

# 2017 State Fair of Virginia Junior Sheep Show

Entries due August 15

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<p align="center"><b>2017 Official Schedule</b> <b>See Master Schedule for items pertaining to Junior Sheep schedule</b></p>
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## Junior Sheep Show Rules:

**The State Fair General Rules, the Livestock Rules and the Show Ring Code of Ethics apply to the Junior Sheep Show. By submitting an entry you agree to read and abide by these rules.**

1. See General Rules for information pertaining to health regulations (including Scrapie Identification requirements and issues pertaining to contagious and infectious diseases such as club lamb fungus). The National Show Ring Code of Ethics shall govern the livestock show as found in the General Rules. The State Fair of Virginia reserves the right to test any entry for violative drug residues as described in the National Show Ring Code of Ethics.
2. **Participants must enter the FairEntry system through the Youth Livestock web site. For State Fair entry system go to [www.ext.vt.edu/youthlivestock](http://www.ext.vt.edu/youthlivestock) under 'Shows' and then 'State fair' prior to August 15<sup>th</sup>. Entries must be made online, printed, signed (FFA Only) and mailed by August 15.**
3. The State Fair of Virginia Junior Sheep Show is open to all Virginia 4-H and Virginia FFA youth which are in good standing with their respective organizations and meet the entry requirements of each species division. Exhibitors must be at least 9 years of age by September 30 of the current year (exception for 8 & under sheep/goat costume class) and must not have had their 19th birthday before January 1 of current year. Exhibitor eligibility and entries must be verified through the 4-HOnline system or signature of an FFA advisor on the entry form.
4. All youth exhibiting beef, meat goats, sheep, and swine **must be** YMQA (Youth Meat Quality Assurance) certified before August 15<sup>th</sup>. For more information about YMQA or to be YMQA certified please contact your local county Extension agent.
5. Sheep which have participated in any sale or premium auction associated with another fair or livestock show after the State Fair of Virginia ownership deadline are ineligible for exhibition. This rule applies even if there was not a change in ownership (i.e. sheep are ineligible even if they are "bought back" or "no-saled").
6. Exhibitors must show their own entries unless the exhibitor has more than one animal in the same class (or in group classes), or permission is given by the show superintendent. Substitute show persons must be eligible 4-H or FFA member with junior sheep entries.
7. All youth beef, sheep, goat and swine entries are subject to on-farm inspections to verify entry information. All exhibitors agree to accommodate such inspections.

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8. All animal are subject to be used for educational purposes (skillathon contest, judging classes, etc.) upon request by show staff/superintendents. Upon entry, exhibitors agree to providing animals for these purposes upon request.
9. All sheep must remain in the designated penning area and immediate area upon arrival until released from the fair. Sheep are not allowed to be taken to trailers, cattle barns, cattle tie-out area, or other areas away from the sheep barn at any time. All tack and fitting areas for sheep must remain in the designated area adjacent to the barns as defined by show management.
10. Exhibitors are expected to care for their animals in an acceptable manner and adhere to quality assurance guidelines. Application of ice or iced water in any form is prohibited (sprays, packs, blankets, or towels). Use of irritants including alcohols, sprays, and other irritants is also prohibited.
11. The use of muzzles is prohibited.
12. Drenching of sheep is prohibited.
13. The use of coloring agents is prohibited.
14. The use of adhesives and glues for purpose of fitting hair and/or wool is prohibited. Addition of twine, wool, or artificial/non-natural hair is prohibited.
15. Sheep shall be penned on natural bedding (i.e. straw, wood shavings, wood chips, or bark- no carpet).
16. Pen assignments will be by county based on number of entries.
17. Health or other issues that arise with sheep which require treatment while at the State Fair of Virginia shall be done with the knowledge and supervision of the show veterinarian and superintendent. The show management reserves the right to remove entries from the fairgrounds for this purpose.
18. Show rails (racks) will not be allowed inside the sheep barns. All show rails must be kept outdoors.
19. Sheep must have been recently shorn prior to arrival to accommodate veterinary inspections. Fleece length shall not exceed 1/4 inch at arrival (exemption provided for breeding sheep shown in fleece or with fitted fleece).

### SPECIAL RULES - MARKET LAMBS

1. **To be eligible for exhibition, market lambs and commercial ewes must have been nominated, weighed, and identified at an official State Fair of Virginia site.** Nominations will be taken at several sites around the state in late June. Past exhibitors and county extension offices will be notified as to the dates, times and locations nominations will be taken. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to properly nominate his or her lambs at one of the locations. At the time of nomination lambs will be weighed, and individually identified with an official ear tag. Only lambs that have been nominated and properly weighed and identified will be eligible for competition at the State Fair of Virginia. Each exhibitor may nominate a total of twelve (12) lambs (wethers and ewes, to be shown as either market lambs or commercial ewes). Each exhibitor may nominate lambs at only one location.
2. Market lambs should be born on or after January 1 of the current year and must exhibit lamb's teeth.
3. Market lambs must be owned, separated, and cared for by the exhibitor on or before the date of nomination and continuously thereafter.
4. Exhibitors are limited to 6 total entries in the market lamb and commercial ewe lamb divisions. A maximum of 4 market lambs and a maximum of 3 commercial ewe lambs per exhibitor may be shown (total not to exceed 6).

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5. Market lambs will be shown by breed type. Breed type will be determined at the time of official weighing by a classification committee. The classification committee will apply breed standards to evaluate and place lambs in the proper class. Heads on White-Face, Speckle-Face, and Southdown lambs must be closely sheared for classification and weigh-in. The decisions of the classification committee will be final. Market lambs will be divided into breed-type divisions as follows:
  - a. Black-Face: Generally includes lambs of Suffolk and Hampshire breeding and their crosses along with other black-faced breeds. Also includes all lambs that do not fit classification requirements for Natural Color, Speckle-Face, White-Face, Southdown, and Hair Sheep classes.
  - b. Natural Color - Any breed of sheep that has a predominant blue, grey or black tint to the wool over the majority of the body (>50%). Coloring as a result of injury or fungus scars will not be considered for classification. **(Note effective 2018 there must be a minimum of 25 lambs exhibited for there to be a separate Natural Color division)**
  - c. Speckle-Face: Must be a cross with evidence of a percentage white-face and percentage black-face breeding. Significant spotting must be present for at least two of the following areas: face, ears, and/or legs below knees and stifle joint.
  - d. White-Face: Generally includes lambs of white-face breeds and crosses of those breeds (Dorset, Cheviot, Columbia, etc.). Lambs should exhibit characteristics of these breeds. Face, ears, and legs should be white. Excessive black or brown spots in the skin or wool on the body, or freckles or pigmented areas of black or brown skin are not acceptable
  - e. Southdown: Lambs must exhibit characteristics of Southdown breed. Hair color should be mouse colored, grey to brown. Nostrils may be black to purple-grey, and ears should be moderate length, covered with short hair or wool.
6. Hair Sheep: Lambs must exhibit characteristics of hair sheep breeds (Katahdin, Dorper, etc.). Lambs must be of straight hair sheep breeding, crossbred hair x wool breeding is not acceptable. **Note: a minimum of 5 lambs from at least 3 exhibitors is required to have a separate Hair Sheep class.**
7. Within breed type, classes will be divided according to weight. **Lambs must weigh a minimum of 90 pounds (no maximum weight limit).** Re-weighs will not be allowed. Class weight breaks and Division assignments will be made at the discretion of show officials. An attempt will be made to limit classes to a maximum of 25 lambs, and Divisions assigned with a goal of having approximately the same number of lambs in each Division. Accordingly, class winners from more than one breed type may be placed in the same Division based on the total number of lambs exhibited (historically Speckle-Face, White-Face and Southdown lambs comprise Division I, Natural Colors Division II, and Blackface lambs Divisions III-VI). Division champions and reserves will compete for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion honors. All lambs weighing under 90 pounds will be allowed to show in a feeder lamb class but will not be eligible for premiums or awards.
8. Class Winners, Division Champions and Reserves, the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion are eligible for the State Fair Scholarship Program. Please see scholarship description at end of this Competition Guide for details.
9. All first and second place class winners must be shown to compete for their respective Division Champion and Reserve Division Champion honors. Failure to do so will be considered a violation of the National Show Ring Code of Ethics and appropriate action will be taken.
10. The market lamb show will be terminal for the Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, all Division Champions, and all Reserve Division Champion lambs. All of these lambs must participate in the carcass contest. Exhibitors of these lambs qualify for the Scholarship Program (see Scholarship documents for specific policies, regulations, and details). Class winners participating in the Scholarship Program must also participate in the carcass contest (terminal). Participation in the scholarship program for class winners is optional. A 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Place Overall Market Lamb will be selected from the Division Champions and Reserves.

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11. Average daily gain will be calculated on all lambs using nomination weight and show weight. This information may be made available to the judge for use at their discretion.
12. Market lambs may be wethers or ewes. Wethers must show no evidence of testicular tissue and be completely healed from castration.
13. Lambs exhibited in the market lamb division may not be shown in the registered breeding sheep division, or in the commercial ewe lamb division.
14. Market lambs must be exhibited shorn slick to the skin above the knee and hock joints.
15. Final designation of entries, and designation of lambs to be offered for sale will be made at official weighing.

### SPECIAL RULES - CARCASS CONTEST

1. Market lambs exhibited in the live show are eligible to be entered in the carcass contest. Lambs designated for sale at time of weighing will automatically be entered in the carcass show. Lambs exhibited as commercial ewe lambs will not be eligible for carcass contest premiums. No pre-entry is required, and there is no entry fee.
2. All market lambs qualifying for the Scholarship Program must participate in the carcass contest.
3. Lambs entered in the carcass contest will be sold to a processor for a competitive market price. Lambs will be priced on an individual carcass basis. Discounts and/or premiums may apply for weight, yield grade, and quality grade. Exhibitors will stand the loss of condemned carcasses.
4. Carcasses will be together in one class. Equal premiums will be awarded for carcasses with similar characteristics. Less desirable carcass categories will be awarded lower premiums. Carcasses will be evaluated and placed into categories using a system that rewards live gain and carcass cutability (percent boneless closely trimmed retail cuts, %BCTRC). Premium categories will be determined after carcasses have been evaluated.
5. Lambs exhibiting evidence of testicular tissue will be disqualified from the carcass contest. Carcasses must be of lamb maturity.
6. Commercial ewe lambs or market lambs not exhibited live may be sold, provided they were part of the exhibitor's group officially nominated. Lambs weighing less than 90 pounds will not be allowed to sell. Lambs will be priced on an individual carcass basis. These lambs will not be eligible for carcass premiums, but carcass data will be collected and furnished to the exhibitor. Additional pen space will not be provided for these extra lambs.

### SPECIAL RULES - COMMERCIAL EWE LAMBS

1. **To be eligible for exhibition, market lambs and commercial ewes must have been nominated, weighed, and identified at an official State Fair of Virginia site.** Nominations will be taken at several sites around the state in late June. Past exhibitors and county extension offices will be notified as to the dates, times and locations nominations will be taken. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to properly nominate his or her lambs at one of the locations. At the time of nomination lambs will be weighed, and individually identified with an official ear tag. Only lambs that have been nominated and properly weighed and identified will be eligible for competition at the State Fair of Virginia. Each exhibitor may nominate a total of twelve (12) lambs (wethers and ewes, to be shown as either market lambs or commercial ewes). Each exhibitor may nominate lambs at only one location.
2. Commercial ewe lambs should be born on or after January 1 of the current year and must exhibit lamb's teeth.
3. Commercial ewe lambs must be owned, separated, and cared for by the exhibitor on or before the date of nomination and continuously thereafter.

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4. Exhibitors are limited to 6 total entries in the market lamb and commercial ewe lamb divisions. A maximum of 4 market lambs and a maximum of 3 commercial ewe lambs per exhibitor may be shown (total not to exceed 6).
5. Commercial ewe lambs will be shown by breed type. Breed type will be determined at the time of official weighing by a classification committee. Heads on White-Face and Speckle-Face ewes must be closely sheared for classification and weigh-in. The decisions of the classification committee will be final. Commercial ewes will be divided into the following 3 breed classes as follows:
  - a. Black-Face: Generally includes lambs of primarily Suffolk and Hampshire breeding, plus all lambs that do not fit Speckle-Face and/or White-Face classes.
  - b. Speckle-Face: Must be a cross with evidence of a percentage white-face and percentage black-face breeding. Significant spotting must be present for at least two of the following areas: face, ears, and/or legs below knees and stifle joint.
  - c. White-Face: Generally includes lambs of white-face breeds and crosses of those breeds (Dorset, Cheviot, Columbia, etc.). Lambs should exhibit characteristics of these breeds. Face, ears, and legs should be white. Excessive black or brown spots in the skin or wool on the body, or freckles or pigmented areas of black or brown skin are not acceptable.
6. Commercial ewe lamb breed classes will be divided according to weight. **Lambs must weigh a minimum of 90 pounds to show (no maximum weight limit).** Re-weighs will not be allowed. Class weight breaks will be made at the discretion of show officials. Black-Face ewe lamb classes will be subdivided into Light, Medium, and Heavy Division with approximately the same number of ewes in each Division (the three Champion and Reserve Champion from each weight Division will compete for Champion and Reserve Champion Black-Face Ewe). The three breed champions and reserves will compete for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Ewe Lamb honors.
7. Average daily gain will be calculated on all lambs using nomination weight and show weight. This information may be made available to the judge for use at their discretion.
8. Lambs exhibited in the commercial ewe lamb division may not be shown in the registered breeding sheep division, or in the market lamb division.
9. Commercial ewe lambs must be shorn slick to the skin above the knee and hock joints.

### SPECIAL RULES - REGISTERED BREEDING SHEEP

1. Sheep must be owned, separated, and cared for by the exhibitor before July 1 of the current year and continuously thereafter.
2. Registered sheep of any breed are eligible. Sheep must be recorded with, and have registration papers issued from, a national breed association. Junior show guidelines established by individual breeds will be followed regarding registration requirements for exhibition. All sheep must be registered in the flock books of their respective breed and carry their corresponding flock tag and/or tattoo.
3. Breeds must have a minimum of 10 sheep from at least 3 exhibitors to qualify for a breed show. Breeds not meeting this requirement will be exhibited in the All Other Breeds division. The AOB division may be split into two divisions, wool breeds and meat breeds, as entry numbers warrant.
4. All sheep must be the property of, registered, and certificates issued in the name of the exhibitor prior to July 1 of the current year. Registration papers must be available for inspection at the fair. Ownership of registered sheep may be joint with an immediate family member, provided the exhibitor's name is found on the certificate. For sheep with joint ownership, entries may be made in the name of only one exhibitor (this also applies to pair/group classes).

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5. The date of birth must be verified for all entries by their registration papers.
6. Sheep exhibited in the youth registered breeding sheep division may not be shown in the market lamb division or commercial ewe lamb division.
7. Sheep are to be exhibited in fleece appropriate for the respective breed. Sheep may be slick sheared, and if fitted it is recommended they not have more than one inch of wool on any part of their body. Wool breeds should be shown with fleece presentation and length appropriate for their respective breed.
8. All exhibitors must check their entries and registration papers with show officials by the designated time.
9. Classes with more than twenty head may be split at the discretion of show officials. First and second place yearling ewes, senior ewe lambs, intermediate and junior ewe lambs will compete for Champion and Reserve Champion Ewe.
10. Breed Champions and Reserves will compete for Supreme Champion and Reserve Supreme Champion Ewes.
11. Exhibitors are limited to a total of two (2) premiums per class in individual classes, and one (1) premium in pair and group classes.

## **SPECIAL RULES - COUNTY GROUPS**

1. County Groups will consist of 5 sheep from a minimum of three exhibitors from the same county.
2. The group may consist of any combination of sheep exhibited in the youth sheep show (market lambs, commercial ewes, registered breeding sheep or a combination thereof).
3. Each county may exhibit a maximum of two groups. An exhibitor may have sheep in only one group.
4. Banners will be provided for the Champion and Reserve Champion groups.

## **SPECIAL RULES - SHOWMANSHIP**

1. Only exhibitors entered in the Junior Sheep Division are eligible for showmanship classes.
2. Showmanship competition for market lamb, commercial ewe and registered breeding sheep exhibitors will be combined. There will not be separate showmanship divisions for market lamb/commercial ewe exhibitors and registered breeding sheep exhibitors.
3. Showmanship classes will be divided by age as follows:
  - a. Novice Division- for exhibitors showing for the first time at the State Fair, and who are 12 years of age or younger on September 30 of current year
  - b. Junior Division- exhibitors 12 years of age and younger on September 30 of current year
  - c. Intermediate Division- exhibitors 13 to 15 years of age on September 30 of current year
  - d. Senior Division- exhibitors 16 years of age and older on September 30 of current year
4. Classes with a large number of participants may be divided into smaller preliminary classes.
5. Exhibitors must show their own animal in showmanship. The animal must be entered in the junior sheep show. Exhibitor's lambs that are eliminated from the show due to weight requirements may be used in showmanship.
6. Participation in showmanship is required to be eligible to receive Scholarships through the Sheep Premier Exhibitor Program.

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## **SPECIAL RULES - PREMIER EXHIBITOR PROGRAM**

1. The Premier Exhibitor Program is designed to recognize youth sheep exhibitors, which demonstrate comprehensive skills related to the sheep project and industry; including knowledge of production/management practices, genetics, carcass and end product traits, animal health, and nutrition, along with animal evaluation, showmanship, and live animal show ring performance.
2. Premier Exhibitors will be divided into the following age categories for recognition and awards:
  - a. Junior Division- exhibitors 12 years of age and younger on September 30 of current year
  - b. Intermediate Division- exhibitors 13 to 15 years of age on September 30 of current year
  - c. Senior Division- exhibitors 16 years of age and older on September 30 of current year
3. Ranking of exhibitors within each age category will be based on the following:
  - a. 35% Sheep Skillathon Contest – The sheep Skillathon will take place at a predetermined time, and exhibitors are responsible for completing the various stations of the contest during the advertised time. The skillathon will test exhibitors' knowledge in four basic areas: nutrition, products, genetics/reproduction, and management. Portions of the skillathon contest may be separate for Junior, Intermediate, and Senior exhibitors.
  - b. 30% Sheep Quiz – The quiz will be a component of the Skillathon.
  - c. 20% Showmanship – Exhibitors must participate in showmanship.
  - d. 15% Sheep Placing – Highest placing on any sheep exhibited (market lamb, commercial ewe, or registered breeding sheep).
  - e. Ties in total score within an age category will be broken sequentially on quiz score, skillathon score, and showmanship score.
4. Exhibitors must participate in all areas of the Premier Exhibitor program to be eligible for recognition and awards. Exhibitors participating in all categories will automatically be considered for awards.
5. Appropriate recognition and awards will be provided for each age division.

## **SPECIAL RULES - LEAD LINE & SHEEP/GOAT COSTUME CLASSES**

1. The objectives of these classes are to give exhibitors an opportunity to showcase wool outfits and present themselves and their sheep in the most attractive manner.
2. Exhibitors will write a narrative to be read during the competition. Narrative forms will be sent after entries are received.
3. A panel of judges will use the following standards when judging the classes:
  - a. Exhibitor's garment or costume (suitable and practical for exhibitor's age, etc.). Garment or costume may be made by the exhibitor or purchased. The garment must be at least 60% wool (lead line classes only). Score = 40%
  - b. Poise and appearance (accessories, presentation, appropriate for exhibitor's age and style of garment, etc.). Score = 35%
  - c. Control and presentation of sheep or goat. Score = 25%
4. Lead line classes will be broken by age into the following classes:
  - a. Junior Division- exhibitors 13 years of age and younger on September 30 of current year.
  - b. Senior Division- exhibitors 14 years of age and older on September 30 of current year.

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5. Junior and Senior Lead Line Divisions will be further divided into a class for Purchased garments and a class for Made By Exhibitor garments. Participants in the Made By Exhibitor class must indicate in their narrative which garments they made. Purchased or Made By Exhibitor classes will be determined upon completion of the narrative.
6. Sheep and Goat Costume class will be broken by age into the following classes (costume class will be combined for sheep and goats- one entry per exhibitor) :
  - a. 8 & Under Division- for contestants not yet old enough for competition at State Fair of Virginia (less than 9 on September 30 of current year)
  - b. Junior Division- exhibitors 13 years of age and younger on September 30 of current year.
  - c. Senior Division- exhibitors 14 years of age and older on September 30 of current year.

### ENTRIES

1. **Participants must enter the FairEntry system. For FairEntry system go to [www.ext.vt.edu/youthlivestock](http://www.ext.vt.edu/youthlivestock) under 'Shows' and then 'State Fair' prior to August 15<sup>th</sup>. Entries must be made online, printed, signed (FFA only) and mailed by August 15.**
2. A \$10 entry fee (per head) will be charged to all animals entered. **Entry fees need to be made payable to Virginia 4-H Foundation.**
3. Include exhibitor birth date on entry form for use in showmanship, lead line, and costume class determination.
4. Exhibitors are limited to 6 total entries in the market lamb and commercial ewe lamb divisions. A maximum of 4 market lambs and a maximum of 3 commercial ewe lambs per exhibitor may be shown (total not to exceed 6). Nomination tag numbers will be required in the commercial ewe and market lamb entries.
5. Breeding sheep entries: Enter class from following list. Include animal tag/tattoo, registration number, and animal birth date on entry form. Breed shows include Cheviot, Dorset, Hampshire, Southdown, Suffolk. If breed is not listed, enter All Other Breeds (AOB) Division and indicate breed on entry. Maximum of 2 entries per exhibitor for individual classes, and 1 entry per exhibitor for pair and group classes.
  - a. Registered Breeding Sheep classes:
    - Yearling Ewe- born 9/1/15 to 8/31/16
    - Pair of Yearling Ewes- two yearling ewes
    - Senior Ewe Lamb- born 9/1 to 12/31/16
    - Intermediate Ewe Lamb- born 1/1 to 2/15/17
    - Junior Ewe Lamb- born 2/16/17 and later
    - Pair of Ewe Lambs- two ewe lambs
    - Bred & Owned Pair- two ewes bred and owned by exhibitor
    - Best Three Head- best three head
6. Lead Line and Costume classes: Exhibitors must enter the correct classes when they make the rest of their entries on-line. Lead Line "Purchased" and "Made By Exhibitor" Divisions will be determined by narrative form to be completed at the fair.

### FAIRENTRY SYSTEM

We are utilizing FairEntry to capture entries in 2017. This system is tied to 4-HOnline. Please see the tips below for more information on how to best utilize the system. A help sheet with screenshots can be found at:

<http://ext.vt.edu/4h-youth/youth-livestock/shows/state-fair.html>

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## If you are a 4-H Member:

1. Sign-in using your 4-HOnline Family information.
  - a. **CLICK ON THE GREEN "SIGN IN TO 4-HOnline" BUTTON FIRST!**
  - b. If you forgot your password, there is a link to reset it.
  - c. If you reset your password, please remember to reset it in 4HOnline. Please contact Joi Saville ([joi.saville@vt.edu](mailto:joi.saville@vt.edu)), with any questions.
2. Please choose your family member (exhibitor). Only one child can be entered at a time.
3. Please verify your contact information, including mailing address. **This step is very important, as premium checks will be mailed to this address.**
4. Be sure to enter **ALL EXHIBITORS** within the family prior to clicking submit.
  - a. Once you click submit, your entries are locked until they are approved. Additional family member entries cannot be accepted until they have been approved.
5. Once all family members and exhibitors have been entered, make sure you click submit to finalize your entries. Entries are not final until you have clicked submit.

## If you are a FFA member:

1. You will need to create a new account under FairEntry.
  - a. Please use a valid email account, as you will be receiving confirmation messages about your entries.
2. Once you have completed the entry process, make sure you click submit to finalize your entries. Entries are not final until you have clicked submit.



## Tips for Exhibitors making Online Entries:

- Recommended browsers: Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox. Older versions of Internet Explorer may cause unexpected results.
- Register all entries for each exhibitor in the family before proceeding to the Payment section.
- Be sure to click the "Submit" button when you have completed your entries. Entries are not final until they have been submitted.
- Check your email inbox for a confirmation email with a list of your entries and any related fees.
- You will receive a second email when your entries have been approved by your fair.

You will receive a confirmation email with your entries and invoice. Please make sure that you complete the following to finalize your entry into the State Fair:

1. **Print a copy** of the email from FairEntry.
2. **IF YOU ARE AN FFA member, have FFA advisor sign the top of the email.**
3. Enclose a \$10/head registration fee (check payable to VA 4-H Foundation)
4. Mail printed entry form and **payment payable to VA 4-H Foundation** to the following address:

ATTN: Joi Saville  
State Fair of Virginia  
362 Litton Reaves Hall (MC 0306)  
Blacksburg, VA 24061-0306

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## PREMIUMS, AWARDS, & SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

### Sheep Premium Schedule

	<u>Placing</u>									
	<u>1<sup>st</sup></u>	<u>2<sup>nd</sup></u>	<u>3<sup>rd</sup></u>	<u>4<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>5<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>6<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>7<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>8<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>9<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>10<sup>th</sup></u>
Market Lambs	\$50	\$25	\$22	\$19	\$16	\$14	\$12	\$10	\$9	\$8
Commercial Ewes & Breeding Sheep	\$30	\$25	\$22	\$19	\$16	\$14	\$12	\$10	\$9	\$8
Lead Line & Costume	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$9	\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4	\$4
Showmanship	\$40	\$35	\$30	\$25	\$23	\$20	\$17	\$14	\$12	\$10

### PREMIUMS AND SPECIAL AWARDS FOR MARKET LAMBS

*\*Entries must participate in the carcass contest (be terminal) to receive the cash premiums listed below.\**

Grand Champion Market Lamb:	\$250, Banner, Scholarship & Market price for animal
Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb:	\$150, Banner, Scholarship & Market price for animal
Division Champions:	\$100, Rosette, Scholarship & Market price for animal
Reserve Division Champions:	\$75, Rosette, Scholarship & Market price for animal
Class Winners: (Scholarship eligible)	Scholarship & Market price for animal
3 <sup>rd</sup> Overall Market Lamb:	\$250, Banner
4 <sup>th</sup> Overall Market Lamb:	\$150, Banner
5 <sup>th</sup> Overall Market Lamb:	\$100, Banner

*Premiums and Scholarships are not cumulative for the same entry.*

### SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM- SHEEP

#### Market Lambs – 29 Scholarships:

All market lamb entries/animals qualifying and designated for the Scholarship Program must be sold and slaughtered. If the animal is condemned for any reason, neither payment nor scholarship will be awarded and the competitor must accept the consequences without recourse against the State Fair of Virginia.

Upon qualifying for and agreeing to participate in the Scholarship Program, the exhibitor will be compensated for his/her entry as set forth in the Scholarship Program.

Overall Grand Champion – Market Lamb	\$1,000.00 Scholarship	(1)
Overall Reserve Grand Champion – Market Lamb	\$ 900.00 Scholarship	(1)
Division Champions – Market Lamb	\$ 600.00 Scholarship each	(4-5)
Reserve Division Champions – Market Lamb	\$ 500.00 Scholarship each	(5-6)
Class Winners – Market Lamb	\$ 200.00 Scholarship each	(Max of 17)

*Qualifying entries for the market lamb scholarships must participate in the carcass contest (terminal). Scholarships are not cumulative for the same animal. Exhibitors may receive multiple market lamb scholarships, which may include any combination of the Grand, Division and Class Winner awards detailed above.*

#### Premier Exhibitor Scholarships - 9 Scholarships (by age group):

Junior	1 <sup>st</sup>	\$300.00	2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$200.00	3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$100.00
Intermediate	1 <sup>st</sup>	\$350.00	2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$250.00	3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$150.00
Senior	1 <sup>st</sup>	\$400.00	2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$300.00	3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$200.00

## **2017 State Fair of Virginia Junior Sheep Show**

### **Sheep Promotion & Herdsman Award**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place:**                      **\$100 and Rosette**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place:**                     **\$ 80 and Rosette**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place:**                    **\$ 40 and Rosette**

Awarded to the Junior Sheep exhibitor whose pen area demonstrates outstanding cleanliness and visitor appeal, and promotes the sheep industry. Educational content of the exhibit, as well as cleanliness and appearance of the entire pen area and display, will be judged. Exhibitors should be knowledgeable about their exhibit and sheep in general, courteous and friendly to fellow exhibitors and State Fair guests.

### **Special Premiums**

Additional awards and premiums will be offered throughout the junior sheep shows and competitions from donations provided by a large group of program supporters.