

SABINE COUNTY AGRICULTURE MECHANICS PROJECT SHOW

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Entry Fee: \$35.00 per project

Entry Deadline: March 1, 2026

Arrival & Classifying: 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm, Friday, April 9, 2026

In Place: 4:00 pm, Friday, April 9, 2026

Judging: 5:00 pm, Friday, April 9, 2026

Awards: Upon Completion of the Ag Mechanics Show, Grand Showman awards will be awarded in the Jr. Division, 13 and below, Senior Division, 14 and older. In addition all projects will be awarded a Blue, Red or White ribbon at the judges discretion.

Auction: April 11, 2026 @ 4:00 pm

Additional Notes: All projects that have not made the sale may supply a private auction sheets to sell if the exhibitor chooses to sell it.

Guidelines of the Sabine County Agriculture Mechanics Project Show

1. Entry fee: Entries must be made on an official Ag Mechanics Entry form. All exhibitors and projects must be listed on entry form at time of entry.

2. Eligible Entries: Entries must be the work of eligible exhibitors – limited to Sabine Co. Texas FFA, Jr. FFA and 4-H members.

****Please refer to the General Rules and Junior Show Rules. There is no limit to the total number of projects a 4-H club or FFA Chapter may enter. The Sabine County Livestock Committee reserves the right to refuse any exhibit.**

3. Projects: must be constructed by FFA & 4-H members. FFA projects must be constructed as a part of their agriculture mechanic instruction in agriculture science or as part of their supervised work experience program. 4-H projects must be constructed under the supervision of their County Extension Agent unless approved by the Sabine County Livestock Committee.

4. Club/Chapter Entries: Group entries must be made in the name of the FFA Chapter or 4-H club. All group entries must include all the names of the exhibitors who participated in planning and construction of the project.

5. Individual/Group: Projects may be either individually or group constructed and owned.

6. Exhibit Space: Projects will be displayed outside in the Sabine County Expo Youth Center area by divisions and classes. Placement of projects will be at the discretion of Agriculture Mechanics Superintendent. Display space under shelter is not guaranteed.

7. Construction Date: A project may be exhibited only one time at the Sabine County Agriculture Mechanics Show and must have been constructed within one calendar year of the exhibition date.

8. Types of Projects: Any project that does not fit into one of the stated classes could be placed in a miscellaneous class. Projects may be subject to reclassification upon arrival. Projects **will ultimately** be classified in one of the following division and classes:

Division: **TRAILERS**

Class

- 100. Small bumper pull utility trailer – 14 ft. & under
- 101. Large bumper pull utility trailer – over 14 ft.
- 102. Bumper pull stock trailers
- 103. Gooseneck stock trailers
- 104. Implement trailers
- 105. Multi-bail trailers
- 106. Gooseneck Utility Trailers
- 107. Other trailers (welder trailers, etc.)

Division: **AGRICULTURE MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT**

Class

- 200. Hay hauling equipment
- 201. Spraying equipment
- 202. Mounted or pull-type tractor equipment
- 203. Hydraulic equipment
- 204. Shop equipment
- 205. Electrical shop equipment

Division: **PICKUP AND TRUCK ACCESSORIES**

Class

- 300. Bumpers, headache racks, grill guards, etc.
- 301. Pickup or truck flat beds
- 302. Other

Division: **LIVESTOCK & WILDLIFE EQUIPMENT**

Class

- 400. Gate & livestock panel
- 401. Squeeze chutes and restraining equipment
- 402. Trim chutes, blocking stands, livestock crates
- 403. Creep and self-feeders (livestock or wildlife)
- 404. Electrical livestock or wildlife
- 405. Bits, Spurs, Etc.
- 406. All other livestock or wildlife equipment

Division: HOME CONVENIENCE

Class

- 500. Small Indoor Furniture/Furnishings
- 501. Large Indoor Furniture
- 502. Outdoor Metal Furniture
- 503. Outdoor Wood Furniture

Division: OUTDOOR COOKING

Class

- 600. Non-tow-able outdoor cooking (without lug bolts)
- 601. Tow-able outdoor cooking (with lug bolts)

****The restoration must have begun upon completion of the 2024 Sabine County Livestock Show.**

- 9. Classes with less than four entries are subject to being combined.
- 10. Vehicles: No trucks, non-entered tractors or trailers are allowed in the exhibition area.
- 11. Projects Requiring Offloading Assistance: Projects that need to be lifted from the topside area are to be fitted with lifting eyes at balance points that accommodate 1" shackles. Projects that cannot be safely unloaded can be shown from a trailer.

Safety: All safety procedures must be adhered to when displaying projects but not limited to:

- A. Appropriate and safe display stands provided for gates, panels and other projects needing support.
 - B. Sharp edges and points (as on feeder roofs, bale movers, etc.) must be padded or covered to prevent injury.
 - C. All trailers and other equipment that is operated on or transported on public roads must be equipped with safety equipment as stated in the latest DOT publication. All three-point hitch and P.T.O. operated equipment is to meet ASAE standards and specifications.
- 12. Project completeness: All projects should be complete including finish. Projects are to be clean, free of dust and debris, and in a presentable condition even though they may have been used. Any item, necessary for use of the project must be a part of it (example: hinges and latches on gates and panels, etc.). Trailers and all other equipment are to be displayed in transport position. Ramps, extensions and operation of specific features may be NEW.

13. Welds: No structural welds are to be ground without penalty. Grinding is to be limited to welds that should be ground for functional reasons and/or welds that would normally be ground for cosmetic purposes. Examples: top rails on trailers, fender body outside tops, side latches, etc. may be ground, but frames, cross-members, tongues, filler pipe, etc. are not to be ground.

14. Any equipment to travel on public highways must meet Federal DOT Standards. Current Federal DOT or Texas DOT inspection stickers will be honored. Anything that does not have a current DOT inspection sticker will be subject to inspection by a TXDOT inspector.

15. Exhibitor Presentation: Exhibitors should be dressed appropriately and be with their project when it is judged. Exhibitors should be courteous and helpful to those viewing their project including the public, show officials, and judges. Exhibitors should not interfere with or shield those exhibitors next to them. Exhibitors will be allowed cleaning or preparation supplies, limited to quantities that will fit in a common 5 gallon bucket, in the exhibition area.

16. Exhibitors must be present to present projects. Absence must be approved by committee.

17. Signs: All projects are to be identified. Information should include – Exhibitor(s) Name, Club/Chapter, and Project Description. Additional signs, banners, etc. must meet the approval of the committee members and cannot extend beyond the project's display space.

18. Cleaning of projects will be limited to the use of spray bottles and towels.

19. Loss or Damage: Every precaution will be taken to protect the projects entered; however, neither the Sabine County Agriculture Mechanic Project Show, the officials of this contest, nor the Livestock Committee will be responsible for fire, theft, vandalism or destruction to the projects.

20. Judging System for first five divisions: (May be used by judges discretion)

a. Workmanship.....	25 points
b. Students' Knowledge of project.....	25 points
c. Design and Materials.....	10 points
d. Practicality.....	10 points
e. Degree of Difficulty.....	10 points
f. Finish.....	10 points
g. Plans, Bill of Materials, Photographs and if applicable, DOT standard for the project.....	10 points
TOTAL.....	100 POINTS

Plans, Bill of Materials, Photographs: Exhibitors should provide an original, exhibitor drawn plan, photographs showing stages of production, and a complete bill of materials.

Student Knowledge: Exhibitor(s) may be asked questions concerning, but not limited to project construction, design, use, operation, etc. Exhibitors may also be asked to demonstrate all or parts of the project's operation.

Mechanical will include the restoration of engine, transmission, final drive, fuel system, cooling system, cranking or starting system, charging system, hydraulic system, steering system, etc.