

March 15, 2026

Garrett County Spring Weigh-In Friday, May 8, 2026 @ GC Fairgrounds **Registration Deadline: May 1, 2026**

Friday, May 8, 2026 Noon – 8:00 pm

Weigh-in and tagging of market sheep, swine, goats and commercial beef, goats and sheep.

**Please use the following link to register for an appointment for spring weigh-in:
(Western Maryland District Show is a separate registration)**



<https://go.umd.edu/2026GCSpringWeighIn>

important

- In consideration of proper handling of animals and safety, we ask that each member/family be responsible for assisting with the unloading of their animals.
- Animals weighed in on Friday that will be shown on Saturday at the Western MD District Show, **must** spend the night on the fairgrounds in the barns. Western MD District Show registration is a separate registration.
- 4-H/FFA members should review the enclosed 2026 Market Animal Guide Book.
- Any 4-H/FFA members showing or selling an animal are required to complete the Maryland 4-H Quality Assurance Training Program at <https://ahqa.umd.edu/> by the July 1st deadline.

Animal Health Check

All market animals and breeding animals **exhibiting at** District show must have a health check, also know as CVI papers, Certificate of Veterinarian Inspection. To arrange for health checks, contact your veterinarian 4 weeks prior to the animal's first event and schedule a date and time that works for you. **There will not be a veterinarian completing health check papers at weigh-in.**

Enclosed Documents

➤ **Maryland Livestock Registration Card:**

- Green=Sheep
- White=Swine
- Yellow=Goats

Please be sure to complete all areas of the registration card (front and back) to include; member information, animal ID details, county bred certification, youth and adult signatures on animal science code of ethics. *Commercial breeding animal cards are available upon request. *

➤ **2026 4-H & FFA Market Animal Project Livestock Guidebook**

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Requirements to be Eligible to sell market animals at the Livestock Sale at the Fair

1. Satisfactory club attendance: 4-H clubs holding 8 meetings or less, a member may miss only one meeting. 4-H clubs holding 9 or more meetings, a member may miss two meetings. FFA members must attend 75% of the meetings held.
2. Completion of a record book with project records for any market animal that is tagged.

The Garrett County Livestock Association allows a member to attend two make-up meetings. There are four opportunities that can count as a make-up meeting:

1. Attendance at the fall GCLA meeting and picnic previously held on October 5, 2025.
2. Attendance to help set up for Spring Weigh-in and District Show - April 30 at GC Fairgrounds
3. Showing a market animal at the Western MD District Show – May 9
4. Fair clean-up and preparation – July 29; time TBA

Attendance for youth who sold an animal at the 2025 fair begins with the next meeting after the fair and continues until August 2026. Attendance for new youth who did not sell an animal begins in January 2026 when they enroll in a market livestock project.

Please review the **2026 4-H & FFA Market Animal Project Livestock Guidebook** and **Garrett County Fair Book** for other rules and regulations.

State Fair Animals

Exhibitors planning to show animals at the MD State Fair should contact the 4-H office at 301-334-6960 for State Fair ID Card.

Western Maryland District Livestock Show **Saturday, May 9, 2026 @ GC Fairgrounds** **Registration Deadline: May 1, 2026 to UME ALLEGANY 4-H Office**

7:30 am - 8:00 am~Weigh-in for out-of-county exhibitors
9:00 am Shows begin – see enclosed information for full schedule
End of day – **Must clean pen and take bedding with you**

Please see the enclosed show booklet and registration forms.

IMPORTANT

This is a separate registration than the weigh-in registration. See show booklet for details.

The Garrett County Fair Board has requested we please keep to the barn area.

Livestock exhibitors, families, and spectators should use the lower bathrooms bathroom below the dairy barn for Show Day.

If you have any questions, please call the 4-H Office at 301-334-6960.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures