## 2023 State Fair of Texas

# **Summer Stock Show Updates**

## 1. Exciting announcements

- a. Cattle Barns upgrades: paint, lighting, electrical
- b. \$1.2M in Scholarships in '23! Applications open on opening day
- c. YLA: \$2M in '22
  - i. 112 more auction lots: 470 to 582 (Approx. 25%). (additions are all non-walking)

	2022	2023	New Sale Spots
Steers	76	92	16
Barrows	166	207	41
Lambs	116	140	24
Goats	72	99	27
Broilers	40	44	4

ii. Emphasize YLA attendance for walking. QUALITY Thank you notes for all.

#### 2. Entries

- a. Online portal open 8/1. Youth Deadline 8/25; payment 9/1 postmark. Open 9/1 online.
- b. Youth: W9 must be filled out online by parents via log-in. (CEA/AST cannot view/fill)
- c. Cattle Tie-outs sold at stall camp upon arrival (no pre-purchase)
- d. Fast Passes returning- Purchase in "Early Access Pass" tab in the portal

#### 3. Livestock

- a. Market Steers: Load in Tuesday, classify/check-in Wed AM, Show Thursday
- b. Prospect Steers: Allow fitting. Fitting Contest (Sullivan Supply). Enter at check-in 3/team
- c. <u>Wether Dams & Does</u>: Schedule change: Mon 10/16 arrival, show/release Tue 10/17. No divisions within specie
- d. Rabbit Show. Arrival process change-up. Enter through Gate 2.
- e. Pygmy Goats. Cancelled for 2023.
- f. Heifers: Fitting Contest sponsored by Sullivan Supply. Enter at check-in 3/team
- g. <u>Gilt Show</u>. Move-in time change. Thu 10/19, 10PM Midnight.

## 4. Contests

- a. New Contests:
  - i. Wool Judging (w/National 4-H Contest): Sat 10/7
  - ii. Vet Tech contest: Tue 10/17
- b. Changes:
  - i. Archery: Pre-Fair, Wed 9/6. Unlimited entriesii. Product/Plant ID day swap: Fri 9/29, Sat 9/30
  - iii. Ag Robotics: Thu 10/5
  - iv. Agriscience Fair: Fri 10/13

#### 5. Rodeo

- a. Youth Pre-qualifier: Sat 8/26
- b. Final performance: \$10,000 added, plus scholarships, Sun 10/8 2PM