

KP 4-H Ag Expo 2026!

Expo Schedule for 4-H Families



Notes:

-Save/print a copy of schedule. 4-H'ers are on time to events. BE PROMPT.

-Barn Meetings and Barn Duty are mandatory. (\$25 docked of JML checks for each mtg missed!)

-WASH YOUR ANIMALS AT HOME. Use our time at Expo for TOUCH UPS. We do not have much wash bay room. Bring your animals clean and you will just have to touch them up for the shows.

-Feed times are 7 a.m. & 7 p.m. No exceptions. If a 4-H'er has to miss a feed, they are responsible for making arrangements for their animal to be fed, and the superintendent must approve the plan.

WED 7/22/26

10-4 WORK DAY: Exhibit Hall, Building, and Arena Set Up

THUR 7/23/26

(Open to the Public 10-7)

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| 12-4 | Livestock Check-In |
| 12-5 | Exhibit Hall Check-In |
| 6- | Expo Kick-Off Pizza Party! Arena (Bring donation for pizza!)
Club snacks to Hospitality Team |
| 7- | a) Feed
b) 1st BARN MEETING OF EXPO
c) Silent Auction baskets from clubs to Ms Alicia |
| 7:30 | Small Stock Conformation Judging (Judging in pens. 4-H'ers welcome, but not required.) |

FRI 7/24/26

(Open to the Public 10-7)

7 - Feed

7:30 - **BARN MEETING**

9 - Small Stock Showmanship

1-Rabbit (CB, JR, INT, SR)

2-Poultry (CB, JR, INT, SR)

11 Large Livestock Shows

1) Hogs 2) Sheep 3) Goat 4) Beef

2 Community Class: Cowboy Ethics, Marla Lowder
(JML Workshop)

2-4 Kids' Corner: Open to Community, Arena - Activities Team

5 - Round Robin

7 - Feed & Barn Meeting

7:30 Start Auction Setup **(All Hands on Deck!)**

Announcer Forms to Ms Faye

Buyer Gifts to Ms Jenica



- 7 Feed
- 7:30 BARN MEETING
- 9 Auction set up and deco **(All Hands on Deck!)**
- Cakes/Club Baskets for Silent Auction to Ms Alicia
- Bidder Brunch prep! **(Help Hospitality Crew!)**
- 12 Buyer Check-In and Preview **(Be with your animal to chat w/ bidders!)**
- 1 Bidder Brunch
- 1 2026 KP 4-H Group Photos, Arena
 (Be prompt & in your show whites! This is QUICK!)
- 2 JML Auction **(All JML'ers cheering to the bitter end!)**
- 4 Community Class: All Things Compost **(NOT a JML workshop)**
- 7 Feed
- 8-10 Barn Dance! (KP 4-H Only), Arena



SUN 07/26/26

(Open to the Public 10-4)

8 Feed (Sun is late feed)

8:30 **BARN MEETING**

10-2 Petting Zoo, Arena

11-2 Celebrity Showmanship, Arena

2-3 Community Class: Livestock Nutrition (**JML Workshop**)

2-4 Kids Corner: Open to Community- (Activities Team)

4 Venue closes

Load out large stock

Exhibits packed and picked up

Small stock pens down/cleaned

All signage down/packed

Sports Center packed up and cleaned

Silent Auction items delivered to winners

Raffle winners drawn

7 **FINAL BARN MEETING (Arena. Short. Sweet. Mandatory.
And then we go home.)**



Before Expo:

- **Wednesday** is a Work Day, required for ALL JML members. This is the day we set up our livestock pens, Exhibit Hall, and decorate the building. Please do not drop your kids off unless they are teens and able to work hard and follow directions. Younger kiddos or those needing supervision need to have an adult stay with them. Please no kids in the arena as trucks and trailers are bringing in pens and large items.
- **BRING:** Dress for work: gloves, boots, work clothes. **PACK A LUNCH!** Be prepared to work!
- **Thursday: Exhibit Check-In.** Schedule your Check-In accordingly.
 - Livestock Check-In: 12-4
 - Exhibit Hall Check-In: 12-5



Get your livestock checked in, then see Exhibit Hall Check-In team. Do not go to Exhibit Judges before checking in with Exhibit Hall Super and team! Be both prompt and patient with this Check-In! Our judges work hard and have a long day...sometimes you may rush to get there, sometimes you may have to wait.

- **BRING:**
 - Exhibit Hall items (4-H projects you've been enrolled in since @ least 06/15 (or have a goal card for.)
 - Your Six Things Learned or your Goal Card! Your Exhibit Hall Super will sign this and your judge will want to see it!
- **NOTE:**
 - Items brought late or extremely close to the shut-down time run the risk of not being judged for awards and entered as Exhibit Only. Our judges need appropriate time to meet with our 4-H'ers and their projects. Coming just before Check-In time finishes does not allow for this and puts your 4-H'er at risk of not having their exhibits judged. Planning to be there no later than half hour before check-in is over is a good rule of thumb for us to best respect the time of our judges!

Expo Camping:

- Notify Cassy or Alicia if you plan to camp on the grounds. We need a list on record of all campers, tents, and trailers.
- Camp spots are for KP 4-H families only and are located behind the Sports Center.
- You may set your camper on the grounds Wednesday night.
- Please follow directions for placement of your camper. We are working around a public parking space and trail access.
- Be prepared to park your livestock trailer in the main parking lot.
- Make sure to secure your camp items accordingly.

Barn Duty:

- Get with the Barn Duty Boss of the day to sign up for your Barn Duty spots at Expo!
- All 4-H'ers exhibiting at Expo are required to complete Barn Duty.
- Barn Duty slots are two hours long and include the Exhibit Hall, Livestock Areas, Barn Booth.
- 4-H'ers and their adult/older 4-H'er are needed on Barn Duty in each area during all hours our event is open.
- Our Barn Duty boss will have a sign-up poster to be filled at each barn meeting.
- Cell phones are not to be in use by 4-H'ers during barn duty unless in emergency situations.
- Barn Duty is a time to engage with the public and watch over our animals & exhibits.

After Expo:

- Expo closes Sunday at 4 p.m.
- Our north bound USDA large stock is immediately loaded up and hauled out at 4 pm.
- All pens are cleaned, exhibits are packed up, the Sports Center is thoroughly cleaned.
- Families with small children or who are not JML will move to the Exhibit Hall or to Hospitality to help load up those areas.
- While large livestock is being moved and trailers are coming on site, the only people in the area are to be JML families. No young children are to be in the arena during this time!!!
- Large animals that don't go north go home with their 4-H'er Sunday night until the time of our private slaughter on Monday.
- **The final barn meeting is at 7 p.m. Sunday. It is short, sweet, and mandatory for all.**
- Clean up is all hands on deck, and any JML'er not helping will have \$25 docked from their JML check. There is also a \$25 fee for all missed Barn Meetings, including the Sunday 7 pm.
- Slaughter day for animals that don't go to USDA plant is Mon. after Expo in Sterling.
- This is a 4-H only day. If we can arrange our slaughterman to do up some private animals, so be it, but we won't know that until then.
- You may be asked to help deliver your animal to a processor, depending on how many animals we have.
- Meat distribution from the USDA plant will be the week AFTER Expo. All families that had animals go up are **required** to have a designee at this distribution to deliver their animal to it's appropriate place.
- Small Stock Slaughter date is scheduled after Expo by the Small Stock Superintendents. All poultry and rabbits sold at auction are to be slaughtered this day.



Ag Expo Teams and Roles

Cassy Rankin
KP 4-H Program Coordinator
907-398-3588

ACTIVITIES TEAM

KP 4-H Teen Leaders:
Alisha, Levi, Skye, Xiling

This team facilitates the Petting Zoo, Kids' Corner, and Celebrity Showmanship! Help them keep all our fun activities flowing along!

AUCTION TEAM

Peggy Wilburn & Shonia Werner
907-942-4719

This team handles Auction Check-In, Sealed Bids, Auction Recording, and Buyer Sheets. Make sure they have coffee, chocolate, smiles, and hugs. They bring major muscle to our auction and work hard to make sure the paperwork end of things is tip top!

BUILDING AND EXHIBIT HALL

Building Superintendent
Sherry Pederson
907-435-7479

Exhibits: Sherry Pederson, Eileen Gravelle
Deco Crew: Amber Katzenberger, Krista Stone, Marcia Knowlton

This team handles the Exhibit Hall, Building Deco, non-animal exhibits, and our Classroom. Help them keep our venue looking spiffy and fluffed-up so our guests feel welcome and our youths' projects shine!



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GROUPS TEAM

Matt Rankin
907-398-3587

Colton Rankin
907-953-9189



This team makes sure everyone has what they need in the way of tables, chairs, fencing, etc. Coordinates with the Sports Center for needed equipment. Handles manure trailer. If you see a need, help them as they are a small crew and their job requires moving stuff. A LOT of stuff!

HOSPITALITY

Hospitality Team: Amy Anderson, Stephanie Lambe

This team handles the Auction Day Bidder Lunch and our morning coffee & snacks at the 4-H office area (if they have time!) It is important all clubs bring a snack to share for the weekend (ex. box of granola bars, case of yogurt, box of instant oatmeal) and the team will set it out for kids who may need a little snack. Please help the Hospitality Team this year if you see they need extra hands. Extra hands are especially needed on Auction Day for Lunch Prep, setup, serving, and cleanup!

LIVESTOCK

Overall Livestock Superintendent

Rob Barto
907-953-6302

Cattle Superintendent
Melanie Hoogenboom
907-513-6385

Goat Superintendent
Alicia Glessing
907-953-9452

Sheep Superintendent
Ella Rankin
907-513-2921

Small Stock Superintendents

Faye Tanner
907-631-2158

Colton Rankin
907-953-9189

Cody Krone
907-394-5800

Our Livestock Superintendents handle livestock check-in, work with our veterinarians at vet check, coordinate pen set up and are on hand for all livestock shows, barn meetings, the auction, and any animal emergency or need. Know your superintendent. Work with your superintendent.

Ag Expo Pack-It List

- _____ 4-H attire (hats/shirts/green)
- _____ Your exhibits for the exhibit hall! (Bring any that you filled out an entry form for!)
- _____ Your Six Things Learned (or your Goal Card) for ALL projects!
- _____ Show whites for livestock shows (long sleeve white button down/dark pants/closed-toed footwear/a bit of 4-H green)
- _____ JML Buyer's Gift (required for all JML members!)
- _____ Food/food plans for your family (Group dinner happening Thur night!)
- _____ Pen signs for all animals! (JML: Animal's name/DOB/Breeder/Space for ROG)
- _____ Pitchfork/manure rake
- _____ Wheelbarrow
- _____ Food and water containers for your animal/s
- _____ Show brushes, halters, show sticks
- _____ Staples and staple gun for your cage sign
- _____ Feed & hay for your animal
- _____ Shavings. (1 brick small stock, 2 for large)
- _____ Club cake or basket for Silent Auction!
- _____ Snacks from your club for weekend grazing and/or the Barn Dance!
- _____ **PUT YOUR NAME ON YOUR THINGS!**

