



2026 Austin County Fair
Lil' Wrangler Rodeo Rules

Saturday, October 10th, 2026

Event- 2:00 pm

In the Big Red Livestock Barn

Ages: 3-4 yrs., 5-6 yrs., 7-8 yrs.



Overall Champion in Each Age Group:

- The participant with the lowest combined score will be awarded the Little Wranglers Champion buckle.

Event Prizes:

- 1st Place: Buckle.
- 2nd Place: Plaque.
- 3rd Place: Rope.

Age Brackets:

- Determined by the participant's age on the day of the rodeo.

Important Note: The judge's decision is final.

Enjoy and have a yee-haw good time!

Stick Horse Racing (Ages 3-4):

1. On your mark, get set, go! This is a timed event.
2. Contestants will start at the starting line, race around one barrel, and return to the finish line.
3. In case of a tie, a tiebreaker will be conducted.
4. The fastest time wins.

Hay Hauling (Ages 3-4):

1. On your mark, get set, go! This is a timed event.
2. The fastest time wins.
3. In case of a tie, a tiebreaker will be held.
4. Contestants will start at the designated start and finish line.
5. Contestants must pull the wagon from the start line to the stack of hay, load 3 bales of hay, and then pull the hay back to the finish line.
6. The timer stops when the last bale touches the ground.

Goat Mopping (Ages 3-4 and 5-6):

1. This is a race against the clock!
2. Contestants will participate on foot.
3. Each contestant will run to the goat and hit it with a flour-covered mop.
4. The timer stops once the goat is hit.
5. The fastest time wins.

Stick Horse Pole Bending (Ages 5-6):

1. On your mark, get set, go! The clock is ticking!
2. Giddy up! Contestants will start at the starting line, dash to the last pole, circle around it, then zigzag their way back through the poles, circle the last pole again, and race back to the finish line.
3. The fastest time wins, so hustle!
4. Oops! If a pole gets knocked over, 5 seconds will be added to the contestant's time.

Get Dressed for Work (Ages 5-6):

1. Hurry the cows are out!
2. Contestants will start at the starting line, run to the pile of clothes.
3. Contestants must put on a shirt, pants, shoes, and a hat on.
4. Contestants will put this on over the clothes they wear.
5. We will provide everything but the shoes.
6. Contestants will use the shoes they show up in.
7. Once they are dressed, they will run to the finish line.
8. This is a timed event.

Goat Ribbon Pulling (Ages 7-8):

1. On your mark, get set, go! This is a timed event.
2. This event will be done on foot.
3. Contestants will sprint from the starting line, grab a ribbon from the goat, and dash back to the starting line.
4. Fastest time wins.

Dummy Roping (Ages 7-8):

1. Contestants will have three chances to rope the dummy.
2. Only head catches will count.
3. Contestants must stand behind the barrier line for the loop to count.
4. Catch = 0 second added.
5. Miss = 1 second added.
6. Each loop can either help or hurt your score.
7. The lowest score wins the event.
8. In case of a tie, contestants will have two tries to rope the dummy, with the most catches winning.

Egg Gathering (Ages 7-8):

1. Contestants will start behind the line with spoon in their hand.
2. They will run to the egg, put it on the spoon and run through the finish line
3. If the egg falls the contestant must pick it up and put it back on the spoon.
4. If the egg breaks the contestants' time will be 5 seconds slower than the slowest time in their group.
5. This is a timed event.