



**Dooly County Young Farmers Association
LABOR DAY SHOWDOWN**

**September 4-6, 2026
Georgia National Fairgrounds • Perry, GA**

GENERAL SHOW RULES, INFORMATION AND DATES

ENTRY DEADLINE: Friday, August 28, 2026 through www.theshowportal.com. Entry link will close at 11:59 p.m.

GATES OPEN: Gates open on Friday, September 4, 2026 at 5 p.m. and Saturday, September 5, 2026 starting at 7:00 a.m. All animals must be in place no later than noon on Saturday, September 5, 2026. All animals will be assigned pen space. Please check with officials for your stall and pen assignments.

CHECK-IN: Check-in will take place from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. Weight cards are due at 12:00 noon

SHOW SUPERINTENDENTS:

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2026 DCYF Labor Day Show Schedule

Friday, September 4, 2026

5 pm Barns open for arrival

Saturday, September 5, 2026

7 am Barns open for arrival

9 am - 12 noon Check-In

12 noon Weight Cards Due

2 pm Showmanship - Youngest to Oldest

5 pm The Distinguished Show Pig Sale Preview

6 pm Complimentary Dinner for Exhibitors and Pig Sale Guests

7 pm The Distinguished Show Pig Sale

Sunday, September , 2026

8 am Sunday School

9 am Breeding Gilts following by Market Hogs

SHOW RULES AND INFORMATION

HOG SHOW & SHOWMANSHIP JUDGE:

PUREBRED BREEDING GILT AND CROSSBRED BREEDING GILT SHOW:

Breed Champions will be awarded to any purebred breed with 5 entries or more and a Crossbred Breeding Gilt Champion will be named. Crossbred breeding gilts will be classified into a light cross and dark cross division. An overall Top 5 Breeding Gilts will be named among the purebred and crossbred breeding gilt champions.

Breed/Division Champion - \$50 Reserve Breed/Division Champion - \$25

Supreme Breeding Gilt Champion - \$500 Reserve Supreme Breeding Gilt Champion - \$400
3rd Overall - \$300 4th Overall - \$200 5th Overall - \$100

**Breeding gilts CANNOT be double entered into the Market Gilt Show*

MARKET BARROW SHOW: Breed Champions will be awarded to any purebred breed with 5 entries or more and a Crossbred Market Barrow Champion will be named. Crossbred market barrows will be classified into a light cross and dark cross division. An overall Top 5 Market Barrow will be named among the purebred and crossbred market hogs.

Breed/Division Champions - \$50 Reserve Breed/Division Champion - \$25

Supreme Market Barrow Champion - \$500 Reserve Supreme Market Barrow Champion - \$400
3rd Overall - \$300 4th Overall - \$200 5th Overall - \$100

MARKET GILT SHOW: A Crossbred Market Gilt Champion will be named. Crossbred market gilts will be classified into a light cross and dark cross division. An overall Top 5 Market Gilt will be named.

Supreme Market Barrow Champion - \$500 Reserve Supreme Market Barrow Champion - \$400
3rd Overall - \$300 4th Overall - \$200 5th Overall - \$100

**Market gilts CANNOT be double entered into the Breeding Gilt Show*

Payout Contingent on Number of Entries

Crossbred Breeding Gilts, Crossbred Market Barrows and Crossbred Market Gilt Rules:

All crossbred hogs will be classified into a light cross and dark cross division. Dark cross market hogs do not have to classify. All light cross market hogs must be classified in New South Arena during check in times. This will be done before you can pick up the weight card for that animal. Officials will be in the ring to classify and assist with this process.

Light Cross: 1. A light cross hog must exhibit coloration consisting solely of white and/or blue. 2. A three-member classification committee will be responsible for determining eligibility under the light cross category. 3. Any hog failing to meet the criteria for Light Cross shall be immediately reclassified to the Dark Cross division. 4. The decision rendered by the classification committee shall be final and not subject to appeal or protest.

Dark Cross: 1. Any hog exhibiting the coloration other than white or blue shall be classified as dark cross. 2. This includes, but is not limited to, market hogs with black, red, or sandy coloring. 3. Hogs in the Dark Cross category will not require committee classification.

HOG SHOW GUIDELINES

1. Any exhibitor 21 years of age or under is eligible to show.
2. All swine must be blood tested PRV and Brucellosis and have an official health certificate. All out-of-state swine must have a health certificate deemed appropriate by the Georgia Department of Agriculture. Please be timely in bleeding your hogs to facilitate the return of your health certificate prior to show date (GA diagnostic vet lab closes for some holidays).
3. Entries are open to the world. Market barrows, market gilts, purebred gilts, and purebred barrows are eligible. No boars!
4. Market barrows, market gilts and crossbred breeding gilts will be shown together by weight.
5. Purebred gilts and purebred barrows with registration certificates will be shown by breed as long there are 5 head within that breed, otherwise will show as AOB. Purebred gilts will be shown by age and purebred barrows will be shown by weight. Purebred Gilts will follow Georgia National Fair birthdate rules.
6. There is no limit to the number of entries per exhibitor.
7. Gilts CANNOT be doubled entered in the breeding Gilt Show and the Market Gilt Show. No refunds will be given if an exhibitor double enters.
8. Fitting of pigs is allowed, but this CANNOT be done in the barns. Exhibitors can use the grass areas around the barns to set up fitting stations. No paint or fitting supplies are allowed in the barns, breeze ways, concrete or holding area. All paints must be dry before the pig enters the holding area.
9. Prize money will be paid to the first five places in each weight class.
10. Entries are due Friday, August 28, 2026. The entry fee is \$40.00 per pig. Pen fees are additional and are \$15 each. A late fee of \$20.00 per head cash will be required after this date and will be collected at check-in. The committee reserves the right to refund money to entries if the number of entries exceeds pen space. **THE LATE FEE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED AND NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN.**
11. **Showmanship:** Showmanship will begin at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, September 5, 2026. Exhibitors must pay a \$10.00 entry fee for the showmanship jackpot. Classes will be broken by the exhibitors' grade in school. College age exhibitors will show in their own division. Prize money for showmanship will be strictly a jackpot prize of money collected per showmanship division.
12. The rules committee reserves the right to interpret all rules. The 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 crossbred breeding gilt or 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 lbs 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 lbs 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.