

# 2025-2026 Southeastern Youth Fair Calendar of Events

DATE	TIME	EVENT	WHERE
<b>September</b>			
Thursday	August 28	Ambassador Application DEADLINE	SEYF Office
Tuesday-Tuesday	September 2-16	Market Animal MANDATORY Online Training	must be done online
Tuesday-Tuesday	September 2-16	All Market Animal ENTRY DEADLINE	must be done online
Wednesday-Thurs	September 3-4	Ambassador Applicants' Interview dates	Conference room (IFAS)
Wednesday	September 10	5:30-8 PM Ethics Workshop	Extension Auditorium
Monday	September 15	4H Registration Deadline for anyone showing Market Animals	must be done online
Saturday	September 27	8:30-10 AM Steer Weigh-in & Tagging	SELP - Scales
<b>October</b>			
Saturday	October 25	Doors open 7 am	SEYF Benefit Rabbit Show
<b>Saturday, October 25 YOUTH FAIR PREP DAY</b>	8:30 AM	Welcome Meeting	North Covered Arena
	9 - 10:00 AM	Showmanship, Feeding, Overall Care of your project	SELP Grounds
	10:15-11:00 AM	Stations (walking tour, record books, buyer letters)	SELP Grounds
	11:00-12:30	LUNCH BREAK	
	12:30 - 2:45 PM	Ethics Workshop	SELP Rec Hall
Wednesday	October 29	4-6:30 pm Market Lamb and Goat Tagging	SELP - West Parking Lot
<b>November</b>			
Tuesday-Tuesday	November 4-18	Non-Market Animal MANDATORY Online Training	must be done online
Tuesday-Tuesday	November 4-18	ALL Non-Market SEYF CONTESTS - ENTRY DEADLINE	must be done online
Saturday	November 8	8-10 AM Swine Tagging (must be in line by 10 am)	SELP - West Parking Lot
Friday	November 14	4H Registration Deadline for all SEYF Exhibitors	must be done online
Friday	November 14	Program Cover Entries Due!	SEYF Office
<b>December</b>			
Friday	December 5	3:00 PM PROGRAM AD SALES DEADLINE	SEYF Office
Friday	December 12	3:00 PM Scholarship Applications DUE	SEYF Office
<b>January</b>			
Saturday	January 10	9:00 AM Mock Lamb & Goat Show	4-H Farm
Sunday	January 11	7:00 AM Cattle Field Day (showmanship, hoof-trimming, ultrasound, scales)	North Arena (SELP)
Tuesday-Thursday	January 13-15	Scholarship Applicants' Interview dates	Conference room (IFAS)
Friday	January 16	MIDNIGHT DEADLINE for Bertie Hill, Bess Miller, Carey Robbins Award Applications	SEYF Office
Mon - Friday	January 26-30	MIDNIGHT ALL BBQ exhibitors (including WMG) must confirm competing by calling/texting Coordinator/emailing SEYF	SEYF Office
Friday	January 23	MIDNIGHT DEADLINE for Livestock Judging & Plant ID Contest	must be done online
Friday	January 30	MIDNIGHT DEADLINE for all Shuffitt Nominations (by leaders)	SEYF Office
Friday	January 30	MIDNIGHT Deadline for <b>leaders</b> to email Livestock Judging <b>TEAM ROSTER</b> to Coordinators	
Saturday	January 31	10 am - Noon Tractor Driving Prep Day	North Covered Arena/East Side
Saturday	January 31	10 am SEYF Horse Show Prep Day	North Covered Arena/West Side
<b>February</b>			
Mon - Friday	February 9-13	ACCEPTING ALL RECORD BOOKS	SEYF Office
<b>Office Hours Record Book Week: 8:30 am to 5 pm Mon, Tues, Wed and 8:30 am to 6 pm Thurs, Fri</b>			
Friday	February 13	6:00 PM DEADLINE FOR ALL RECORD BOOKS	SEYF Office

LAST UPDATED: 12/29/2025



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### It's Fair Time!

DATE	TIME	EVENT	WHERE
Tuesday, February 17	2:30 - 6:00 PM	Drop-off Exhibits in: Animal Fever, Home Show, Sewing, Kitchen, Photography, Insect Collection, Garden Show, & All Watch Me Grow (exhibits, not chickens/rabbits)	Southeastern Auditorium- North Hall
	2:30 - 6:30 PM	Conservation Tray Set-up	Southeastern Auditorium- South Hall
	3 PM - 8 PM	Club HAY BALE Exhibit Set-up	Outdoor/Covered Arena- South side
Wednesday, February 18	3 PM - 8 PM	Club Exhibit Set-up	Southeastern Auditorium- South Hall
	5 - 8 PM	Club Exhibit Set-up *must be done by 8 pm!	Southeastern Auditorium - South Hall
Thursday, February 19	5 - 8 PM	Club HAY BALE Exhibit Set-up *must be done by 8 pm!	Outdoor/Covered Arena- South side
	4 - 7 PM	Chicken Check-in	Chicken/Rabbit Barn
	4 - 6:30 PM	All Goats & Lambs Check-in (must be in line by 6:30 pm)	SELP Scales
	5 - 6 PM	Tablescaping Contest Set-up	Southeastern Auditorium - South Hall
	6 - 8 PM	Tablescaping Contest Judging	Southeastern Auditorium - South Hall
Friday, February 20		Lamb/Goat Mandatory Meeting then Skillathon following Weigh-in	Indoor Sales Arena
	ALL DAY	Chicken & Rabbit Barn is CLOSED ALL DAY for exhibit set-up	
	9 AM	Lamb Show	Outdoor/Covered Arena
	2:00 PM	Goat Show	Outdoor/Covered Arena
	4-6 PM	Adaptive Show Check-in/Package pick-up	Outdoor/Covered Arena- South side
	4 - 7 PM	Rabbit Check-in	Chicken/Rabbit Barn
	5:00 PM	Kiddie Goat Show Check-in	Indoor Sales Arena
	5:30 PM	Kiddie Goat Show	Outdoor/Covered Arena
Saturday, February 21	7:45 AM	Adaptive Show Check-in	Outdoor/Covered Arena - South side
	8:00 AM	Chicken Judging begins	Chicken/Rabbit Barn
	7:30-8:00 AM	Check-in for Dog Skillathon & ALL Show Events	North Covered Arena
	8 AM	Dog Skill-a-thon	North Covered Arena
	8 AM	Adaptive Goat Show	Outdoor/Covered Arena
	9 AM	Dog Obedience, Rally, then Agility Competitions	North Covered Arena
	9:30 AM	Lamb & Goat Awards Ceremony	Outdoor/Covered Arena
	10 AM	Lamb & Goat Auction	Outdoor/Covered Arena
		Dog Show Awards immediately following completion of competition	North Covered Arena
	2 - 5 PM	Beef Heifer Weigh-in	SELP - Scales
	2 PM	Rabbit Judging Begins	Chicken/Rabbit Barn
		Beef Heifer Mandatory Meeting following Weigh-in	Indoor Sales Arena
		Beef Heifer Skillathon immediately following Mandatory Meeting	Indoor Sales Arena
7-9 PM	BARN DANCE!	Outdoor/Covered Arena - South side	
Sunday, February 22	starting @ 8 AM	Chicken/Rabbit Showmanship - specific exhibitor times will be given at check-in	Chicken/Rabbit Barn
	9:00 AM	Beef Heifer Show	Outdoor/Covered Arena
	12 - 2 PM	Plant ID Competition	Outdoor Arena, behind center stands
	1-3 PM	Chicken/Rabbit Skillathon	Chicken/Rabbit Barn
Monday, February 23	8:30 - 10 AM	Steer Check-in/Weigh-in (must be in line by 10 am)	Scales
		Steer Mandatory Meeting following Weigh-in	Indoor Sales Arena
		Steer Skillathon immediately following Mandatory Meeting	Indoor Sales Arena
	4 - 6 PM	Watch-Me-Grow Chicken/Rabbit Check-in & Worksheet Turn-in	Chicken/Rabbit Barn
	4:00 PM	Proclamations, SEYF Dedication Ceremony, Awards Ceremony: Animal Fever, Cover Design, Conservation Tray, Garden Show, Home Arts Show, Insect Collection, Kitchen, Photography, Plant ID, Sewing, Tablescaping	Outdoor/Covered Arena
5:00 PM	Steer Show	Outdoor/Covered Arena	
Tuesday, February 24	10 AM	Steer Showmanship	Outdoor/Covered Arena
	4 - 7 PM	Beef BBQ Dinner	Outdoor/Covered Arena- South side
	4:30 PM	Steer & Beef Heifer Awards Ceremony	Outdoor/Covered Arena
Wednesday, February 25	5:00 PM	Steer Auction	Outdoor/Covered Arena
	8:30 AM	Tractor Driving Check-in	**INDOOR SALES ARENA**
	9:00 AM	Tractor Driving Contest (Awards following contest)	North Covered Arena
	11-12:00 PM	Bar-b-q Check-in	Outdoor/Covered Arena - South side
	12:30 PM	Bar-b-q Contest	Outdoor/Covered Arena - South side
	2:30 PM	Livestock Judging Check-in	North Covered Arena
Thursday, February 26	3:00 PM	Livestock Judging Contest (Awards following contest)	North Covered Arena
	4 - 6 PM	Rabbit & Chicken Breed ID Contest	Chicken/Rabbit Barn
	8 - 11 AM	Swine Check-in/Weigh-in (must be in line by 11 am)	SELP - Scales
		Swine Mandatory Meeting following Weigh-in	Indoor Sales Arena
		Swine Skillathon immediately following Mandatory Meeting	Outdoor/Covered Arena
	4-6 PM	Watch-Me-Grow Chicken & Rabbit Pick-up	Chicken/Rabbit Barn
	5:00 PM	Speech Contest Check-in	Southeastern Auditorium
Friday, February 27	5:30 PM	Speech Contest (Awards following contest)	Southeastern Auditorium
	9 AM	Swine Showmanship	Outdoor/Covered Arena
		"Vintage" Alumni Showmanship following conclusion of Juniors (\$20 cash)	Outdoor/Covered Arena
	4:00 PM	Awards Show for Chicken & Rabbit Show	Indoor Sales Arena
	5:00 PM	Dave Baillie Barbeque Contest Awards	Indoor Sales Arena
Saturday, February 28	6 PM	Swine Show	Outdoor/Covered Arena
	7-10 AM	<b>Chicken &amp; Rabbit Pick-up!</b>	Chicken/Rabbit Barn
	8-10 AM	Horses Check-in	North Covered Arena
	8:30 AM	Watch-Me-Grow Stick Horse Check-in & Skillathon Check-in	North Covered Arena
	9 AM	Watch-Me-Grow Stick Horse Show & Skillathon Contest	North Covered Arena
	10 AM	Horse Show	North Covered Arena
	9 AM	Scholarship Ceremony	Outdoor/Covered Arena
	9:30 AM	Swine Awards Ceremony - (including Club Exhibit and Club Hay Bale Awards)	Outdoor/Covered Arena
	10 AM	Swine Auction (break for lunch 12-12:30 PM)	Outdoor/Covered Arena
	10:30 - 3:30 PM	All Auditorium Exhibits Pick-up	Auditorium & Chicken/Rabbit Barn
Friday, March 13	11 - 2:00 PM	Pork BBQ Lunch	Outdoor/Covered Arena - South side
Friday, March 13		<b>BUYER THANK YOU LETTERS DUE TO THE SEYF OFFICE (in a stamped, addressed,unsealed envelope) - This is the Friday BEFORE Spring Break!</b>	
Friday, March 7	Times TBD	SEYF Benefit Chicken Show	Indoor Sales Arena & Livestock Barn