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2021 McMullen County Junior Livestock Show and Sale

COVID Schedule

All animals will be released from barn immediately after each show.

Exhibitors will be responsible to clean their pens upon release.

Masks are required in the show ring and when 6ft of distance can't be observed.

January 20—Wednesday		
	Swine weigh-in (by pen number)	6:00—7:00 PM
	Commercial Heifer Check-In	6:00—7:00 PM
January 21—Thursday		
	Poultry Weigh In	4:30 PM
	Steers Weigh In	4:30—5:30 PM
	Breeding Heifers Check In	4:30—5:30 PM
	Poultry Show	5:00 PM
	Commercial Heifer Interviews	5:30 PM
	Swine Show (showmanship immediately following)	6:00 PM
	All pigs must be removed from the show barn within 90 minutes of the conclusion of the pig show. We recommend all pigs placing 3rd and below, and all pigs not selected for showmanship, be removed from the barn immediately following their class.	
January 22—Friday		
	Lamb Weigh In (by pen number)	8:00 AM
	Goat Weigh In (by pen number)	8:30 AM
	Rabbit Weigh In	**8:00 AM**
	Rabbit Show (immediately following weigh-in)	**8:45 AM**
	Lamb Show (showmanship immediately following)	**12:00 PM**
	Goat Show (showmanship immediately following)	**2:00 PM**
	Steer Show (showmanship immediately following)	**5:00 PM**
	Heifers (showmanship immediately following class)	Following steers
	All beef showmanship (heifers and steers)	Following heifers
January 23—Saturday—Sale Schedule		
	Buyers and Sponsors Brunch	10:00 AM
	Sale	11:00 AM

The latest schedule changes are in GREEN.

***There will be no parking allowed in the swine loading/unloading area, behind the community center. Please be courteous to those loading out and try to go in order of weight class.**

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To: 2021 Show Families

From: TLSA Board of Directors

Date: January 13, 2021

Re: 2021 COVID-19 protocols

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As we try and navigate the uncharted waters of social distancing at a livestock show, we pledge to continue to keep the best interests of our exhibitors and families at the heart of every decision made. With that in mind, please see the following stipulations regarding COVID-19 and the protocols we have set in place:

- Masks are required in the show ring, and in the barn where 6 ft social distance can't be observed. This is to ensure that our youth won't be considered "exposed" for school purposes.
- Each family will be required to fill out a COVID-19 release form prior to penning/stalling of animals.
- To the best of our ability, animals will be penned with an empty pen in-between families. If you have a validated animal that will not be coming to show, please call the Extension office ASAP at 361-274-3323 to help ensure we have enough pen space to accomplish this goal.
- Animals MUST be removed from the barn immediately after each species show. No exceptions.
- If your family is in quarantine during the show, you can have an eligible substitute show for you. See General Rule #15.
- Poultry Exhibitors—please submit a list of your helpers at weigh in. Also, please ensure all abide by the dress code rules.
- Please fill out the sale bio form prior to the show. You can find the link on the TLSA website, Facebook, Remind and students can access it on their Google Drive/email.
- The sale will be broadcast this year. Please submit a quality image of you and your animal for upload ASAP or no later than an hour after the conclusion of your show. Be sure you and your animal are fully visible. Your animal should be clean (show ready) and ensure that you are within the show dress code. Send pictures to tildenlsa@gmail.com.
- The show will be broadcast live this year as well. Your family can watch from anywhere on Facebook and on the website!
- There will be NO PARKING allowed in the swine loading/unloading area, behind the community center. Please be courteous to those loading out and try to go in order of weight class.

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2021 McMullen County Livestock Show COVID-19 Release Form

***Please note that one form is required **PER** family.*

All persons attending from each family must be listed on this form.**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and in an attempt to minimize the spread of the virus, McMullen County Livestock Show is required to screen all exhibitors, family, and visitors participating in the TLSA Show 2021. In-order to be granted access to events, all visitors must truthfully complete and submit the following:

We,_____*Family*, (Exhibitor(s) Last Name) hereby affirm that:

1. While at the event we will maintain a minimum of 6 feet of separation from any other individuals not within our household.

2. We have not in the past 7 days exhibited any of the known symptoms of COVID-19, including:

- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Chills
- Repeated shaking with chills
- Unexpected muscle pain
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Loss of taste or smell
- Diarrhea
- Running a fever (or measuring a temperature of 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit or more)

3. In the past 14 days we have not been in contact with any person known to have contracted COVID-19.

We understand it is **required** that we wear a cloth face covering (over the nose and mouth), or non-medical grade face masks. We also understand that we need to follow the minimum standard health protocols issued by the Texas Department of State Health Services and cited by the Texas Governor in his Executive Orders related to the pandemic.

We understand that the virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk.

We understand that the McMullen County Livestock Show cannot guarantee that we will not contract the virus, even when implementing safety protocols. We further understand that safety is a shared duty, COVID-19 is a shared risk, and all community members must take steps to promote health and safety. We acknowledge that we are assuming the risk that we may contract the virus by entering the facilities, even when screening protocols and mitigation measures are implemented.

_____ _____

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

List of Person(s) attending in your family:

_____ _____

_____ _____

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TILDEN LIVESTOCK SCHOLARSHIP ASSOCIATION

McMullen County Jr. Livestock Show 2020-2021

RULES & REGULATIONS

Show Date January 21-23, 2021

Tilden Livestock Scholarship Association's (TLSA) sole purpose is to serve the youth of McMullen County. TLSA will make decisions and conduct business based on the morals and ethics emphasized by our youth organizations, 4-H and FFA.

The TLSA Board will continue to make last-minute decisions as deemed necessary. Our sincere desire is to ensure that as many of our youth can participate as possible.

TILDEN LIVESTOCK SCHOLARSHIP ASSOCIATION RULES

GENERAL RULES **SHOW DATE**
Revised June 2020, COVID revisions 1/13/2021 **January 21-23, 2021**

1) It is the responsibility of each family member to read and understand the rules herein. By signing the validation form and/or willingly participating in, or allowing youth in your home to participate in, the TLSA livestock show, you agree to having read and agree to follow these rules.

2) Competition is open to all 4-H, FFA and Jr. FFA members who are either enrolled in McMullen County ISD (MCISD) or reside in McMullen County and have met their respective club guidelines. Youth must be enrolled in school for the current year, regularly attend classes, and be currently enrolled in McMullen 4-H or Tilden FFA no later than October 1st. Each exhibitor and substitute exhibitor must meet the guidelines set forth in the Texas Education Code. All animals must meet the regulations governing admissions of livestock into shows set by the Texas Animal Health Commission.

3) In the event that an exhibitor's project dies or becomes disabled, and he/she does not have an extra animal of the same species already validated and on feed, they will be allowed to switch to an alternate project before the alternate project's validation date (exception-rabbits and chickens).

4) Each exhibitor will be allowed to show as many as three (3) market animal projects, with a limit of two (2) in each species. Exhibitors may show breeding animals. Breeding animals will not count toward an exhibitor's maximum number of market animal projects. **See Rule #15 for qualifying substitute exhibitor.

5) Exhibitors may only sell one market animal entry. If the bookkeeper is not notified five (5) minutes after the last market show is complete, the exhibitor's highest placing animal will sell.

6) Any exhibitor of market animals who is entered in a junior livestock show in another county will forfeit the privilege to show in the McMullen County Livestock Show (MCLS). This will cause the forfeiture of any auction proceeds due the exhibitor should he/she enter and/or participate in another county show held after the MCLS. In the event of the above, or if an exhibitor enters and/or participates in another county show after auction proceeds have been distributed, he/she will permanently forfeit the privilege to participate in the MCLS.

7) There will be an entry fee of $10.00 per project validated and validation form signed by the exhibitor and parent/guardian, which will be due at time of validation. Signatures on validation form indicate the exhibitor and parent/guardian have read, understand, and will follow all show rules. Animals should be family validated. Please ensure all youth names are on each validation form.

8) All projects must be brought to the show barn, or designated place(s), on the date specified for validation to be weighed and validated as specified in the rules. **No exceptions.** Any animal not validated on time will be ineligible to show. Exhibitors of beef, swine, lambs and goats will receive a receipt at the time of validation showing the weight (if applicable), tag number(s) of their animal(s) and shall sign said receipt. Animals should be family validated (immediate family only). Please ensure all youth names are on each validation form.

9) All projects must be owned and at the residence of the exhibitor or at the TLSA livestock pens. Exhibitors must get prior approval by the TLSA Board to house a project at any other location. Request may or may not be approved. Violation of this rule will result in the exhibitor not being able to participate in the show. The project must be under the daily care of the exhibitor upon validation of the project and remain under the exhibitor's care the entire feeding time. Youth advisors and/or TLSA board members may conduct unannounced site visits.

10) All projects must be clean, slick shorn as per species show rules, and in their assigned pen by 8:00 A.M. on Friday (rabbits and chickens in line to weigh). If the exhibitor's animals are not in the assigned pen by the designated time, the animals will be sifted.

11) There will be no clipping in the barn after 11:59 PM, Thursday.

12) Weigh-in
    a) No re-weighs will be allowed after 8AM Friday morning. Those projects not meeting their weight requirements during their designated weigh-in time will be sifted.
    b) See the official schedule for weigh-in times.
    c) Times are subject to change.
    d) All projects submitted for weigh-in must be clean, as determined by the Board members.
    e) Any effort to put artificial fill in and/or on an animal is prohibited prior to weigh in.
    f) It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to get their animal(s) weighed on time; those that are not will be sifted and will not be allowed to show or sell.
    g) Market animal projects will be called to weigh-in by pen number and in the order determined by the division superintendent in an effort to minimize congestion and potential injury to animals. Exhibitors must present their project for weigh-in only when called. Exhibitors with projects having the same weigh-in time will be called in an order allowing for weigh-in of all projects.
    h) After weigh-in, all projects must be in a stall or pen on the premises, and remain in place until they are released ~~on Saturday~~. Animals will be released immediately after they show. Animals placing 1st or 2nd must stay until the conclusion of the Champion Drive, Youth selected for Showmanship will keep animals on the premises until the conclusion of the Showmanship class.
    i) All sifted animals must be removed from the show barn.

13) All stalls and pens must be kept clean at all times, with animal waste material disposed of as the TLSA Board or advisors may direct.

14) The classes will be divided as evenly as possible depending upon the number of entries in each division (Beef, Swine, Lamb, Goat) or as deemed appropriate by the superintendent of each division.

15) An exhibitor that is unable to show due to illness, or other approved reason, may get a substitute exhibitor to show for them. The substitute exhibitor must be meet all eligibility requirements set forth by TLSA. Substitute exhibitors are not eligible for showmanship. Substitute exhibitors must also have a validated animal present for exhibition to be eligible to serve as a substitute.

16) All exhibitors must be present and enter the show ring with their animal when their class is called. If not present, the animal shall not show and shall not sell. If an animal is wild or unruly, or poses a threat to the exhibitor, or others, during their class or anytime at the show, the judge or the superintendent of that division will be allowed to sift the animal. Masks are required in the show ring and in the barn when 6 ft social distance cannot be observed.

17) Sale
   a) Exhibitors may only sell one market entry. If the bookkeeper is not notified five (5) minutes after the last market show is complete, the exhibitor's highest placing animal will sell.
   b) In the event that an exhibitor wins more than one championship, the youth must decide which to sell and inform the board within 5 minutes of the conclusion of the last market class of the show.
   c) Animals shall be brought into the Sale ring "as-is" with no decorations.
   d) A 5% commission fee will be deducted from the gross sale amount of each animal/pen sold
   e) ~~Exhibitors may "borrow" an animal of the same species to bring into the sale ring~~. No animals will be present for the sale. Exhibitors MUST send a picture for projection during the sale. Ensure the youth and animal are fully visible. The animal should be clean (show ready) and show dress code must be followed. Send pictures to tildenlsa@gmail.com. If a picture isn't submitted, or the picture falls outside of the guidelines, a generic screen will be projected.

18) Each exhibitor must turn in Thank You letters to their advisor, 4-H or FFA, along with stamped, addressed envelopes, before checks will be released to the exhibitor. Exhibitors shall turn in their letters by the due dates set by the Board or forfeit 50% of the sale price of their animal. A letter will be sent out by advisors furnishing each exhibitor with names and addresses of the buyers and donors.

19) Exhibitors who are transfer students must remain enrolled in MCISD to receive their proceeds from the auction. If not enrolled at the time livestock checks are distributed, thetransfer exhibitor will forfeit all proceeds. The transfer exhibitor will not be eligible to show in the McMullen County Livestock Show if they re-enroll at MCISD. If the transfer exhibitor is enrolled at MCISD at the time livestock checks are distributed and checks out of MCISD before the end of the school year, the transfer exhibitor will not be eligible to show in the McMullen County Livestock Show if he/she re-enrolls for the following school year.

20) If the concession stand is sponsored by the TLSA, each exhibitor must work at some point during the show or sale. The work schedule will be set up by the concession chairperson and care will be taken so that conflicts with showing will be avoided. The chairperson will be responsible for developing the work schedule, posting it and notifying everyone of theschedule.

21) Pens will be assigned by the TLSA Board members for each exhibitor. Pens must be cleaned before leaving show grounds or a $50 fine will be deducted from the exhibitor's sale check.

22) ~~Once released following the exhibitors sale lot, animals may be loaded as long as the sale is not interrupted~~. All animals placing 3rd or lower in the class rankings, and not selected for showmanship will be released immediately after their class in the species show. Animals placing 1st or 2nd must stay until the conclusion of the Champion Drive. All youth selected for Showmanship will keep animals on the premises until the conclusion of the Showmanship class.

23) PROTEST: All protests regarding the TLSA show, regardless of time of year, must be in writing and accompanied by a $100.00 cash deposit, which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained. Such protest must state plainly the cause of the complaint or appeal and must be delivered to the Tilden Livestock Scholarship Association Board President. If the protest is launched at the show, the protest must be received within one (1) hour of the protested event. Judging procedures will not be interrupted for protest investigation; and, depending on the basis of the protest, a decision may be withheld until a thorough investigation process is completed. All costs incurred in the investigation process shall be the sole responsibility of the party bringing the complaint. If the protest is sustained (ruled in your favor), the deposit will be refunded.

24) The Board reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto, and the right to amend or add to these rules as its judgment may determine. An exhibitor who violates any of these rules will forfeit all privileges and premiums.

SELECTION OF CHAMPIONS FOR LARGE ANIMAL DIVISIONS:

The Grand Champion will be selected from the first-place winners in each class. The Reserve Champion will be selected from the remaining class winners plus the second-place winner from the class that the Grand Champion came from.

MARKET STEER RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Steers must be weighed and validated in June, in conjunction with the validation deadline for major show steers, on a date set by the Board.

2. There is no minimum starting weight; however, steers must weigh a minimum of 900 pounds at the time of the weigh-in. All animals not meeting these weight requirements will be sifted.

3. All steers must be slick shorn to not more than ¼" on any location on the body, excluding the tail switch. Steers must be dehorned.

4. Steers will be weighed at the show during the specified time period and be divided into classes as evenly as possible based on the number of steers exhibited that year. Each exhibitor is responsible for getting his/her steer to the scales on time.

5. Steers must be shown at halter.

RULES FOR BREEDING HEIFER PROJECTS

1. Breeding heifer validation will be in October as set by the TLSA Board.

2. Heifers must be identified with an official permanent ID ear tag (metal NUES or 840 series RFID) by validation date. If registered, registration tattoo and/or fire brand(s) will suffice if the breed registration papers accompany the heifer.

3. Health requirements: See General Rule #2 regarding Texas Animal Health Commission. All heifers should have a breeding soundness exam within 30 days.

4. Heifers of all ages can be shown. Heifers over 24 months of age must be confirmed pregnant within 30 days or have a calf at side.

5. Breeding heifers must be shown at halter.

6. Heifers will be shown "blow and go" with no adhesive, painting or dying allowed.

7. Breeding heifers will be checked in during market beef weigh-in.

8. Heifers can be sold by private treaty only; they will not go into thesale.

9. Showmanship class will be combined with the Market Beef Showmanship class.

RULES FOR COMMERCIAL HEIFERS

1. Exhibitors must follow all general TLSA Show Rules.

2. The class will be open to all heifers, aged 12-24 months at time of show, commercial or registered, open or pregnant.

3. Validation:
   a) Commercial heifers will be validated in October on a date set by the TLSA Board.
   b) Exhibitor may validate up to five (5) heifers but a pen of three (3) will be exhibited.
   c) Entry fees of $10 per pen are due at validation.
   d) Heifers may be family validated. Family must own the heifers at the time of validation.
   e) Heifers must be Brucellosis calfhood vaccinated, tattooed with "RV#" and tagged with official ID (metal NUES or 840 series RFID) by validation date. If registered, registration tattoo and/or fire brand will suffice provided the breed registration papers accompany the heifers.

4. Heifers will be judged as replacement heifers.

5. The record book provided by TLSA must be kept. The record book cannot be edited or reformatted, however, additional expense forms can be added if necessary and are available on the website. (https://www.tildenlivestock.org/mcmullencountylivestockshow)

6. Pregnancy status and/or reproductive soundness must be verified by a licensed veterinarian and reported on a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection dated **within 30 days of show**.

7. Market value will be used to determine the value of home-raised heifers at the beginning of the project (validation date). At project end, a cost of production report will be evaluated by the judge.

8. Evaluation of emergency situations will be interpreted by the TLSA board.

9. Heifer check-in is at 8am. All paperwork must be complete and presented to the superintendent.

Scoring Breakdown:

- Heifers .....100 points
- Record Book… ..... 75 points
- Interview..... 75 points

Heifers:

Criteria:

- Quality/condition… 30
- Structural soundness 20
- Femininity…..... 20
- Uniformity… 10
- Temperament 10
- Frame Size for age 10

Record Book:

All exhibitors must use the Commercial Heifer Record Book provided by TLSA, as is

Criteria:

- Overall content 25
- Record keeping… 25
- Profitability…..... 15
- 2 required photographs of heifers 5
- Signatures 5

Interview:

Criteria:

- Appearance of the exhibitor/first impression… 15
- Projection of voice/communication skills/eye contact 25
- Knowledge of project 25
- General cattle industry knowledge 10

RULES FOR MARKET GOAT PROJECTS

1. Goat projects must be weighed and validated in October, on a date set by the Board to coincide with validation for major shows.

2. All market goats must be weighed-in for the show at the time specified by the Board. There will be a minimum weight of 50 pounds. There will not be a maximum weight. Goats not meeting the weight requirements will be sifted.

3. All goats must be castrated males or unbred females and horns must be tipped. They will be divided into classes as evenly as possible depending on weights and number of market goat entries for that year.

4. Goats must be shorn slick with 3/8 inch of hair or less from knee & hock up, except for the tail.

5. Goats cannot be shown with a lead rope or leash. They may be shown with a collar or halter without a lead attached.

RULES FOR MARKET LAMB PROJECTS

1. Each lamb will be validated in October, on a date set by the Board to coincide with market lamb validation for major shows.

2. All lambs will be weighed for the show at the time specified by the Board. There will be a minimum weight of 90 pounds. There will not be a maximum weight. Animals not meeting these weights will be sifted.

3. Lambs must be shown free of halters and leads.

4. Lambs must be slick shorn.

RULES FOR MARKET SWINE PROJECTS

1. Market swine projects must be validated in November on a date set by the Board.

2. Market swine project may be a barrow or gilt.

3. All swine projects must be weighed at the show during the specified time period and be divided into classes as evenly as possible, depending on numbers that year.

4. Swine must weigh a minimum of 200 pounds and not more than a maximum of 280 pounds at the weigh-in. Animals not meeting the weight requirement will be sifted.

RULES FOR BROILER PROJECTS

1. Birds must be validated during the first week of December on a date set by the Board.

2. All birds must be ordered through the Tilden Livestock Scholarship Association at one time. Each exhibitor can only order either 25 or 50 chicks.

3. All birds must be free of disease and parasites. All birds must meet the USDA Grade A standards.

4. There will be a minimum weight requirement of three (3) pounds per bird.

5. Lost wing bands must be reported to your advisor within five (5) days of loss.

6. Birds will be shown as a pen of three (3). Exhibitors may enter two (2) pens.

7. Birds will be judged on fleshing, uniformity and condition.

RULES FOR MARKET RABBIT PROJECTS

1. Rabbits will be weighed, ears tattooed and validated on a date set by the Board, sometime after the middle of December. Note: There will not be a breeding class.

2. Exhibitors are responsible for ordering and purchasing their own rabbits. If an exhibitor needs assistance in locating, ordering or purchasing rabbits an advisor must be notified by October 1st. If you order rabbits you must pay for them when they come in December.

3. Rabbits must be shown in a pen of three (3). Exhibitors may enter two (2) pens.

4. Rabbits should weigh between three (3) and five and a half (5.5) pounds at the designated weigh-in time at the show. Rabbits should weigh about the same that are shown together.

5. Rabbits should be no older than 70 days and must be on feed and in the exhibitor's possession for the entire feeding period.

6. Rabbits will be judged on uniformity, condition and neatness.

SHOWMANSHIP RULES

1. All exhibitors who wish to show in the Showmanship class must sign up by species during weigh-in. Entries for the showmanship class will close at the end of the designated weigh-in time for each species.

2. Showmanship will be divided into two classes based on the age of the exhibitor.
    - Junior: grades 3-7
    - Senior: grades 8-12

3. There must be a minimum of five (5) entries in the age division to make a showmanship class.

4. Showmanship awards will be awarded in the beef cattle, swine, goat, and lamb divisions.

5. The judge, at his/her discretion, may select individuals from each class and each age division to participate in the showmanship class. If a youth is selected by the judge, but did not enter the showmanship class, the exhibitor will not be eligible to show. A showmanship judge will be appointed by the Fair Board.

6. Exhibitors for showmanship will be judged on (a) how well the animal is groomed, (b) how well the animal is trained, (c) how well the exhibitor shows or exhibits the animal, and, (d) how well the exhibitor is groomed.

7. Awards for showmanship will vary depending on sponsorship.

DRESS CODE RULES

These rules apply to exhibitors and substitute exhibitors in the show and sale ring(s):

- Long sleeved button up shirts are required. No T-shirts or polo shirts. Shirttails must be tucked in.
- No short pants, tennis shoes, caps or hats.
- No chewing gum or tobacco products.
- Masks required.

Addendum
To the Livestock Show Rules
Effective 01/20/2021

· If you in an activity that is a “no pass no play” that follows the TEA/UIL eligibility requirements, you are eligible to have a substitute. Otherwise, you are required to be present at the livestock show and the auction.

·If the exhibitor is absent from the sale without and excuse as detailed in the motion above the exhibitor will be removed from the sale order and will not sale in the auction.