

SHOW DATES

County Market Goat Show, Coffee High School Agricultural Arena

Usually held the third Saturday in September, a week before the Nicholls' Founders Day Goat Show.

County Market Hog Show, Nicholls (South Georgia Youth Park)

Usually held in February on or around the third Monday (President's Day).

County Steer & Heifer Show, Nicholls (South Georgia Youth Park)

Usually held on the first or second Monday of March.

Georgia Junior National Livestock Exposition, Perry

Includes:

- Breeding Ewe Show
- State Commercial Dairy Heifer Show
- State Market Hog Show
- State Heifer Show
- State Steer Show

Usually begins on Wednesday and runs through Sunday around the third week of February. Most of the time, this falls on Wednesday of President's Day week (two days after the County Market Hog Show)

Georgia National Fair, Perry

Includes:

- State Market Goat Show
- State Market Lamb Show

Held during the Georgia National Fair which begins on the first Thursday in October and runs for eleven days through the next Sunday.



COFFEE COUNTY 4-H CLUB

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Georgia 4-H and FFA
State Livestock Shows

Information Summary



AGE REQUIREMENTS

General 4-H Eligibility

Any boy or girl who is between the ages of nine and nineteen (based on January 1st age of current school year), and resides in or attends school in Georgia, may enroll in Georgia 4-H. Youth who have not graduated from high school, or youth with special education needs who are older than nineteen, may enroll in 4-H with the approval of the State 4-H Leader. The 4-H Year is August 1st - July 31st.

Livestock Show Eligibility

State Market Hog, Heifer, Steer, and Commercial Dairy Heifer Shows - An exhibitor must be 9 years old **before** January 1, to show during that 4-H year. Any member who has been out of high school six months is not eligible to compete.

State Market Lamb, State Market Goat and State Ewe Shows - Same requirements as previously described, plus pre-club age children in grades 1-4 can show. Exhibitors who have graduated from high school are not eligible to show in showmanship.

See Georgia 4-H and FFA Rules and Regulations booklet for more information



WHEN TO START LOOKING FOR A SHOW ANIMAL

Swine:

Fall show — Mid Summer

Winter show — October to November. They should be purchased by mid-November.

Goat:

- January to April

Beef:

- January to March

ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION

- The State Junior Livestock Shows are open to 4-H and FFA members who pre-entered and registered their animal with their local county agent or agricultural education teacher by the specific entry deadline. To comply with this rule, all show animals should be adequately identified with ear tags and/or tattoos.
- Official ear tags will be ordered through the FFA advisor or county agent. They will be in charge of the placement of the identification on participating animals.
- Tattoos must be readable and conform with tattoo listed on official entry cards and registration papers. Breeding animals must have the original registration papers to check-in.



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