

JUNIOR COMMERCIAL STEER FEEDING & MANAGEMENT SHOW

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Junior Commercial Steer Feeding & Management Show is designed to encourage 4-H & FFA members to participate in a practical beef production program. Emphasis on feeding economy is not only recommended but is a prerequisite for entry in this show.

Commercial Steer exhibitors will attend the April 8, 2023 and August 6, 2023 – Washington Co. Fairgrounds (Brenham, TX) as their mandatory meetings.

Saturday, September 16, 2023 - 8:00am: Final weigh-in, Cattleman's Brenham Livestock Auction.

Wednesday, September 20, 2023: Grading TBD, Interviews TBD, Meat Identification Test TBD, Test TBD. Times are subject to change.

Grand and Reserve Champion Commercial Steer Pens will be given.

This program is part of the Junior Livestock Division, however 4-H and FFA members can show and sell in this program as well as in the Junior Livestock Sale. Example: you can sell a pen of steers in addition to a barrow, carcass hog, colt, fryers, rabbits, steer, turkey, or goat.

The Glenwood Wendler Commercial Steer Award: *Jason Wendler*

This award has an amount for the top places in the Commercial Steer Contest with a lesser amount being awarded to the other exhibitors equally.

Glenwood Wendler Commercial Steer Awards

The award for 2023 will be \$1,025. The award will be paid as shown below:

Champion Pen	\$250
Reserve Pen	\$200
3 RD	\$150
4 TH	\$125
5 TH	\$100
6 TH	\$100
7 TH	\$100
TOTAL	\$1,025

2023 TENTATIVE MEETING DATES

Sunday, February 26	Exhibitor Orientation – 6 p.m., VIP Building
Saturday, April 8	Weigh-In at Cattleman’s Brenham Livestock Auction – 8:00 a.m; <i>Mandatory Meeting to follow</i>
Sunday, August 6	<i>Mandatory Meeting</i> (Record Book, Test, Meat ID, and Point Money Assignment) – 6 p.m., VIP Building
Saturday, September 16	Weigh-In - 8:00 a.m., Cattleman’s Brenham Livestock Auction
Tuesday, September 19	Records Books Due at time of drop off Steers to Fairgrounds – 8 a.m.-9 a.m.
Wednesday, September 20	Steer Judging-Interview-Meat ID Testing-Test (Times TBD)
Thursday, September 21	Awards Breakfast – 8 a.m., Sales Facility
Saturday, September 23	Commercial Steer Sale – 1 p.m., Sales Facility

1. **Online Registration/Entry deadline is March 15, 2023. Please refer to the JLA rules for all dates, policies and procedures that pertain to online entries and fees.**
2. Commercial Steer entries will be subject to the General Rules and Regulations and the Jr. Livestock Division Rules except where they conflict with the rules of the show, in which case, Show Rules will prevail.
3. Commercial steers Initial Weigh-In will be on April 8, 2023. Steers will be weighed, ear tagged, and tattooed. If the ear tag is lost during the feeding period, the exhibitor must notify the Chairman within seven (7) days of loss.
4. Steers of any beef breed are eligible to be entered in this show. Exhibitor must have owned their steers prior to April 8, 2023. Steers must be fed and cared for by the exhibitor from the date of acquisition to the closing day of the Fair.
5. Entry of one (1) pen per exhibitor will be accepted. It will be a pen of two (2) steers and they are to be fed in a separate feed pen from other livestock when placed on full feed. Replacement steers will not be accepted.
6. Exhibitor and parent/guardian will be required to sign record book kept on the pen of steers.
7. Steers MUST weigh 850 lbs. or less at initial weigh-in and weigh more than 1050 lbs. with a maximum 1450 lbs. at final weigh-in. Any steer weighing under 1050 lbs. or over 1450 lbs. will be re-weighed immediately. Steers weighing under 1050 lbs. or over 1450 lbs. will NOT be eligible to arrive at the fairgrounds for the contest. If the exhibitor should have one (1) steer make weight and one (1) steer that does not, the record book must still be calculated for two (2) steers. If both steers are less than 1050 lbs. or over 1450 lbs., then the exhibitor and steers are ineligible to participate in the Commercial Steer contest.
 - A. If the steer should die or become ineligible during the feeding period, the exhibitor may show and sell the remaining steer. If an exhibitor should have a steer die during the feeding program, the record book would be completed as follows: All costs incurred by the exhibitor from the initial weigh-in date until the date the steer died would be divided by two (2) and the remaining days would only show cost for the remaining steer.

- B. Alternate steer may be brought to initial weigh-in but must be present on grounds in the event a steer is heavier than 850 lbs. and will be immediately tagged and weighed on April 8, 2023.
8. Steers will be weighed at the final weigh-in and will be sold at the same weight.
 9. Steers need not be halter broken; however, no wild or unruly animals will be accepted at the Washington County Fair. Rule will be enforced.
 10. Steers must be dehorned (NOT tipped), otherwise they will not be accepted in the show.
 11. Each exhibitor must certify that these steers were legally withdrawn from all chemicals and drugs in accordance with the United States Food and Drug Administration regulations and comply with all state and federal regulations pertaining to livestock.
 12. All steers will be ear tagged on April 8, 2023. The exhibitor or a representative of the exhibitor must be present at the initial and final weigh-in, on September 16, 2023.
 13. All exhibitors must collect a minimum of \$500 in point money to receive ANY of the point money distribution. All point money must be turned in by the sale date with the ENTIRE sponsor sheets filled out completely. Point money should be turned in to the Fair office. Exhibitors must complete all phases of the contest in order to sell their steers and receive premium monies including point money collected.
 14. A committee of judges will grade the Junior Commercial Steers based on U.S.D.A. Standard Quality and yield grades for slaughter steers.
 15. Steers receiving ribbons will be sold in overall high point order at auction. Steers entered will be sold at auction. A 5% sales fee will be deducted from sale price. A market price will be determined by current value market of that week. Exhibitors will receive the market value of the steer, all monies above the market value will go into the point money. However, if the steer does not make market value, the commission will be taken out of the sale price. Exhibitor will be paid sale price.
 16. The official scoring system used in this division based on one hundred (100) points will be scored as follows:
 - Quiz - 25 pts
 - Oral Interview - 25pts

- Steer Grade - 10pts
- Cost/Pound of Gain - 5pts
- Feed Conversion - 5pts
- Average Daily Gain - 5pts
- Record Book - 15pts
- Meat Identification Test – 10pts

17. Record books are to be turned in when the steers are unloaded at the fairgrounds on Tuesday, September 19, 2023.

After the grading of the record books and if there is a question about the grading/judging, it is to be directed to committee representative by EXHIBITOR ONLY.

18. Ribbons will be awarded to all steer grading as follows:

Points Per Steer:

GRADE	PRIME	CHOICE	SELECT
Yield Grade – 1 to 2	Blue 5	Blue 5	Red 3
Yield Grade – 3	Blue 5	Red 4	White 2
Yield Grade – 4 to 5	None 4	None 1	None 1

19. NO fans are allowed in Barn 2.