



4-H Motto
“To make the best better”

4-H Pledge
“I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking, my HEART to greater loyalty, my HANDS to larger service, my HEALTH to better living, for my club, my community, my country and my world.”

4-H Slogan
“Learn by doing”



NEW 4-H & FFA MEMBERS

MEMBERS MUST BE ETHICS CERTIFIED TO SHOW!! The Mississippi State Fair will be here soon and the Mississippi Livestock Quality Assurance training for NEW exhibitors, parents or guardians, and volunteers must be completed by September 1, 2011.

Tate County Certification dates: August 8th & 9th 6:00pm @ Extension Office

NEW VOLUNTEER LEADERS MUST BE CERTIFIED

NEW VOLUNTEER LEADERS WHO MAY BE HELPING 4-H'ERS GROOM ANIMALS MUST BE OFFICIALLY CERTIFIED VOLUNTEER LEADERS OF THE 4-H PROGRAM IN MISSISSIPPI.

SENIOR 4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

The senior 4-H livestock judging contest will be held Saturday, October 8th. This contest will be held in conjunction with the FFA livestock judging contest. If there are youth that want to judge in both contests, their scores will be used in both contests (4-H and FFA). For example, a contestant can be a member of the Tate County 4-H team and also a member of the Independence FFA. All 4-H contestants in the 2011 contest must be pre-registered by September 23rd.

The state winning senior 4-H Livestock Judging Team will represent Mississippi at the Western National 4-H Roundup in Denver, CO in January 2012.

If you are interested in participating in this contest please contact me ASAP. We will start our judging practice in August.

OFFICIAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE

An Official Health Certificate with each animal identified will be required on all livestock showing at the 2011 Mississippi State Fair. This includes all market animals, beef breeding cattle, commercial beef heifers, dairy cattle (purebred and commercial dairy heifers), dairy goats and commercial meat goat does.

Don't wait until the last minute to start working with your project animals!!!



A Junior and Senior Dairy Cattle Sweetheart, a Junior and Senior Dairy Goat Sweetheart, and a Junior and Senior Meat Goat Princess will be selected during the Mississippi State Fair. Winners will be selected based on poise, beauty, personality and knowledge of their project. The top 3 of each division will receive awards. Rules and regulations concerning the contest are found in the Mississippi State Fair catalog. Please have the entries to our office by September 16th. Winners will be announced according to times listed in the 2011 Mississippi State Fair Premium Book.

OUTSTANDING SHEPHERD AWARD AT STATE FAIR

Individual exhibitors or county groups can enter. Competition will be based on (1) creativity, (2) educational value of exhibit, (3) attractiveness of exhibit and (4) cleanliness of pens and exhibit area. The Mississippi Junior Sheep Association will sponsor this award which goes to an exhibitor or county group that maintains the most outstanding stall area and educational exhibit. Judging will be from 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 7, to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 8th. The winner will be announced during the Junior Sheep Show. Contestants and county groups should register at the weigh-in Friday afternoon and pick up their exhibitor number.

COMMERCIAL HEIFER AND MARKET STEER EXHIBITORS – SPECIAL NOTICE!

All commercial heifers and steers showing at the Mississippi State Fair and District and Dixie National Junior Round-Up Livestock Shows must be polled or dehorned with no scurs or re-growth to exceed 1½ inches above the skin line. Remember the minimum weight on commercial heifers is **500** pounds for the Mississippi State Fair. ALL exhibitors are responsible for weighing their commercial heifers and market steers and declaring their animal's show weight on a weight card. Official scales will be made available for weighing livestock.

MARKET GOAT EXHIBITORS – SPECIAL NOTICE!

Goats may be shown that are polled, dehorned, or disbudded with no re-growth to exceed 1½" above the skin line. Removal of horns is not allowed on the show grounds. Remember the minimum weight of market goats is **40** pounds with no maximum weight for the Mississippi State Fair. ALL exhibitors are responsible for weighing their commercial heifers and market steers and declaring their animal's show weight on a weight card. Official scales will be made available for weighing livestock.

COMMERCIAL MEAT GOAT DOE SHOW EXHIBITORS – SPECIAL NOTICE!

Remember the minimum weight of commercial meat goat does is **40** pounds with no maximum weight for the Mississippi State Fair. ALL exhibitors are responsible for weighing their commercial heifers and market steers and declaring their animal's show weight on a weight card. Official scales will be made available for weighing livestock.

MARKET LAMB EXHIBITORS – SPECIAL NOTICE!

Remember the minimum weight of market lambs is **70** pounds with no maximum weight for the Mississippi State Fair. ALL exhibitors are responsible for weighing their commercial heifers and market steers and declaring their animal's show weight on a weight card. Official scales will be made available for weighing livestock.

MARKET HOG EXHIBITORS – SPECIAL NOTICE!

Remember the minimum weight of market hogs is **200** pounds with no maximum weight for the Mississippi State Fair. ALL exhibitors are responsible for weighing their commercial heifers and market steers and declaring their animal's show

Remember the minimum weight of commercial dairy heifers is 200 pounds for the Mississippi State Fair.

~Retinal Imaging & Classification~
Senatobia (NW Arena) - Tuesday, September 13th from 2:00-5:00pm

	MS State Fair			District Shows/Dixie National Jr. Round-Up		
	Ownership	Entry	Classification & Retinal Imaging**	Ownership	Entry	Classification & Retinal Imaging**
Commercial Beef Heifers	Sept 1 st	Sept 1 st	Sept 13 th – 16 th	Sept 1 st	Sept 1 st	Sept 13 th – 16 th
Market Steers	Sept 1 st	Sept 1 st	Sept 13 th – 16 th	Sept 1 st	Sept 1 st	Sept 13 th – 16 th
Market Lambs	Sept 1 st	Sept 1 st	Sept 13 th – 16 th	Sept 1 st	Sept 1 st	Sept 13 th – 16 th
Market Goats	Sept 1 st	Sept 1 st	* /	Sept 1 st	Sept 1 st	Sept 13 th – 16 th
Commercial Meat Goat Does	Sept 1 st	Sept 1 st	N/A	Sept 1 st	Sept 1 st	N/A
Market Hogs	Sept 1 st	Sept 1 st	N/A	Dec 1st	Dec 1st	Feb 2 nd – 3 rd
Beef Breeding	Sept 1 st	Sept 1 st	N/A	Dec 1 st	Dec 1 st	N/A
Dairy Cattle	Sept 1 st	Sept 1 st	N/A	Dec 1 st	Dec 1 st	N/A
Dairy Goats	Sept 1 st	Sept 1 st	N/A	Dec 1 st	Dec 1 st	N/A

Please let me know if you have any questions!!!



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1:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Scales open for weighing market lambs, market steers and commercial beef heifers

Friday, October 7, 2011

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

Stall and pen assignments for lambs, steers and beef breeding cattle

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Scales open for weighing market lambs, market steers and commercial beef heifers

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Process beef breeding entries (Livestock Office)

12:00 Noon

Deadline for arrival of junior lambs, steers and beef breeding cattle

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Check hair and horn length on market steers

2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Mouth and check horn length on commercial beef heifers

4:00 p.m.

Entries for Outstanding Shepherd Award due in Show Office

4:00 p.m.

Deadline for CORRECTIONS in Lamb Showmanship entries

4:00 p.m.

Deadline to turn in weight cards for market lambs, market steers and commercial beef heifers

5:00 p.m.

Deadline for CORRECTIONS in Beef Showmanship entries

5:00 p.m.

MS Simmental/Simbrah Open Show

Saturday, October 8, 2011

7:00 - 7:30 a.m.

Check-in teams for State Senior 4-H & FFA Livestock Judging Contest – Equine Center

7:30 a.m.

State Senior 4-H & FFA Livestock Judging Contest – Equine Center

2:00 p.m.

Junior Market Lamb Show - Judging Arena - Lambs released after showing

2:00 p.m.

FFA Awards - Sales Arena

3:00 p.m.

Junior Market Steer Show - Barn 11; Steers released after showing

Sunday, October 9, 2011

8:00 a.m.

Arrival of Junior and Open Market Swine

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Scales open for weighing market junior and open market swine

8:00 a.m.

Devotional Service - Sales Arena

9:00 a.m.

Junior Cattlemen's Assn. Meeting - Sales Arena

11:00 a.m.

Beef Showmanship - Judging Arena

12:00 Noon

Deadline for arrival of Junior and Open Market Swine

4:00 p.m.

Deadline to turn in weight cards for market swine

4:00 p.m.

Deadline for CORRECTIONS in Swine Showmanship entries

Monday, October 10, 2011

8:30 a.m.

Junior Beef Breeding Show - Judging Arena

10:00 a.m.

(Commercial Heifers followed by Registered Breeds); cattle released after showing

10:15 a.m.

Open Market Swine Show - Swine Arena

Junior Market Hog Show - Swine Arena; market hogs released after showing

Tuesday, October 11, 2011

9:00 a.m.

Stockdog Trials – Expo Center

6:00 p.m.

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Wednesday, October 12, 2011

9:00 a.m.

Stockdog Trials – Expo Center

Thursday, October 13, 2011

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Scales open for weighing market goats and commercial meat goat does

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Process dairy cattle entries

1:00 p.m.

Deadline for arrival of junior and senior dairy cattle

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Weigh commercial dairy heifers

3:00 p.m.

Deadline for CORRECTIONS in Dairy Cattle Showmanship entries

4:00 p.m.

Jr. Dairy Quiz Bowl – Equine Center

7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Process dairy goat entries
7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Scales open for weighing commercial meat goat does and market goats
8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Check horn length on market goats in Sheep Barn
9:00 a.m.	Deadline for arrival of 4-H/FFA Market Goat, Commercial Meat Goat Does and Dairy Goats
9:00 a.m.	Open Dairy Show - Judging Arena
9:00 a.m.	Deadline for CORRECTIONS in Goat Showmanship (Market and Meat Goat Doe) entries
10:00 a.m.	4-H Dairy Sweetheart & 4-H Market Goat Princess Contests - Equine Center
10:00 a.m.	Deadline for CORRECTIONS in Dairy Goat Showmanship entries
11:00 a.m.	Deadline to turn in weight cards for market goats and commercial meat goat does
12:00 Noon	Goat Showmanship (Market Goats and Commercial Meat Goat Does) - Barn 7
	4-H/FFA Meat Goat Doe Show - Barn 7 (Start 15 minutes after Goat Showmanship)
1:00 p.m.	4-H/FFA Dairy Goat Show - Barn 8 - Showmanship followed by Sr. Does and Jr. Does
1:00 p.m.	Two Year Old Jersey Futurity - Judging Arena
1:30 p.m.	Two Year Old Holstein Futurity - Judging Arena
7:00 p.m.	Special Dairy Classes - Judging Arena
8:00 p.m.	Arrival of Open Show dairy & meat goats

Saturday, October 15, 2011 (4-H DAY)

8:30 a.m.	Junior Dairy Cattle Show - Judging Arena (Showmanship followed by the Purebred Show and Commercial Dairy Heifer Show)
9:00 a.m.	Horse & Mule Pull Weigh-In - Barn 11
9:00 a.m.	MGA Open Dairy Goat Show - Barn 8
9:00 a.m.	Junior Market Goat Show - Barn 7; released after showing
9:00 a.m.	MGA Youth Breeding Doe Show to follow Junior Market Goat Show - Barn 7
12:00 Noon	Horse & Mule Pull – Equine Center
4:00 p.m.	<u>Release all dairy cattle</u>

Sunday, October 16, 2011

9:00 a.m.	MGA Open Dairy Goat Show - Barn 8; released after showing
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