



Junior Swine Shows

Arrival: Wednesday October 1, 2025

Livestock Check-In: Wednesday October 1 from 2pm-4pm
ALL animals (excluding rabbits) must be in place by 2pm.

Weigh: Wednesday October 1, 4-6:00pm

Weight cards must be turned in by 6:05pm

Judging: Thursday October 2 at 9am

Release: Thursday October 2 at 10pm

<u>Show Order Starting at 9am THURSDAY</u>	<u>Entry Fee 8/01-9/10</u>	<u>Entry Fee 9/11-9/17</u>
Market Hogs	\$20	\$40
Showmanship	\$5 (Paid on Site)	
Breeding Swine	\$15	\$30

RULE 1. ELIGIBILITY: Participation in the Swine Division is limited to members in good standing with their 4-H Club or FFA Chapter. Exhibitors must be 5 years of age and cannot have reached their 20th birthday by the opening day of the Southwest District Fair, Tuesday September 30, 2025. Exhibitors may not show in a Junior Show no later than the fall after graduating high school or receiving a GED certificate or its equivalent regardless of age.

RULE 2. OWNERSHIP OF ANIMALS: To be eligible for competition, animals must be the sole property of the exhibitor. All animals entered for competition in the breeding classes must be entered in the name of the owner. Original registration certificates of ownership must be presented at time of check in. Animals registered in breeding classes must be registered in the exhibitor's name by July 15th of current year.

RULE 3. ENTRY DEADLINE: Early entries will be August 1st-September 10th. Late entries will be September 11th-17th. **NO** entries will be accepted after September 17th. Substitutions may be made, if possible, for \$15 with the Show Chairman's approval.

RULE 4. ARRIVAL & RELEASE: Arrival will be Wednesday October 1st with Livestock Check-In from 2pm-4pm. All animals must be in place by 2pm. Weigh your own animal from 4pm-6pm with weight cards turned in by 6:05pm. Release will be Thursday October 2nd at 10pm.

RULE 5. GATE PASSES/ ENTRANCE: All exhibitors will receive 1 back gate pass to be used by the **EXHIBITOR ONLY.** Parents, other relatives and visitors can purchase their own discounted pass

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on-line or pay the regular gate fee. Two-Day discounted passes are presale **ONLY** and available on the ShoWorks entry website until September 24th. Passes will be full price on the grounds. Passes are not required for the Rabbit show.

RULE 6. BEDDING: Shavings will **NOT** be provided or available for purchase on the fairgrounds. Stall area **MUST** be cleaned before release. Failure to do so could result in loss of any premium monies. All hay and manure must be disposed in designated areas. **NO SMOKING IN ANY OF THE BARNs.**

RULE 7. CODE OF BEHAVIOR/ RULES: All exhibitors, parents of exhibitors, county extension agents, vocational agriculture instructors and any others involved with exhibitors are expected to adhere to the International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE) National Code of Show Ring Ethics. A copy is available to view under Rules and Regulations on the website.

IN ADDITION, THE FOLLOWING RULES APPLY:

1. If an exhibitor in any way, whether in person or by agent or servant, interferes with the judges during their adjudication or shows any disrespect to them or the Southwest District Fair Officials, such person and agents will be subject to penalties as detailed in rules 3 and 4 below.
2. Any act of discourtesy or disobedience to Southwest District Fair officials on the part of the exhibitor, parents or sponsors will disqualify exhibitor from the contest and the owner shall forfeit their entrance and other fees. Any exhibitor, parent or sponsor who shall attempt to interfere with judges in the performance of their duties or who shall make any false statement in regard to any animal exhibited or shall interfere with official's and/or judge's books shall be excluded from the competition and may be subject to other disciplinary actions.
3. **PENALTIES:** AN EXHIBITOR, EXHIBITORS PARENT, AGENT, County Extension Agent, Vocational Agriculture Instructor or other person associated with an exhibitor who violates any of the rules contained herein, or whose animal has been found to be in violation of the rules is subject to such penalties as the management shall order, including but not limited to:
 - a. Such animal being barred from entering and/or participating at the Southwest District Fair event.
 - b. The exhibitor being barred from entering and/or participating at the Southwest District Fair event.
 - c. The exhibitor, the exhibitor's family, representatives or agents of the exhibitor or all of these, being barred from any further participation.
 - d. Violator's name and address being reported to the National Association of Livestock Show and Rodeo Managers Association Rule Infraction Database. Being reported in the database may result in disqualification from any national livestock show. If you are listed in this database, you may no be allowed to participate in any event held at the Southwest District Fair or any associated event.
 - e. Awards and premiums being withheld. In the event any awards or premiums have been given by the Southwest District Fair to animal or exhibitor in violation of these rules, the exhibitor will, upon demand by the Southwest District Fair, immediately return all awards and premiums given to such animal or exhibitor.

- f. Exhibitor being liable to the Southwest District Fair shall indemnify and hold the Southwest District Fair harmless from all damages, including but not limited to all expenses and costs for blood, tissue, urine, hide and/or carcass sampling and testing, Southwest District Fair management labor and expenses, consultant legal and court costs incurred as a result of violations of Southwest District Fair rules and regulations.
- 4. Penalties for violations in junior shows – See above penalties in rule #3. In addition, the following penalties apply:
 - a. If an exhibitor, the parent(s) or other family of a junior exhibitor, County Extension Agent, Vocational Agriculture Instructors or any other agent associated with said exhibitor is charged with behavior that is not in accordance with the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics or any rule stated in any part of the Southwest District Fair rules, the result will be that the individual will be banned from future shows conducted by the Southwest District Fair for at least, but not restricted to one year.
 - b. In the event that the individual who is found to be in violation of the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics or any rule stated in any part of the Southwest District Fair rules, is a county Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Instructor, that person will not be allowed to sign entry forms, nominations forms or any other official paperwork submitted to the Southwest District Fair office and they too will be banned from Southwest District Fair Grounds during competitive events held at this facility for at least, but no limited to one year.
 - c. If action must be taken toward a County Extension Agent or Vocational Agriculture Instructor documentation of this action will be reported to his/her supervisor at the discretion of the Southwest District Fair Management.
 - d. The Southwest District Fair reserves to its management the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and amend or add to these rules as its judgement may determine.
 - e. Any exhibitor who violates any of the rules will forfeit all privileges and premiums and will be subject to such penalty as the management may order.
 - f. The decisions of the Southwest District Fair management are final and not subject to protest.

RULE 8. CARE OF ANIMALS: All owners of livestock or others having same in charge, shall care for, guard, protect and preserve the same, as the Southwest District Fair does not undertake to do so, and it shall not be responsible for any loss or damage to said property or the others thereof. Each livestock exhibitor must furnish his own bucket for watering and his own feed troughs. All livestock shall be in the charge of competent, courteous and neatly dressed attendants, who shall impart to visitors such information as shall be desired. Animals must be kept in condition for inspection by the public from 9am Thursday until released. All stalls and pens must be cleaned before 9am each day and refuse disposed of as the superintendent may direct. Failure to abide by any rule, regulation or decision may result in removal of animal from the grounds and all entries will be forfeited.

RULE 9. HEALTH REGULATIONS: The Southwest District Fair reserves the right to have a blood and urine laboratory analysis made for any market animals at the fair. Any exhibitor administering a drug to an animal which would render the carcass unfit for human consumption or any exhibitor of

any animal producing an analysis indicating presence of an unapproved drug that can result in a quantitative or qualitative change in the characteristics of an animal will be required to return all premium money and could be banned from further competition in the Southwest District Fair. Their name and lab analysis will be submitted to the USDA and FDA for further investigation and possible prosecution. All livestock for exhibition or any other purpose shall conform to the following rules and regulations of the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commissions.

RULE 10. LIABILITY OF EXHIBITORS: No animals (pets) will be allowed on the Midway.

No unauthorized vehicles of any kind will be allowed on the Midway after 3pm Monday through 11am Sunday. All property of every character entered for competitive play, or for any other purpose, or brought into the fairgrounds by any person shall be subject to the rules and regulations prescribed by the Board of Directors. In no case shall the Southwest District Fair or any of its officers/directors, be held responsible for any loss, damage, injury or death by disease, theft or from any other cause of any character, to any property while staying in the fairgrounds, or any other time or place. The management hereby assumes no responsibility, either as bailee or otherwise, for any property being brought and kept upon said grounds. If the property owners or others interested in the property, desire protection against loss, damage, injury from fire or other cause, they must make their own arrangements and pay for such insurance. Exhibitors making entries and not exhibiting shall forfeit all fees, stalls, space or exhibitor's tickets/passes.

RULE 11. JUDGING/ AWARDS: Only animals that are credible from the standpoint of type, quality and finish shall be eligible for judging. The judge may, at his/her discretion, award placing according to the animal's quality; therefore, a single entry is not automatically awarded first place. No exhibitor shall be permitted to win more than 2 prizes in any one class. All protests shall be made to the Livestock Chairman in writing immediately following the conclusion of judging. Such protests must state plainly the cause of the complaint and be accompanied by a \$250 deposit. Judging procedures will not be interrupted for protest investigation. Decisions of the Livestock Show Chairman are final, pending a complete investigation.

RULE 12. EXHIBIT SALE: In the interest of furthering the livestock business of the area and in the interest of producing and providing food, all animals exhibited in the Southwest District Fair may be sold privately on the fairgrounds.

RULE 13. CONTROL OF ANIMALS: All open and junior exhibitors must have complete control of their animals in the show ring and on the fairgrounds at all times. Bulls over 12 months of age must have a nose ring or clip with a lead rope.

RULE 14. NO FIT: Grooming products will be allowed with the exception of any adhesive or paint product. Exhibitors not following this rule will be disqualified.

RULE 15. PROHIBITED ACTS: The act of artificially filling animals internally which would include stomach pumping, is prohibited. Silicone injection or other injection for cosmetic purposes shall be prohibited. Anabolic steroid use shall likewise be prohibited and any animal testing positive for anabolic steroid or diuretic use shall be presumed to be altered or modified. Drenching is allowed.

RULE 16. SHOWING ANIMALS: All animals entered are to be shown by the owner, unless unavoidable circumstances forbid the owner's presence, in which case the animal may be shown by

another youth who is also a junior exhibitor. Prior approval by Livestock Chairman is necessary for this substitution.

RULE 17. SHOWMANSHIP: Showmanship classes will be judged immediately after market hog show but before breeding swine. Classes: Pee-Wee Ages 5-8, Junior Ages 9-12, Intermediate Ages 13-15, Senior Ages 16 & up. Exhibitors use their actual date of birth on the opening day of the fair, Tuesday September 30th to determine which class to enter. ***There is NO on-line registration.*** A \$5 entry fee must be paid upon entering ring the day of show. Money will be placed in jackpot; winner take all. Each exhibitor entering Showmanship must show his/her own animal.

RULE 18. Any violation of these rules and show order will cost a forfeiture of all premiums earned by the exhibitor. In the interest of improving the Junior Show, the Southwest District Fair requests that the County Agents, and Ag. teachers certify as to the eligibility of both the exhibitor and the animal.

MARKET HOGS

1. Each exhibitor must weigh their own entries Wednesday October 1st 4-6pm and submit the weight on a weight card. Cards must be turned in by 6:05pm. Weight minimum 200lbs, maximum 280lbs. Classes will be determined by weight by the show chairmen.
2. Immediately after class judging, the top three animals in each class will be weighed by the show chairman on scales provided by Southwest Arkansas District Fair. Any animals over or under a ten-pound variation from the weight submitted on weight card will be disqualified. ***IF YOU ARE NOT READY WHEN YOUR CLASS IS CALLED YOU WILL BE SCRATCHED!***
3. Health papers are required and will be checked.
4. Each exhibitor is limited to three entries. If entering multiple animals be sure to enter tag number so the correct weight will go to the correct animal. An exhibitor may have another Southwest Arkansas District Fair exhibitor show one of the animals.
5. Market hogs must be entered by ear tag number or ear notch and have ear tag in one ear prior to entering the fairgrounds.
6. Purebred gilts are allowed to show in market hog classes, but additional entry online and additional entry fee applies.
7. 1st-10th place awarded in each class.
8. \$5.00 of each entry will be placed in Jackpot and will be paid as follows:

60% Grand Champion

40% Reserve Champion

Market Hog Breed Divisions

If any of the following breeds have fewer than five (5) entries, the entire breed will be moved to the AOB division.

AOB

Berkshire

Chester White

Duroc

Hampshire

Hereford

Poland China

Spotted

Yorkshire

Light Cross (No dark pigmentation on hog)

Dark Cross

Breed Classification: If a market hog is entered online as a breed, the hog must go through the classification process on Thursday October 2nd at 9am in the Swine Barn, where they will be phenotypically classified by an SW District Fair committee. If a breed hog does not meet the following characteristic guidelines, they will be moved to the appropriate crossbred division. Decisions made by Southwest Arkansas District Fair staff are not protestable and are final. **DARK CROSSBRED HOGS WILL NOT GO THROUGH CLASSIFICATION.**

Market Hog Characteristic Guidelines

Responsibility of judges to determine breed characteristics as published below for each breed.

Berkshire Breed Character Guidelines

1. A black and white animal with erect ears, exhibiting Berkshire characteristics.
2. A Berkshire must have white on all four legs, face, and tail (unless tail is docked). One of the white leg points may also be missing.
3. Must be ear notched within seven days of birth.
4. A Berkshire must NOT have a solid white or a solid black face from the ears forward.
5. A Berkshire must NOT have a solid black nose (rim of nose).
6. White is allowed on the ears, but NO solid white may appear on the ears.
7. Occasional splash of white may appear on the body.

Chester White Breed Character Guidelines

1. Must possess Chester White breed characteristics.
2. Must be ear notched within seven days of birth.
3. Must be solid white in color, no color on the skin larger than a silver dollar, no colored hair.
4. Ears must be down and medium-sized.
5. Any size of weighted ear tags or evidence of past existence of such ear tags are determined to be not permissible and are grounds for disqualification.
6. Any skin pigmentation, other than white, that exceeds five in number will disqualify the animal.

Poland China Breed Character Guidelines

1. Must possess Poland China Breed Characteristics.
2. Must be ear notched within seven days of birth
3. Must be black with six white points (face, feet and switch) with an occasional splash of white on the body. A hog may not possess more than one solid, black leg and be determined as a Poland China. (Tail docking is permissible.)
4. Must have ears down.
5. Must NOT have any evidence of belt formation of either white or white skin encircling and touching the points of the shoulder extending down on both sides of the animal to the depth of the elbow pocket.
6. Cannot have any red or sandy hair and/or pigment.
7. Hogs that have weighted ear tags or evidence of such tampering are ineligible.

Spotted Swine Breed Character Guidelines

1. Must be black and white in color.
2. Must possess Spotted Breed Characteristics.
3. Must be ear notched within seven days of birth.
4. Ears must be down and reasonably sized. Ears cannot be erect.
5. Any red tinted or sandy brown spots are ineligible.
6. No solid black head from ears forward.
7. No distinct white belt pattern (hair or skin) encircling and extending down and onto each shoulder.

Duroc Breed Character Guidelines

1. Must be red in color and possess Duroc breed characteristics.
2. Ears must be down and medium-sized.
3. Must be ear notched within seven days of birth.
4. Must NOT have any white hair located on the animal.
5. Must NOT have any black hair.
6. Must NOT have more than three black spots on the skin and none of these spots can be larger than two inches in diameter.
7. Must NOT have any shading or indication of a belt.

Hampshire Breed Character Guidelines

1. Must be black in color with a white belt starting on the front leg. The belt may partially or totally encircle the body.
2. Must possess Hampshire breed characteristics: ears must be erect and not rounded.
3. Must be ear notched within seven days of birth.
4. Must NOT have any white hair or indications of streaking on the forehead.
5. Must NOT have any red hair.

Hereford Breed Character Guidelines

1. Must be red, light, or dark red with at least 50% white face, at least 50% red body, and at least 2 white feet.
2. Must be ear notched within seven days of birth.
3. Ears must be at least broke forward.

Yorkshire Breed Character Guidelines

1. Must be white in color and possess Yorkshire breed characteristics: Ears must be erect.
2. Must be ear notched within seven days of birth.
3. Must NOT have any colored hair other than white.
4. Must NOT have more than two pigmentation spots larger than a U.S. minted dime or one pigmentation spot larger than a U.S. minted quarter. These pigmentation spots (combined) can NOT exceed a U.S. minted silver dollar.

REGISTERED SWINE

1. There will be a limit of two entries per exhibitor, per class.
2. Pigs farrowed after May cannot compete.
3. Registration papers are to be shown at check-in. No exceptions will be made.
4. Breeding Swine will be shown alphabetically.
5. 1st-4th place awarded in each class.

BREEDS:

Berkshire	Landrace
Chester White	Poland China
Duroc	Spot
Hampshire	Yorkshire
Hereford	AOB

CLASSES:

1. January gilt, farrowed during January 2025
2. February gilt, farrowed during February 2025
3. March gilt, farrowed during March 2025
4. April gilt, farrowed during April 2025
5. May gilt, farrowed during May 2025