00		
FFA Novice & Independent (age 14 & over) (1st year of specie)	487	1
FFA Advanced & Independent (age 14 & over)	488	1

Did you complete your online entry?

- Login and complete exhibitor information
- Enter a Showmanship Class
- Enter a Market Class
- Be sure your Fair ID Tag on Market Animals is accurate
- Enter all required information on Livestock entered
- Pay online and submit entries
- Print out receipt for your records
- You are not required to upload photos of your animal

Fair-time Weigh-In Date & Time
Market Poultry Meat Pen
Monday, June 22nd
10:00 am to 11:00 am
Gate 16
All Chickens must be in place and weighed in by no later than 11:00 am

Fair-time Arrival Date & Time
Market Poultry Meat Pen
Monday, June 22nd
10:00 am to 11:00 am
Gate 16
All Chickens must be in place by no later than 11:00 am

MARKET POULTRY MEAT PENS

Entry Fee: \$40.00 per entry

Entry # Information:

DIVISION #489 - 4-H POULTRY MEAT PENS

DIVISION #490 - FFA POULTRY MEAT PENS

CLASS #1 – POULTRY MEAT PEN

Danish System of Judging - No Premiums Offered

Awards Offered:

4-H Champion & Reserve Champion Poultry Meat Pen & 3rd Overall

FFA Champion & Reserve Champion Poultry Meat Pen & 3rd Overall

Supreme Champion & Reserve Supreme Champion Poultry Meat Pen & 3rd Overall

How to Enter:

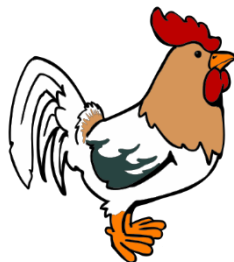
- Enter online at www.vsfair.com click ENTER THE FAIR.
- Online Entries close on **May 1, 2026**.

Guidelines:

- See Livestock Schedule for receiving/release of livestock and Schedule of Events for the Fair.
- All Local and State Rules apply.
- All breeds judged together.
- All meat pen birds must be banded with regulation numbered bands. The band will be provided by the fair and put on the bird at poultry inspection.
- Limit of one (1) meat pen per exhibitor. Two (2) birds the same sex, breed and not over 8 weeks of age.
- 2 birds - 3.5 - 6 lbs. each. Birds under 3.5 lbs. or over 6 lbs. will be disqualified.
- Animals judged market ready must sell in the Jr. Livestock Auction.
- Animals judged NOT MARKET READY will remain in their assigned pen throughout the duration of the fair and be harvested by the fair's contracted poultry processor at the exhibitor's expense.
- Only 4-H Grand & Reserve Grand Champion, FFA Grand & Reserve Grand Champion, Supreme & Reserve Supreme Champions will sell in the Sale of Champions.
- All Poultry exhibits are required to be inspected by the Poultry Health Inspector upon arrival and prior to being penned. Health Inspections of ALL Poultry will take place in the North Parking Lot location prior to admittance. Enter thru Gate 12 on "C" Street. Proceed to Gate 16 for the Health Inspection.

Arrival of Chickens – Official Health Check & Weigh-in

Weigh-in – Monday, June 22nd, 2026, between 10 am and 11 am. Health Inspection and official weigh-in of all chickens will take place at Gate 16 in the North Parking Lot. Enter thru Gate 12 on C Street. Proceed to drive to Gate 15 for the Health Inspection and weigh-in. Upon completion, you will be admitted to drive into the fairgrounds to the Small Animal Chicken Barn for drop off.



BREEDING POULTRY SHOW

Entry Fee: \$10.00 per entry

Entry # Information:

DIVISION #491 - ALL LARGE BREED POULTRY

DIVISION #492 - ALL SMALL BREED POULTRY

DIVISION #493 - ALL MEAT POULTRY (single entry not market poultry)

CLASS #1 - Rooster

CLASS #2 - Hen

How to Enter:

- Enter online at www.ysfair.com click ENTER THE FAIR.
- Online Entries close on **May 1, 2026**.

Guidelines:

- Open to Yuba and Sutter Counties Only.
- Limit of three (3) birds per exhibitor.
- All animals must be identified by a leg band.
- Each exhibitor is responsible for taking his/her own animal to the show table.
- The animals are required to stay on the fairgrounds for the duration of the fair unless otherwise noted.
- The Fair will do its best to provide a shaded cool area for the poultry show and display, along with fans for air movement.
- All Poultry exhibits are required to be inspected by the Poultry Health Inspector upon arrival and prior to being penned. Health Inspections of ALL Poultry will take place in the North Parking Lot location prior to admittance. Enter thru Gate 12 on "C" Street. Proceed to Gate 16 for the Health Inspection.
- Breeding Poultry will be released after Small Animal Master Showmanship on Friday, June 26, 2026 and must be removed from fairgrounds by 8 pm on Friday.

POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

Entry Fee: \$10.00 per class

Entry # Information:

DIVISION #483 - 4-H PRIMARY SHOWMANSHIP (Ribbons Only)

DIVISION #484 - 4-H NOVICE SHOWMANSHIP

DIVISION #485 - 4-H JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP

DIVISION #486 - 4-H SENIOR SHOWMANSHIP

DIVISION #487 - FFA NOVICE SHOWMANSHIP

DIVISION #488 - FFA ADVANCED SHOWMANSHIP

CLASS #1 – POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

Premiums Offered: (Not Including Primary) First: \$35.00 Second: \$25.00 Third: \$15.00

Awards Offered:

4-H Champion & Reserve Champion Novice Poultry Showman

4-H Champion & Reserve Champion Junior Poultry Showman

4-H Champion & Reserve Champion Senior Poultry Showman

FFA Champion & Reserve Champion Novice Poultry Showman

FFA Champion & Reserve Champion Advanced Poultry Showman

How to Enter:

- Enter online at www.vsfair.com click ENTER THE FAIR.
- Online Entries close on **May 1, 2026**.
- Showmanship must be pre-entered. No entry available at ringside.

Guidelines:

- See Livestock Schedule for receiving/release of livestock and Schedule of Events for the Fair.
- All Local and State Rules apply.
- Competition is open to all Junior Exhibitors that reside in Yuba and Sutter County OR are a member of a Yuba-Sutter 4-H, FFA or Grange program or a registered independent only.
- **Showmanship Poultry must be entered in a Breeding or Market Class with the exception of Primary Showmanship.**

4-H Showmanship Definitions:

- Primary: Those exhibitors who are under nine (9) years of age prior to January 1, 2026 and are currently enrolled in Primary 4-H projects.
- Novice: Those exhibitors who have never shown in any prior Poultry Showmanship class at any county, district or state fair. 4-H Spring Fair and/or Primary Showmanship do not qualify as prior showmanship experience. First and second place winners from the Novice class may move to the Junior or Senior class, providing the winner is of the correct age for the class.
- Junior: Those exhibitors thirteen (13) years of age and under prior to January 1, 2026. Junior winners do not advance to the Senior division. There is a Junior Master Showmanship Competition for Junior Exhibitors.
- Senior: Those exhibitors fourteen (14) years of age and older prior to January 1, 2026.

FFA Showmanship Definitions:

- Novice: Those exhibitors who have never shown in any prior 4-H or FFA Poultry Showmanship class at any other county, district or state fair. The first and second place winner in the Novice showmanship class may compete in the Advanced Showmanship Class for cash awards.
- Advanced: Those exhibitors who have had prior 4-H or FFA Poultry Showmanship experience.