

LEAVENWORTH COUNTY FAIR 2026

4-H / FFA GOAT

Superintendent: Carrie Koch

Exhibit Check In: Tuesday, July 28th, 7:45am – 9am; Goat Barn

Exhibit Judging: Wednesday, July 29th; 4pm; Show Arena

The 4-H goat project is a hands-on animal science program for youth to learn about raising, caring for, and managing dairy, meat, or fiber goats. Participants gain skills in nutrition, health, breeding, and showmanship

General Goat Rules

1. Read General Rules. Violation of any of the following rules may result in disqualification. All decisions will be made by a county agent and their decision is final.
2. 4-Hers must complete a Market/Breeding Goat Family Identification Worksheet and bring to Weigh-in. 4-Hers must complete an Other Goat Family Identification Worksheet and turn in to the Extension Office by Small Animal Tagging (1st Sunday in May).
3. Entries may be registered or non-registered purebred or recorded grades.
4. All goats must be inspected and checked-in by the superintendent before unloading and will be checked by the fair vet at fair check-in/weigh-in.
5. All goats must be owned by or registered in the sole name of the youth exhibitor and cared for by the exhibitor by **1st Sunday in May** of the current year to be eligible for entry in the fair.
6. ALL goats must be identified with registered tattoo or an official USDA premise ID/scrapie's tag.
7. Entries will be placed in classes by age with the day of judging being the base date. If needed in the market classes, it will be the superintendents' decision to break the classes according to weight. A screening committee, consisting of a Superintendent and an Extension Agent have the right to move an animal to the appropriate class.
8. **Market goats will be shown by weights in weight divisions.**
9. **Breeding goats will be shown by age.**
10. Exhibitors may use a collar, a collar with a short lead, or a halter when showing. Medium (3mm or smaller) pinch collars will be allowed.
11. Judging order will be decided by superintendent and posted in barn on show day.
12. A goat cannot be entered in more than one class.
13. It is preferred that goats do not have horns. If horned, the horns must be tipped and rounded (not less than the diameter of a dime at the end). Tipping and removal of horns is not allowed on the grounds.

Market Goat Rules

1. Market Goat entries are limited to those animals weighed and verified at the official spring weigh-in. Market goats will be ear tagged with an Official KS 4-H EID tag at weigh-in.
2. Market Goats are Market Wethers or Market Does.

3. Market goats must be less than one-year-old as of day of show. Milk teeth must be in place. Any market goat showing signs of eruption of either two permanent front teeth will not be allowed to exhibit
4. Market goats weighing less than 50 lbs will be moved to a **Prospect** class and shown in that class by weight. Prospect classes are not eligible for Championship or Livestock Auction. At the exhibitor's discretion, prospect market goats may leave the fairgrounds at time of fair weigh-in.
5. A minimum of 2 head will be required to make a breed. If less than 2 head are exhibited at the fair, they will be combined in an All Other Breeds (AOB) class. If less than 2 head are in the AOB class, they will be added to the crossbred class.

Breeding Goat Rules

1. **ALL Bucks** are displayed on day of show only and not housed overnight in the barn.

Other Goat Rules

2. **ALL Bucks** are displayed on day of show only and not housed overnight in the barn.
3. Fiber goats will show by age

Classes

Breeding Goats

1. **Adult Doe 24 months or older**
2. **Junior Buck up to 12 months old**
3. **Junior Doe 06 to 12 months of age**
4. **Junior Doe up to 6 months of age**
5. **Yearling Doe 13 to 23 months of age**

Crossbred Meat Breeds

1. **Dairy Meat Breeds** - (Not a State Fair Class)
2. **Traditional Meat Breeds**

Other Fiber Goat – Not State Fair Classes

1. **Adult Doe over 2 years of age**
2. **Junior Buck up to 12 months of age**
3. **Junior Doe born during current year**
4. **Wether**
5. **Yearling Doe not over 2 years of age**

Other Miniature Goats – Not State Fair Classes

1. **Adult Doe over 2 years of age**
2. **Junior Buck up to 12 months of age**

3. **Junior Doe born during current year**
4. **Yearling Doe not over 2 years of age**