

THE FLORIDA STATE FAIR YOUTH LIVESTOCK GRANT PROGRAM

**A SPECIAL THANKS TO THE
NATIONAL INDEPENDENT CONCESSIONAIRES ASSOCIATION, INC.
FOR PROVIDING THE FUNDS FOR THIS PROGRAM**

The Florida State Fair is sponsoring a Grant to an exhibitor in each of the Youth Breeding Shows. The Grant will give an exhibitor designated funds towards the purchase of a registered animal (Beef - \$400; Dairy - \$400; Dairy Goat - \$250; Boer Goat - \$250; Poultry - \$50; Rabbit - \$50; and Sheep - \$250). The grant is available to 2026 Florida State Fair Youth Livestock exhibitors 14 years old and younger (as of Sept. 1, 2025). Exhibitors are only eligible to apply for a grant within the species they are showing. Exhibitors are only eligible to enter and win this Grant one time. Applications will be reviewed by a committee appointed by the Superintendent of each show, and a winner will be selected. If deemed necessary, finalists will be selected for an interview.

To be considered for this Grant, **individuals must apply by January 12, 2026. (POSTMARK)**

Application Packet must include:

- 1) Completed application form (Handwritten).
- 2) Handwritten Essay (125-150 words) titled "Why I would like to purchase a Registered Animal."
- 3) One letter of recommendation from any of the following: 4-H Club Leader, FFA Advisor, YLPA Representative, County Extension Director, or Junior Breed Association Advisor.

GRANT APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ County _____

Name of School you attend: _____ Age (as of Sept 1, 2025) _____

Which grant are you applying for? (Circle One)	Beef	Dairy	Dairy Goat	Boer Goat
	Sheep	Poultry	Rabbit	

Summarize your school achievements and activities (use additional pages if necessary)

Extracurricular activities (include 4-H, FFA, YLPA, Junior Breed Association, Sports, etc.) use additional pages if necessary.

How long have you had a Youth Livestock Project?

How long have you been in 4-H, FFA, or YLPA?

Do you currently own a registered Animal? Yes No

Have you ever owned a registered Animal? Yes No

I certify that all information provided in this application is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Return by January 12, 2026, to Agribusiness Dept., Florida State Fair, P.O. Box 11766, Tampa, FL 33680