

SKILL-A-THON CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

Goat Expo 2026 · Missouri State Fairgrounds, Sedalia, Missouri

May 26–30, 2026 · Tentative · Check daily board for updates

QUICK REFERENCE

Entry fee: \$35 (free if enrolled in Youth Goat Camp) · Register by May 24, 2026

Declare specialty at registration: Market, Dairy, or Fiber

Contestant numbers issued at Tuesday check-in — wear at ALL events

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TUESDAY, MAY 26

Check-In & Station Rotation

3:00–5:00 PM Contestant check-in @ Swine Pavilion Receive contestant number, team assignment & packet

6:00 PM+ Station Rotation (OPTIONAL — counts toward points) 8 stations — 2–3 min each — rotate on signal
Stations: Breed ID · Equipment ID · Feed & Hay ID · Anatomy Health & Disease · Quality Assurance · Cuts of Meat / Alternate · Poisonous Plants No phones · No notes · No conferring · 50 pts max

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27

Costume Contest · Quiz Bowl · Written Exam

1:00 PM Costume Contest @ Swine Pavilion All contestants — 5 pts participation credit Fan Favorite & Judge's Choice ribbons awarded

5:00 PM Written Exam — Pee-Wee (Swine Pavilion)

5:35 PM Written Exam — Junior

6:20 PM Written Exam — Intermediate

7:00 PM Quiz Bowl begins — all divisions (buzzer team competition) Non-testing divisions: watch Quiz Bowl while waiting

7:15 PM Written Exam — Senior (runs concurrently with Quiz Bowl)

Reading assistance available for Pee-Wees and those with accommodations — request prior to exam. No phones or notes in exam area.

THURSDAY, MAY 28

Judging Contest @ Swine Pavilion · Sales Talk @ FFA Building

5:30 PM Group A: Pee-Wee & Junior judging Group B: Intermediate & Senior—prep / staging

~6:15 PM Group B: Intermediate & Senior judging Group A: Pee-Wee & Junior Sales Talk

~7:00 PM All Judging complete Intermediate & Senior Sales Talk

** Sales Talk is Market division only. Dairy contestants complete both judging rounds. Check posted board at check-in for your group (A or B) assignment.*

Judging Contest Details:

- Two classes of 4 goats each — place 1st through 4th
- Market classes: Market Wethers, Breeding Does, Market Does (no Breeding Bucks)
- Dairy classes: Dairy Does — evaluated on ADGA standards
- Seniors present oral reasons after each class (5 min max)
- Decision Maker Award presented to outstanding judging contestant (not points-based)

Sales Talk Details:

Division	Format	Time
Pee-Wee	2-min talk: 'Why I love goats' or 'My goat project'	2 min
Junior	Prepared topic presentation	3–5 min
Intermediate	Prepared topic presentation	3–5 min
Senior	Full presentation + 2 min judge Q&A	5–7 min

FRIDAY, MAY 29

Fitting Contest · Showmanship · Individual & Team Awards

- 1:00 PM** Fitting Contest @ Swine Pavilion Market & Dairy judged simultaneously by separate judges Market: blending, slicking, market presentation Dairy: udder prep, breed-type standards, cleanliness 75 pts max
- 2:30 PM** Showmanship Contest @ Swine Pavilion Market & Dairy judged simultaneously by separate judges All divisions — 75 pts max
- 3:30 PM** SKILL-A-THON INDIVIDUAL & TEAM AWARDS All individual event high-score awards presented
Champion Quiz Bowl Team announced Special recognition awards presented

SATURDAY, MAY 30 — TENTATIVE

Obstacle Course · Overall Championship Awards

IMPORTANT: Saturday Skill-A-Thon events are TENTATIVE.

Obstacle Course and Overall Awards may remain on Friday if camper departures require it.
Confirmed timing will be posted on the daily board by Thursday evening.

- 8:00 AM** Obstacle Course @ Swine Pavilion All divisions — Pee-Wee course age-modified Judge: TBD · 25 pts max Humane handling required — violations = disqualification
- 9:00 AM** Overall Skill-A-Thon Championship Awards (TENTATIVE) Overall Champion — one per specialty (Market, Dairy, Fiber) Reserve Overall Champion — one per specialty Division High Point: Pee-Wee, Junior, Intermediate, Senior All special recognition awards

Championship Point Summary:

Event	Market	Dairy	Fiber
Station Rotation (Tue)	50	50	50
Written Exam	100	100	100
Quiz Bowl	75	75	75
Costume Contest	5	5	5
Judging Contest	100	100	100
Sales Talk	100	—	—
Fitting Contest	75	75	—
Showmanship	75	75	75
Obstacle Course	25	25	25
TOTAL	605	505	430

Tiebreakers: 1. Written Exam 2. Judging Contest 3. Sales Talk (Market) / Fitting (Dairy)

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