



Lafayette County Fair

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Dear Exhibitors,

Here are some important reminders and changes for this year's fair. Please remember to check the fairbook for full details. Our Fairbook can be found at www.lafayettecountyfair.org.

Floral Hall entry day is Friday, June 28 from 10:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. and July 5th from 10:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. All conference judged (face 2 face) must be entered June 28th. Entries that are non-conference judged entries can be brought either date. EXCEPT Cloverbuds, Jr. Foods, Flowers, Crops & Vegetables, Jr. Clothing, Open Foods, Crops & Vegetables and Flowers. See entry dates for those categories. Late entries will be marked down one place. Floral hall will remain closed to the public until fair week.

The following departments **will be conference judged** this year on **Saturday, June 29: Jr. Demonstrations, Woodworking, Family & Child Development, Knitting & Crocheting; Home Furnishings and Photography** If you are not present for conference judging, you will be marked down one placing.

Cloverbuds should bring projects at time of judging on Thursday, July 11th. See schedule enclosed.

Livestock Check-In Times: Swine-Monday (6:00-8:00 p.m.) or Tuesday (10:00-1:30); Tuesday-Rabbits (5:00-8:00 p.m.). Swine **may NOT be unloaded** from trailers until all health papers are checked. The penalty for swine arriving at a time not specified in the fairbook will disqualify them from going to auction and they will be sent directly to market!

Livestock Weigh-In Times: TUESDAY-Swine (10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.); Market Goats (2:00-2:30 p.m.), Sheep (2:30-3:30 p.m.); WEDNESDAY-Beef (12:00-3:00 p.m.). Reserving Show Rights for State Fair **MUST** be stated at final weigh-in time. Paperwork will be available at final weigh-in.

Clothing Style Show is Friday, July 12th at 4:30 p.m. under the big tent.

Exhibitors are responsible for caring for their market animals until they are released and hauled by contracted trucker. Beef and sheep market animals will be released at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, July 17. All other animals will be released Sunday as announced. Subject to change: please listen to the loud speaker for announcements. **NO ANIMALS** may leave the grounds until the decision is made by the fair committee to release animals and it is announced over the PA system.

The release and loading times for Beef, Sheep, Swine and Goats will be announced during the shows and at the auction.

MARKET EXHIBITORS you will need to send a picture of yourself and your animal to lafcoslides@gmail.com **no later than JULY 1**. Please send images in JPG form and have your pictures in by the deadline!

BARNs: Due to a judging schedule change, **barn set-up will not be allowed from 4:00-8:00 p.m. for Dairy or Beef exhibitors on Sunday, July 7.**

ANIMAL EXHIBITORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR CLEAN UP! BARNs: Rake away bedding 2 feet from fences and take all equipment with you when leaving. Poultry and rabbit exhibitors are responsible for cleaning cages on Sunday. There will be a tarp in the small animal building to dump waste. **ALL CLEAN UP MUST BE DONE BY 2:00 p.m. on MONDAY, JULY 15! All animal exhibitors need to complete YQCA training in order to exhibit.**

NO TRAILERS will be allowed on the fairgrounds until Sunday. On Sunday, trailers **will only park** in the pit area behind the track. See map on back for release details. This method has received positive feedback. Please be patient.

No vehicle may be left blocking traffic once they've finished unloading/loading.

COOL Papers for Goats and Sheep are due to the Fair Office ASAP. Thank you, in advance, for your prompt attention.

If you **have not** paid your entry fees, please do so in order to exhibit at the fair. 4-H Exhibitors that entered by the deadline will have their entries paid by the 4-H Leader's Association.

