

2026-2027 BCYLS Important Dates

**** ONLINE ENTRY FOR ALL DIVISIONS IS JANUARY 1 to February 28, 2027 ****

(Entry is separate from Validation)

Market Steers (Halter)

[Entry Fee: \$40 / steer]

- BCYLS Only Steer tag orders due September 3 at \$5 per tag
- BCYLS Only Steer Validation - Sunday, September 20, 2026, 2:00 pm, Brazos Valley Livestock Commission

Breeding Heifers

[Entry Fee: \$40 / heifer]

- Fall Heifer Validation tag orders due August 21 at \$27/tag
- Fall Heifer Validation – Wednesday, October 21, 2026, 5:00-6:30 pm, J&J Cattle Co.

Market Sheep & Goats

[Entry Fee: \$30 / lamb or goat]

- Major Show tag orders due August 20 at \$27/tag
- NEW! BCYLA Only tag orders due August 20 at \$5/tag
- Major Show & BCYLS Validation on Monday, October 13, 2026, 5:00-6:30 pm, Brazos County Expo

Market Barrows

[Entry Fee: \$30 / barrow]

- Major Show tag orders due September 16 at \$27/ tag
- BCYLS Only tag orders due September 16 at \$5/tag
- Major Show Validation on Monday, November 16, 2026, 5:00-6:30 pm, Brazos County Expo
- BCYLS Only Validation on Monday, December 14, 2026, 5:00-6:30 pm, Brazos County Expo

Market Broilers

[Entry Fee: \$30 / pen]

- Spring major show broiler orders due Thursday, September 3, 2026 by 5:00 pm at \$37.50 per set
- BCYLS Broiler Orders due Thursday, October 15, 2026 by 5:00 pm at \$43.50 per set
- Broiler Pickup in February (TBD)

Market Turkeys

[Entry Fee: \$30 / turkey]

- Major Show & BCYLS Turkey Orders due May 11, 2026

Commercial Steers**[Entry Fee: \$50 / pen]**

- Tag-in Sunday, September 20, 2026 at 1:00 pm at Brazos Valley Livestock Commission
- Final Weigh-In Sunday, February 28, 2027, 1:00, Brazos Valley Livestock Commission
- Recordbooks due March 15, 2027, 4:00 pm, Brazos County Extension Office

Market Rabbits**[Entry Fee: \$30 / pen]**

- Breed Date – December 12, 2026
- Kindle Date – January 11, 2027
- BCYLS Rabbit Validation on Monday, February 22, 2027 at Brazos County Expo from 5:00-6:00 pm (must be in line by 6:00 pm)

Family & Consumer Sciences**[Entry Fee: \$10 / item]**

- Validation will be online January 1 to 31, 2027

Agriculture Mechanics**[Entry Fee: \$10 / item]**

- No validation required

BCYLS Scholarships

- Applications due to the Extension Office by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, February 16, 2027

Queen Contest

- Contestant applications due by 5:00 pm on Friday, November 6, 2026
- Informational meeting Tuesday, January 19, 2027
- Interviews 6:00 pm on Sunday, March 7, 2027

Little Miss Contest

- Applications due Monday, February 15, 2027
- Informational meeting Tuesday, February 23, 2027
- Interviews 6:00 pm on Sunday, March 7, 2027

Bucket Calf Show

- Calves must be born between November 1, 2026 and January 31, 2027
- Photo of participant with their calf is due February 9, 2027
- Calves must be fully vaccinated by March 1, 2027

Junior Director Program

- Applications due Sunday, September 13, 2026 at 10:00 pm
- Interviews on Tuesday, September 22, 2026, 4:00-7:00 pm