

Thurston County Youth Market Animal Sale

The History: In October 1990 a group of local business people, farmers, and the agriculture community put together a little money and a lot of effort to establish the first Thurston County Youth Market Animal Sale.

The Goal: To invest in the future of agriculture through youth, providing educational experience in selecting, feeding, training, and marketing the finished product.

With this goal in mind we have been able to support the market sale for over 30 years.

If you would like to support the Market Sale, or if you would like additional information, please contact us:

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Market Animal Sale
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Thank You 2025 Buyers

Bob McCormick ~ CS Galpin Farms
Cadillac Meats ~ Charles Mottern
Chris Gilberts ~ Coastal Farm & Ranch
Colvin Ranch ~ Diane Pust
Eli & Megan Harrison ~ Erika Rose
Ernie's Inc. ~ Gaspar Landscaping LLC
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L&H Sheep Farm ~ Les Schwab Tire Co.
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Riverbend Properties ~ Riverbend Ranch
Rob Rounsley ~ Roper Electric
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Spencer Rhines ~ Stewart's Meats
Tenino Tabs & Title ~ That Hose Guy
The Farm Store ~ Two Noble Guys
Wheeling Ranch ~ Zeiglers Welding Shop
Yelm Farm & Pets York Enterprises

Thank You

*TCYMAS Committee, Volunteers,
Sponsors, and Buyers*

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★ **Thurston County** ★
Youth Market Animal Sale

Steers - Hogs - Lambs
Goats - Rabbits
Chickens - Turkeys



Saturday August 1st, 2026

**The Hicks Lake Barn
Thurston County Fairgrounds**

The Market Sale

Who Buys?

Anyone interested in supporting youth in 4H or FFA and having an appreciation for top quality beef, pork, lamb, goat, or rabbit for the freezer.

Where?

Thurston County Fairgrounds in the Hicks Lake Barn.

When?

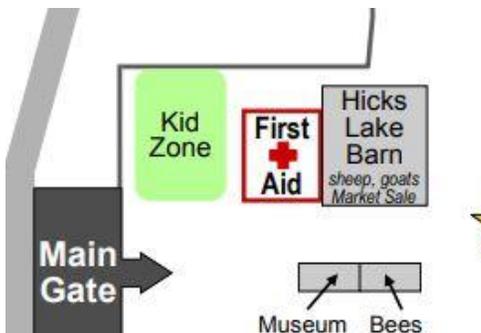
During the Thurston County Fair at a live auction on Saturday at 6:00 p.m.

How?

Donate directly to the youth exhibitor or bid at the auction to purchase an animal.

Why?

Save money compared to grocery store prices, buy locally, know where and how your food was raised. Most importantly, when you purchase a market animal from a youth exhibitor you are helping them to accomplish their goals and learn the value of hard work.



How do I bid/purchase?

On or before the day of the auction stop by the Market Sale Office and sign up for a bidder number. You will need to provide your name, address, phone number, and business name (if you wish to have your business name announced).

Grab a sale catalog and have a seat in the stands around the arena. When you see an animal you wish to bid on (or a youth you wish to support) simply raise your bidder number. The auctioneer will call out the price currently bid. All prices are per pound.

Ok, I won the bid.... Now what?

Now you have a decision to make. One of the youth helpers (a runner) will bring a buyer's card for you to fill out; the Tag #, Bidder #, and Sale Price will be filled out for you. On the card there are 3 options:

Turn: Turning an animal means you agree to sell the animal to a designated floor buyer at the price they have agreed to pay and you pay the difference (floor prices are listed in the sale catalog). An example of turning the animal: You win the bid of \$1.25 per pound. Floor price is \$0.50 per pound on that species of animal. You will pay \$0.75 per pound and the floor buyer in turn will pay the remaining \$0.50 per pound. The youth will still receive the \$1.25 per pound and the floor buyer then keeps the animal.

Process: This means you want the animal for consumption. Processing information will be provided in the sale catalog the night of the auction. When the animal is processed you are responsible for all costs. The cost of cutting and wrapping varies depending on the facility used and is paid directly to the facility chosen.

Take Home: You want to take the animal home with you at the end of the fair. If you choose this option you will be responsible for the full price of the animal and any costs associated with transportation to your home. Please note this is a terminal sale. This animal CAN NOT be sold at another auction.

When you have completed the buyer's card the runner will return it to the sale office for you to be entered.

I didn't win the bid (or do not want to bid but still want to support the youth anyway) what can I do?

Many people do not wish to bid for animals but want to support the youth of our community anyway. Donations directly to the youth can be made by placing an Add-on. You still need a bidder number to place an add-on. During the auction ask a runner for an Add-on Card or see the Market Sale Office. Please pay at the Market Sale Office before you leave. Payments can be made by cash, check, or credit card.