

2026-2027 Southeastern Youth Fair Calendar of Events

DATE		TIME	EVENT	WHERE
September				
Thursday	August 27		Ambassador Application DEADLINE	SEYF Office
Tuesday-Tuesday	September 1-15		Market Animal MANDATORY Online Training	must be done online
Tuesday-Tuesday	September 1-15		All Market Animal ENTRY DEADLINE	must be done online
Wednesday-Thurs	September 9-10		Ambassador Applicants' Interview dates	Conference room (IFAS)
Monday	September 15		4H Registration Deadline for anyone showing Market Animals	must be done online
Saturday	September 26	8:30-10 AM	Steer Weigh-in & Tagging	SELP - Scales
October				
Saturday, October 24 YOUTH FAIR PREP DAY		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
		11:00-12:00	Chicken/Rabbit Workshop	Indoor Arena
		12:30 - 2:45 PM	Ethics Workshop	SELP Rec Hall
Wednesday	October 28	3-5:30 pm	Market Lamb and Goat Tagging	SELP - West Parking Lot
November				
Tuesday-Tuesday	November 3-17		Non-Market Animal MANDATORY Online Training	must be done online
Tuesday-Tuesday	November 3-17		ALL Non-Market SEYF CONTESTS - ENTRY DEADLINE	must be done online
Sunday	November 8		Rabbit Tattoos, Chicken Bands, Breed ID, Chicken/Rabbit Showmanship	Chicken/Rabbit Green Barn
Friday	November 13		Program Cover Entries Due!	SEYF Office
Saturday	November 14	8-10 AM	Swine Tagging (must be in line by 10 am)	SELP - West Parking Lot
Friday	November 17		4H Registration Deadline for all SEYF Exhibitors	must be done online
December				
Friday	December 4	3:00 PM	PROGRAM AD SALES DEADLINE	SEYF Office
Friday	December 12	3:00 PM	Scholarship Applications DUE	SEYF Office
January				
Saturday	January 9	9:00 AM	Mock Lamb & Goat Show	4-H Farm
Sunday	January 10	7:00 AM	Cattle Field Day (showmanship, hoof-trimming, ultrasound, scales)	North Arena (SELP)
Tuesday-Thursday	January 12-14		Scholarship Applicants' Interview dates	Conference room (IFAS)
Friday	January 15	MIDNIGHT	DEADLINE for Bertie Hill, Bess Miller, Carey Robbins Award Applications	SEYF Office
Mon - Friday	January 25-29	MIDNIGHT	ALL BBQ (including WMG) & Tractor Driving exhibitors) must confirm competing by emailing SEYF	SEYF Office
Friday	January 22	MIDNIGHT	DEADLINE for Livestock Judging & Plant ID Contest	must be done online
Friday	January 29	MIDNIGHT	DEADLINE for all Shuffitt Nominations (by leaders)	SEYF Office
Friday	January 29	MIDNIGHT	Deadline for leaders to email Livestock Judging TEAM ROSTER to Coordinators	
Saturday	January 30	10 am - Noon	Tractor Driving Prep Day	North Covered Arena/East Side
Saturday	January 30	10 am	SEYF Horse Show Prep Day	North Covered Arena/West Side
February				
Mon - Friday	February 8-12		ACCEPTING ALL RECORD BOOKS	SEYF Office
Office Hours Record Book Week: 8:30 am to 5 pm Mon, Tues, Wed and 8:30 am to 6 pm Thurs, Fri				
Friday	February 12	6:00 PM	DEADLINE FOR ALL RECORD BOOKS	SEYF Office

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Tuesday, February 16	2:30 - 6:00 PM	Drop-off for all Auditorium Exhibits	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 17	5 - 8 PM	Club HAY BALE Exhibit Set-up must be done by 8 pm!	Outdoor/Covered Arena- South side
Thursday, February 18	4 - 7 PM	Rabbit Check-in	Chicken/Rabbit Barn
	3-5:30 PM	All Goats & Lambs Check-in (must be in line by 5:30 pm)	SELP Scales
	5 - 6 PM	Tablescaping Contest Set-up	Southeastern Auditorium - South Hall
	6 - 8 PM	Tablescaping Contest Judging	Southeastern Auditorium - South Hall
	Lamb/Goat Mandatory Meeting then Skillathon following Weigh-in		Indoor Sales Arena
Friday, February 19	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	Chicken 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 20	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 21	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

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Monday, February 22	8:30 - 10 AM	Steer Check-in/Weigh-in (must be in line by 10 am)	Scales
	Steer Mandatory Meeting following Weigh-in, Skillathon immediately following that		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, Auditorium Awards Ceremony	Outdoor/Covered Arena
	5:00 PM	Steer Show	Outdoor/Covered Arena
Tuesday, February 23	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
	5:00 PM	Steer Auction	Outdoor/Covered Arena
Wednesday, February 24	8:30 AM	Tractor Driving Check-in	**INDOOR SALES ARENA**
	9:00 AM	Tractor Driving Contest	North Covered Arena
	11-12:00 PM	Livestock Judging Check-in	Outdoor/Covered Arena - South side
	12:30 PM	Livestock Judging Contest (Awards following contest)	Outdoor/Covered Arena - South side
	2:30 PM	Bar-b-q Check-in	North Covered Arena
	3:00 PM	Bar-b-q Contest	North Covered Arena
	4 - 6 PM	Rabbit & Chicken Breed ID Contest	Chicken/Rabbit Barn
Thursday, February 25	8 - 11 AM	Swine Check-in/Weigh-in (must be in line by 11 am)	SELP - Scales
	Swine Mandatory Meeting following Weigh-in, Skillathons immediately following that		Indoor Sales Arena
	4-6 PM	Watch-Me-Grow Chicken & Rabbit Pick-up	Chicken/Rabbit Barn
	5:00 PM	Speech Contest Check-in	Southeastern Auditorium
	5:30 PM	Speech Contest (Awards following contest)	Southeastern Auditorium
Friday, February 26	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
	5:30 PM	Dave Baillie BBQ & Tractor Driving Awards	Outdoor/Covered Arena
Saturday, February 27	6 PM	Swine Show	Outdoor/Covered Arena
	7-10 AM	Chicken & Rabbit Pick-up!	Chicken/Rabbit Barn
	8-10 AM	Horses Check-in	North Covered Arena
	8:30 AM	WMG Stick Horse Check-in & Skillathon Check-in	North Covered Arena
	9 AM	WMG 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 - (plus 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
Saturday, Mar 6	11 - 2:00 PM	Pork BBQ Lunch	Outdoor/Covered Arena - South side
	Times TBD	SEYF Rabbit & Chicken Benefit Show	Indoor Sales Arena & Livestock Barn
Friday, Mar 12	BUYER THANK YOU LETTERS DUE (in a stamped, addressed,unsealed envelope)		