

# 2026 Youth Livestock Nomination and Entry Deadlines

Kansas State Fair Grand Drive (KSF) and Kansas Junior Livestock Show (KJLS)

**AGE REQUIREMENTS: Kansas State Fair:** Only Kansas 4-H & FFA members who were 9 years of age but not yet 19 years of age before January 1 of the current year are eligible to compete in the Grand Drive. **KJLS:** Kansas 4-H members that have reached the age of 7 before January 1<sup>st</sup> of the show year will be eligible to participate at the Kansas Junior Livestock Show.

| Entry                                       | Required Materials for Nomination  | Cost to Nominate | Nomination Declaration* | Nomination Deadline | Show Entry Deadline               | Registration Papers                    |
|---|--|------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| <b>Market Steers</b>                        | KS 4-H EID tagged, Declaration Form*, Market Beef Online Nomination Entry*, Official DNA Envelope*, Gender, YQCA Certification, all completed & postmarked by May 1.                       | \$12             | Required every year     | May 1               | KSF – July 15<br>KJLS – August 15 | Required for breed classes by June 15. |
| <b>Market Heifers**</b>                     | KS 4-H EID tagged, Declaration Form*, Market Beef Online Nomination Entry*, Official DNA Envelope*, YQCA Certification, all completed & postmarked by May 1.                               | \$12             | Required every year     | May 1               | KSF – July 15                     | N/A                                    |
| <b>Commercial Breeding Heifers</b>          | KS 4-H EID tagged, Declaration Form*, Commercial Heifer Online Nomination Entry*, Official DNA Envelope*, YQCA Certification, all completed & postmarked by June 15.                       | \$12             | Required every year     | June 15             | KSF – July 15<br>KJLS – August 15 | N/A                                    |
| <b>Registered Breeding Heifers</b>          | <i>None. YQCA certificate submitted at time of show entry.</i>   | N/A              | N/A                     | N/A                 | KSF – July 15<br>KJLS – August 15 | In exhibitor's name by June 15.        |
| <b>Market Lambs</b>                         | KS 4-H EID tagged, Declaration Form*, Market Lamb Online Nomination Entry*, Official DNA Envelope*, Full Scrapie Tag #, Gender, YQCA Certification, all completed & postmarked by June 15. | \$12             | Required every year     | June 15             | KSF – July 15<br>KJLS – August 15 | N/A                                    |
| <b>Commercial Ewes (Wether Dams)</b>        | KS 4-H EID tagged, Declaration Form*, Commercial Ewe Online Nomination Entry*, Official DNA Envelope*, Full Scrapie Tag #, YQCA Certification, all completed & postmarked by June 15.      | \$12             | Required every year     | June 15             | KSF – July 15<br>KJLS – August 15 | N/A                                    |
| <b>Registered Breeding Ewes</b>             | <i>None. YQCA certificate submitted at time of show entry.</i>   | N/A              | N/A                     | N/A                 | KSF – July 15<br>KJLS – August 15 | In exhibitor's name by July 1.         |
| <b>KSF Market Hogs/<br/>KJLS Barrows***</b> | KS 4-H EID tagged, Declaration Form*, Market Hog Online Nomination Entry*, Official DNA Envelope*, Ear Notches, Gender, YQCA Certification, all completed & postmarked by June 15.         | \$12             | Required every year     | June 15             | KSF – July 15<br>KJLS – August 15 | In exhibitor's name by June 15.        |
| <b>Purebred/Pedigreed Breeding Gilts</b>    | <i>None. YQCA certificate submitted at time of show entry.</i>   | N/A              | N/A                     | N/A                 | KSF – July 15<br>KJLS – August 15 | In exhibitor's name by June 15.        |
| <b>Commercial Breeding Gilts</b>            | KS 4-H EID tagged, Declaration Form*, Commercial Gilt Online Nomination Entry*, Official DNA Envelope*, YQCA Certification, Ear Notches, all completed & postmarked by June 15.            | \$12             | Required every year     | June 15             | KSF – July 15<br>KJLS – August 15 | N/A                                    |
| <b>All Meat Goats****</b>                   | KS 4-H EID tagged, Declaration Form*, Meat Goat Online Nomination Entry*, Official DNA Envelope*, Full Scrapie Tag #, Gender, YQCA Certification, all postmarked by June 15.               | \$12             | Required every year     | June 15             | KSF – July 15<br>KJLS – August 15 | N/A                                    |

\* The 2026 Declaration Form is available at [www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu](http://www.YouthLivestock.KSU.edu). Declaration Forms are uploaded at the time of nomination. Contact the local extension office to have animals tagged (for all species). **All exhibitors are required to be YQCA certified.** Animal nomination entries are submitted online through ShoWorks. No paper forms accepted. Purchase official DNA envelopes through the online system at least 10 days prior to the nomination deadline.

\*\* There is no market heifer show at KJLS. All heifers must be shown in the breeding division at KJLS.

\*\*\* For pedigreed market barrows, ear notches on registration papers must match the pig's ear notches to be able to show. Only steers, barrows, & wethers are eligible for the market division at KJLS.

\*\*\*\* Commercial doe show available at BOTH KSF & KJLS; ALL market and breeding meat goats must be nominated (no *registered* breeding doe show for either show).

\*\*\*\*\* **Health papers are only required at KSF for animals originating outside of Kansas.**

There is a one-time/year \$20.00 fee if any part of a nomination is incomplete or has to be returned; use the checklist.  
Animal Nomination Entries must be submitted online for each exhibitor through ShoWorks: <https://kansasnom.fairwire.com/>. *No refunds.*

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