YOUTH DOG SHOW

TECO Arena

Show Chairperson .....Joy Miller
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Ownership Deadline ..... November 1, 2026

Entry Due Date .....December 4, 2026
(No paper entry forms will be accepted for the 2027 Fair.)
1st Late Entry Period .....December 11, 2026
.....(Double Entry Fees)
Final Late Entry Period .....January 11, 2027
..... (Double Entry Fees plus $100.00)

Scholarship Applications Due.....December 4, 2026

Signature Page Final Due Date.....January 11, 2027
(Signature pages must be received by corresponding due date to receive achievement points.)
Signature Pages not turned in by January 11th will cause exhibitor to be disqualified from showing.

Record Book Deadline... Hand Delivered or Postmarked
.....On or Before January 11, 2027
****No Record Books will be accepted at Check-in – See Rules on pages 10-11**

Youth Livestock Show Ethics and Animal Care Workshop Deadline .....January 18, 2027
*****This workshop is REQUIRED for ALL students entered in the Youth Dog Show. (See page 12 for details)**

SHOW SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 2027 - TECO Arena
Arrival/Check-in ..... 6 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
(For Champion Youth Participants Only)
** All Posters Turned In
Skillathon & Record Book Test.....6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 2027 - TECO Arena
Arrival..... 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Showmanship & Rally..... 10:00 a.m.
Agility & Obedience..... TBD
Announce Champion Youth ..... at the end of the show.

Individuals are limited to entering a maximum of 2 Youth Livestock Shows at the 2027 Florida State Fair.

ABOUT THE YOUTH DOG SHOW

The Youth Dog Show was created to help develop character, knowledge, a sense of responsibility, and life skills in a 4-H, FFA, or YLPA youth project.
This show is **organized and run by volunteers** who make every effort to make it an enjoyable experience for all attendees.
Parents, Leaders, and Teachers can help us in several ways. Please ensure that all exhibitors are aware of the requirements for the classes in which they are entering. Read the rules and class descriptions provided in this show booklet and address any questions for clarification to Joy Miller. If this is your child's first show experience, ask their leader, teacher, or trainer what to expect at a show, what to bring, and how best to prepare. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to enter the dog and handler into the proper classes. Youth are responsible for reading the rules and complying with them. Consider volunteering to help at the show. We can always use more help, both inside and outside the show ring.

INTERPRETATION OF RULES

The management of the Florida State Fair reserves the right to amend, add to, and interpret the following Rules and Regulations and to arbitrarily settle and determine all questions and differences in regard thereto or otherwise arising out of, connected with, or incident to the Fair.

ELIGIBILITY

1. ONLY FLORIDA RESIDENTS THAT ARE BONA FIDE 4-H OR YLPA MEMBERS (8 YEARS OLD OR OLDER AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2026) or FFA members are eligible TO ENTER. All entrants must be currently active in the 4-H or YLPA Club program or the Vocational Agricultural Program in Florida. Anyone who has currently graduated from high school, dropped out of high school, or is currently enrolled in an Agriculture Class but not attending class shall be ineligible to enter the show. FFA chapters, 4-H clubs, and YLPA Clubs must be valid and in good standing with their local and state organizations.
2. Exhibitors must show as a member of the same organization they entered under and are members of.
3. Exhibitor must be the SOLE trainer and handler of the dog(s) starting November 1, 2026. The junior handler must be the exclusive handler in all venues (4H, AKC, UKC, etc.) throughout the project (November 1st through March 1st). **This rule also applies to any substitutions.**
4. All dogs must be at least 6 months old. Dogs entered in Agility must be at least 15 months of age as of the day of the show.
5. All dogs must be in good health on show day.
6. The Youth Dog Show Chairperson may approve the use of a substitute dog due to extenuating circumstances. Substitute dogs must be one of the exhibitor's project animals prior to November 1, 2026. The exhibitor must notify the chairperson as soon as possible after determining that a substitute dog is necessary, no later than January 15, 2027. No substitutions will be allowed after January 15, 2027, except for females in heat.

7. Notify the Show Chairperson AND the Show Secretary of any substitutions.

Chairperson	Secretary
Joy Miller	Patty Martin
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8. Any exhibitor from a family with an outstanding balance owed to the Fair will not be eligible to show at the Florida State Fair.

ENTRIES

1. Basic and Junior Exhibitors may only enter one dog.

2. All other exhibitors (besides Basic and Junior exhibitors) will be limited to a maximum of two (2) dogs entered. Up to two (2) dogs may be entered in all divisions EXCEPT showmanship. For families, a dog will be allowed in each division once.

3. There will be a **$25.00 entry fee for up to 2 dogs per exhibitor**. Overpayments will not be refunded if $25.00 or less. **Entry Fees are Non-Refundable.**

4. Exhibitors must show in at least one additional class besides showmanship (i.e., rally, obedience, or agility) to be eligible to compete in the Champion of Champions program.

5. Entry Due Date - All entries must be submitted and paid for online on or before December 4, 2026. Hand-delivered or mailed entries **WILL NOT** be accepted this year. **It is the policy of the Florida State Fair to abide by all Rules and Regulations as posted on the Florida State Fair website at Florida State Fair Ag.**

Payment is required at the time of the online entry. The entry fee will be determined by the date entries are submitted online.

The 1st Late Entry Period for entries submitted online between December 5 & 11, 2026, is subject to space availability and will be charged double ($50.00) entry fees.

The Final Late Entry Period for entries submitted online between December 12, 2026 & January 11, 2027, is subject to space availability and will be charged double entry fees plus a $100.00 fee (Youth).

6. Please Note: Exhibitors when registering online **MUST** collect all the Mandatory signatures required on the **Signature Page** (Ag Teacher, YLPA Representative, or County Extension Agent **and** 4-H Leader, Parent, and Exhibitor). The Signature Page is located on page 18 and the website.

Exhibitors must submit the documents (Signature Page and Proof of Rabies) to the Ag Office by the corresponding entry due date to be eligible for full entry points. The Signature Page and Proof of Rabies can be uploaded in the Livestock Entry Documents link on the website under the Registration tab. Exhibitors are able to upload, email, or fax to finalize the entry process.

NEW **7. Signature pages not received by January 11th will cause the exhibitor to be disqualified from showing at the 2027 Florida State Fair.**

8. All entries must be submitted through the Online submission process. All information is available on our website – Florida State Fair Ag

9. MANDATORY – PROOF of RABIES A current proof of the dog's rabies vaccination must include the Owner's Name, Dog's Name, Date of Vaccine, Date of Vaccine Expiration, and Date of Next Vaccine Due. It MUST be submitted at the time of entry.

10. IF THE DOG AND HANDLER ARE ENTERED IN A LOWER CLASS THAN DEEMED CORRECT, THEY WILL NOT BE CHANGED AT THE SHOW AND WILL RECEIVE NO SCORE AND NO PLACEMENT.

11. ALL INFORMATION, SIGNATURES AND ENTRY FEE MUST BE COMPLETED TO BE ACCEPTED AND QUALIFY FOR ACHIEVEMENT POINTS.

ASSISTANCE

1. Youth exhibitors are expected to care for, prepare, and show their own animals while on the grounds of the Florida State Fair.

2. Adults are strictly prohibited from providing direct assistance in the preparation or showing of youth animals while on the grounds of the Florida State Fair.

3. All preparation will be done in a designated area.

4. Exceptions to the above rule must be approved by the committee in writing and submitted before the show.

5. Violations can result in the exhibitor's disqualification, and all premiums, Achievement premiums, etc., will be forfeited.

YOUTH DOG SHOW DEFINITIONS

Basic Handler/Exhibitor- Exhibitors who have NEVER competed in ANY state-level dog show, or any outside venue (i.e., AKC, UKC, NADAC, etc.) AND is competing within their FIRST PROJECT YEAR of 4H or FFA. Handlers may compete in Basic classes with a basic dog for only one year and then must move up to the next level**.**

Basic Dog- Any dog that has NEVER competed in ANY state-level dog show or any other outside venue (i.e., AKC, UKC, NADAC, etc.) AND is being shown by a basic handler. A dog may compete in Basic classes with a basic handler for only the first 4-H/FFA year.

Experienced Handler – Exhibitor who has previously shown at a state-level dog show, has competed in any outside venue (i.e., AKC, UKC, NADAC, etc.), or has already completed their first full year of 4H or FFA with a dog project.

Experienced Dog - Any dog that has previously shown at a state-level dog show, has competed in any outside venue (i.e., AKC, UKC, NADAC, etc.), or has been part of a dog and handler team that has completed their first full year of 4H or FFA with a dog project, OR any titled dog whether handler was the person who titled the dog or not. Any titled dog must be entered into the class equivalent to their title or higher and entered into the "B" class.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Please note: Due to health and safety concerns, cooking is not permitted in the arenas. Food and drink should not be consumed in animal areas. Exhibitors are required to wash their hands after handling animals.

2. The Florida State Fair believes that every animal participating in activities at the Florida State Fair shall at all times be provided proper care and management in the best interest of the animal's welfare.

3. While on the show grounds, no one other than the Youth exhibitor may handle, train, work, or groom their dog. Violation of this rule will result in disqualification.

4. Dogs must be on a leash, except during performances requiring unrestricted movement. Dogs scheduled in acts,

shows, or contests are not permitted anywhere on the Fairgrounds except the TECO Arena on Saturday. Violators are liable for any damage incurred by the owner or animals.

5. Each owner/handler is responsible for their dog's behavior, and this year we will be joining the **Yellow Dog Project**. The Yellow Dog Project is an international campaign to create awareness around the world that **some dogs need Space**. FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR JUDGES, VOLUNTEERS, AND EXHIBITORS, owners/handlers ***must*** notify the event committee if your dog needs additional space from other dogs/people AND/OR should not be examined by the judge AND/OR has any potentially aggressive behaviors AND/OR if your dog is reactive to other dogs. Yellow-tagged dogs are not considered dangerous, but the tag serves as a form of notification that extra space should be given to the dog and handler team when possible. It is still up to the owner/handler of the Yellow Tagged Dog to keep the animal under control at all times. Yellow-tagged dogs should not be out of the crate or in public areas unless headed to or from the ring or potty area. Yellow-tagged dogs must have an adult accompany the dog/handler team to and from the crate.
You need to indicate on the entry form that you want a Yellow Tag. Then, Yellow Tags will be provided on the day of the show to those who indicate their dog needs extra space.

6. ANY dog that, in the opinion of the show committee, attacks a person or a dog, or results in any injury, and is believed to be a hazard to persons or other dogs shall be disqualified, whether in the ring or on the show grounds. Any dogs exhibiting aggression must be reported immediately to the show committee for further action.

7. Failure to maintain animals and exhibit acceptable standards and/or failure to cooperate with Fair Officials may result in premium forfeiture and immediate dismissal from the Fairgrounds.

8. If a dog is dismissed for showing aggression, it must be crated until the end of the show or removed from the show immediately.

9. ONLY ONE COLLAR AT A TIME ON A DOG. ABSOLUTELY NO PRONG COLLARS AND NO E-COLLARS ARE ALLOWED AT THE FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS OR IN OR AROUND RINGS.

10. Absolutely no flexi leads/retractable leashes are allowed on the show grounds.

11. ATTIRE: All exhibitors are required to maintain clean and neat attire: no caps or hats. Closed–toed/closed-heel shoes or boots are required. See pages 5-8 for additional requirements.

12. Each owner or handler is responsible for picking up after their dog. A designated exercise area will be available for use.

13. Dogs should be bathed, combed, and nails clipped.

14. No dogs are to be left unattended in cars.

15. All dogs are required to have up-to-date inoculations.

16. No Female dogs in season will be allowed to compete.

17. Purebred and mixed-breed dogs are welcome as entries.

18. All dogs must be at least 6 months of age. Dogs entered in Agility must be at least 15 months of age as of the day of the show.

19. Class entries are **FINAL. Class changes will not be allowed on Show Day**.

20. Dogs without height cards will be measured at check-in. All dogs are subject to measurements and will be placed in height divisions according to AKC rules as modified by the Florida State Fair Youth Dog Committee.

21. Showmanship, Obedience, Rally & Agility exercises are to be performed according to AKC rules and regulations as modified by the Florida State Fair Youth Dog Committee. A six-foot leash is required for all Obedience, Rally, and Agility classes below Novice Level.

22. Participants will be called by number and/or name a maximum of two times before the class proceeds without them. Participants may be called via microphone or by the table steward or judge at the ringside.

23. It is the participant's responsibility to ensure that they arrive at the correct ring at the proper time for the correct class. At any time, the participant may ask the table steward what class is currently being judged.

24. Participants must notify the table stewards if they have a ring conflict.

25. For showmanship, a participant may enter late without penalty if the judge has not finished judging the last person in the class.

26. For obedience, rally, and agility, a "last call" will be made via microphone and/or ringside before the conclusion of that class.

27. Once the class is deemed concluded and all sheets have been submitted to the chair, a participant may no longer compete.

28. Any Classes may be combined or divided into Junior, Intermediate & Senior if the number of entries warrants at the committee's discretion.

29. The decision of the Judge is Final.

30. If required, the Show Committee will determine the appropriate class for the handler and dog. Exhibitors who enter the wrong class during registration may perform but are ineligible for scores, placings, or ribbons.

31. Two members of the same family may show the same dog. **The Dog will be allowed in each division once**. (i.e., Obedience, Showmanship, Agility, and Rally).

32. Chairs are allowed on Saturday in the crating area.

33. Dogs will show on Saturday (Showmanship, Agility, Obedience, & Rally) in the TECO Arena.

34. All exhibitors are encouraged to put their name and contact phone number on their dog's crate (in case of emergency).

35. The Florida State Fair reserves the right to limit entries based on space availability. Entries will be accepted in chronological order based on the postmark.

36. Smoking is not permitted in the TECO Arena.

37. The use of alcohol is prohibited in the TECO Arena.

38. Only animals being shown at the Florida State Fair are permitted on the Fairgrounds.

39. Failure to maintain animals and exhibit to acceptable standards and/or failure to cooperate with Fair Officials may result in premium forfeiture and immediate dismissal from the Fairgrounds.

40. Any person who violates any of the general rules or special rules as published in this Premium List will forfeit all privileges and premiums won.

41. Animals are restricted to designated areas of the Fairgrounds and must not be taken from the designated area. Violators are liable for any damage incurred by their owners or animals.

42. The physical condition of an entrant, which the appropriate committee considers to be a problem for that entrant to participate in the show, may result in the committee not accepting entry or not allowing that entrant to participate in the show.

ADMISSION

1. Tickets will not be needed for the 2027 show.

2. On Saturday, January 30th, each exhibitor will receive 3 tickets to return to the 2027 Florida State Fair on a day of their choice. These are intended for use by exhibitors and parents. The exception will be made when more than one exhibitor is from the same family. Any additional exhibitors from the same family will be issued 1 ticket.

ARRIVAL FOR CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS YOUTH PARTICIPANTS



1. Friday, January 29th – Record Book Skills Test and Skillathon – Arrival/Check-in for Champion Youth Participants only will be from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the TECO Arena. The Record Book Skills Test and Skillathon will begin at 6:30 p.m.



2. Families volunteering on Friday evening at either the Skillathon or with the ring set up will be allowed to set up kennels at the conclusion of the evening. To volunteer, you must sign up with Paige Johnson. Volunteers will receive an extra admission ticket for helping.

3. Saturday, January 30th – Arrival for the Youth Dog Show will begin at 9 a.m. in the TECO Arena. The Youth Dog Show will start at 10:00 a.m.

4. Participants for the above events will enter the Orient Road Entrance. Directions and a map will be emailed to each exhibitor.

5. Note: Exhibitors must show in at least one additional class besides showmanship (i.e., rally, obedience, or agility) to be eligible to compete in the Champion of Champions program. No Premiums will be paid for showmanship.

LIABILITY FOR LOSS OR THEFT

1. The owner or custodian of property of any kind brought to the Fairgrounds, either for exhibit or for other purposes, assumes as a condition of its admission to the grounds, all risk and/or responsibility for its loss, damage, or theft.

2. The Fair, its officers, and its employees cannot and will not accept responsibility and liability for any damage or injury resulting from theft, fire, the elements, accidents, or other conditions or causes; whether to exhibits, property of exhibitor, vehicles on the grounds and articles left therein or any other property of any nature whatsoever.

JUDGING

1. Judging will be conducted according to the Youth Dog Show Schedule.

2. All classes will be judged based on a modified Danish System. All exhibitors will receive a Blue, Red, or White Award. Rosettes will be awarded to the 1st through 4th place finishers in each division. Awards will be based on the following:

Blue..... 185 – 200 points
Red..... 170– 184 points
White.....below 170 points

3. Judges will not award premiums to any article, product, or animal that is not deserving. It must be judged individually worthy.

4. The decision of the judge shall be FINAL, and no appeal will be considered except in cases of written protest (See General Disputes Policy). All classes, including Showmanship, Obedience, Agility, and Rally, will be judged according to AKC guidelines as modified by the Florida State Fair Youth Dog Committee**.** Sending in an entry constitutes your agreement to abide by the rules of the show.

Entering a dog and handler into a class lower than the one required by the rules will result in the forfeiture of all points, placements, and premiums.

5. Any exhibitor who interferes with the judging will be promptly excluded from the competition; if, after judging, the premiums awarded will be withheld.

6. All animals must enter the show ring and be evaluated by the judge in order to receive premiums.

GENERAL DISPUTES POLICY

With respect to any disputes which may occur with respect to an exhibitor at the show, such disputes shall be handled by the appropriate Livestock Committee (the "Committee") in accordance with the following:

1. An exhibitor may file a protest with respect to another exhibitor for violation of the rules and regulations of the Committee and/or the International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE) National Code of Show Ring Ethics by submitting a written protest (a "Protest") on a form (the "Protest Form") which will be available at the Agribusiness Department. The Protest must include the exact basis, cause, and description of the dispute, the name of the protesting exhibitor, the name of the exhibitor being protested, and any materials in support of the Protest as well as any other matters which may be required in the Protest Form, and shall be accompanied by payment of $50 which shall be refunded only if the Protest is sustained by the Committee. The Protest Form must be signed by the exhibitor (as the protesting exhibitor), and if the exhibitor is a minor, the Protest Form must also be signed by the exhibitor's guardian or parent, unless the parent or guardian is not available under circumstances that warrant, as determined by the Agribusiness Department in its sole discretion. Failure to properly sign the Protest Form shall deem the Protest Form incomplete and nullity, and in such event, the Protest will not be considered. Any Protest must be submitted (and received by the Agribusiness Department) at least two (2) hours prior to the time that the show is scheduled to occur in order to be considered prior to the show. If a Protest is submitted less than two (2) hours prior to the time that the show is scheduled to occur ("a "Late Submittal"), then the Committee will handle the Protest after the show in accordance with its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics, but the Late Submittal shall not affect the award of ribbons for the show. In order to minimize disruption to the show, an exhibitor who intends to file a Protest should do so at the earliest feasible time. In any event, a Protest must be filed with the Agribusiness Department prior to the scheduled release hour for the protested exhibitor's animal in order to be considered.

2. The Agribusiness Department will forward any Protest Form which is duly signed (by an exhibitor as the protesting exhibitor, and if the exhibitor is a minor, the Protest Form must also be signed by the exhibitor's guardian or parent) and any accompanying materials submitted by the protesting exhibitor in support of the Protest to the Committee for its consideration. The Agribusiness Department will also notify the exhibitor being protested of the Protest as soon as reasonably practicable after the Protest has been duly submitted, and make available a copy of the written Protest to the exhibitor being protested. The exhibitor being protested may, but shall not be required to, provide a written response to the Protest (a "Response") by submitting a Response to the Agribusiness Department, including any materials in support of the response to the Protest, and the

Agribusiness Department shall provide the Response to Committee. A Response shall be on a form obtained from the Agribusiness Department and must be signed by the protested exhibitor, and if the protested exhibitor is a minor, the Response must also be signed by the protested exhibitor's guardian or parent, unless the parent or guardian is not available due to circumstances that warrant, as determined by the Agribusiness Department in its sole discretion. The Agribusiness Department shall make available a copy of the Response to the protesting exhibitor upon request by the protesting exhibitor, but it shall be the protesting exhibitor's responsibility to monitor the Protest and to obtain a copy of the Response. The Agribusiness Department will attempt to notify the protesting exhibitor and the exhibitor being protested of the time of the Committee's review and consideration of the Protest by calling their respective cell phone numbers if provided on the Protest Form and/or the Response Form, but it shall be the protesting exhibitor and protested exhibitor's responsibility to monitor the Protest and obtain the time of the Committee's review and consideration of the Protest and to be available at the time scheduled for the Committee's consideration of the Protest. For any Late Submission, the Committee will handle the process for review of the Protest after the show.

3. The Committee members present will review the Protest and the Response, if any, in the context of its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and will make a decision to resolve the Protest by a majority of the Committee members present. In the event of a tie vote, the Protest shall be deemed denied by the Committee. The decision of the Committee will be final.

4. The Committee also may apply and enforce its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics, with respect to exhibitors at the show.

5. By entering the show, all exhibitors, and their respective parents and/or guardians, shall be deemed to have acknowledged and accepted this General Disputes Policy.

SHOWMANSHIP

Handlers are judged on their teamwork and the presentation of their dog, including grooming, posing, and gaiting. Appropriate showmanship attire and a show lead are required. The use of products is discouraged. Please Note: Exhibitors must show in at least one additional class besides showmanship (i.e., rally, obedience, or agility) to be eligible to compete in the Champion of Champions program. No Premiums will be paid for showmanship.

SHOWMANSHIP LEADS

Selecting the proper lead for your dog breed often requires thorough research. If you are able to attend an AKC Conformation Show, watch your dog's breed being shown in the ring. Note the typical collar style used on your breed. Discussing your breed's collar and lead with a handler may be helpful. Often, you can purchase a collar and lead appropriate for your dog from a vendor at the show site.

HANDLER APPEARANCE

Exhibitors should be clean, neat, and well-groomed. They should wear clothing that is comfortable to handle in and appropriate for dog shows. Clothing should not distract, limit, or hinder the judge's view of the dog. Official 4-H or FFA dress is acceptable. Heels and open-toed shoes are not allowed due to safety concerns.

Exhibitors should appear confident, prepared, businesslike, and attentive. They should be courteous to both the judge and other exhibitors. Exhibitors are expected to handle their dogs in a manner that does not distract other exhibitors' dogs. Exhibitors should refrain from crowding and should avoid distracting others by continuously using toys and bait. Exhibitors should be mindful of their dog's needs. They should use firm but thoughtful hands in controlling and handling their dogs. Exhibitors should not be impatient or heavy-handed.

JUDGING & CLASS PROCEDURE

Showmanship classes are judged on the exhibitor's ability to handle their dog. The quality of the dog is not judged. Exhibitors will be asked to demonstrate:

- Moving the dog with the rest of the class.
- Presenting the dog in the standing position proper to its breed (including the use of an examining table for those breeds typically judged on a table).
- Moving the dog individually in a regular pattern.

Exhibitors are expected to know basic ring routines. They should be able to follow directions, use space wisely, and be familiar with gaiting patterns. Exhibitors should appear "ring-wise," alert to what is going on in the ring, and should be prepared for changes in the routine of judging.

EXHIBITORS MUST BE ABLE TO CONTROL THEIR DOGS AT ALL TIMES. The judge will excuse any exhibitor who is unable to control their dog.

CONFLICTS

Exhibitors may have a conflict between judging of their showmanship class and judging of another event. Once Showmanship Judging has begun, the exhibitor must decide where they will compete. An exhibitor may enter the showmanship class up until the time every exhibitor in the class has been examined and gaited. If an exhibitor starts to compete in a class and requests to be excused to exhibit in another event, they are permanently excused from competing in that class.

CLASSES

Basic - For the first-time handler and first-time dog in their first year of showing. **All participants, whether they place or do not place, must move to the Novice class during their second year of showing.**

Novice - Experienced handler with a basic dog or basic handler with an experienced dog, or handlers who have shown for one or more years with NO conformation titles. **Any exhibitor who has won this class three (3) times with competition at a State Level Dog Show must move up to the Open (formerly Advanced) Showmanship class. No handler that has won a level or earned titles in outside venues may show in this class.**

Open (formerly Advanced) – Experienced Handlers showing in Novice classes in AKC, UKC, etc., (but who have not yet progressed to the open or masters classes) may show in the open. Any exhibitor who wins the Open class three (3) times with competition at the state-level youth dog show must move to Excellent. Any Champion-titled dog must show in the Open.

Excellent – Experienced Handlers showing in open or master's Classes in AKC, UKC, etc., OR who have won Best Junior three (3) or more times at any state-level youth dog shows or any outside venue must show in Excellent.

RALLY BASIC, NOVICE, ADVANCED & EXCELLENT:

The Florida State Fair Youth Dog Show rally rules are based on AKC Rally Rules, as amended in November 2017. These rules, as well as the complete list of signs and performance requirements, can be found at https://cdn.akc.org/Rally/2017-rev-rally-minisignswdescriptions-1-2018.pdf

Please read these rules, paying special attention to the principal parts of each exercise. The following modifications will be used when judging rally at this event.

RALLY ATTIRE

1. For Rally, all exhibitors will be required to be clean and neat and dressed in white, green, blue, or black jeans/slacks, or tan Khaki slacks with a solid white shirt with a white collar, OR EXHIBITORS MAY WEAR THE NEW 2027 FAIR T-SHIRT THEY RECEIVE AT CHECK-IN. FFA or 4-H accessories are strongly recommended.

2. No caps or hats.

3. Closed-toed shoes or boots are required.

At the show committee's discretion, Novice, Intermediate, Advanced, and Excellent may be divided into A and B divisions. There are no A and B divisions for Basic. If A and B are offered, the A division is for dogs that have not earned any qualifying scores in Rally or Obedience from any outside venue (e.g., AKC, UKC). The B division is for handlers and/or dogs who have earned qualifying scores in Obedience from any outside venue or have earned qualifying Rally scores in the class they are entering. B is for handlers that have titled dogs in the class or titled dogs in any non-4-H venue (AKC, UKC, etc.), or if the team has won the A division in a previous year at the Florida State Youth Dog Show.

Dogs that have earned Rally titles in other venues shall enter the same class level in which they compete in those venues. For example, a dog who has earned qualifying scores in either the Rally Novice class (RN/ AKC) or Rally Novice in UKC (URO1/UKC) class must compete at that level regardless of the handler's experience. Once the handler earns an RN or URO1 title *with any dog, or the dog has earned an RN or URO1 title*, they must move up to the next higher class or enter the B class.

Exhibitors who do not compete in other venues are encouraged to compete at the highest level they are capable of safely.

BASIC

Basic is for first-year handlers with beginner dogs. If the dog has earned any qualifying scores in Rally or Obedience from any venue, they are not eligible to compete in Basic, regardless of the handler's level of experience. Basic Rally will compete on the same course and with the same requirements as Novice, *except that Basic Handlers may move one foot to finish their dog without receiving a penalty.*

NOVICE A

Novice A is for 2nd year or greater handlers, or dogs with qualifying scores in Rally or Obedience from any recognized accredited outside venue (i.e., AKC, UKC, etc.). All exercises are judged on leash, and all dogs must enter and leave the ring on leash.

The leash must be made of fabric or leather and must be long enough to provide adequate slack. Rally Novice must have between 10 and 15 stations (Start and Finish not included) with a minimum of three and a maximum of five stationary exercises per class. Signs 1 – 42 from the AKC Rally Regulations may be used.

NOVICE B

Novice B is for dogs and or handlers that have earned a Novice Title in Rally or Obedience in any accredited outside venue, or who have placed in the top four with a qualifying score above 170 in the Novice A class at a state event or previous fair.

INTERMEDIATE A

To be eligible for entry in this class, dogs must have won the Rally Novice title but may not have earned a qualifying score in Rally Advanced. All dogs are judged on leash. Rally Intermediate must have 12 to 17 signs (Start and Finish not included) with a minimum of three and a maximum of seven stationary signs. Intermediate courses will have a minimum of three Advanced-level signs. There are no jumps in this class.

INTERMEDIATE B

This class is for dogs and handlers who have earned an Intermediate title but are not ready to perform off-leash.

ADVANCED

Advanced is for handlers who are ready to perform off-leash.

All exercises are judged off-leash, and all dogs must enter and leave the ring on leash. Rally Advanced must have between 12 and 17 stations (Start and Finish not included) with a minimum of three and a maximum of seven stationary exercises. Courses shall have a minimum of three Advanced-level stations, plus one required jump per class. Allowed jumps are the high jump, bar jump, and broad jump. Signs 1 – 123 from the AKC Rally Regulations may be used.

JUMP HEIGHTS FOR ADVANCED AND EXCELLENT

The dog's jump height shall be given on the entry form. Entries will be arranged according to the jump height of the dogs, from highest to lowest or lowest to highest. The judge may allow handlers to run out of order, at their discretion, to accommodate conflicts.

Height of dog at withers	Height to be jumped.
11 inches and under	4 inches
12 inches to 15 inches	8 inches
15 inches to 18 inches	12 inches
18 inches to 22 inches	16 inches
over 22 inches	20 inches

The broad jump is to be set at twice the height the dog jumps.

EXCELLENT

Excellent is for dog and handler teams ready to perform off-

lead at a more advanced level. Dogs who have earned a qualifying score at Excellent, or a similar level, from any organization must enter this class.

All exercises are judged off-leash. All dogs must enter and leave the ring on a leash. Rally Excellent must have between 15 and 20 stations (Start and Finish not included) with a minimum of three and a maximum of seven stationary exercises. Courses shall have a minimum of three Advanced level stations and a minimum of two Excellent level stations, plus the two required jumps and the Honor exercise per class.

Unlike in the Rally Novice and Advanced classes, in Rally Excellent, handlers are not allowed to pat their legs or clap their hands to encourage the dog. Verbal encouragement, multiple commands, and/or inaudible signals using one or both arms and hands are allowed; the handler's arms need not be maintained in any particular position at any time. Handlers may not touch their dog or make any physical corrections.

GENERAL SCORING
Times will be recorded but not posted. Times will be used only to break ties for placements. The maximum number of points that can be deducted for any station is 10.
The following deductions shall apply:

1-point deduction for each of the following:
• Tight leash
• Dog interfering with handler
• Poor sits
• Slow, delay, or resistance to respond
• Touching or ticking a jump, pylon, post, or person
• Out of position

3-point deduction for each of the following:
• Repeat of a station—only one (1) retry of each station will be allowed for all class levels
• Pylon/post knocked over on Figure Eight, Spiral, and Serpentine
• Lack of control
• Loud command or intimidating signal
• Excessive barking
• Hitting the jump
• *Touching the dog to aid in performance (Basic/Novice)*

10-point deduction for each of the following:
• Incorrectly performed station*
• *Touching the dog to aid in performance (Advanced/Excellent)*
1 to 10-point deduction:
• Lack of teamwork
• Lack of briskness
• Handler error**

A 50-point deduction shall be given for:
• Dog unmanageable
• Dog that eliminates while in the ring for judging

***Incorrectly Performed (IP) stations** occur when a team attempts a station and fails to perform the principal parts of the station on the first attempt. The handler may choose to retry the station once for correct performance, accepting the mandatory 3-point deduction for the station retry. The station is considered an IP if the handler chooses not to retry or fails to perform the station correctly on the second attempt.

Luring – Luring/pleading with the dog is a 3-point deduction per incident.
"Luring" is the appearance of having a reward in hand, or pretending to hold a treat between the thumb and first two fingers, etc. No treat needs to be present for a "luring" deduction. "Pleading" is repeated urgent commands and /or signals to elicit the proper behavior from the dog while the dog remains unresponsive to the handler's commands and /or signals.

****Handler errors** can be assessed from 1 to 10 points. Handler errors can be evaluated at any station or during movement between stations on a course. Once a handler has stopped on any halt exercise, the handler cannot move their feet to assist a dog without incurring a handler error.

OBEDIENCE
Dogs who have earned Obedience titles in other venues shall enter the same class level they compete in those venues.

Obedience will be judged according to AKC rules as modified by the Florida State Fair Youth Dog Committee. Acceptable collars include choke and nylon training collars, buckle collars, and martingale-style collars. Any style of pinch collar is not allowed on the Florida State Fair Youth Dog Showgrounds. NO TAGS OR ATTACHMENTS ARE ALLOWED. Any scoring ties will be broken *first* by the best sit and down score, and *secondly* (if needed) by the best heeling score.

OBEDIENCE ATTIRE
1. For obedience, all exhibitors will be required to be clean and neat and dressed in white, green, blue, or black jeans/slacks, or tan Khaki slacks with a solid white shirt with a white collar, OR EXHIBITORS MAY WEAR THE NEW 2027 FAIR T-SHIRT THEY RECEIVE AT CHECK-IN. FFA or 4-H accessories are strongly recommended.
2. No caps or hats.
3. Closed-toed shoes or boots are required.

Basic - For beginning handlers and beginning dogs in their first year of showing.
Sub-Novice - NO DOG THAT HAS AN AKC OR UKC TITLE MAY COMPETE IN SUB NOVICE CLASSES. Experienced handler with beginning dog or beginning handler with experienced dog, except dogs with Rally or Obedience titles. Or a second-year handler with a second-year dog.



Basic and Sub-Novice Exercises - Individual: Heeling On Lead, Figure 8 On Lead, **Sit** for Examination On Lead, Recall On Lead

Basic and Sub-Novice Exercises - Group: One Minute Sit On Lead, One Minute Down On Lead



Beginner Novice A & B – For handlers and dogs training for novice off-lead classes, this is an AKC class designed to prepare for off-lead work. (See AKC class description for major details.) Beginner Novice exercises are as follows:

Individual: Heel on Lead, Figure 8 on Lead, Sit for Exam, Recall Off-Lead, and Sit/Stay Off-Lead (with a walk around the ring).
Dogs with their AKC Beginner Novice A titles may still compete in the Beginner Novice B class.

Novice A - For handlers and dogs ready to compete in novice exercises except dogs with novice obedience titles or handlers and dogs who have won First Place in Novice A at a previous State Level Dog Show. A novice title in obedience requires that the dog and handler compete in the Novice B class.
Novice B - Handlers showing dog with Obedience titles. Handlers and dogs who have shown in Obedience competitions at AKC Obedience trials or have won First Place in Novice A at a previous State Level Dog Show.

Novice Exercises - Individual:
Heeling on Lead, Figure 8 On Lead, Stand for Examination Off Lead, Heeling Off Lead, Recall Off Lead, Sit Stay Get Leash
Novice Exercises - Group: On Lead
One minute Sit Stay and One Minute Down Stay



Open A & B: For dogs and handlers ready to compete at this level. Dogs without titles show in A; dogs with titles show in B.

For more details on the open (formerly advanced) obedience classes, you can visit the AKC website at http://www.akc.org/rules/

NON-REGULAR CLASSES
THE FOLLOWING CLASSES WILL COMPETE FOR RIBBONS ONLY IF TIME ALLOWS.

Utility: Classes will consist of the following exercises:
1. Signal Exercise (40 points)
2. Scent Discrimination (30 points)
3. Go Out (30 points)
4. Directed Jumping (40 points)
5. Moving Stand & Examination (30 points)
6. Directed Retrieve (30 points)

Maximum Total Score = 200 points

Brace: Dogs do not have to be the same breed, but should be similar in size. Dogs must be coupled using the same leash.

AGILITY
ALL DOGS MUST HAVE A HEIGHT CARD AND BRING IT TO CHECK-IN, OR THEY MUST BE MEASURED BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FLORIDA STATE FAIR YOUTH DOG COMMITTEE TO PARTICIPATE IN AGILITY.

Equipment provided at the show will be based on AKC standards as modified by the Florida State Fair Youth Dog Committee.
12' – A-Frame
12' – Dog Walk
8' - Teeter
For handlers and dogs with agility training, the only acceptable collar is a flat buckle collar. NO TAGS OR ATTACHMENTS ARE ALLOWED. Off-lead dogs may also run without a collar. No contact familiarization **before** each class. Dogs capable of off-lead work *should not* enter on-lead classes. Dogs WITHOUT FORMAL AGILITY TRAINING or dogs unfamiliar with obstacles SHOULD NOT BE ENTERED. Dogs entered in Agility must be at least 15 months of age as of the day of the show. In the on-lead agility classes, a loose leash must be maintained at all times. Judges will deduct points each time the leash is tightened, and a significant deduction will be taken for a constantly tight leash.

AGILITY ATTIRE
1. For AGILITY, all exhibitors will be required to be clean and neat and dressed in white, green, blue, or black jeans/slacks, or tan Khaki slacks with a solid white shirt with a white collar, OR EXHIBITORS MAY WEAR THE NEW 2027 FAIR T-SHIRT THEY RECEIVE AT CHECK-IN. FFA or 4-H accessories are strongly recommended.
2. No caps or hats.
3. Closed-toed shoes or boots are required.

PLEASE NOTE: IN AGILITY, A DOG WILL BE ALLOWED *THREE REFUSALS.* Points will be deducted for each refusal. After three refusals, the maximum points will be deducted, and the exhibitor will be instructed to "move on" to the next obstacle.

Jump Heights (measured from the ground to the dog's withers)

4"	Dogs measuring 11" and under
8"	Dogs measuring 14" and under
12"	Dogs measuring 18" and under
16"	Dogs measuring 22" and under
20"	Dogs measuring over 22"

NOTE: ABOVE CHART IS ALREADY ADJUSTED DOWN ONE LEVEL FROM AKC RULES! Our goal with the youth program is to promote the safety and well-being of all animals, and therefore, the standard AKC jump heights have been reduced. However, if you wish to participate at a lower jump height, you may do so as a fun run with no points, placement, prize, etc.

CLASSES
Basic - On Lead: For beginner handlers and beginning dogs in their first year of showing. A simple course may include any of the following: A-Frame (apex at 4'11"), Dog Walk, Pipe Tunnel, Table (Sit *OR* Down position at judge's discretion for 5 cumulative seconds), approximately Six Hurdles. Course time will be used only to break ties.
Sub-Novice A –
On Lead: For experienced handlers with beginning dogs or beginning handlers with experienced dogs. (If a team has scored 200 points in State Dog Show or if they have two or more years of showing, they must move to Sub-Novice **B.)** A simple course may include any of the following: A-Frame (apex at 4'11"), Dog Walk, Pipe Tunnel, Table (Sit or Down position at judge's discretion for 5 cumulative seconds), approximately Six Hurdles. Course time will be used only to break ties.

Sub-Novice B – On Lead: For an experienced handler (two or more years of showing) who has won first place in the Sub-Novice A Agility class in the previous year, OR who has achieved a score of 200 at a previous State Dog Show. A simple course may include any of the following: A-Frame

(apex at 4'11), Dog Walk, Pipe Tunnel, 8" Table for 8", 12" and 16" Table for 16" and above (Sit or Down at judge's discretion for 5 cumulative seconds), approximately six hurdles. Course time will be used only to break ties. If the dog has any qualifying agility legs, it must be shown in Novice or higher.

Novice-Off Lead: Simple course may include any of the following: A-Frame (apex at 4'11"), Dog Walk, Pipe Tunnel, Table (**Sit *OR* Down** position at judge's discretion for 5 cumulative seconds), approximately Six Hurdles. Course time will be used only to break ties.

Advanced-Off Lead: Dogs that demonstrate off-leash agility in outside venues (e.g., AKC, UKC, NADAC) must compete in the Advanced Class.
Course design may be more complex, and **may include** any of the following: A-Frame (apex at 4'11"), Dog walk (3'0"), **See-Saw**, Pipe Tunnel, **Short set of weave poles** (5 or 6), Table (to be performed at a **Sit *OR* Down** position at judge's discretion for 5 cumulative seconds), **Tire Jump**, broad jump, approximately six Hurdles (at judge's discretion). Course time will be used only to break ties.
Advanced agility allows three refusals on weave poles, but points will be deducted for each attempt.

DIVISION AGE GROUPINGS

Junior (between the ages of 8 and 10)
Intermediate (between the ages of 11 and 13)
Senior (14 and over)

PREMIUMS AND AWARDS

1. Rosettes and premiums will be awarded to the 1st through 4th place finishers in each class for obedience, agility, and rally. Non-regular classes will receive ribbons only. (Graduate—novice, Brace, and Four-Member Team).

1st Place.....$20.00
2nd Place.....$16.00
3rd Place.....$12.00
4th Place.....$8.00

2. Premiums will be paid based on the judging reports, which must be signed by the judge and by the department superintendent or clerk.
3. Premiums will be paid as soon as possible after judging and mailed to the exhibitor at the address given on the entry form. **Errors in premium statements will not be corrected after April 1, 2027.**
Checks will be void six months from the date on the check. After six months, all uncashed checks will be voided, and replacement checks will not be issued.
4. PLEASE NOTE: Prizes for Agility will be awarded by **class name & age group only** – not by jump height.
5. The management of the Florida State Fair reserves the right to revise the dollar amount of the Premiums.

HIGH POINT JUNIOR, INTERMEDIATE, AND SENIOR

1. Winners will receive $50.00 and a Rosette.
2. High point scores will be based on the combined points from Showmanship, Obedience, Rally & Agility. Each child and dog may only enter one division.
3. In the case of ties for high point, the following priority order will be used:
1. Most points earned in any one obedience class.
2. Total number of dogs beaten in any one class.
3. The dog with the highest placing.

HILLIKER CHALLENGE TROPHY

1. Alden Hilliker played a pivotal role in establishing the Florida 4-H Dog Project. From his position at the State 4-H office in Gainesville, he laid the groundwork for the program we all participate in today. Alden and his wife Jo Ann were active in breeding and showing Basset Hounds in AKC shows. They understood the dog show world and the opportunities it offered for children to excel in it. The Florida 4-H Dog Project that Alden created gave recognition to the children who work as hard training their dogs as those who raise production animals. The Florida State Fair Youth Dog Show High Point Count Awards are presented each year in honor of Alden Hilliker.
2. It will be awarded to a **Small County** (number of exhibitors is 9 & under) and a **Large County** (number of exhibitors is 10 & over) that accumulates the highest average of points at the Florida State Fair Youth Dog Show. Each 4-H county represented at this show will be eligible to win the trophy.
3. 4-H members will earn points for their county as follows:

1st Place.....5 points
2nd Place.....3 points
3rd Place.....2 points
4th Place.....1 point



PHYLLIS WHITE BEST EXHIBITOR AWARD

1. Phyllis White started the 4-H Dog Project in Hillsborough County. As an AKC exhibitor and Obedience trainer, she recognized the opportunity for children to learn life skills while training and showing their dogs. More than 30 years ago, as Chairman of the Purebred Dog Tent at the Florida State Fair, Phyllis created the Florida State Fair Youth Dog Show. The show originated inside the Purebred Dog Tent, but over the years, it expanded significantly. The Youth Dog Show is now being held inside the TECO Arena. The Florida State Fair honors Phyllis White each year by presenting the Phyllis White Awards to the Best Exhibitor in each Showmanship division: Basic, Novice, Open and Excellent.

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS PROGRAM!!

The Florida State Fair believes in the value and importance of exhibitor participation in all educational opportunities offered through its animal project. The Champion of Champions program is how exhibitors can capitalize on these opportunities. By participating in the various activities listed below, exhibitors may earn additional monies, which we refer to as Achievement Premiums. Achievement Premiums will be paid in addition to current animal premiums and will reward exhibitors based on their participation in the educational events listed below. Participation in the Champion of Champions Program is optional. Points will be accumulated by each exhibitor throughout the program for each event in which they participate, and Achievement Premium monies will be rewarded proportionally for their involvement.

Please note: Youth Dog Show Exhibitors must show in at least one of the following classes (i.e., rally, obedience, or agility) to be eligible to compete in the Champion of Champions program.

The point system will be as follows:

- **Entry** correctly filled out ..... 0 - 10 points
-**Educational Seminar or November Clinic**. 0 - 30 points*
- **Record Book - Mandatory** ..... 1 - 100 points
- **Skillathon - Mandatory**..... 0 - 100 points
- **Record Book Skills Test - Mandatory**..... 0 - 100 points
- **Showmanship**..... 0 - 100 points
  - Blue..... 80 points
  - Red..... 70 points
  - White..... 60 points
  - 1st Place..... 20 points
  - 2nd Place..... 15 points
  - 3rd Place ..... 10 points
  - 4th Place..... 5 points
- **Educational Poster**..... 0 - 30 points
- **Dog Skills Video**..... 0 - 30 points

500 TOTAL POINTS possible

*Please note: Exhibitors can only receive points for attending one of these two events.

- All points will be totaled, and exhibitors will be ranked in order of point totals for Champion Youth Awards.

- Available Achievement premium dollars will be allocated based on total points earned. (All points will be totaled and divided by total Achievement Premium dollars, thus determining a dollar value per point.)

ACHIEVEMENT PREMIUM PAYMENT

Exhibitors will be mailed, after the Fair, a recap of the total Achievement points earned during the 2027 Florida State Fair. Along with the recap, they will be provided with the names and addresses of two (2) Achievement Premium Sponsors. To receive payment for these points, exhibitors will be required to:

1. Write and mail a thank-you letter to each sponsor.
2. Send a copy of each Thank You letter to the Fair.

Checks for Achievement premiums will be issued upon receipt of a copy of the thank-you letters to the sponsors. As of July 1, 2027, Achievement Premium will be issued if copies of the Thank-You letters have not been received.

Checks will be void six months from the date on the check. After six months, all uncashed checks will be voided, and replacement checks will not be issued.

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS ACHIEVEMENT PREMIUMS - POINT CATEGORIES

EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR/WORKSHOP/CAMP

1. PLEASE NOTE: There will be multiple seminar sessions offered this year.

2. The Educational Seminar will be held as follows:

Florida State Fairgrounds

September 12, 2026 –	**Dairy Goat Camp**
September 19, 2026 –	**Swine ABC's**
	Dairy All-Breeds Field Day
September 26, 2026 –	**Rabbit Clinic**
October 3, 2026 –	**Lamb Camp**
	Boer Goat Camp
October 10, 2026 -	**Cattle ABC's**
October 17, 2026 -	**Poultry Clinic**
	Dog Project Camp
	Camelid Camp
	Youth Llama Camp

3. Exhibitors can receive up to 30 points toward Achievement Premiums for attending the Seminar.

4. Please note: Registration will begin 30 minutes before the seminars.

5. For pre-registration, visit our website: WWW.FLORIDASTATEFAIRAG.COM.

NOVEMBER CLINIC - Optional, combined with PRACTICE DOG SHOW

1. Exhibitors could earn Achievement Premium Seminar points IF YOU MISSED THE OCTOBER SEMINAR by attending the November Seminar Review Clinic on November 14, 2026, at the Florida State Fairgrounds. Registration – 8:30 a.m. Clinic will begin at 9:00 a.m. and last until approximately 3:00 p.m.

2. The clinic will teach participants how to enter the state fair and discuss the show rules and skills required to exhibit their dog in Showmanship, Obedience, Rally, and Agility.

3. It is highly recommended that exhibitors participate in the Dog Show as a practice event before the State Fair. Exhibitors must bring their own dog, and (same as State Fair Rules), the dog must be six months old to participate. (Or 15 months old to participate in agility). The dog should have started training and be under the handler's control. Dogs must NOT be aggressive towards other dogs or people.

4. Proof of vaccinations **WILL** be required to participate in the November Clinic.

5. First-time exhibitors are strongly encouraged to attend the November Seminar and Dog Show. We provide exhibitors with the necessary information to enter the fair and develop the dog training skills they need to compete. For more information, contact the Show Secretary: Patty Martin at c_pmartin@verizon.net. **PLEASE NOTE: Exhibitors can participate in both the October Seminar and the November Seminar make-up but will receive points for only one of these two events.**

RECORD BOOK –

MANDATORY FOR CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

1. The NEW Youth Dog Record Book is available on the website.

2. PLEASE NOTE: The Fair will be collecting/judging all the Record Books before the Fair. Record Books must be postmarked or hand-delivered on or before January 11, 2027. Please note: You must turn in a completed record book to be eligible to compete in the Champion of Champions Competition. **NO RECORD BOOKS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT CHECK-IN.** The completed record book must be approved and signed by the 4-H or YLPA Club Leader or Agriculture Teacher.

3. Mail completed record books to: Youth Dog Show, Florida State Fair, P.O. Box 11766, Tampa, Florida 33680.

4. All Record Books will be scored from 0 to 100, and points will be added to Achievement Premium points.

5. A Record Book is mandatory to qualify for Champion of Champions Achievement Premiums. Exhibitors who do not turn in a record book will forfeit all Champion of Champions Achievement Premiums.

6. The Record Book will be returned by mail after the Fair.

7. The ZSuites Record Book will NOT be available for the 2027 Youth Dog Show.

RECORD BOOK SKILLS TEST –
MANDATORY FOR CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

1. Exhibitors will be given a Record Book Skills Test on Friday, January 29th at 6:30 p.m. The test will cover all aspects of record-keeping on their animal project.

2. Juniors answer Junior-designated questions. Intermediates answer Junior and Intermediate designated questions. Seniors answer questions designated for Juniors, Intermediates, and Seniors.

3. **The Record Book Skills Test is mandatory to qualify for Champion of Champions Achievement Premiums. Exhibitors who do not take the test will forfeit all Champion of Champions Achievement Premiums.**

SKILLATHON –
MANDATORY FOR CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

1. A Skillathon will be held on Friday, January 29th, at 6:30 p.m.

2. The Skillathon is a series of "hands-on" stations where students will be asked to perform specific tasks.

3. A study guide with information to be covered in the Skillathon is located on the website.

4. Junior exhibitors only need to demonstrate Junior-level skills, while Intermediate exhibitors will participate in both Junior and Intermediate-level skills. Senior exhibitors must do ALL level skills.

5. The Skillathon is mandatory to qualify for Champion of Champions Achievement Premiums. Exhibitors who do not participate in the Skillathon will forfeit all Champion of Champions Achievement Premiums.

EDUCATIONAL POSTER - Optional

1. Exhibitors can earn additional points toward Achievement Premiums by entering an Educational Poster.

2. The purpose of the posters is to educate the public about the animal industry.

3. Posters must be submitted during the designated check-in period.

4. Posters must be removed during the scheduled release times.

5. Acceptable poster size:
- a. 22" x 28"
- b. 20" x 30"

6. Acceptable material for poster:
- a. Posterboard
- b. Foam Board

7. No attachments to the poster to extend the acceptable size of the poster.

8. Poster attachments must be within the poster size, not exceeding 1' in depth.

9. Posters must relate to the 2027 Skillathon topic of Nutrition. Posters are not to be on showmanship.

10. Posters are not to be reused for another animal division in the current year or future years. Once the poster is judged and displayed, it is disqualified from additional competition within the current year or future years. Posters are either photographed or marked submitted. The judge's decision is final.

11. Other requirements:
- a. Poster must have a title.
- b. Poster must have your name on the back and exhibitor's age as of Sept. 1, 2026.
- c. If the poster is a game/activity, it must have instructions and an answer key ON FRONT.
- d. If other resources (such as journals and websites) are used, they must be cited on the back of the poster.

12. See page 15 at the end of the Rules and Regulations for the **NEW** Poster Scoring Rubric.

13. Posters will be disqualified for:
- a. Incorrect Poster Size
- b. Not on the current year Skillathon topic
- c. Plagiarism (use of a complete article from a website or sourcebook).
- d. Previously judged poster in another category, current year, or past years.
- NEW e. AI generated material.

DOG SKILLS VIDEO – *Optional*

1. Exhibitors can earn Achievement Premium points by creating a Dog Skills Video.

NEW **2.** Your video needs to demonstrate one skill from the **Showmanship** category.

3. Your video should be 1-2 minutes long.

4. Since all videos will be judged before the Fair, all video registration forms with video links **must be submitted on or before January 11, 2027**. Each exhibitor must complete the Online Registration Form that is located on the Florida State Fair Agribusiness website – www.floridastatefairag.com. **All videos must be uploaded to YouTube by January 11, 2027. Please note: Videos on DVD or CD will not be accepted!!! Please keep the video open on YouTube until the end of the Florida State Fair.**

5. Videos become the property of the Florida State Fair with rights to publish for promotions or training.

6. Failure to adhere to the rules may result in disqualification.

7. Please refer to pages 16 and 17 of the rules for the instructions and rubric.

SHOWMANSHIP - Optional

1. A Youth Dog Showmanship Contest will be held on **Saturday, January 30th at 10:00 a.m. in the TECO Arena.** Please note: Showmanship placement will be considered for "Achievement Points Only." No Premiums will be paid.

2. Exhibitors will demonstrate their showmanship skills individually to a judge.

3. Exhibitors must show one of the animals they have entered.

4. Judging will be on a modified Danish System. All exhibitors will receive a Blue, Red, or White Award. Rosettes will be awarded to the top 1st through 4th place finishers in each division.

5. Age Divisions as of Sept. 1, 2026:
- **Junior (between the ages of 8 and 10)**
- **Intermediate (between the ages of 11 and 13)**
- **Senior (14 and over)**

6. Showmanship guidelines can be found on the Florida State Fair Ag website.

7. Exhibitors must adhere to the Attire Statement as outlined in the Youth Dog Rules (pages 5-8).

CHAMPION YOUTH

A Champion Youth Exhibitor will be selected in each age division for each Youth Livestock Show at the Florida State Fair. These exhibitors will be chosen based on the highest number of points accumulated. The Champion Youth Exhibitors in each Youth Show will be eligible to receive:

SENIOR AGE CATEGORY**

Champion Youth -	**$500 Cash Award**
2nd Place -	**$400 Cash Award**
3rd Place -	**$300 Cash Award**
4th Place -	**$200 Cash Award**

INTERMEDIATE AGE CATEGORY
Champion Youth -$100 Cash Award

JUNIOR
Champion Youth -$75 Cash Award

Tie breakers will be in this order: 1) Skillathon, 2) Record Book Test, and 3) Record Book.

Only Senior exhibitors will be eligible to qualify for the top 4 Champion Youth Awards. Intermediate and Junior exhibitors will only complete the segments of the Skillathon and record book tests that are designated for their age level.

PLEASE NOTE: Champion Youth – a Senior exhibitor can only place in the top four, two (2) times within a show.

YOUTH LIVESTOCK SHOW ETHICS AND ANIMAL CARE WORKSHOP

The Florida State Fair believes that every youth exhibitor should receive proper training and information for raising and showing a youth animal project. It is important that the exhibitor understand:

- **The purpose of youth livestock projects**
- **The importance of ethics in youth livestock projects**
- **Proper animal handling and management**
- **The difference between animal welfare and animal rights**
- **Be prepared to be an ambassador for animal agriculture.**

The Youth Livestock Show Ethics and Animal Care Workshop is designed to certify students to meet the mandatory certification requirements that will be in effect for the 2027 Florida State Fair. Certification is valid for a three (3) year Fair Season, not three (3) calendar years.

For the 2026/2027 Fair Season, Certification Numbers starting with 25, 26, or 27 are current and valid.

ALL STUDENTS WHO ARE ENTERED IN THE FLORIDA STATE FAIR MUST HAVE COMPLETED THE ETHICS TRAINING TO SHOW AN ANIMAL AT THE 2027 FLORIDA STATE FAIR.

- **THE LAST WORKSHOP OFFERED FOR EXHIBITORS SHOWING AT THE 2027 FLORIDA STATE FAIR WILL BE ON JANUARY 18, 2027.**

This program has been endorsed by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agriculture Sciences (IFAS).

**Please note: Even though you have attended an Ethics Workshop in the past, your certification number may have expired. Be sure to check your certification number to be sure it is still valid.

NEW You may check your current certification number at: **FL Ethics Certification Program - Florida State Fairgrounds**

NEW **We will offer On-Site Workshops to new exhibitors and anyone who needs to be renewed. Zoom classes will NOT be offered.**

Check our Florida State Fair Agribusiness website for information, times, and dates on Youth Livestock Show Ethics and Animal Care Workshops, which will be held throughout the state. Please check the website periodically for newly scheduled workshops.

ALL YOUTH EXHIBITORS ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR THE MOSAIC SCHOLARSHIP AND THE FLORIDA STATE FAIR FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

See Rules & Application on the website

CAMPGROUND
1. PLEASE NOTE: ALL CAMPERS/RVS MUST HAVE A CAMPING PERMIT IN ORDER TO BE ALLOWED ON THE FAIRGROUNDS WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE USED FOR CAMPING.
2. ALL GOLF CARTS MUST HAVE A PERMIT TO BE DRIVEN ON FAIRGROUNDS.
3. Campground Rules and Reservation Form is available on our website.

MOTEL ACCOMMODATION
1. For motel accommodation information, see our website for the Preferred Hotel List.

IAFE (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS)
NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open-class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics," fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations that they impose on the local, county, state, provincial, and national levels.

All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more

pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:

1. All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership, and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.

2. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.

3. Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.

4. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of drugs. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations, and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations, and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event.

If the laboratory report on the chemical analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other samples were taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample or urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the approved laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved, and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise at any hearing in regard to the matter conducted by the fair or livestock show.

At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or irritant substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.

6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.

7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation, and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.

8. No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.

9. The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.

10. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have any disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including *Fairs and Expositions* and any special notices to members.

11. The act of entering an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and
penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

Florida State Fair Authority –
Livestock Addendum

OWNER represents to Florida State Fair Authority ("AUTHORITY") that no animals that are exhibited or otherwise transported onto FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS will in any way be suffering from any contagious or infectious disease. In addition, OWNER shall defend, indemnify, and hold the AUTHORITY, the applicable Show Committee and each of their respective officials, officers, directors, employees and agents harmless of and from all losses, damages, claims, expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees at the trial and appellate levels, actions and causes of action arising out of, or in any way connected with, or by reason of this Agreement, the presence of OWNER's livestock at FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS, and/or use of FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS including, but not limited to any claim for the death of, or injury to any person or livestock, or damage

to, theft of, or destruction of any property arising out of any act or omission of OWNER, OWNER's officers, agents, employees, trainers, drivers, riders, handlers, contractors and livestock, violation of any Federal, State and Local environmental laws, rules, ordinances and/or regulations, actions for negligence, wrongful death, torts, defects in the real and personal property at FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS and from any alleged liability, cause, litigation or proceeding whatsoever, even if such injury, death, loss or property damage results, in whole or in part, from the negligence of AUTHORITY, or the applicable Show Committee and their respective officials, officers, directors, employees and agents or otherwise. Neither AUTHORITY nor such applicable Show Committee shall be liable to OWNER, or any officer, agents, employees, trainers, drivers, riders, handlers, or other contractors, invitees, or guests of OWNER for any injury or damage to livestock, person, or property. AUTHORITY, its officers, or agents, assume no liability for any loss or damage to property (including but not limited to livestock) on account of fire, theft, or any other cause including infectious or contagious diseases. In addition, OWNER acknowledges receiving and agrees to abide by the applicable rules and regulations of the AUTHORITY titled FLORIDA STATE FAIR STATE YOUTH DOG SHOW RULES & PRIZE LIST, and the same is incorporated by reference herein. pmurr\fair\livestock.add 7\95 10155.1009

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NEW FSF 2027 Educational Poster Rubric

This rubric outlines the criteria for judging your poster and serves as the judges' scoring tool.
It was developed to inform you how your poster was evaluated.

Required Elements	• **Size –** 22”x28” 20”x30” – less than 1” thick • **Front –** Poster title, current skillathon topic, Game/activity must include directions and answers on the front. • **Back** – name and age as of 9/1/2026 • **Resources citation –** examples: *Citation of Online Resource Name/Title – URL Link Ex: Florida State Fair Boer Goat Skillathon Manual - https://floridastatefair.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/Goat-Skillathon-2026-Health-and-Wellness-FINAL.pdf **Citation of Professional Contact – Full Name, Area of Expertise, Date of Contact Ex: Professional Contact – John Brown, Swine Nutritionist, November 9, 2026 ***Put quotation marks (“ ”) around any words you copy exactly and say where you got them from so everyone knows it is not your own writing. Ex: “Water is the most essential nutrient and is involved in all body functions.” – 2027 Florida State Fair Poultry Skillathon Manual.	/5
Layout and Design	• Gets the attention of the person viewing the poster. • Labels are used and visible from 3 feet away. • Well organized, use of space, and clear. • Graphics are neat, concise, and large enough to be seen easily. • All components must be securely attached to the board. No push pins or protruding staples. • No BRAND names.	/5
Degree of Difficulty/Effort	• Effort • Planning • Subject topics reflect age division topics • Grammar and spelling	/5
Educational Component	• Informs the public. • Take what you have learned and explain it clearly in your own words. • Uses charts, models, or supplies to help explain the topic (Note: anything attached cannot exceed 1 inch or be harmful) • Graphics are appropriate to add clarity/meaning to the understanding of the poster. • Information is correct and current. • Clear learning message. • Logical flow of information that adds meaning to the content of the poster.	/15
TOTAL		/30

Keep in mind that the poster should assist in youth readiness. The content should directly prepare the youth for the hands-on assessment.

DQ: See above for size and thickness. All others will be DQ.
DQ: Not the current Skillathon topic
DQ: Previously judged posters in another category, current year, or past years.
DQ: Plagiarism (Use of others’ images or words) For example: Copying the skillathon manual, a website, magazine, etc. and gluing it on the poster, etc. Not using quotation marks and citing resource at the quote.
DQ: AI generated materials and/or poster.

Florida State Fair Youth Exhibitor
Dog Skills Video Instructions

Step 1: Define Your Audience
You should plan your video to demonstrate to other students and exhibitors who are in your age group. This year, your video needs to demonstrate one skill from the **SHOWMANSHIP** category. Your video needs to be 1-2 minutes long.

Step 2: Define a Clear Message
Write up a short script and plan possible props and backgrounds to use to demonstrate one skill and to show the teamwork between you and your dog. You can explain and demonstrate any **SHOWMANSHIP** skill you want to exhibit with your dog. (Remember to use appropriate collars.)

Step 3: Set Up
Team up with your friends and set up your background, props, and lighting for your video. Take practice clips to work out the shot - don't be so far away we cannot see you. Remember that background noises and wind will distract from your video presentation.

Step 4: Practice
Shoot a couple of long practice clips and share them with your friends or fellow dog project exhibitors to critique. (Again, you may help each other with the camera side of the project and take turns.)

Step 5: Be the Star of Your Own Show
Now, create your final video to show your appropriate skills with your dog. Please review the rubric to understand how your video will be evaluated. Ensure your video is the proper length, 1-2 minutes.

Step 6: Submitting Your Video and Registration Form (Deadline January 11, 2027)

A. Video Submission: YouTube.com

*Upload as Unlisted so that only you and the Florida State Fair have access.
*File Format must be .MP4 or WMV
*The maximum length of any video is 1-2 minutes.
*Instructions are available at https://youtu.be/jaftEW9WI3U?si=8j2bOHrQkUOhy_2p

B. Entry Form with Video Submission

* Registration Forms are located under the tab ***Rules & Entry Forms*** on this website http://www.floridastatefairag.com

*Open the Show Information page (Youth Dog Rules)

*Click on the Online Video Registration Form. Fill out the form electronically and submit it. Ensure that all required information is included, especially the ***unlisted link*** to your YouTube video.

Dog Skills Video Rubric

Name: _____

County: _____ _____
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Points Earned	Possible Points	Criteria	Remarks
	5	**Greeting/Introduction** -Formal greeting -Introduction includes the name, county, and project -Courteous and Friendly	
	5	**First Impression** -Professional Appearance -Well Groomed -Eye Contact with Camera	
	5	**Poise/Body Language** -Not Slouching, keep consistent eye contact -Appropriate gestures that are not distracting -No fidgeting -Confident and Positive Attitude	
	5	**Communication Skills** -Speaks clearly and confidently -Speaks at an appropriate speed -Avoids “Um” and “Like”, etc	
	10	**Follows the Directions** -Video of appropriate subject -Video of appropriate length -Video conveys the key concept -Correct grammar and sentence structure -Clear closing, not sudden stop at the end -Avoid distracting background or wind noise	
	30	Total Score For Video	

2027 FLORIDA STATE FAIR
YOUTH DOG SIGNATURE PAGE
For the 2027 Fair – Entries and fees must be submitted ONLINE!

Online Entry Process for the 2027 Youth Dog Show:
Step #1: Collect all Mandatory Signatures. (Ag Teacher, 4-H Extension Agent & 4-H Leader or YLPA Representative, Parent and Exhibitor). For the 2027 Fair - Signature Page MUST be uploaded, emailed, or faxed by the time of the corresponding entry due date to qualify for full points for the Achievement Premium program.

Step #2: Visit the website at https://fsf.fairwire.com and complete the Online Registration on or before 11:59 p.m. **on the show's Entry Due Date. Entries submitted during the 1st Late Entry Period will incur a double ($50) late entry fee. Entries submitted during the Final Late Entry Period will incur a double ($50) late entry fee + $100.00.**

Hand-delivered or mailed entries and payments will NOT be accepted for the 2027 Fair.

Step #3: Exhibitors must submit their Signature Page to the Ag Office by the corresponding entry due date to be eligible for full entry points. Exhibitors can upload the document to the Florida State Fair website or email, or fax it to finalize the entry process.
Email Ag@FloridaStateFair.com or fax the page to 813-740-3520.

Name of Exhibitor_____

Parent Phone (_____) _____Parent E-Mail Address_____

Chapter/Club_____ 4-H Exhibitor _____ FFA Exhibitor_____ YLPA Exhibitor_____

NEW **I declare that I am the SOLE trainer and handler of my dog(s).** Exhibitor's Initials _____ Parent's Initials _____

I hereby certify that the entrant is a bona fide paid and active member of the aforementioned organization and I have reviewed the entry form.

For FFA members - Vo. Ag. Teacher _____
** This signature is mandatory if showing FFA!

Print Vo-Ag Teacher Name_____ Phone Number _____

I hereby certify that the entrant is a bona fide paid member of the aforementioned organization.

For 4-H members - 4-H County Extension Agent _____County_____
** This signature is mandatory if showing 4-H!

Print County Extension Agent Name _____ Phone Number _____

I hereby certify that the entrant is a bona fide active member of the aforementioned organization and I have reviewed the entry form.

For 4-H members – 4-H Leader _____
** This signature is mandatory if showing 4-H!

Print 4-H Leader Name _____ Phone Number _____
I hereby certify that the entrant is a bona fide active member of the aforementioned organization and I have reviewed the entry form.

For YLPA members – YLPA Representative _____
** This signature is mandatory if showing YLPA!

YLPA Representative Name _____ Phone Number _____

I hereby certify that this animal is intended for exhibition strictly in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Florida State Fair contained in the 2027 Youth Dog Show rules by which I, the undersigned, understand & agree to abide by. I also agree to abide by the IAFE National Code of show ring Ethics and the General Disputes Policy as stated in the rules. I agree and consent to the use of pictures, including but not limited to photographs and video, of me and/or animal in any or all publications, TV, publicity brochure, internet site, or other publicity associated with the Florida State Fair. I understand that the 2027 Youth Dog Show is held in conjunction with the 2027 Florida State Fair and agree that the Florida State Fair is not liable or responsible for any delay, change of dates or cancellation of the 2027 Florida State Fair due the following force majeure events: (a) acts of God; (b) flood, fire, earthquake; or (c) other potential disaster(s) or catastrophe(s), such as epidemics, or explosion.

Date _____Signature of Exhibitor**_____
** *This signature is mandatory!*

Date _____Signature of Parent or Guardian**_____
** *This signature is mandatory!*

**** Upload completed Signature Page using the QR Code, at this link: Livestock Entry Documents OR email to ag@floridastatefair.com by corresponding entry date to qualify for full achievement points.** If you have any questions about this form, please contact the office at 813-627-4229.

NEW ***Signature Pages not turned in by January 11th will cause exhibitor to be disqualified from showing.***