



GEORGIA YOUNG FARMER

August 14-15, 2026

Georgia National Fairgrounds • Perry, GA



*****GENERAL SHOW RULES, INFORMATION AND DATES*****

ENTRY DEADLINE: All entries will be processed online through www.theshowportal.com by August 3, 2026 for on-time entry, and August 10, 2026 for late entry (double the cost).

GATES OPEN: Gates open on Thursday, August 13, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. and Friday, August 14, 2026 starting at 8:00 a.m. All animals must be in place no later than noon on Friday, August 14. All animals will be assigned pen space. Penning assignments will be penned according to County/School groups. Penning assignments will be sent out on email the week of the show. Shavings WILL NOT be provided!!

CHECK-IN: Friday, August 14, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. to noon inside the arena. Any animal entered as a light cross, must be brought to the designated area in the show ring to be verified as a light cross. A ticket will be given to the exhibitor to present to the registration table to obtain a light cross weight card. Any animals that do not meet requirements of light cross, will be shown as a dark cross. Exhibitors who fail to verify their pigs as light cross will also be entered into the dark cross division.

JUDGE INFORMATION: will serve as our judge for the 2026 GYFA Swine Show.

Schedule of Events

Thursday, August 13

4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Gates open for hog arrivals

Friday, August 14

9 a.m. – Noon	Check-in inside the arena for Purebred Gilts and Purebred Barrows.
9 a.m. – Noon	Weight cards due for Purebred Barrows and Market Hogs
3:00 p.m.	Swine Showmanship (Starting with Youngest to Oldest)

Saturday, August 15

8:00 a.m.	Purebred Gilt Show (Duroc, Hampshire, Yorkshire, Berkshire, AOB) Crossbred Breeding Gilt Show (Light Cross Division, followed by Dark Crosses) Breeding Gilt Final Drive
	Purebred Barrow Show (Duroc, Hampshire, Yorkshire, Berkshire, AOB) Crossbred Barrow Show (Light Cross Division, followed by Dark Crosses) Barrow Final Drive
	Market Gilt Show (Light Cross Division, followed by Dark Crosses) Market Gilt Final Drive

****GA YOUNG FARMER HOG SHOW RULES AND INFORMATION****

PUREBRED BREEDING GILT SHOW: Saturday, August 15.

Breed Champions Awarded to Duroc, Hampshire, Yorkshire, Berkshire and AOB

COMMERCIAL BREEDING GILT SHOW: Saturday, August 15. Following the Purebred breeding gilt show. Crossbred breeding gilts will be subject to the 15 pound weigh-back policy and may not exceed 350 lbs. We have added a Light Cross Division, **SEE DETAILS IN GUIDELINES BELOW!**

*****SELECTION OF BREEDING GILT CHAMPIONS*****

Breeding Gilt Champion - \$200.00
Reserve Breeding Gilt Champion - \$150.00
3rd High Overall Breeding Gilt - \$100.00
4th High Overall Breeding Gilt - \$75.00
5th High Overall Breeding Gilt - \$50.00

PUREBRED BARROW SHOW: Saturday, August 15, following breeding gilt show. Breed champions awarded to Duroc, Hampshire, Yorkshire, Berkshire and AOB Barrows. Barrows must not weigh more than 285lbs. All breed barrow champions and reserve champions are eligible to compete for Overall Champion Barrow Top 5 Awards.

CROSSBRED BARROW SHOW: Saturday, August 15, following Purebred Barrow Show. Barrows must not weigh more than 285 lbs. All Crossbred Barrow Division Champions, as well as purebred barrow champions will compete for the Top 5 Market Barrow. We have added a Light Cross Division, **SEE DETAILS IN GUIDELINES BELOW!**

Champion Barrow - \$500.00
Reserve Champion Barrow - \$300.00
3rd High Overall Barrow - \$200.00
4th High Overall Barrow- \$100.00
5th High Overall Barrow- \$50.00

MARKET GILT SHOW: Saturday, August 15, following Champion Barrow Drive. Market Gilts must not weigh more than 285 lbs. All Market Gilt Division Champions will compete for the Top 5 Market Gilt. We have added a Light Cross Division, **SEE DETAILS IN GUIDELINES BELOW!**

Champion Market Gilt - \$500.00
Reserve Champion Market Gilt - \$300.00
3rd High Overall Market Gilt - \$200.00
4th High Overall Market Gilt- \$100.00
5th High Overall Market Gilt- \$50.00

HOG SHOW GUIDELINES

1. Any exhibitor **12TH GRADE** and below is eligible to show.
2. All swine must be blood tested PRV and Brucellosis negative within 45 days of the show and have an official health certificate. Please be timely in bleeding your hogs to facilitate the return of your health certificate prior to show date.
3. Entries are only open to Georgia Residents. Market barrows, market gilts, purebred gilts, and purebred barrows are eligible. No boars! Market hogs will not be shown by breed or sex. Purebred gilts with registration certificates will be shown by breed and age (Duroc, Hampshire, and Yorkshires. Purebred barrows with registration certificates will be shown by weight.
4. The barn will open on Thursday, August 13th beginning at 4:00 p.m. and on Friday, August 14th beginning at 8:00 a.m.. Check in will be Friday, August 14, from 9 a.m. - noon. All market hogs and purebred barrows must be weighed and turned in a weight card no later than noon. Purebred barrows and purebred gilts must be checked in with an original registration certificate no later than noon.
5. There is no limit to the number of entries per exhibitor.
6. **Prize money will be paid to the first five places in each weight class. Contingent on the number of entries, proposed payouts will be 1st - \$40, 2nd - \$35, 3rd - \$30, 4th - \$25, 5th - \$20.**
7. All entries must be entered by August 3rd 2026 to avoid late fees. The entry fee is \$30.00 per pig. All entries should be submitted on www.theshowportal.com. **Entries submitted August 4th-10th will be double the price per pig, showmanship, and pen cost.**
8. **Crossbred Breeding Gilt Show:** Crossbred breeding gilts will be using the weigh back rules as described below. Crossbred gilts may also double register for the market show as well. You must register for this and pay for both entries on entry form. Entries for Crossbred breeding gilts weight limit is **350 lbs**.
9. **Market Hog Show:** Entries for Market Hog show weight limit is **285 lbs**. Divisions in the market hog show will be divided evenly among the classes, as far as possible. Division winners will compete for Grand Champion honors. The judge will select Grand and Reserve Champions, then will rank the next three hogs to allow for proper distribution of premium monies. All market hog entries must have a clean, readable ear tag in place. Pigs must be tagged before check in.
10. **Purebred Shows:** All purebred gilts and barrows must be registered with a proper registration certificate for their respective breed. Purebred entries must show the exhibitor's name or exhibitor's family farm as the current owner on the registration paper. Purebred animals do not have to have ear tags but must be ear notched according to their registration certificate. Purebred Gilt entries must be farrowed on or after January 1, 2026. Purebred gilts will be shown by age. Purebred Barrow entries must be farrowed on or after January 1, 2026. Purebred barrows will be shown by weight. A minimum of **6 head** will be required on the day of the show to hold a breed show for both gilts and barrows. **If less than 6 of a breed show up we will add them to the AOB classes.**

11. **Showmanship:** Showmanship will begin at 3:00 p.m. Friday, August 14. Exhibitors must pay a \$10.00 entry fee for the showmanship jackpot. Classes will be broken by the exhibitors' grade. Showmanship will be shown from youngest to oldest and broken according to the number of entries.
12. The rules committee reserves the right to interpret all rules. Decision of the judge and the rules committee will be final.
13. **Weighing and Weigh Back:** Exhibitors will be required to turn in weigh cards declaring the weight of each market entry. Official scales will be located in the barn and exhibitors will be responsible for weighing and turning in the weights of their particular entries. If an exhibitor wins a class or is 2nd place, they will be reweighed and must be within 15 pounds of the weight that is on the exhibitor's weight card. If an exhibitor weighs out, the 3rd place animal will be moved up and weighed. If necessary, this will continue until two exhibitors have weighed within 15 pounds of their recorded show weight. Once an exhibitor's entry has been reweighed from class, there will be no further weigh backs for that particular entry. Any issues regarding the scales or the weighing process must be brought to the show officials prior to check-in ending, after that time no issues regarding the weighing process will be addressed.
14. There will be no refunds once entries have been processed.
15. Per fairground rules, we will not allow the use of ANY generators inside of the barns.
16. Light vs Dark Cross Divisions:

Light Cross:

A market hog must exhibit coloration consisting solely of white and/or blue.

Light Cross market hogs will need to be brought to the check-in area so that entry form information can be verified. Light Cross market hogs at the GYFA Show will be classified by a committee who will view the animal. If there is disagreement with the declared Light Cross designation on the entry form, the entry will automatically be moved to the Dark Cross division. Light Cross animals that do not go before the classifiers will automatically be moved to the Dark Cross division. The decision of the classifiers is final and no appeals will be allowed.

Grooming: Water and oils without dyes will be the only substance permitted for coat dressing. Clipping is allowed in the barns; however restraining of pigs will not be allowed. No color grooming compounds are allowed. If found, the exhibitor is subject to disqualification. No adhesives are allowed. Added hair or other material, natural or man-made, may not be used in the grooming of any exhibit. Pigs should be able to pass a towel wipe test if checked at any point in the showing process.