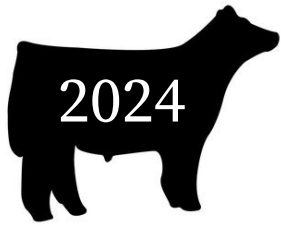


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BEEF Project Information

Requirements for Each Project

	MARKET STEERS	FEEDER CALVES	BEEF BREEDING
Limits	Must be born on or after Jan 1 of previous year. Can tag 3 but only exhibit and sell 2 market steers.	Participating feeder calves may be steers, bulls, or heifers.	Junior Fair Exhibitors may exhibit and show two beef breeding animals per class.
	<i>*Sr. Fair Board Rule: Exhibitors can show and sell a maximum of any 2 market animals.</i>	The same animal cannot be used for more than one project per project year (i.e., a feeder calf cannot be shown in both the feeder calf show AND beef breeding show).	
Animal Requirements	All steers must be dehorned and healed by fair, and free from warts. May have up to a 2" horn growth after proper de-horning. Must be halter broke. Must weigh minimum of 1050 lbs at fair weigh-in to show	All feeder calves must be of beef-type breeding and must be born between January-April of the current year. Feeder calves will be weighed and divided into classes by weight and heifer and steer/bull.	Beef breeding animals over 8 months of age must be dehorned. Must have a registration paper and conform to the respective breed's definition of purebred to exhibit in breed classes. Composite and percentage animals will show in crossbred division. Must be solely owned by youth exhibitor.
Possession Weigh-in Tagging	Possession: Tag-in date through the fair. Tag-in will be held in December 8 -10 a.m. All market beef will be tagged and weighed. State fair entries must be completed by exhibitor and meet OSF deadline.	Possession: Tag-In date through the Fair, May 4th 8-10 a.m. If animal already has an EID or farm tag, just return required paperwork to Extension office by May 5. If no tag is in place, animal must be brought in for tagging.	Possession: Tag-In date (May 4th 8-10 a.m.) through the Fair. If animal already has an EID, Pike County Fair, or farm tag, just return required paperwork to Extension office by May 6. If no tag is in place, animal must be brought in for tagging May 6.
Farm to Fork Carcass Contest	Youth can enter the Farm to Fork contest only at the time of tag-in. 20 slots are available. If there are more than 20 entries, participants will be selected by random drawing.	Not applicable	Not applicable
Quality Assurance (QA)	Quality Assurance and test out options will be offered several times during the program year. Must be completed by June 1, 2024.	QA is not required for feeder calf competition.	QA is not required for breeding heifer competition.
Project Book Interviews	Project book interviews are required and will be held by appointment only on July 15, 16, 17, and 18. Scheduling information will be available June 20.	Project book interviews are required and will be held by appointment only on July 15, 16, 17, and 18. Scheduling information will be available June 20.	Project book interviews are required and will be held by appointment only on July 15, 16, 17, and 18. Scheduling information will be available June 20.
Skill-a-thons	All skill-a-thons will be held at the Extension office and held during project book interviews on July 15, 16, 17, and 18. Required to be eligible for "Outstanding Market Exhibitor"		
Health Requirements DUNF	No health papers required. However, all state health rules must be followed & DUNF online completion due at fair weigh-in.	No health papers required but animal should show no evidence of disease, and state health rules apply.	No health papers required but animal should show no evidence of disease, and state health rules apply.



Pike County BEEF Project Information

Pike County Fair Week: What to Expect!

	MARKET BEEF	FEEDER CALVES	BEEF BREEDING
Arrival Time	Sunday, 4:30 p.m.— 12 a.m. midnight	Sunday, 4:30 p.m.— 12 a.m. midnight	Sunday, 4:30 p.m.— 12 a.m. midnight
Weigh-In and/or Check-In Date and Time	All market steers will weigh in at the steer barn on Monday at 8 a.m. DUNF will be completed at this time.	Feeder calves will weigh in on Thursday from 7:30-8:30 a.m. at the beef barn.	Breeding heifers will check in after the market steer weigh in on Monday morning.
What to Bring	Bring stall card(s), feed, and equipment to feed, water, and groom.		
Exhibitor's Meeting	Youth will receive back tag/show number at required exhibitor's meeting held Saturday, July 27 at 11 a.m. at the Multi-Purpose Building.		
Beef Fitting Contest	Not a requirement. Any youth showing a beef project can participate. Teams consist of 3 members (at least 1 jr. ages 8-11). Contest begins with a clean animal and be given 30 minutes to fit the animal for show. See full details in fair book.		
Showmanship	Beef showmanship is open to any youth taking a beef project. Showmanship sign-up is Thursday from 7:30-8:30 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose building. The showmanship competition will be held Thursday at 1 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Building. Participation in showmanship is required to be eligible for "Outstanding Market Exhibitor." Showmanship is required for exhibitors ages 15-18 if they want to receive their premium.		
It's Showtime!	Market steer show is Thursday at 7 p.m, in the Multi-Purpose Building.	Feeder calf show is Thursday at 5 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Building	Beef breeding show is held Thursday afternoon, after showmanship is completed.
Sale	Sale is held Friday evening in the Multi-Purpose building starting at 5 p.m. Sale order for 2024 is: Lambs, Hogs, Steers, Goats	Not a sale animal	Not a sale animal
Fair Premiums	Premiums will be picked up at the Sr. Fair Board office on Thursday from 2-4:30 p.m., Friday from noon—2:30 p.m. and Saturday from 10:30 a.m.—1 p.m. No premiums will be issued after the fair.		
Released from Fair	This is a terminal sale. All steers will be loaded by fair officials for slaughter.	Dismissal is Friday at noon unless otherwise stated by barn superintendent.	Dismissal is Friday at noon unless otherwise stated by barn superintendent.



2024 Pike County Fair
Friday, July 26-Saturday, August 3



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