

# JUNIOR STEER SHOW

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- 1. Online Registration/Entry Deadline is May 15, 2026. Please refer to the JLA rules for all dates, policies and procedures that pertain to online entries and fees.**
2. All steer entries will be subject to the General Rules and Regulations and the Junior Livestock Division Rules, except where they conflict with the rules of the show, in which case, the show rules will prevail.
3. Steers will be ear tagged and tattooed on June 6, 2026.
  - A) Exhibitor may tag in three (3) steers, or a family may tag three (3) steers per exhibitor. Exhibitor may enter only one (1) steer in the show.
  - B) In a family tag-in scenario, a steer must be specified to an exhibitor at the time of the official WCFA weigh in and classification.
4. If ear tag is lost during the feeding period, the steer will be validated by tattoo and given a new ear tag. If the tattoo does not match the initial tattoo, the steer will be disqualified.
5. Steers cannot be added or switched after the initial tag-in date.
6. **All exhibitors and steers** must attend and participate in one of the Showmanship Training Clinics at the fairgrounds to be eligible to show at the Fair.

**Saturday, July 25 or Saturday, August 15, 2026**

**Showmanship Clinic: 9:00 a.m.**

**NOTE: Steer entries must be halter broken by the summer clinics and be led into the show ring by the exhibitor at that time to be eligible to compete.**

7. There will be two steer divisions:

- A) American (must show Brahman influence)
  - B) European (purebred or cross bred of all other breed influences)
8. Steer must meet criteria of its breed. Steers will be visually classified by a three-member committee. Classification will be in Barn 3 show arena of the Fairgrounds. A Washington County Fair exhibitor must walk a steer into classification arena. All steers WILL be classified. All classification decisions are FINAL! No exceptions.
9. Show Weights: Weight limits are as follows: minimum of 1,000 lbs. and maximum of 1,500 lbs. All steers will be weighed in at a specified time. Any steers weighing below 1,000 pounds or above 1,500 pounds will be backed off the scale and given an immediate re-weigh. The second weight will be final.
10. Steers will be divided equitably into classes based on weights. There will be three (3) classes in each of the two (2) divisions, unless numbers and/or weights warrant that additional classes are needed.
11. Steers must be clipped to have no more than  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch of hair on any part of the steer's body upon arrival at the fairgrounds. **The only exception will be the tail switch. The tail switch being no more than 12" above the end of the cartilage of the tail.** The switch may be ratted and balled or bobbed off. Steers will be checked at the time of weigh-in for conformity of the  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch or less of hair. If steers are not compliant, cordless clippers will be allowed. Exhibitors have until the end of classification to reclip steers to  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch of hair or less with cordless clippers. Steers found in violation of this rule will be eliminated from the competition and removed from the grounds.
12. The showing of unethically fitted livestock is prohibited. Unethical fitting means any physical or physiological attempt to alter the natural configuration, musculature, or weight of an animal by use of injections or ingested materials not conducive to the continued health of the animal or marketability of its carcass. There will be NO painting or oils allowed on the steers for show day.
13. The following show barn rules must be followed:
- a. Stalls, aisles, feed and tack areas must be kept clean at all times.
  - b. Trim chutes, feed and tack will only be allowed in designated areas.
  - c. Steers must remain in their assigned stalls at all times.
  - d. Electrical cords in the aisles must be buried for safety.
14. Show Order & Classes:
- A. Light Weight American
  - B. Middle Weight American
  - C. Heavy Weight American
    - 1. Champion American
    - 2. Reserve Champion American

- D. Light Weight European
- E. Middle Weight European
- F. Heavy Weight European
  - 1. Champion European
  - 2. Reserve Champion European
- G. Grand Champion Steer
- H. Reserve Champion Steer

15. Steers getting away from an exhibitor more than two (2) times during the judging of the class will be tied to the fence and placed in that class. Steers that get tied to the fence during their class competition and place first or second in their class will get one (1) more chance to be shown during the championship drive. If the steer gets loose again from the exhibitor, it will be tied to the fence for the duration of the show.
16. The committee reserves the right to identify all sale steers post-sale by the method they feel is most appropriate (ie., branding, tag removal, tail switch cutting, etc.).
17. Showmanship divisions will follow JLA rule #24.
18. In order to comply with the state law on Beef Check-Off, \$2.00 will be deducted from the sale price of each steer.
19. Steers will be released on Sunday, September 19, 2026 at 7:30 a.m. Exhibitor or family member must sign-in and sign-out with the steer committee before any steer leaves the grounds. No animal may be loaded or released until signatures are verified. Failure to comply will result in a \$250 fine deducted from the exhibitor's final check. The steer committee's verification serves as the official release authorization.