



2026

Buyers Guide

YOUTH LIVESTOCK SALE



The Great Frederick Fair

Second Saturday of Fair
In the South Side Tire & Auto Beef Show Arena (Building 18)
Turkeys & Rabbits start at 9 am
Beef, Sheep, Swine, and Goats immediately following

WHO SELLS IN THE AUCTION?

Each year, members of Frederick Co 4-H, FFA and GFF Youth are eligible to participate in the sale. Through their market animal projects, youth gain hands on experience with purchasing, caring for, establishing records, and marketing their animals. Over several months or even years, these youth work hard every day to raise and grow their projects while learning entrepreneurial skills along the way.



There are several reasons!

- The animals are high quality and receive “family treatment” while being raised.
- As a buyer, you have full control over where and how your meat is processed, cut, and wrapped.
- When you purchase an animal through the auction, you are single-handedly supporting a young person in Frederick county to remain in agriculture and helping keep farms a part of the community. You are investing in that child’s future and giving them the means to continue to pursue their passion in agriculture.

Don’t want to take an animal, but still want to support? There are 2 alternative options to support the youth without having to take the animal.

Donating the animal back: When you purchase and donate the animal back, it will be sold a second time at a separate livestock auction (ie. Four States Livestock Auction) after the conclusion of the fair. The proceeds from the second sale will go to a charity or non-profit of your choice. You will be asked to identify your charity of choice at the auction when having your picture taken. This is a great way to support the youth AND your favorite charity at the same time!

Add-ons: Support any of the youth in the auction by adding a flat amount to their sale checks. Add-on amounts are not limited and can be made by any registered bidder. Bidders must fill out an add-on form under the tent next to the registration trailer on sale day.

What happens after I buy an animal?

Once you have purchased an animal, you will be asked to select a processor. This is where the animal will be taken to be harvested for meat products and you will be contacted by the processor when your order is ready to be picked up. All processors charge a processing fee. You will pay this directly to the processor when picking up your order.

Where does my money go?

100% of the auction money goes to the youth exhibitor to help them purchase their next project, pay for feed, or everything else their projects entail. 100% of resale dollars go to the charity of buyers choice.

How do I transport the animal that I purchased?

The sale committee and volunteers take care of hauling the livestock to the processor. You are responsible for picking up the meat from the processor when you are notified your order is ready.

Is my purchase tax deductible?

In most cases there are tax advantages, but everyone's situation is different. The Fair is a 501C-5 Agricultural Non-Profit. Check with your accountant if you have questions.

How can I pay?

Major credit cards, checks and cash are accepted. Checks made payable to: The Great Frederick Fair. All payments are due at the conclusion of the auction.

Hemps Meats

3740 Jefferson Pike
Jefferson, MD 21755

Wagner Meats, LLC

604 N Main St
Mt Airy, MD 21771

Stoney Point Farm Market

1318 Frederick Pike
Littlestown, PA 17340

Country Foods

6032 Buttermilk Rd
Waynesboro, PA 17268

Shuffs Meat Market

12247 Baugher Rd
Thurmont, MD 21788

Mountain Trail Butchers

12955 Broadfording Rd.
Clear Spring, MD 21722

Stone Pillar Farm (Rabbits only)

6316 Mount Phillip Rd.
Frederick, MD 21703



HOW MUCH MEAT WILL YOU TAKE HOME?

If you elect to use the popular cut and wrap options, below are examples of what you could receive trimmed and packaged. *Meat from animals vary by amount of muscling, fat, bone-in vs. bone-out, variety cuts, and trim. All numbers are approximate.

BEEF (1300-pound steer):

Beef dressing percentage averages 60%

$1300 \times 0.60 = 780$ lbs. carcass weight *(includes bone and some fat)*

- Steaks: 185 lbs.
- Roasts: 190 lbs.
- Ground Beef: 125 lbs.
- Misc. Cuts: 95 lbs.

PORK (250-pound hog):

Pork Dressing percentage averages 72%

$250 \times 0.72 = 180$ lbs. carcass weight *(includes bone and some fat)*

- Ham: 45 lbs.
- Bacon: 15 lbs.
- Chops: 35 lbs.
- Roasts: 4 (4-5lb) roasts
- Sausage: 20 lbs.
- Ribs: 7-10 lbs.

LAMB (125-pound lamb):

lamb dressing percentage averages 52%

$125 \times 0.52 = 65$ lbs. carcass weight *(includes bone and some fat)*

- Chops: 24 lbs.
- Stew/etc.: 15 lbs.
- Legs: 17 lbs.

GOAT (80-pound goat):

goat dressing percentage averages 50%

$80 \times 0.50 = 40$ lbs. carcass weight *(includes bone and some fat)*

- Chops: 16 lbs.
- Stew/etc.: 4 lbs.
- Legs: 12 lbs.

TURKEY

All turkeys will be processed and ready to take home the day of the auction.

RABBIT

Rabbits are available to take home live the day of or be processed. Processing fees will apply.

For any questions and additional information regarding the Youth Livestock Sale, visit www.thegreatfrederickfair.com/support or email entries@TheGreatFrederickFair.com

Register online ahead of time!

To save time at the registration trailer, you can register before the sale. Visit bidelevated.com

How to Bid with Elevated

Create Bidder Account

1. Go to bidelevated.com
2. Sign up for a Bidder Account
3. Complete Application/Accept Terms & Conditions
4. If attending the auction in person, notify Elevated Staff at the trailer that you pre-registered

How to Bid on Sale Day!

1. Go to bidelevated.com and sign in
2. Enter Email and password
3. Go to Auctions page and click on the auction you wish to enter and click on "Auction Details"
4. Click "Enter Auction" button and accept Terms & Conditions. You will then be in the Live Auction.

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