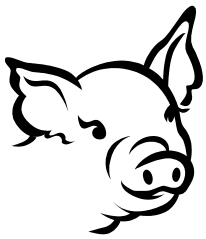
2027 PUTNAM COUNTY AGRICULTURAL FAIR
MARKET SWINE SHOW



LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE:	Scott Brauman, Chairman
SWINE DIRECTORS:	TK Shrouder, Director 386-937-3885 & Avery Brooks, Co-Director 386-336-1534
ENTRY DEADLINE:	**Friday**, **January 8, 2027, by 5:00 p.m.**
ENTRY FEE:	$35.00 Entry Fee (Nonrefundable)
FAIR ARRIVAL & WEIGH-IN:	Monday, **March 22, 2027**, **1:00pm – 6:00 p.m.** Use main entrance off Fairgrounds Road.
RECORD BOOKS:	Due Monday, **March 22, 2027** (weigh-in day), 7pm
INFORMATIONAL MEETING:	**Monday, March 22, 2027** (weigh-in day) @ 7:00 pm in Arena *see rule 31 for important info
SWINE SHOW:	Tuesday, **March 23, 2027** @ 6:00 p.m.
SWINE SALE:	Friday, **March 26, 2027** @ 7:00 p.m.

SWINE RULES & REGULATIONS

All SWINE MUST be treated for LICE 10 days prior to Fair Arrival & Weigh-In on March 22, 2027

1. All market swine will be consigned to slaughter immediately following the sale.

2. Animals must be owned and located in Putnam County, ear tagged and entered on an official entry form by 5:00 p.m., **Friday, January 8, 2027**, with a $35.00 entry fee, notarized hold harmless form, notarized drug statement and if applicable, a notarized Home Grown form. These completed forms must be submitting annually and in the Putnam County Fair Office no later than the above date and time. Per the USDA, ALL swine registering must be tagged with an **ELECTRONIC premises ID** tag from the breeder (including Homegrown). **3 Photos must be submitted.** The full premises ID number & **a legible photo of the tag, front view and side view of each swine registered or it will not be accepted.** *View acceptable examples on our website @ https://www.putnamfairandexpo.com/p/other/swine--heifer-entry-photos IF Tag is unreadable, you will be responsible for paying vet on-site for a new tag

3. **Eligibility:** Open to all qualified Putnam & St. Johns County** 4-H and FFA members (age 8, as of **September 1, 2026** through high school senior). They must show as 4-H or FFA members, but not in both divisions. If showing 4-H you must be a registered 4-H member by **October 31, 2026**. Additionally, each 4-H club or FFA chapter may enter group owned animals. All entry forms must be signed and approved by either Vo-Ag teacher or 4-H Agent. **Age Divisions:** Junior = 8-10, Intermediate = 11-13, and Senior = 14 – high school senior as of **Sep. 1, 2026.**
****St. Johns County participants are limited to the 1st 10 entrants on a 1st come 1st served basis.**

4. All exhibitors are expected to conduct themselves at all times in a manner that will contribute to the best interest of the Putnam County Livestock Shows & Sale. This includes your conduct at school, not just 4-H and FFA functions. The Fair authority reserves the right to disqualify any exhibitor who has 3 or more referrals in the current school year or any exhibitor who has been arrested.

5. **Record books** (see rule 33) are required and must be turned in on time on weigh-in day. Record books MUST BE in the student's own handwriting – NO TYPING. *All portions of the record book designated to be turned in for credit MUST be done, excluding final weights in the weight record and the project summary.* Record books not meeting the minimum requirements described in the record book will be eliminated from the record book contest and shall be considered incomplete. ALL prize money will be forfeited and the exhibitor will be ineligible to participate in the youth livestock show or sale in the Fair the following year. Exhibitors who do not complete a Record Book will be ineligible to receive the Best Overall Award.

6. Exhibitors showing multiple species (Swine, Steer & Heifer) are only required to complete ONE record book. Exhibitors can choose which species for which they will complete a record book. *** Keep in mind that choosing NOT to complete a record book will hurt your chances of winning the overall award.**

7. Each exhibitor will be allowed to register two pigs at the beginning of the project, but the exhibitor may only exhibit one pig at the fair. Exhibitors living in same household may co-register a 2nd hog.

8. The livestock committee or show directors reserve the right to refuse the entry of any swine which appears to show signs of deformities, defects, disease, sickness, infested with mites, lice or fleas, or which is not of credible show quality.

9. Animals must weigh between 240 lbs. and 290 lbs. at the official weigh-in at the Putnam County Fairgrounds on Monday, **March 22, 2027**, **between 1:00pm and 6:00 p.m.**

10. Animals must grade a minimum of US No. 2 quality grade.

11. All animals not meeting the weight or quality grade requirements must be removed from the fairgrounds before 6:00 pm. on weigh-in day. Participants whose animals are disqualified based on weight and grade may turn in a completed record book to be eligible for record book awards. Swine can only be weighed once.

12. Animals may not be allowed to be exhibited in competition if they cannot be properly handled or directed into the show or sale ring by the exhibitor.

13. Exhibitors will be required to ONLY wear appropriate, neat 4-H or FFA attire when showing or selling animals. Exhibitors must be present for both the show and sale. The following dress code and criteria will be used as a portion of the judging for showmanship. Exhibitors that do not wear required attire are NOT eligible for the Showmanship Award.

4-H	**FFA**
a. Black pants/jeans(NO HOLES/RIPS)	a. Black pants/jeans(NO HOLES/RIPS)
b. White dress shirt or blouse with collar	b. White dress shirt or blouse with collar
c. Tie or 4-H patch	c. Tie (FFA colors)
d. 4-H jacket optional	d. FFA jacket
e. Closed toe boot	e. Closed toe boot

Pants must be worn on the outside of your boots. No hats, gum or tobacco products.

14. All animals will be divided into classes prior to the show. The top five placings will be determined in each class. A Division Champion and Reserve Division Champion will be selected from three (3) weight categories. A Grand and Reserve Champion will then be selected from the overall show.

LIGHT WEIGHT DIVISION	240 lbs-256 lbs.
MEDIUM WEIGHT DIVISION	257 lbs-273 lbs.
HEAVY WEIGHT DIVISION	274 lbs-290 lbs.

15. All animals must be washed and clean prior to arrival at the fairgrounds. Oil and powder are prohibited on hogs. If used, you will be disqualified from the showmanship contest. NO CLIPPING OF HOG AT THE FAIRGROUNDS. NO FITTERS OR BREEDERS ALLOWED IN STAGING AREA.

16. **CLIPPING**: Swine must NOT be clipped to less than ¾". A fine of $100 will be charged if swine is found to be less than the requirement.

17. Exhibitors must provide **feed pan** at the time they bring their animal to weigh-in. **Clip on feeders are not permitted**. The fair will provide feed, and feed swine each day before 7 a.m. Swine will be fed again at 4:30 p.m. each day. Exhibitors must sign up to help feed at least one day and **be present at least 15 minutes early**. If exhibitor wants to feed his/her swine, this must be done at same time as everyone else. Feeding will not start until barn management is on site.

18. All exhibitors are responsible for the cleaning (wet shaving and manure) and keeping their pen **clean from 4:30-6pm Daily** (except Tuesday-pens must be cleaned by **5:30pm!**), after feeding. Exhibitor must locate Mrs. TK each day AFTER cleaning their pen to have it checked off. She WILL be in the swine area between 4:30-6pm. Manure and wet shavings are to be placed in designated areas only. No rakes pitch forks, wheel barrows, etc. are to be left in walkways. All walkways are the responsibility of every exhibitor and we must work together to keep our area clean, safe and attractive to the public. KEEPING YOUR PEN CLEAN IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY. Pens will be checked daily (including the last Saturday for final cleaning). Pens cleaned prior to time selected will not be eligible for Herdsman Award. A re-tag system will be used as follows: upon checking stalls, if barn supervisor determines housekeeping is below standards a red tag will be issued. Upon receipt of the third red tag, a $25.00 fine will be assessed and deducted from exhibitors sale check. Exhibitors, or those caring for the animal, MUST sign in each morning signifying the animal has been cared for by 4:30-6pm daily, except Tuesday, day of show-must be cleaned by 5:30pm.

19. The **Sale Order** will be: Grand Champion, Reserve Champion, Division Champions, Res. Division Champion, Homegrown, 1st place in each class, 2nd place in each class, 3rd place in each class, 4th place in each class, 5th Place in each class. All others are randomly determined. The Putnam County Fair Authority reserves the right to limit the number of animals exhibited and/or auctioned.

20. The top placing homegrown animal in each class and/or division will be brought back into the ring to determine the Homegrown Champion. If there is only one homegrown animal to place in the show that animal will be the Homegrown Champion. This will take place before the Showmanship classes.

21. There will be no weight shrink on animals for sale purposes.

22. Seven percent (7%) of each exhibitor's sale price, including add-ons, will be deducted by the Putnam County Fair Authority for livestock show and sale expenses.

23. **"Add-on" money** will be accepted by the Putnam County Fair Authority. All add-ons MUST be received by close of sale, Friday.

24. The Putnam County Fair Authority assumes no liability for animals, exhibitors or property.

25. Use the official Putnam County Fair Record book. Do not deface, change the page sequence, remove any pages, or cut and paste sections of the book. Additional pages to expand on sections are NOT acceptable.

26. The exhibitor of any animal determined to have used unethical treatment or administered illegal drugs to achieve better appearance or performance in the show, forfeits rights to the sale price and prize money associated with the animal. The exhibitor also exonerates the Putnam County Fair Authority from any liability associated with unethical or unlawful practices. Participation in future livestock events may be denied.

27. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to send thank you letter(s) to their buyer(s).

28. There will be a $10.00 replacement cost for record books payable to the Putnam County Fair.

29. **Exhibitors are required to attend any ONE of the THREE mandatory meetings** to be eligible to show at the Fair. Exhibitor failing to attend any ONE of the THREE mandatory meetings will be ineligible to show at the Fair. *See FIRST page in your RECORD BOOK for meeting dates.

30. Exhibitors are required to participate in the **Beef & Swine Field Day**. Failure to attend will result in a $100 fine and will be deducted from exhibitor's sale check. Not participating in Field Day will eliminate your ability to win the Overall Project. * See the FIRST page in your record book for date and details.

31. Any and all rules, regulations and/or requirements are subject to change due to any federal, state and local government mandate. If such changes occur, a notification (or notifications) will be issued to agents, instructors, advisors and registered participants via the official registered contact information on file.

32. **Swine Exhibitor Weigh-in Day Informational Meeting** – Monday (of weigh-in), 7 pm in the Tilton arena. Record books are to be turned in and passes will be given out upon completion of meeting. Exhibitor will be required to attend this short rule meeting. A $70.00 fine will be deducted from sale check for any exhibitor that doesn't attend.

33. **Club/Chapter and Personal* Animal** – Exhibitor and Backup Exhibitor MUST be assigned to show this animal by REGISTRATION. Both exhibitors' information (name/age) must be listed on the Registration Form. **Both the exhibitor and back up MUST attend Mandatory Meeting**.

34. <u>If you are showing a Chapter animal and a Personal animal, a Record Book must be kept for each animal.</u>

35. **Clean out and Pen Breakdown** – Swine exhibitors are required to pick up your feed pan and mats, as well as assist in removing/stacking waterers and breaking pens down on last **Saturday of the Fair, 11am – 12pm.** A $25 fine will be issued to all exhibitors that do not assist with pen clean out and breakdown.

36. Exhibitor must wear the Fair issued armband with the assigned number to the animal being exhibited. **No harnesses may be worn**. Any exhibitor wearing a harness will be disqualified.

37. NO outside items may be used during the SHOW! ie: any persons outside the arena may not hand any showman any items.

38. Exhibitor may only show their own registered animal.

39. No portable fans/AC units permitted in the barns or camping areas.

SWINE PREMIUM AWARDS

RECORD BOOK AWARDS- Completed record books are required for premium money to be paid. To be awarded in each age division: Junior = 8-10, Intermediate = 11-13, Senior = 14 and over

1st place $20.00 and award
2nd place $15.00 and rosette
3rd place $10.00 and rosette

FIELD DAY AWARDS - To be awarded to the top scores in Swine category in each age division: Junior = 8-10, Intermediate = 11-13, Senior = 14 and over

1st place $30.00
2nd place $25.00
3rd place $20.00

INDIVIDUAL ANIMAL - CLASS AWARDS

1st Place - $15.00 & award
2nd Place- $12.50 and rosette
3rd Place - $10.00 and rosette
4th Place - $8.00 and rosette
5th Place - $5.00 and rosette

HERDSMAN AWARD – The Herdsman awards are given to exhibitors with the purpose of encouraging exhibitors to present more attractive displays. Livestock committee reserves the right to withhold any or all Herdsman Awards if they are not merited. All livestock exhibitors are eligible to compete for these awards.

- To be awarded in each age division: Junior 8-10, Intermediate 11-13, and Senior 14 and over
- Exhibits will be judged daily by the Livestock committee on the following basis:
  1. Orderliness and cleanliness of service areas, stalls, pens, animals, and public walkways
  2. Promptness in preparation of exhibit and exhibit areas by opening time and maintained until 9 pm daily.
  3. Appearance of exhibitor.
  4. Cooperation with show officials.
  5. Availability to furnish information about their exhibits.
  6. General conduct of the exhibitor.

1st Place - $30.00 and award
2nd Place - $25.00 and rosette
3rd Place - $20.00 and rosette

SHOWMANSHIP AWARDS – Swine must be properly managed in the show ring. Both exhibitor and swine will be judged. To be awarded in each age division: Junior 8-10, Intermediate 11-13, and Senior 14 and over

1st Place - $15.00 & Belt Buckle
2nd Place - $13.00 and rosette
3rd Place - $10.00 and rosette

DIVISION CHAMPION – for each division: Light, Medium & Heavy Weight - $18.00 & Award

RESERVE DIVISION CHAMPION – for each division: Light, Medium & Heavy Weight - $15 & Award

GRAND CHAMPION Award, Rosette, and $25.00

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION Award, Rosette, and $20.00

HOMEGROWN AWARD – Award & $15.00
Swine registration must be turned in complete and on time with Homegrown Verification Form. Homegrown means the animal was born and raised in Putnam County, Florida.

BEST PROJECT AWARD -
The participant who receives the largest sum of premium money will receive a belt buckle from the Putnam County Fair Authority, Inc. In case of a tie, the tied participant with the best Record Book will be the winner. Exhibitors who received fines, did not participate in field day and did not submit an essay will not be eligible for the Best Project Award.