

## **Agricultural Mechanics Project Show**

**ENTRY DEADLINE:** Friday, August 28, 2026 - 5:00 p.m.  
**MOVE IN:** Monday, October 5, 2026 – 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  
**JUDGING:** Monday, October 5, 2026 – 11:30 a.m.  
**AWARDS:** Will be presented after judging is complete  
**CHECK OUT:** After Awards on Monday, October 5 or 9:00 a.m.  
on Sunday, October 11, 2026. The Austin County  
Fair will try to provide outside space for projects  
left during the Fair.

### **RULES:**

1. All Agricultural Mechanics Projects are subject to the Austin County Fair Association General Rules and Regulations.
2. An entry fee of \$30.00 will be charged per project entered. The entry deadline is Friday, August 28, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. Please mail your entries to the:  
Austin County Fair  
Attn: Ag Mechanics Entry  
P.O. Box 141  
Bellville, TX 77418
3. Entries are limited to FFA, 4H, and SkillsUSA members residing in and/or attending school in Austin County.
4. Projects exhibited must have been constructed, fabricated, or reconditioned by the exhibitor.
5. A project can be exhibited only one time at the Austin County Fair and must have been constructed, fabricated, or reconditioned within one year of the exhibition date.
6. All projects must be clean, painted or treated and in a presentable condition even though they may have been used.
7. A working plan, blueprint or drawing, photographs showing construction and a bill of materials are required to be submitted with each project entered. An award will be given to the best project book. Description of service performed and before and after photos required for reconditioned projects.
8. Projects may have been individually, or group constructed.
9. Any project that does not fit into one of the stated divisions will be disqualified by the Committee.
10. All projects are to be identified with standard club exhibitor cards provided by the Fair.

11. Projects may be exhibited outdoors.
12. The exhibitor/exhibitors must be present during the judging to meet and discuss their project with the judges. An award will be given for best showmanship.
13. Every precaution will be taken to protect the project entered; however, neither the Austin County Fair Association nor officials of this committee will be responsible for any losses or damage to projects.
14. Projects will be judged on the following:
  - A. Workmanship 30 points
  - B. Design & Materials Used 20 points
  - C. Practicality 15 points
  - D. Degree of Difficulty 15 points
  - E. Finish 10 points
  - F. Plans, Photos, Bill of Materials 10 points
15. Exhibitor agrees to abide by all Rules and Regulations of the Austin County Fair, including but not limited to the Release of Liability & Indemnity and Drug Certification Agreement, which spells out “Zero Tolerance” policy as well as the penalties associated with violation of these rules. All these rules are found in the 2026 Livestock Rule Book (page 15) which can be obtained at the Fair office, the Extension office, or from an FFA teacher or online at [www.austincountyfair.com](http://www.austincountyfair.com).
16. The 2026 Austin County Fair Ag Mechanics show will be divided into two shows: Selling and Non-Selling. The exhibitor will make the determination as to which show they would like to enter when completing the entry form.
17. Each show will have a Grand Champion and a Reserve Champion.
18. The Division Champions (7) in the selling show will sell in the Youth Supreme and Country Auction sale on Saturday, October 10, 2026. The Reserve Champion in the Selling Show is eligible for the Youth Supreme and Country Auction if the project is not a Division Champion. Exhibitors will be present during the auction while their project is being sold.
19. Exhibitors in the Ag Mech Selling Show can only sell one (1) project in the Youth Supreme and Country Auction. This does not affect the Youth Auction Livestock Sale.
20. General rules for the Youth Supreme and Country Auction can be found in the Home Economics Rule Book.

21. A project completed by multiple exhibitors and selling in the Youth Supreme and Country Auction will have their auction monies divided equally among the exhibitors. This does not affect Add-On monies which are given individually.
22. Chapter projects are not eligible for the Selling Show.

## **DIVISIONS:**

### **1. Agricultural Machinery and Equipment:**

Hay Equipment; Spraying Equipment; Mounted and Pull-Type Tractor Equipment; Hydraulic Equipment; Shop Equipment; Truck, Tractor and Agricultural Equipment or Accessories.

### **2. Livestock Equipment:**

Livestock Gates and Panels; Squeeze Chutes and Restraining Equipment; Trim Chutes, Blocking Stands, Livestock Crates; Head Gates; Feeders; Other Livestock Equipment

### **3. Trailer:**

Small Utility; Small Stock; Utility and Implement Trailers; Stock Trailers; Multi-Bale Trailers

### **4. Cooking Equipment:**

BBQ Pits, Smokers, Fire Pits, Fish Fryers, Disk Cookers, and Other Cooking Devices

### **5. Wildlife Equipment:**

Wildlife Feeders, Deer Stands, Hog Traps, and Other Wildlife Equipment

### **6. Furniture:**

Picnic Tables, Swings, Benches, and Other Wood Furniture

### **7. Home Convenience/Recreation:**

Wood Racks; Projects for Horticultural Use; Entry Gates

### **8. Reconditioned/Refurbished: (Only Non-Selling Division)**

Tractors; Small Engines/Lawn Mower; Agriculture Equipment; Trailers