THE FLORIDA STATE FAIR
YOUTH LIVESTOCK GRANT PROGRAM

A SPECIAL THANKS TO THE

NATIONAL INDEPENDENT CONCESSIONAIRES ASSOCIATION, INC.

FOR PROVIDING THE FUNDS FOR THIS PROGRAM

The Florida State Fair is sponsoring a Grant to an exhibitor in each of the Youth Breeding Shows. The Grant will give an exhibitor designated funds towards the purchase of a registered animal (Beef - $400; Dairy - $400; Dairy Goat - $250; Boer Goat - $250; Poultry - $50; Rabbit - $50; and Sheep - $250). The grant is available to 2026 Florida State Fair Youth Livestock exhibitors 14 years old and younger (as of Sept. 1, 2025). Exhibitors are only eligible to apply for a grant within the species they are showing. Exhibitors are only eligible to enter and win this Grant one time. Applications will be reviewed by a committee appointed by the Superintendent of each show, and a winner will be selected. If deemed necessary, finalists will be selected for an interview.

To be considered for this Grant, **individuals must apply by January 12, 2026. (POSTMARK)**

Application Packet must include:

1) Completed application form (Handwritten).
2) Handwritten Essay (125-150 words) titled "Why I would like to purchase a Registered Animal."
3) One letter of recommendation from any of the following: 4-H Club Leader, FFA Advisor, YLPA Representative, County Extension Director, or Junior Breed Association Advisor.

GRANT APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ County _____

Name of School you attend: _____ Age (as of Sept 1, 2025) _____

Which grant are you applying for? (Circle One) **Beef** **Dairy** **Dairy Goat** **Boer Goat**

Sheep **Poultry** **Rabbit**

Summarize your school achievements and activities (use additional pages if necessary)

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Extracurricular activities (include 4-H, FFA, YLPA, Junior Breed Association, Sports, etc.) use additional pages if necessary.

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How long have you had a Youth Livestock Project? _____

How long have you been in 4-H, FFA, or YLPA? _____

Do you currently own a registered Animal? Yes No

Have you ever owned a registered Animal? Yes No

I certify that all information provided in this application is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Return by January 12, 2026, to Agribusiness Dept., Florida State Fair, P.O. Box 11766, Tampa, FL 33680