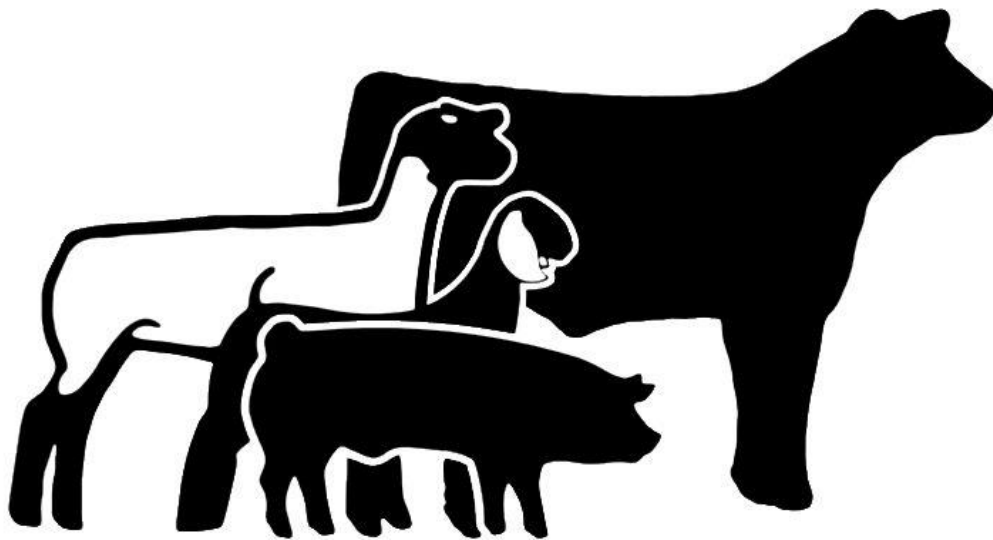


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LIVESTOCK SHOW
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Livestock Handbook
2026**



COLORADO RIVER JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW

March 12 – 15, 2026

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AND ALL OF THE OTHER WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS, THANK YOU!

2026 Barn Rule

Rule changed:

“All areas of the barn must be cleared at the time of the livestock show or auction. Parents and non-exhibitors will NOT be allowed in the barn area during these times. This rule has been instated for the safety of exhibitors, livestock, and show personnel. If an individual becomes a problem in the livestock/barn area they will be asked to leave, further issues will result in dismissal from the fairgrounds.”

Updated Rule:

The barn/fitting areas will be restricted to one parent/guardian per child during the livestock show and auction. This is limited to the duration of the active livestock show and auction (approx. time Thursday/Friday 8:30AM-conclusion of show & Round Robin/Champion Drive) (Saturday 11AM-conclusion of auction). Adults accompanying an exhibitor in the hog area will be required to join that exhibitor in their assigned pen. Leaders and parent/guardian will not be permitted to be in the holding pen areas or alley ways leading to or from the show arena. All parents and leaders will be required to wear an approved identification method (i.e. bracelet, badge, pin, etc.) to access the barn/fitting areas during the livestock show and auction. Identification method will be provided by the Colorado River Fair and allocated to club leaders for distribution. Exhibitors are expected to groom and care for their animal(s) themselves and shall refrain from accepting active assistance from adults and non-exhibiting youth unless the exhibitor is actively engaged, and the assistance is only for instruction. **No professional fitters will be permitted to accompany an exhibitor in the livestock barn/fitting areas during show times.**

These rules have been instated for the safety of exhibitors, livestock, and show personnel. If an individual becomes a problem in the livestock/barn area they will be asked to leave, further issues will result in dismissal from the fairgrounds.

2026 Identification Method:

All parents and leaders will be required to wear an **entry bracelet** to access the barn/fitting areas during the livestock show and auction. Bracelets will be provided by the Colorado River Fair and allocated to club leaders for distribution.

State Rules for California Fairs

We agree that members are expected to care for, prepare for the show, and exhibit their own animals while at the fair or livestock show. However, because of the educational nature of livestock shows, it is appropriate on occasion for parents, leaders, or other youth eligible to exhibit at that show to provide assistance. The assistance should always be given only when the exhibitor is present and actively engaged.

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2025-2026 LIVESTOCK SHOW DATES TO REMEMBER

****Please note, dates and times are subject to change****

October 1, 2025 WEDNESDAY– Club list due via email (crfjlb@gmail.com) by 8:00 PM

October 24, 2025 FRIDAY – Horse Ownership or Lease Agreement papers due in the Livestock Office by 2PM.

November 10, 2025 MONDAY – Steer Ownership (bill of sale & health cert. if from out of state) and Livestock Conditions form due in the Livestock Office by 2PM. **Steers MUST be tagged by this date.**

January 9, 2026 FRIDAY – Steer, Horse, Goat, Sheep, Feeder Calf and Hog must be **tagged, online entries completed, YQCA Certificate, Livestock Conditions form, and Hog Prop 12 Form** turned into Livestock office by 12:00 PM. **Feeder Calf yellow slip or brand inspection paper and breed paperwork** must be turned into the livestock office by 12:00 PM. **MUST BE DELIVERED BY LEADERS.** ONLINE WEBSITE (to be announced). Registration is open from December 26, 2025 to January 9, 2026.

PLEASE NOTE THAT EXHIBITORS WILL HAVE TO PROVIDE A CLEAR PICTURE OF THEIR ANIMAL WITH THE EAR TAG VISIBLE WITH ONLINE ENTRY

January 29, 2026 THURSDAY – Small Stock must be owned, banded/tattooed, **online entries completed, YQCA Certificate, and Livestock Conditions form** turned into the Livestock Office by 2:00 PM. ONLINE WEBSITE (to be announced). Registration is open from January 15, 2026 to January 29, 2026.

February 1, 2026 SUNDAY – **Mandatory** Steer/Feeder Calf Pre-Show Practice @ Fairgrounds starting @ 2 PM.

February 6, 2026 FRIDAY- Colorado River Fair Junior Livestock Boosters scholarship application due to Boosters P.O. Box. **Must be post marked by February 6, 2026.**

February 6, 2026 FRIDAY- **Horse and small animal exhibitors** forms due (Code of ethics & Conduct form (“to whom it may concern”)) to the Livestock office by 2:00 PM. **MUST BE DELIVERED BY LEADERS**

February 09, 2026 MONDAY - All completed record books must be turned into Livestock Office by 6:00 PM.

February 09, 2026 MONDAY - Pen Set Up for ADULTS ONLY, 6:00 PM

February 10, 2026 TUESDAY - Pen Set Up for ALL EXHIBITORS, 6:00 PM

February 21, 2026 SATURDAY – Horse Show. Location TBD. Check-in 9AM. Show starts at 10:00 AM.

February 27, 2026 FRIDAY- **Large animal exhibitors** forms due (Auction release, code of ethics, exhibitor release, & Conduct form (“to whom it may concern”)) to the Livestock office by 2:00 PM. **MUST BE DELIVERED BY LEADERS.**

February 28, 2026 SATURDAY – Small Animal check-in and weigh-in 8:00 AM. **Declaration of Medication must be turned in at time of weigh-in.** Show starts at 9:00 AM

March 10, 2026 TUESDAY – Steer & Feeder Calves Weigh-In Only. 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM. **Declaration of Medication must be turned in at the time of weigh-in.**

March 11, 2026 WEDNESDAY – Hog, Goat, & Lamb weigh-in. Lamb & Goat **MUST** weigh-in between 1:00-3:00 pm only. No other animals will be weighed between 1:00-3:00 pm. **Declaration of Medication must be turned in at the time of weigh-in.**

March 12, 2026 THURSDAY - CRJLB Livestock Market Classes judged – Opening ceremonies at 8:30 AM

Market classes start at 9:00 AM in the following order:

- **Market lamb, market hog, market feeder calf, marker goat, and market steers.**
- **Break for Lunch at 12:30**
- **Champion Drive to begin at 6:00PM**

March 13, 2026 FRIDAY – CRJLB Livestock Showmanship Classes judged. Showmanship starts at 9:00 AM according to the following schedule:

- **Lamb Showmanship followed by hog, followed by feeder calf, followed by goat, followed by steers.**
- **Break for lunch at 12:30**
- **Round Robin Showmanship to begin at 6:00PM**

March 14, 2026 SATURDAY – CRJLB Auction. Auction starts at 12:30 PM.

March 16, 2026 MONDAY- Pen Take Down 6:00 PM. ADULTS ONLY

GENERAL INFORMATION – REGULATIONS

The Livestock Competitions of the CRF Livestock Show shall be open to the qualified youth residing full time within the boundaries as defined by the State of California's 54th District Agricultural Association. *The 54th DAA is that portion of Riverside County east of the Coachella branch of the All American Canal and east of a line due north from the northern most point of the Canal, and those specified in rule #2 in so far as they conform to the rules and regulations set forth in the Exhibitor's Handbook.*

Exhibitor Age Requirements: For the 2026 CRF Livestock Show shall be defined as qualified residents whose age falls within the following guidelines as established for members of 4H, FFA, or independents.

FFA members may participate as members until the end of the calendar year following the year of graduation from high school. For example, a graduate this year is eligible until December 31 of next year when needing this requirement to fulfill the State Degree and/or the American Farmer Degree.

4-H Age Requirements: The levels of membership for 4-H are age based. Each level is defined as follows:

Primary Level: Must be 5 years old as of December 31, 2025 to exhibit at Livestock Show. Primary membership ends when members qualify as junior members. Exhibitors who are under 9 years of age on or before December 31, 2024 are not eligible to compete in large animal competitions at California Fairs.

Junior, Intermediate & Senior: Must be 9 years old on or before December 31, 2025. Exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31st of the year in which they turn 19 years of age.

Independent Exhibitors must be at least 9 years old by December 31, 2025 to compete in large animal competitions at California Fairs.

Exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31st of the year they turn 19 years of age.

Youth may be ineligible to participate as Independent if documented disciplinary action involving the project(s) has been taken against them by 4-H, FFA or Grange organizations. Length of ineligibility to be determined by Livestock Superintendent.

Junior – 9-11 years of age by January 2026

Intermediate – 12-14 years of age by January 2026

Senior – 15-18 years of age by January 2026

Entries may be made only in those divisions and classes appearing in this handbook. Livestock Superintendent reserves the right to refuse exhibits entered in violation of local and state rules. A copy of the State Rules may be obtained from the livestock office, 591 N. Olive Lake Boulevard, Blythe, CA 92225.

The CRF/CRJLB Livestock Superintendent reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected or incidental to the CRJLB Livestock Show.

The CRF/CRJLB will take reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of exhibits and property of every description entered for competition or display or any other purpose while anywhere on the grounds that shall be subject to the control of the CRF/CRJLB, **BUT** the owners themselves must take the risk of exhibiting them. In no case will CRF/CRJLB be responsible in any way for the loss, damage or injury of any character to any property, article or person, while same is on the fairgrounds

or at any time or place, nor be liable for or make any payment for damage, loss or injury. The CRF/CRJLB will not be responsible for any loss or damage caused by or arising out of strikes, riots, lockouts, or acts of God.

Entry Requirements and Local Rules

The CRF/CRJLB have adopted the following requirements in order to participate in a youth livestock program (excluding horse, cavies & dogs) at any California Fair, all exhibitors 9 years of age and older must obtain annual certification in the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) program or a comparable livestock run program approved by the California Department of Food and Agriculture Fairs and Expositions Branch. Those not certified will not be eligible to participate.

Entry Forms must be properly filled out and submitted ONLINE by the deadline on the “Dates To Remember” page. No entry form or entry will be accepted after the closing dates for entries.

Submission of completed entry form shall be deemed acceptance of all rules **both local and State**. Acceptance includes permission to use your name, photograph and entry in publicizing the CRF/CRJLB Livestock Show.

Any entry which is, in the opinion of the Livestock Superintendent, a Safety Hazard can and will be disqualified.

Junior Department

Livestock exhibitors are limited to qualified residents, residing within the geographical boundaries served by the 54th District Agricultural Association.

CRF/CRJLB HAS ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING STATE AND LOCAL RULES FOR THE 2026 LIVESTOCK SHOW

The CRF/CRJLB reserves the right to limit entries to facilities available and/or cancel any division or class in which there are not enough entries. The decision of the show management under this rule is only applicable to the Livestock Superintendent, who’s decision is final. **Adequate competition exists when there are (5) entries in a division. Grand Champion and Reserve Champion must come from a division of five (5) or more entries. When competition does not exist, management may combine classes for meaningful value if appropriate for learning.**

All market classes are to be determined after weigh-in, classes are to be determined by weight only. The exhibitor must be the one to walk their animal across the scale. Only one (1) weigh-in allowed, except for protests, which must be re-weighed immediately (please see pg.8 rule #15). No wet animals will be allowed on the scales and no animals which in the opinion of the Livestock Superintendent appear to be under duress due to illness, fatigue or stress will be weighed. (Veterinarian may be consulted for professional opinion of animal condition.)

All areas of the barn must be cleared at the time of the livestock show or auction. Parents and non-exhibitors will NOT be allowed in the barn area during these times. This rule has been instated for the safety of exhibitors, livestock, and show personnel. If an individual becomes a problem in the livestock/barn area they will be asked to leave, further issues with result in dismissal from the fairgrounds.

EXHIBITOR LIVESTOCK RULES

In Large Animal Market Classes the TOP END PAY WEIGHTS OF SHEEP (150 lbs.), BEEF (1350 lbs.), SWINE (280 lbs.), FEEDER CALVES (500 lbs.) and GOATS (110 lbs.) have been opened up and animals exceeding these former weights are allowed to show and sell if meeting standards **WITH THE EXCEPTION OF FEEDER CALVES**, however, the aforementioned weights represent auction maximum weights for payment. Animals not meeting weight requirements may stay for Showmanship Classes (stall fees still apply).

Species	Minimum Weight	Max Weight	Max Pay Weight
Beef	1000 lbs.	None	1350 lbs.
Hog	220 lbs.	None	280 lbs.
Lamb	110 lbs.	None	150 lbs.
Goat	60 lbs.	None	110 lbs.
Feeder Calves	250 lbs.	500 lbs.	500 lbs.

In addition to the above stated rules, the Junior Livestock entries will be governed by the following rules.

1. **Each animal must be owned by the exhibitor at least 60 days prior to the livestock show with the exception of Market Steer and Horse, which are 120 days and Small Animal is 30 days.**
2. A list of rabbit tattoos & poultry leg bands will be accepted on or before ownership deadline. All other animals must be tagged by the required tagging date with exhibitor supplied materials. For market and feeder animals, an identifying number will be placed or attached to the animal by the fair, or designee, and must be on the animal at **ALL** times or awards will not be given.
Please notice- it is unlawful to remove official identification
3. Only one banner per club will be allowed for display under the barn. All banners must be within guidelines given by the Livestock Superintendent regarding shape, size(3x6), and color. No senior boards will be allowed for display under the barn.
4. **Pen Set Up:** Participation is required by all livestock exhibitors **PARENTS only:** Monday, February 9, 2026 at 6:00 PM.
5. **Pen Set-up:** ALL EXHIBITORS Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 6:00 PM.
6. **Pen Tear down:** All exhibitor **PARENTS only.** Monday, March 16, 2026 6:00 PM
7. All exhibitors will be responsible for their own equipment and care of animals. Animals must be fed at the livestock show between 6:00 AM and 8:00 AM and at the conclusion of the show/event each day or between 5:00-6:00 PM, whichever comes later. **Sunday final feeding will be 3:30-4:30pm. Barn will close at 4:30pm. EXHIBITORS MUST REMOVE ANY AND ALL EQUIPMENT (BESIDES WATERS) AFTER FEEDING ON SUNDAY. TACK WILL BE RELEASED SUNDAY MORNING AT 9AM.**
8. Barn awards will be given to the group that does the best job of keeping their portion of the barn and surrounding area clean over the entire period of the Livestock Event. Area will be judged daily. Possible 100 points per club per day. Judging will be done with guidance from the Livestock Superintendents.

9. Feed for the entire run of the Livestock Event MUST be brought in at Weigh-in. Mandatory feedings will take place at 6:00 am each day and after the conclusion of the livestock show or auction each day. There are no restrictions on feeding between these times **BUT** animals must be supervised during all feedings.
10. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to provide livestock access to water for the entire duration of Livestock Event. All waters must be secured to pen if left unattended. Swine waters must be blue or white. Goat, lamb, and feeder calves must be approved automatic waters or blue/black 1-gallon buckets. Steers may use blue/black 5-gallon buckets. **All watering devices left in pens must be pre-approved by the Livestock Superintendent.**
11. Bedding will be provided by the CRF/CRJLB.
12. All animals are to arrive at the Fairgrounds show ready.
13. Washing of animals is allowed in the designated washing area. It is the exhibitors responsibility to leave the wash area clean when finished. NO PRESSURIZED OR MECHANICAL WASHING DEVICES MAY BE USED. No Electrical Devices in Barn. Battery operated may be used with the approval of the Livestock Superintendent. Junior exhibitors are expected to groom and care for their animal(s) when at the Livestock show. **They shall refrain from accepting active assistance from adults and non-exhibiting youth unless the junior exhibitor is actively engaged, and the assistance is only for instruction.** Fellow members may and are encouraged to help each other at all times. In the event of an emergency where the animal or person is in physical danger the Livestock Superintendents, their assistants or the project leaders may handle the animal until the emergency is resolved. **In this instance,** the Livestock Superintendent must be contacted immediately, and will direct how the emergency is handled. The Livestock Superintendent will decide if the animal is fit to show once the emergency is past.
14. Animals not meeting minimum weight requirement may stay for Showmanship Classes, at the discretion of the advisor/leader. **Exhibitors are still responsible for payment of stall fees if participating in Showmanship classes and must be paid Thursday March 12, 2026 by 6pm.** All animals not qualified for Junior Livestock Auction MUST be removed from the fairgrounds AFTER Showmanship classes by 6:00 PM on Friday, March 13, 2026.
15. Re-weights are allowed only according to the following procedure:
 - a. Re-weights must be requested at the time the animal is weighed and are for UNDERWEIGHT ANIMALS AND OVERWEIGHT FEEDER CALVES.
 - b. Animals will step off the scale
 - c. The scale will be rebalanced
 - d. The animal will immediately be put back on the scale and re-weighed.
 - e. At no time can the animal leave the holding area.
16. Exhibitors with more than one large market animal may weigh only one animal. If the animal is underweight/overweight or disqualified by the Livestock Superintendent(s) the exhibitor may pay a \$10.00 substitution fee and change animals if it is done prior to the scale closing, on the day of that species weigh in. **Substituted animal must be a back-up animal tagged in the exhibitor's name.**
17. Back up animals may not be brought to the Livestock show or loaded on the Fairgrounds for processing.
18. EXHIBITORS MAY EXHIBIT IN ONLY ONE LARGE AND ONE SMALL SINGLE MARKET CLASS.
19. State Rules for Sheep Tail Docking will apply. Lambs that have no dock will not be eligible. (CA State Rule Book Pg.20 Rule #1)

20. All Steer Exhibitors MUST use a neck rope in the stall area.
21. Exhibitors will report any prescribed medication administered to an animal prior to the Livestock show to CRF/CRJLB at Weigh-in with the "Declaration of Medication" form. Any medication administered during the Livestock show MUST be done with the PRIOR APPROVAL of the Livestock Superintendent(s) and the CRF/CRJLB Veterinarian.
22. Exhibitors will submit their animals to a urinalysis or drug screening at the discretion of the Livestock Superintendent.
23. Exhibitors with animals being screened will be allowed to sell at the discretion of the CRF/CRJLB Board of Directors. If tests are positive the exhibitor will forfeit all auction proceeds. Other penalties may be enforced by the CRF/CRJLB board.
24. Pregnant animals are not eligible for Market Classes. Upon verification by the CRF/CRJLB Veterinarian, the animal will be dropped from any entered Market Classes. Un-altered male animals are not eligible for the Livestock show.
25. With the Exception of Water devices, which must remain in pens until 8:00 AM Monday, tack will be released at 9:00 AM on Sunday. Small animals will be released at 8:00 AM on Sunday. A small animal release must be signed by the Livestock Superintendent. Neither the CRF, CRJLB or the 54th DAA will be held responsible for the injury or death of any animal or the loss or damage of any tack or property. **SELF PICK UP OF LARGE ANIMALS** will be at 5:00 PM on Sunday.
26. **MISBEHAVIOR – CODE OF ETHICS** – Each exhibitor is required to have a signed Code of Ethics Statement on file in the Livestock Office prior to participation in the Livestock Show and/or Auction. **Any exhibitor who does not participate in the manner stated in the Code of Ethics or who misbehaves in a manner that shows blatant disregard for the other participants, their animals or blatant disrespect for the overall program, leaders, advisor, Livestock Superintendents or Staff will be penalized by the COLORADO RIVER FAIR & COLORADO RIVER JUNIOR LIVESTOCK BOOSTERS. THIS INCLUDES, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, IN PERSON, SOCIAL MEDIA, ECT. Penalties for Code of Ethics violations may include discipline up to and including forfeiture of participation in this year's Livestock Show and any future show conducted by either the CRF/CRJLB or the 54th DAA Fair.**
27. The sale of a project is a privilege, and the CRF/CRJLB may revoke this privilege if the exhibitor is in violation of the rules of conduct whether stated or implied.
28. **VARIANCE GRANTED FOR HORSE PROJECT.** The Department of Food and Agriculture has granted a variance to the 54th DAA for Horse project members for the 2026 Horse Show. In accordance with that variance, members of the same immediate family (siblings) may share the ownership and responsibilities of a single horse for their horse project. (Variance retained for future years).
29. Market animals only may sell at the CRJLB Livestock Auction. No breeding animals of any specie.
30. **Livestock Exhibitors, from Tuesday through Sunday while in Barn and grooming areas must follow the Barn Dress code: Closed toed shoes, long pants, no shorts, and no tank tops. No pajamas. No open-toed shoes may be worn in the unloading area or barn.**
31. Weigh-in dress code includes: long pants, shirts w/sleeves (no tank tops), belt, & closed-toed shoes. Steer and Feeder Calf exhibitors must wear boots and long sleeve shirts.
32. Show attire includes jeans (no holes or rips), long sleeve button-up shirt with collar, belt, closed-toed shoes, no hats or club wear of any kind (in show ring). Exhibitors may wear complete 4-H/FFA show uniform.

33. Showmanship uniform for Primary Members will be jeans (no holes or rips), long sleeve button-up shirt with collar, belt, closed-toed shoes, no hats or club wear of any kind.
34. Clubs may have their members wear club shirts when not in the showring or on the auction block.

Replacement Animals Rules

*CRJLB HAS ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING 54th District Agricultural Association Regulations for Replacement Animals for Livestock Event in the case of the death of a project animal.

1. Replacement animals for the CRJLB Livestock Show shall be limited to large animals.
2. No replacement animal allowed under the ruling regarding the death of a project animal shall be eligible to win Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion.
3. No replacement shall be allowed for a deceased animal that is deemed by the Veterinarian to be unlikely to have made weight by Livestock Show. This shall be based on the carcass weight at the time of death and the average weight per day gain for that specie.
4. No replacement shall be allowed unless the deceased animal has had a necropsy performed by a Veterinarian at the cost of the project member or the Veterinarian deems that there would be no useful purpose served in the animal being autopsied and that the animal's death could not be attributed to lack of care or any abusive action on the part of the owner. The Veterinarian must state a cause of death. The autopsy, if required, shall include any tests or toxin screens deemed necessary by the Veterinarian to establish cause of death. The replacement animal may be purchased with the approval of the CRJLB Board of Directors, prior to all necessary test results being completed but may not show or sell unless cause of death has been deemed not to have been caused by, or as the result of, anything that the project member has or has not done to that animal. Should the tests show, or the Veterinarian suspect animal abuse, the case shall be turned over to the proper authorities for investigation of possible prosecution.
5. The time limit for the replacement of deceased lamb, goat or pig shall be no less than thirty (30) days from the first day of the Livestock Show. The owner must contact the Livestock Superintendent within twenty-four (24) hours of the death of the animal and with his approval shall have seven (7) days from the date of death of the project animal to replace it. Any Animal that dies less than thirty days from the first day of the Livestock Show may not be replaced.
6. No replacement animals shall have been sold through any other fair or livestock auction. Replacement animals must be purchased from a producer or from a local member with a tagged back up animal (back up animals preferred). A bill of sale must be presented to CRJLB immediately after purchase. The animal may be tagged or recorded in the case of a tagged back up animal. (This is at the discretion of the Livestock Superintendent)
7. The replacement animal must be deemed safe to show by the Livestock Superintendent prior to weigh-in. The project member must demonstrate his or her ability to control the animal.
8. The replacement animal must be of the same specie as the animal that dies.
9. The replacement program shall be void if the project member has another specie of large animal that has been tagged for the CRJLB Livestock Show (i.e.: two specie tagged, goat and lamb, two projects. Only one could have shown). The project member must show the other specie).
10. The replacement program shall be void if the project member has a backup animal of the same specie as the animal that dies.

In the case of the death of a project animal less than thirty days prior to the CRJLB Livestock Show the project member may, if the regulations in item 4 are complied with and the CRJLB notified within 24 hours of the death of that animal, buy and show a replacement animal in Showmanship only. That animal shall be tagged prior to show and the project member

must demonstrate the ability to show that animal safely as shown in item 8. In this case the animal must be removed from the fairgrounds after showmanship and will not be allowed to sell at auction.

The decision of the CRJLB shall be final as to the acceptability of the replacement animal. Any challenge to the decision of the CRJLB shall go to the Deceased Animal Committee.

CRJLB LIVESTOCK AUCTION

1. The sale shall be limited to one of the following: One market beef, swine, lamb, goat, feeder calf, turkey, poultry meat pen, rabbit mean pen, or fryer. Sale is further limited to only Livestock Exhibitors 9 years and over as of January 1, 2026, who have met all requirements of sale who reside fulltime within the 54th District. Livestock Exhibitors will be assumed by entry to be selling. **IF NOT**, must declare his/her intent **NOT** to sell by 4:00 PM on **Thursday, March 12, 2026**.

Livestock exhibitors (Market animals only), will be allowed to sell at the CRJLB Livestock Auction if they meet the following requirements: (A) Limited to a single entry. (B) **ALL** Exhibitors selling at auction must turn in a completed record book to group leaders. (C) YQCA training and qualification completion.

2. ~~The Junior Division Best of Show winner only in the areas of (wood working/fabrication, metal working/fabrication, and textiles) will be able to sell in the auction. Each winner must meet the project criteria set forth by the CRJLB and the Colorado River Fair Board of Directors. The criteria (TBD) will be posted on the Fair website by the 15th of November 2025. ***This will be up for review annually. WILL NOT BE USED FOR 2026 FAIR***~~
3. This auction is a non-terminal sale. Non-terminal sale is defined as: a sale in which the market ready animal may be picked up alive by the buyer.
 - **No exhibitor may exhibit an animal in a market class once it has been sold as a market animal through a junior livestock auction. These animals may be shown following the 30 consecutive day ownership required as a breeding animal only. (Ca state rule book pg.15 rule #4)**
4. Four percent (4%) shrink will be used for the sale.
5. Large animal Livestock Exhibitors **MUST** participate in Showmanship in order to sell at the Auction.
6. Exhibitors must be in the dress code specified under the "Exhibitor Livestock Rules" #32.
7. Those livestock exhibitors selling their animals at the CRJLB Livestock Auction must turn in an addressed, stamped Thank You note. **THANK YOU NOTES MUST BE TURNED IN TO THE LIVESTOCK OFFICE BY 2:00 pm SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2026.** No ribbons, awards or checks will be issued if not turned in. NAME OF SELLER(S) AND RETURN ADDRESS MUST BE ON ENVELOPE.
8. Seven percent (7%) will be withheld from the seller's proceeds for the CRJLB Livestock Contingency Fund. The Funds are under the control of, and managed by the Colorado River Junior Livestock Boosters/Colorado River Fair they have final approval before any funds are expended. The fund covers the loss of animals during the Livestock Show, at current market value and the improvements in the livestock related areas. An exhibitor fee (Stall Fee) will also be charged for **ALL WEIGHED IN** animals. This fee is \$30.00 for rabbits, poultry, and horse. \$55.00 for swine, sheep, goat. \$90.00 for steer & feeder calf. These fees will go to the Colorado River Fair for use of the facilities. Swine must also pay \$0.35 per 100 dollars of gross sale to the National Pork Council. Lambs must pay \$0.007 cents per pound live weight and \$0.42 cents per head to the National Lamb Council. Beef must pay \$1 per head to the National Beef Council.
9. It is the policy of the CRJLB that dollars raised as a result of donating back animals for re-auction must be for a scholarship fund available to high school graduating senior livestock exhibitors only, the barn fund and/or other pre-approved Livestock related activities
10. All donated back animals will be auctioned only after completion of the printed sale list. If any animal is donated back, the original buyer may not avail themselves of base, slaughter or self pick-up options.
11. The Scholarship Fund and Barn fund will be maintained by the Colorado River Livestock Boosters.
12. **ALL CHAMPIONS AND RESERVE CHAMPIONS must sell at auction unless: (a) the exhibitor is not qualified to sell in which case the Judge shall choose a "Sale Champion". Or (b) the exhibitor has a large animal AND a small animal Champion in which case the exhibitor may choose to sell either the small animal champion or the large animal.**
13. Only those animals which are judged to be market acceptable will be allowed to sell.

14. NO "For Sale" signs may be placed in the pens or barn area.

15. Animals shall not be painted with any substance. No foreign material of any sort shall be placed on any part of their bodies at any time while on the Fairgrounds, including glitter or any type of spray paint.

SHOWMANSHIP GUIDELINES

AMERICAN SYSTEM OF JUDGING

Livestock shown in showmanship must be owned (or leased in the case of horses) by the exhibitor and entered by the exhibitor in an appropriate market, breeding or performance class. Entries in showmanship must be made in advance of showing. Exhibitors shall be on hand and ready to exhibit at the time called for judging.

All market animals must show in order to sell in the CRJLB Livestock Auction.

ALL EXHIBITORS MUST WEAR THE OFFICIAL SHOW UNIFORM AS PRESCRIBED BY THE CRF/CRJLB.

Showmanship Classes for swine, sheep, goats, calves, and beef, will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, March 13, 2026.

The order will be: Senior, Intermediate, Junior.

The Livestock Superintendent, at the request of the judge, will set the species order.

SHOWMANSHIP WILL BE JUDGED ON THE FOLLOWING:

Appearance of Animal

Condition

Grooming and/or clipping

Appearance of Exhibitor

Showing in the Ring

Moving or Leading

Posing

Showing the animal to the best advantage

Poise, Alertness and Attitude

EXHIBITOR MARKET & SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES DRESS CODE

1. Jeans with no holes or rips
2. Long sleeve button-up shirt with collar
3. Belt
4. No hats
5. No club wear, slogans, etc.
6. Closed-toed shoes
7. Official complete 4-H/FFA show uniform may be worn

EXHIBITOR HORSE SHOW & SHOWMANSHIP DRESS CODE

1. Jeans
2. Long Sleeved Western Shirt
3. Scarf, Tie or Brooch
4. Belt
5. Western Boots
6. USET Approved Helmet
7. Chaps may be worn in Western Classes and Jacket in English, but will not count for points.

Round Robin

Open to winners of showmanship in rabbits, poultry, horse, swine, sheep, goats, feeder calves and steers. Any Exhibitor winning in more than one species of Showmanship can choose one species to represent; the second-place winner of the remaining species is then eligible to compete. Each winner should notify the Superintendent of their plans within one hour of winning showmanship. All species will be shown if there are qualifying exhibitors in that division and class.

Divisions include Junior, Intermediate, Senior. Jackets will be awarded to the Round Robin Champion in each division.

NO PRE-ENTRY REQUIRED

ROUND ROBIN JACKETS DONATED BY **MALTY CHIROPRACTIC**

Citizenship Award

There will be awards for each age division (boy and girl) for outstanding citizenship based on the following criteria:

- a. Cleanliness of pen and animals
- b. Courtesy toward fellow exhibitors and the general public during the entire Livestock Show
- c. Neatness of person during the entire Livestock Show
- d. Willingness to go above and beyond
- e. Cooperation and courtesy towards the Livestock Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent.

Suggestions must be submitted Sunday by 10:00 AM

HORSE DEPARTMENT

Entries Due: January 9, 2026 ONLINE

Horse Show: Saturday, February 21, 2026, 10:00 AM, Check-in 9:00 AM

Horse Identification certificate and Ownership/Lease agreement due by October 24, 2025 by 2 PM.

Rules:

- American System of Judging
- USET Approved Helmet required in all Horse Show Classes.
- Competitors must participate in the following classes in order to be eligible for High Point, Round Robin or a Showmanship Buckle: Western Pleasure, Trail Horse and Showmanship. All other classes will be optional but do count towards High Point.
- Proof of ownership or lease must be available at check-in time.

DIVISION 2000 – Junior (9-11 years old)

CLASS:

1. Western Pleasure
2. Western Equitation
3. Discipline Rail
4. Trail
5. English Pleasure
6. English Equitation

DIVISION 2100- Intermediate (12-14 years old)

CLASS:

1. Western Pleasure
2. Western Equitation
3. Discipline Rail
4. Trail
5. English Pleasure
6. English Equitation

DIVISION 2200- Senior (15-18 years old)

CLASS:

1. Western Pleasure
2. Western Equitation
3. Discipline Rail
4. Trail
5. English Pleasure
6. English Equitation

DIVISION 2300- HORSE SHOWMANSHIP

CLASS:

1. Junior – 9-11 years of age by January 2026
2. Intermediate – 12-14 years of age by January 2026
3. Senior – 15-18 years of age by January 2026

RABBIT DEPARTMENT

Show Entries Due: January 29, 2026 ONLINE

Show Date: February 28, 2026

Starting Time: 8:00 AM Check-in, Show starts at 9:00 AM

- The Rabbit Competition at the CRF/CRJLB Small Animal Livestock Show consists of a Youth Show.
- Entry **MUST** include breed, sex, variety
- Tattoo must match entry form.
- Per the Board of Directors only meat pens/fryer may sell at auction.
- Must meet ABRA Standards.
- Rabbits must be individually owned by the exhibitor by January 29, 2026.

MARKET RABBIT MEAT PENS/FRYER

At least 5 entries are required to make a class. **For the 2026 Fair this rule will not apply.*

- Best of Show and market ready meat pens/fryers are eligible to sell. Market meat pens/fryers will be sold at the CRJLB Livestock Auction if exhibitor is qualified.
- Breeder receipt or delivery notice must be available upon request for proof of age. Breed must be listed on entry form.
- **Exhibitors are responsible for the care of animals at the CRF/CRJLB Livestock Show until animals leave the fairgrounds.**

DIVISION 3000 – RABBIT – BREED CLASSES

CLASS:

1. Senior Buck
2. Intermediate Buck
3. Junior Buck
4. Senior Doe
5. Intermediate Doe
6. Junior Doe
7. Breed Fur

DIVISION 3100 – RABBIT – MEAT PEN **For the 2026 Fair this rule will not apply.*

Rabbit meat pen entries shall be a single entry that consist of three rabbits of the same breed and variety. Each rabbit must weigh at least 3 lbs. but no more than 5 lbs. Animals must be under 70 days old on judging day. Animals entered as a meat pen are not eligible for any other classes. Primary Youth age 5-8 are not eligible to enter. Limit to one entry.

DIVISION 3200 – RABBIT – FRYER **For the 2026 Fair this rule will not apply.*

Rabbit fryer entries shall be a single entry that consist of one rabbit. Each rabbit must weigh at least 3 lbs. but no more than 5 lbs. Animals must be under 70 days old on judging day. Animals entered as a fryer are not eligible for any other classes. Primary Youth age 5-8 are not eligible to enter. Limit to one entry.

DIVISION 3300- RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP

CLASS:

1. PRIMARY
2. Junior – 9-11 years of age by January 2026
3. Intermediate – 12-14 years of age by January 2026
4. Senior – 15-18 years of age by January 2026

POULTRY DEPARTMENT

Show Entries Due: January 29, 2026 ONLINE

Show Date: February 28, 2026

Starting Time: 8:00 AM Check-in, Show starts at 9:00 AM

Rules:

- All poultry must be the property of the exhibitor.
- All game birds must have plastic or metal leg bands and be given identification numbers by the exhibitor prior to arrival to the CRF/CRJLB Small Animal Livestock Show. CRF/CRJLB does not provide leg bands.
- Identification numbers must match entry form. Entry **MUST** include breed, sex, and variety.
- Birds submitted must be the same breed, variety, age and sex as the original entry.
- Any bird with lice, mites or fleas which arrives at the Poultry or Livestock Show will be classified as diseased and be immediately removed from the CRF/CRJLB Small Animal Livestock Show.
- Five entries are required to make a class.

DANISH SYSTEM OF JUDGING

MAXIMUM OF 10 ENTRIES PER EXHIBITOR

Judging in all breeding classes shall be based on the American Poultry Association Book of Standards.

DEFINITIONS

Cock and Hen	Over One Year
Cockerel and Pullet	Under One Year
Old Tom and Hen	Over One Year
Young Tom and Hen	Under One Year
A.S.V.	Any Standard Variety
A.O.S.V.	Any Other Standard Variety
A.O.S.B.	Any Other Standard Breed

DIVISION 9000 – POULTRY – BREEDING CLASS

Class 1. American Breeds – Large Poultry

Includes; Plymouth Rock, barred; Plymouth Rock, White; Plymouth Rock, A.S.V.; Rhode Island Red, Rose Comb; Rhode Island Red, sgl. Comb; Wyandotte, Silver Laced; Wyandotte, A.S.V.; any other standard breed.

Class 2. Asiatic Breeds – Large Poultry

Includes; Brahma, Light; Brahma, A.S.V. Cochin, Black; Cochin, White; Cochin, A.S.V.; Langshan, A.S.V.; any other standard breed.

Class 3. English Breeds – Large Poultry

Includes; Australorp, Black; Orpington, Buff; Orpington, A.S.V.; Cornish, A.S.V.; any other standard Breed.

Class 4. Mediterranean Breeds – Large Poultry

Includes; Leghorn, sgl. Comb, White; Leghorn, sgl. Comb. Dk. Brown; Leghorn, sgl. Comb. A.S.V.; Leghorn, Rose Comb, White; Leghorn, Rose Comb, A.S.V.; Minorca, sgl. Comb, Black; Minorca, sgl, Comb, A.S.V.; Spanish Blk Faced, White; any other standard breed.

Class 5. Continental Breeds – Large Poultry

Includes; Hamberg; Silver Spangled, Hamberg; A.S.V.; Polish, White Crested Black; Polish, Bearded Silver; Polish, Bearded Golden; Polish, A.S.V.; Polish, Non-Bearded A.S.V.; any other standard breed.

Class 6. All Other Standard Breed Large Poultry

Includes; Turken, Americana; A.S.V., A.O.S.B.; any other standard breed.

Class 7. Miscellaneous Breeds – Large Poultry

Includes; Amer. Game SC Light Leg A.S.V.; Amer. Game SC Dark Leg, A.S.V.; Utility Birds; any other Miscellaneous.

Class 8. Modern Games – Bantams

Includes; Birchen, B.B. Red; any other standard breed.

Class 9. Old English – Bantams

Includes; Black; Black Breasted Red; Silver Duckwing; White; any other standard breed.

Class 10. Single Comb Clean Legged Bantams

Includes; Plymouth Rock, barred; Plymouth Rock, white; Plymouth Rock, A.S.V.; Rhode Island Red, sgl. Comb; Leghorn, A.S.V.; Leghorn, sgl. Comb. White; Japanese Black Tailed White; Japanese Birchen; Japanese A.S.V.; Turkin; any other standard breed.

Class 11. Rose Comb Clean Legged Bantams Includes; Belgian Antwerp A.S.V.; Hamberg, A.S.V., Sebright, Golden A.S.V.; Sebright, Silver, A.S.V.; Wyandotte, A.S.V. Rose Comb, Black, A.S.V.; Rose Comb Blue, A.S.V.; any other standard variety.

Class 12. All Other Combs Clean Legged and Bantams

Includes; Cornish A.S.V.; Polish, White Crested Black, A.S.V.; Polish A.S.V.; Budkey; any other standard breed.

Class 13. Feather Legged Bantams

Includes; Brahma, A.S.V.; Cochin Black, Cochin, Buss; Cochin A.S.V.; Frizzie, A.S.V.; Booted Bantams, A.S.V.; any other standard breed.

Class 14. Miscellaneous Breeds – Bantams

Includes any non-standard Bantam.

MARKET TURKEYS & MEAT PENS

At least 5 entries are required to make a class. **For the 2026 Fair this rule will not apply.*

- Best of Show and market ready Turkeys/Meat pens are eligible to sell. Market Turkeys/Meat Pens will be sold at the CRJLB Livestock Auction if exhibitor is qualified.
- Hatchery receipt or delivery notice must be available upon request for proof of age. Breed must be listed on entry form.
- **Exhibitors are responsible for the care of animals at the CRF/CRJLB Livestock Show until animals leave the fairgrounds.**

DIVISION 9200 – SINGLE MARKET TURKEYS **For the 2026 Fair this rule will not apply.*

All Breed and Crosses will be judged together. Limit of one entry per class. Primary Youth age 5-8 are not eligible to enter.

Class 1. Single Hen weighing from 15 lbs. to 25 lbs. and not to exceed 18 weeks of age.

Class 2. Single Tom weighing from 18 lbs. up to 35 lbs. and not to exceed 22 weeks of age.

DIVISION 9300- POULTRY MEAT PEN **For the 2026 Fair this rule will not apply.*

Each pen will consist of 3 meat birds. Birds must be 8-10 weeks old. Each bird must be at least 3 ½ lbs. but weigh no than 5 1/2lbs. Primary Youth age 5-8 are not eligible to enter. Limit of one entry.

DIVISION 9400- POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

CLASS:

1. PRIMARY
2. Junior – 9-11 years of age by January 2026
3. Intermediate – 12-14 years of age by January 2026
4. Senior – 15-18 years of age by January 2026

HOG DEPARTMENT

Livestock Entries Due: January 9, 2026 ONLINE

Weigh-In: March 11, 2026

Rules:

- No award will be given on any animal that does not meet minimum weight for market hog.
- The minimum weight for market swine is 220 lbs. Maximum pay weight 280 lbs.
- All hogs must be individually owned by the exhibitor by January 9, 2026 and have been TAGGED by that date.
- Market swine are barrows and gilts only.

DANISH SYSTEM OF JUDGING

MARKET HOG SCORECARD

Market Acceptable: U.S. No. 1 and No. 2 hogs of average or greater conformation that are acceptable in leanness, muscularity and production traits.

Not Market Acceptable: Any hog of below average confirmation including U.S. number 3, U.S. number 4 and utility grade hogs.

DIVISION 5000- MARKET HOG

CLASS

1. Market Swine (220 lbs. & up)

DIVISION 5100- HOG SHOWMANSHIP

CLASS

1. Junior – 9-11 years of age by January 2026
2. Intermediate – 12-14 years of age by January 2026
3. Senior – 15-18 years of age by January 2026

LAMB DEPARTMENT

Livestock Entries Due: January 9, 2026 ONLINE

Weigh-In: March 11, 2026

Rules:

- Market lambs are wethers and ewes only.
- Market lambs may not carry more than one inch of stretched fleece at any point on their bodies.
- Must have lamb teeth.
- No muzzles allowed expect under the advice of the CRF/CRJLB veterinarian.
- No award will be made on any animal that does not meet the weight requirements of the class.
- The minimum weight for market lambs is 110 lbs. Maximum pay weight 150 lbs.
- All lambs must be individually owned by the exhibitor by January 9, 2026 and have been TAGGED by that date.

DANISH SYSTEM OF JUDGING

MARKET LAMB SCORECARD

Market Ready: USDA Prime or Choice quality with 12th rib back fat range .16 - .35, average or greater confirmation and cutability.

Not Market Ready: Good or lower quality grade with 12th rib back fat range <.16 or > .35; under finished lambs grading USDA good or lower, below average confirmation or cutability.

DIVISION 6000 – MARKET LAMBS

Class

1. Market Lambs

DIVISION 6100- LAMB SHOWMANSHIP

Class

1. Junior – 9-11 years of age by January 2026
2. Intermediate – 12-14 years of age by January 2026
3. Senior – 15-18 years of age by January 2026

GOAT DEPARTMENT

Livestock Entries Due: January 9, 2026 ONLINE

Weigh-In: March 11, 2026

Rules:

- Market goats are wethers and does only, no bucks allowed.
- Market Goats must show kid teeth.
- No muzzles allowed expect under the advice of the CRF/CRJLB veterinarian.
- Animal must be owned by exhibitor by January 9, 2026 and must have been TAGGED by that date.
- Minimum weight: 60 lbs., maximum pay weight 110 lbs.
- **Market goats must be dehorned for safety of exhibitor with no more than 1" (one inch) re-growth.**

DANISH SYSTEM OF JUDGING

MARKET GOAT SCORECARD

Market Ready: USDA Prime or Choice quality with 12th rib back fat range .08-12 most desirable, .13-.22 back fat acceptable, average or greater conformation and cutability.

Not Market Ready: Good or lower quality grade with 12th rib back fat range <.08 or >.22; under finished goats grading USDA good or lower, below average confirmation or cutability.

DIVISION 7000 – MARKET GOAT

Class

1. Market Goat

DIVISION 7100- GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

Class

1. Junior – 9-11 years of age by January 2026
2. Intermediate – 12-14 years of age by January 2026
3. Senior – 15-18 years of age by January 2026

BEEF DEPARTMENT

Livestock Entries Due: January 9, 2026 ONLINE

Weigh-In: March 10, 2026 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Rules:

- Only animals judged safe to show will come to the CRF/CRJLB Livestock Show.
- Beef will not be weighed in without presentation of Brand Inspection papers. Tack must be unloaded in designated area. Weigh-in line will not be held up for tack unloading.
- All market beef must be individually owned by the exhibitor by November 10, 2025.
- Minimum weight 1000 lbs. No upper limit. Maximum pay weight 1350 lbs.

DANISH SYSTEM OF JUDGING

MARKET BEEF SCORECARD

Market Ready: Market steers projected to have sufficient fat deposition to meet the marbling specifications for USDA Prime, Choice, or Select+ quality grades.

Not Market Ready: Market steers lacking evidence of sufficient fat deposition to produce a desirable consumer product. Steers projected to grade USDA Select- or lower.

DIVISION 4000 – MARKET STEER

CLASS

1. MARKET STEER (1000 LBS. & UP)

DIVISION 4100- BEEF SHOWMANSHIP

CLASS

1. Junior – 9-11 years of age by January 2026
2. Intermediate – 12-14 years of age by January 2026
3. Senior – 15-18 years of age by January 2026

FEEDER CALF DEPARTMENT

Livestock Entries Due: January 9, 2026 ONLINE

Weigh-In: March 10, 2026

Rules:

- Must have approved yellow slip or brand inspection paper. Must have breed paperwork from a certified dairy. Breed paperwork must show that the animal is a F1 Holstein calf.
- F1 is defined as a first generation of selectively crossbreeding two breeds of cattle.
- Animals must meet breed characteristics.
 - Calves must be Holstein type and show their respective breed characteristics in some respect.
- Open to heifer and steer
- Animals must be dehorned
- Animals must not be over 175 days of age at the time of weigh-in as verified by Bill of Sale.
- Calves are required to be milk fed; however, they must be weaned 30 days prior to the Livestock Show.
- Minimum weight 250lbs **Maximum** weight 500 lbs.
- Animal must be owned by exhibitor by January 9, 2026 and must have been TAGGED by that date.

DANISH SYSTEM OF JUDGING

MARKET SCORECARD

Group 1: Animals are smooth, deep, thick and compact; and the udder or scrotum shows a marked fullness. They must have youthful appearance and be in good condition.

Group 2: Animals must possess a moderately high degree of the higher quality grade characteristics. They will carry less finish, show more bone, and have less uniformity.

Group 3: Animals lack finish, are rather leggy and hippy, are rough in the shoulder, and are light in the round.

DIVISION 8000- MARKET FEEDER CALVES

Class

1. Market Feeder Calf

DIVISION 8100- MARKET FEEDER CALF SHOWMANSHIP

Class

1. Junior – 9-11 years of age by January 2026
2. Intermediate – 12-14 years of age by January 2026
3. Senior – 15-18 years of age by January 2026