

YOUTH GOAT CAMP SCHEDULE 2026

Market Camp · Dairy Camp · Fiber Camp
May 26–30, 2026 · Missouri State Fairgrounds, Sedalia, Missouri

BEFORE YOU ARRIVE — What to Bring

Animals & Health

- Your goat(s) — enter through Gate 7
- Health papers (required at check-in for pen assignment)
- Feed, hay, and water buckets for the week
- Medications or supplements your animal requires

Grooming & Show

- Grooming supplies: clippers, blades, scotch comb, brushes, show sheen, towels
- Extension cord for electric clippers
- Show halter, lead, and show chain
- Clean, professional show attire for each day

Art Activity (Thursday Evening)

- White t-shirt for tie-dye or painting
- Clothes you can get paint or dye on — you WILL get messy

Personal Items

- Bedding, pillow, toiletries for the week
- Water bottle — bring one every day
- Spending money for silent auction, raffle, fundraiser (\$15 donation art activity)
- Camera or phone for photos

Skill-A-Thon (if participating)

- 2–3 pencils and a blank clipboard (no notes allowed during testing)
- Small pocket calculator (NO programmable calculators)

T-SHIRTS: You will receive your personalized camp t-shirt in your welcome packet at check-in.
Please wear your personalized t-shirt on Wednesday.

TUESDAY, MAY 26

Arrival & Check-In

3:00–5:00 PM Check-In @ Swine Pavilion NO check-ins before 3:00 PM Enter through Gate 7 with health papers
Receive welcome packet, camp workbook, personalized t-shirt & pen assignment

5:00 PM Settle in — feed, water & get your animals comfortable Meet your fellow campers!

6:00 PM+ OPTIONAL: Skill-A-Thon Station Rotation (fun warm-up — counts toward points) Practice rotations, contestant check-in & orientation Not mandatory — great way to start the week

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

Camp Day 1 · Please wear your personalized t-shirt

7:00 AM Milk Test samples collected (tentative) — see staff

Early AM Check goats — feed, water, milk if needed

8:00–8:30 AM Check-in — pick up Scavenger Hunt sheets Silent Auction begins

8:45 AM Settled in camp area

9:00 AM Introductions and age/division group assignments

9:15 AM Break off into groups as directed by instructors

10:00 AM Group activities as assigned Topic: Before the Show — Showmanship is won at home

11:00 AM Group activities as assigned Topic: Clipping for the Big Day — the first cut starts here

12:00–1:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM Skill-A-Thon Costume Contest Camp resumes — group activities as assigned Topic: Prep Time at the Show — down to the wire

2:00 PM Group activities as assigned Topic: In the Ring — keys to success to be noticed

3:00 PM Scavenger Hunt sheets turned in Pen decorating contest — winners announced

4:00 PM Break — feed, water & care for animals

5:00 PM Pizza Dinner for Youth Goat Campers

5:30 PM Daniel Laney — World Wide Goat Project Nepal presentation Campers receive handmade goats (~1 hour)

7:00 PM Skill-A-Thon: Quiz Bowl & Written Exam (timed waves by division) Non-testing divisions watch Quiz Bowl

Evening Rest & prepare for tomorrow

Early AM	Check goats — feed, water, milk if needed
8:00–8:30 AM	Check-in — Day 2
8:45 AM	Settled in camp area
9:00 AM	Showmanship practice — Keys to maneuvers, outstanding in the field Clinics running simultaneously (separate registration required): • Bryan Williams (JudgingPro): Judging Market Goats, 9 AM–2 PM • Daniel Laney (ADGA Judge): Form Meets Function — Dairy, 9 AM–1 PM
10:30 AM	Break into groups as directed by instructors Q&A;: What else do you need to succeed?
11:30 AM	Discussion: Nutrition — proper ways to feed for correct body condition scoring
12:00–1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM	Fitting practice — learn to fit for your national show Walk the Walk
2:00 PM	Fitting practice continues — Q&A; and assistance
3:00 PM	Fitting Judging (camper competition — Dairy & Market)
4:30 PM	Break — feed, water & care for animals
5:30 PM	Skill-A-Thon: Sales Talk (Market) & Judging Contest begin (FFA Bldg & Swine Pavilion) Group A & B rotation — check your group assignment
After 5:30 PM	Art Activity @ FFA Building (when not in Skill-A-Thon) Painting or tie-dye — wear clothes you can get dirty! Youth Goat Camp Fundraiser — \$15 donation · supplies included
Evening	Rest — tomorrow is the big day!

FRIDAY, MAY 29

Final Showmanship · Shows · Skill-A-Thon Finals · Market Mayhem

Early AM	Check goats — feed, water, milk if needed Begin grooming and preparation for Final Showmanship
8:00–8:30 AM	Check-in — all Youth Goat Camps
8:15 AM	Optional showmanship practice before Final Competition
9:00 AM	Final Showmanship Competition begins — ALL Youth Goat Camps Order: Seniors → Intermediates → Juniors → Pee-Wees Photos at backdrop with judge and interns after your class
After Show manship	Dairy Youth Fun Show: • Junior Does • Senior Does • Wethers Photos at backdrop with judge and interns
12:00–1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM	Skill-A-Thon Fitting Contest — Market & Dairy simultaneously
2:30 PM	Skill-A-Thon Showmanship Contest — Market & Dairy simultaneously
3:00 PM	Clean pens prior to leaving if departing today Check weight card deadline in Master Schedule
3:30 PM	Skill-A-Thon Individual & Team Awards Silent Auction ends · Raffle: Dairy Doe winner & Second item TBD drawn Pick up silent auction items
5:00 PM	Goat Goodness Dinner begins @ FFA Building — Sponsored by ParlorPal (Ticket item — see event staff for tickets)
6:00 PM	Market Mayhem begins @ Swine Pavilion Youth: Wether-Rama → Anything Does Open: Doe-Rama → Wether or Not Bucks Photos of winners at backdrop

SATURDAY, MAY 30

Obstacle Course · Overall Awards (Tentative)

8:00 AM	Skill-A-Thon Obstacle Course (TENTATIVE — may remain Friday) All divisions — all specialties
9:00 AM	Overall Skill-A-Thon Championship Awards (TENTATIVE) Check daily board for confirmed timing
All day	Cozy Collaborative Vendors & Food Truck Frenzy @ FFA Building (open to all) Goat in the Grass — Free · Fiber Classes with Marilyn Smith
3:00 PM	General Goat Expo Awards Ceremony

DEPARTURE

Sunday, May 31: No forklift available for loading.

All pavilions must be fully vacated by 9:00 AM Sunday.

Please ensure your pen area is clean before departing.

First aid / veterinarian on-site contact: TBD — info posted at Swine Pavilion office.

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