

JUNIOR COLT SHOW

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1. Online Registration/Entry Deadline is March 15, 2026. Please refer to the JLA rules for all dates, policies and procedures that pertain to online entries and fees.
2. All colt entries are 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 the Show rules prevail. Any exhibitor not complying with Washington County Fair Colt rules will be removed from the Washington County Fair Colt Program immediately.
3. Performance yearlings will be of cow/working/performance bloodlines. Colts must be American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA), American Paint Horse Association (APHA) or Appaloosa Horse Club (ApHC) registered and foaled in 2025. There must be NO halter bloodlines on the papers. The performance halter class will be judged as such:
 - a. The performance working horse breed will be judged on the horse's balance, structural correctness and willingness to perform for the exhibitor, quality of movement as related to the ability to perform under saddle in a performance event, and other performance characteristics.
4. Colts must have two (2) rounds of West Nile, Strangles and VEWT vaccinations and one (1) round of rabies on or before the April 29, 2026 workout.
 - a. All colts entered must have a test result of NN for HYPP, prior to being checked in at the first workout.
 - b. Colts must have current Coggins and health papers presented to the committee prior to the Colt Show.
 - c. All exhibitors must keep all medical and worming records on colts.
 - d. All colts/fillies must have a negative HERDA test result prior to being checked in at the first workout (March 18, 2026). Fillies with test results of N/HRD (carrier) or HRD/HRD (positive) are not eligible to be shown. Geldings with test results of N/HRD (carrier) are eligible to be shown. Gelding with test results of HRD/HRD (positive) are not eligible to be shown.
 - e. Myosin-Heavy Chain Myopathy (MYHM): All colts/fillies must have negative MYHM (N/N) or one copy (N/My) test result to be eligible to show. Colts and fillies with test results of two copies (My/My) are not eligible to be shown.

5. All colts must be foaled between January 1, 2025 and December 31, 2025. Exhibitors must possess a breeder's certificate or a photocopy of colt's papers, with transfer form showing the name and registration number of the colt's sire and dam, plus the breeder's name. Completed entry, release forms & dues must be turned in on or before the first workout (Wednesday, March 18, 2026).
6. The exhibitor must independently own the colt throughout the feeding period. The colt must be registered in the exhibitor's name, and the exhibitor must provide a photocopy of the registration papers by July 8, 2026 to be eligible to show.
7. Colts can be halter broke, worked or trained off-site for a maximum of sixty (60) days prior to July 8, 2026. After this date, the Chairman must approve any extenuating circumstances. Colts must be halter broke and under full control of the exhibitor. If the colt is at a facility outside of Washington County, the chairman must be notified.
8. All exhibitors and their colts must attend two (2) of the five (5) workouts. Attendance at orientation is not considered a workout. It is mandatory that the exhibitor attends the July 8, 2026 workout or the August 19, 2026 workout. In the event that the July 8, 2026 workout or the August 19, 2026 workout conflicts with a school or other legitimate function that prevents the exhibitor from being present, arrangements must be made with the chairman in advance. A parent or family member will attend the workout with the colt. Parents and family members are allowed in the arena at workouts. During the show, parents/family members are not allowed in the arena.
9. Meetings and workouts (subject to change) will be held on the following dates at 6:30 p.m.

Date		Location
Thursday, February 19	Exhibitor Orientation	Gathering Place
Wednesday, March 18	Workout and Educational Program (Completed entry, indemnity form, HERDA test results, HYPP results, verification of breeder's certificate due)	Barn 3
Wednesday, April 29	Workout and Educational Program (Shot records due; verification of stud colts gelded from veterinarian)	Barn 3
Wednesday, June 10	Workout and Educational Program	Barn 3
Wednesday, July 8	Workout and Educational Program (Registration papers due)	Barn 3
Wednesday, August 19	Mock Show and Photos	Barn 3

When colts are due at the Fairgrounds, the following documents are required:
 State of Texas Health Certificate (Dated within thirty (30) days of the show
 Original Registration Papers with Signed Transfer
 Current Coggins Test

10. All exhibitors are required to participate in Conformation and Showmanship for combined points toward overall high point Grand and Reserve Champion. Conformation will count for seventy-five (75) percent of the total score and showmanship will count for twenty-five (25) percent of the total score. The overall High Point Exhibitor will be Grand Champion and the second highest point exhibitor will be Reserve Champion. In the event of a tie, the colt placing higher in conformation will be the winner.
11. Fillies and geldings will be shown together in one (1) conformation class.
12. This project is part of the Junior Livestock Division; however, 4-H & FFA members can show and sell in this program as well as in the Junior Livestock Sale. (Example: You can sell commercial heifers in addition to a barrow, carcass hog, fryers, lamb, rabbits, steer, turkey or goat). Exhibitors must abide by the General and Junior Livestock Division Rules.
13. During the Fair, random drug testing may be conducted, with entries to be tested being selected under the direction of the Washington County Fair Association Executive Board on the day of the shows. A parent/guardian must be present for testing. All horses are subject to blood, urine or saliva test and evaluation by a veterinarian and supervised by Committee Chairman or Committee Member. Any horse requiring medical attention during the Fair must notify Committee Chairman before being administered by veterinarian.
 - a. All horses must be shown free of prohibited substances (medication) in accordance with AQHA rule 441-H, and abide by the Washington County Fair Code of Show Ring Ethics or forfeit sales check, all other awards and may not be permitted to exhibit a colt throughout their 4-H and FFA tenure.
 - b. No chains allowed at workouts or Colt Show.
 - c. Roper Halters ONLY will be allowed at workouts and Colt Show.
 - d. All colts must be completely halter broke and under full exhibiting control of the exhibitor in the show ring during the colt show, or they will be excused from the ring and disqualified. Any colt deemed a danger/threat to other exhibitors will be disqualified and removed at the judge's discretion from that class.
14. Colts will be released by the committee. Any colt not picked up at the assigned time will have a \$25.00 fee assessed to the exhibitor. All exhibitors will continue to feed and care for their colts until colt is delivered to the buyer or taken home by exhibitor. Exhibitor is responsible for providing a good halter and lead rope to their buyer. If a halter is not provided the cost of purchasing a halter (\$25.00) will be withheld from the exhibitor's check. The exhibitor must set a time with the buyer for delivery of their purchase.

At least five (5) colts must be entered in the Washington County Fair to keep the program active.