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Dear Suffolk Enthusiasts,

The Suffolk Event is shaping up to be extra-special with a new location, new sponsors, and new opportunities to step into the bubbling excitement within our breed. Indiana is ready to roll out some 'Hoosier Hospitality' as our members, juniors, and friends converge in Lebanon, Indiana, at the Boone County Fairgrounds, June 5-7, 2026.

Our schedule offers something for everyone. A special line-up of educational opportunities will highlight Friday's schedule. Reproduction Specialty Group (RSG) has stepped up to offer tours, classroom sessions, and complementary lunch. The Juniors will have interactive, fun learning experiences. We cap off Friday with our national sale preview, where attendees will determine Saturday's sale order by voting for their preferences among some of most the elite Suffolk ewes and rams produced from coast to coast. Saturday features our USSA National sale, The Junior Suffolk Olympic activities, and some fun afternoon contests. The day concludes with our Hall of Fame Awards Banquet. On Sunday, the Juniors will celebrate our Nation's 250th birthday with a spectacular Junior show.

Our staff: Amanda Everts - Executive Secretary, and Isaac Lewis - Junior Coordinator, have worked tirelessly with countless volunteers, in countless meetings, for countless hours, and the result is quite an ambitious three-day schedule. Be sure to read the enclosed schedule carefully to fully appreciate the scope of what it being offered. I personally want to thank all the members of various committees and subcommittees who have been hard at work, ready to make your experience at the Suffolk Event truly special.

Because of the outstanding sponsor/donor support from our United Suffolk Sheep Foundation, RSG, and a host of other contributors, we can offer The Suffolk Event to attendees at a very reasonable price. Heartfelt thanks to members and friends who have been so generous in their support. Check out the member, family, and other pricing options.

There is still limited hotel space available in Lebanon. Nearby Whitestown also has several hotel choices. We suggest that you use your favorite booking site to reserve your room ASAP.

Please take note of the deadlines for registration, sale entry, junior show entry, and Junior promotional contests entry.

Will I see you at the Event? I hope so, and I'm looking forward to it!

Diane Russell

USSA Board Member and Suffolk Event Chair

Thank you to our sponsors!

Sponsors are still being accepted. Contact Amanda at the USSA office.

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ADULT EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS

Childcare/activities for children under 6 years old will be available on Friday during the educational sessions at the fairgrounds.

Sheep Health & Nutrition - This session will focus on practical strategies for maintaining flock health and optimizing nutrition throughout the production cycle. Participants will learn how proper mineral programs, body condition management, parasite control, and targeted supplementation can improve reproductive performance, lamb growth, and overall flock productivity. The presentation will also highlight common management mistakes and how producers can build a proactive flock health plan. *Present Blair Standish, RSG Business Development Team Lead*

Advanced Sheep Reproduction - This session will explore modern reproductive technologies that are transforming sheep breeding programs. Dr. Thompson will discuss synchronization protocols, laparoscopic artificial insemination (LAI), embryo transfer (ET), and emerging technologies such as in vitro fertilization (IVF) Attendees will gain insight into how these tools can accelerate genetic progress, improve lamb crop consistency, and help breeders maximize the value of elite genetics within their flocks. *Presented by Dr. Tad Thompson, DVM, RSG Founder & CEO*

Under the Microscope - Take a closer look at the science behind sheep reproduction in this interactive educational session. Lindsey Scruggs will introduce participants to the fundamentals of reproductive biology, semen evaluation, and embryo development using real laboratory equipment and visuals. Designed to make complex concepts easy to understand, this session offers a unique opportunity to see how advanced reproductive technologies work behind the scenes. *Presented by Lindsey Scruggs, RSG Genetics Team Member*

RSG Facility Tour - Suffolk Event participants will be able to tour the RSG state-of-the-art facility where semen collection, artificial insemination, in-vitro fertilization, and embryo transfer take place. RSG also offers animal health and nutrition services from this headquarters location. This will be a great opportunity to tour the facility that offers comprehensive services to serve the sheep industry. *Tour lead by RSG Team Member*

How to Make the Most of Your Sheep Facilities – Panelists will discuss and share experiences on how to optimize the use of facilities, sheep ventilation, design of feeding systems to minimize labor, and other tricks and tips. Attendees will take home ideas on how to make your facilities work for you! *Panelists include Phil Berg, Pipestone Lamb & Wool Program/Minnesota West, Braden Campbell, The Ohio State University, Stan Poe II, Indiana Sheep Producer and Tom Slack, USSA Member and Breeder. Moderated by Kathy Krafka Harkema, USSA Director*

Lamb Carcass Evaluation and Cutability Demonstration – Participants will observe a freshly harvested lamb and learn how carcasses are evaluated. A cutability demo will be done by a professional meat-cutter to break down the carcass into cuts for home, retail, and commercial markets. *Presented by Dr. Stacy Zuelly, Meat Scientist, Purdue and Isaac Moody, Meat Processing Consultant*

YOUTH EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS

Youth sessions are designed for youth 8 years and older. Younger children are welcome (and encouraged) to participate when parents can supervise them to maintain an optimal learning environment. Childcare/activities for children under 6 years old will be available on Friday during the educational sessions at the fairgrounds.

Flocks and Friends – Get to know your UJSSA Board and other Suffolk youth by in engaging in some fun “sheep” get-to-know-you activities to kick-off the Suffolk Event weekend. *Lead by Isaac Lewis, UJSSA Jr. Coordinator*

Showmanship Camp - No matter what your show experience, attendees will walk away with new tips for successfully showing their Suffolks! Izzy Clouse brings a lengthy list of skills from the showring and her livestock judging experience to this lamb showmanship camp. Bring a sheep to the ring for some hands-on fun! *Lead by Izzy Clouse, Izzy and Co. Showstock, One-On-One Showmanship Clinics*

Lamb Carcass Evaluation and Lamb Cut ID - From lamb carcass to grocery store shelves, attendees will gain a better understanding how a lamb carcass is transformed into cuts for the dinner plate. Isaac Lewis will wrap up this session with lamb cuts identification to prepare for the Suffolk Cup! *Lead by Dr. Stacy Zuelly, Purdue University, and Isaac Lewis, UJSSA Jr. Coordinator*

On-The-Move Mini Sessions - End the day by learning from your UJSSA Board Members through mini sessions focusing on baby lamb management, how to give medical injections, backdrop sheep set up, and hoof health and trimming! *Lead by Isaac Lewis, UJSSA Jr. Coordinator*

Suffolk Olympics - On Saturday youth attendees are invited to participate in a fun team-based event testing their skill on things they learned on Friday through a skill-a-thon, cooking contest and more! *Lead by Isaac Lewis, UJSSA Jr. Coordinator*



SUFFOLK EVENT REGISTRATION

DEADLINE: MAY 1

Return By:

Email: info@suffolks.org • **Mail:** USSA, PO Box 121, Holland, IA 50642

Name _____ Email _____

Address _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____ Number of Years Raising Suffolks: _____

Please list all attendee names: _____

For any children that will be attending, please share age(s) _____

NEW LOCATION FOR 2026!

Boone County Fairgrounds | 1300 E 100 S, Lebanon, Indiana 46052
Reproduction Specialty Group (RSG) | 2590 N 500 E, Lebanon, Indiana 46052

Educational Sessions (Friday, June 5)

Registration is required for individuals planning to attend the educational sessions. An adult and youth track will be offered. Educational programs will be split between the Boone County Fairgrounds and onsite at Reproduction Specialty Group. Attendees are invited to spend half the day at both locations!

National Suffolk Sale (Saturday, June 6)

No registration is required to attend/consign to the sale. Sale entry is separate and found on the USSA website. The sale entry deadline is May 1.

Hall of Fame Banquet Only (Saturday, June 6)

Reservations can be made for the Hall of Fame banquet. Children will eat with their parents. Activity bags will be provided for young children.

Junior Show (Sunday, June 7)

Happy 250th Birthday USA!

Pre-entry is encouraged for the junior show, the deadline is May 1. Show entry is encouraged through the website www.showman.app – PDF entry forms are available at www.suffolks.org.

FULL REGISTRATION*

**A full registration includes Friday lunch, Friday supper, and Saturday Banquet.*

USSA Member Individual Registration x \$80 = _____

Child Registration (less than 10 years old)..... x \$35 = _____

USSA/UJSSA Member Family Registration*..... \$225 = _____

**Family registration: please indicate the number of adult(s) (____) and children (____)*

Non-Member Registration x \$150 = _____

HALL OF FAME BANQUET ONLY

Adult Reservation..... x \$45 = _____

Child Reservation..... x \$30 = _____

Total: _____

Make a donation to support the Suffolk Event!(thank you!) = _____

INTEREST INDICATOR (for penning): ____ I/We plan to consign sheep ____ I/We plan to participate in the junior show

PAYMENT OPTIONS: ____ Mailed Check ____ Bill my Digital Suffolk account ____ PayPal

Book Hotel Rooms Now!

There are several events happening in Lebanon the weekend of the Suffolk Event!

The 2026 Suffolk Event Schedule



This is a tentative schedule. All weekend activities held at the Boone County Fairgrounds, Lebanon, Indiana except on-site programming at Reproduction Specialty Group (RSG), Lebanon, Indiana. All start times are EASTERN time.

Thursday, June 4

- Noon** Barn open for arrival- Centennial Hall South, Boone Co. Fairgrounds
4-6 pm Junior Show Check-in- Centennial Hall South, Boone Co. Fairgrounds

Friday, June 5

- 7:30 - 8:00 am** Event Registration & Junior Show Check-in- Witham Pavillion, Boone Co. Fairgrounds
8 am - 11:00 am National Suffolk Sale check-in- Centennial Hall South, Boone Co. Fairgrounds
8 am - 4:00 pm Childcare/activities for children under 6 years old. Amanda Lewis, Early Learning Specialist- Witham Pavillion Room 3
8:30am-4:00 pm Adult and Youth Educational Sessions – See below for more details.
4:00 - 5:30 pm Junior Show Check-in- Witham Pavillion, Boone Co. Fairgrounds
6:00 pm Welcome Dinner- Witham Pavillion Classrooms, Boone Co. Fairgrounds
7:00 pm Junior Promotional Contest Display/Results – Witham Pavillion, Boone Co. Fairgrounds
7:00 pm Desserts & Decisions! Sale Sheep Preview Attendees select National Suffolk Sale Order!
Witham Showring, Boone Co. Fairgrounds or Facebook Live @unitedsuffolksheepassociation | @willoughbysales

Saturday, June 6

- 8:00 - 10:00 am** Junior Show Check-in, Signup for “Happy 250th Birthday USA” Costume Contest and Past & Present Showmanship
Centennial Hall South, Boone Co. Fairgrounds

- 8:30 - 10:30 am** Youth Olympics | Suffolk Cup– Witham Pavillion Classrooms, Boone Co. Fairgrounds

Lunch on your own

- 11:30 am** National Suffolk Sale Witham Showring, Boone Co. Fairgrounds and *Live, online bidding@ wlivestock.com!*
2:00 pm Youth “Happy 250th Birthday USA” Costume Contest- Witham Showring, Boone Co. Fairgrounds
Past & Present Showmanship- Witham Showring, Boone Co. Fairgrounds
6:00 pm Social Hour, Banquet Dinner, Youth Awards & Suffolk Hall of Fame- Witham Classrooms, Boone Co. Fairgrounds

Sunday, June 7

- 8:00 am** “Happy 250th Birthday USA” Junior Suffolk Show- Witham Showring, Boone Co. Fairgrounds

Friday Adult & Youth Educational Sessions

Adult Educational Program

Friday educational programming will be offered at the Boone Co. Fairgrounds and on-site at Reproduction Specialty Group (RSG). Attendees will spend half the day at each venue. Attendees are responsible for their own transportation.

- 8:30 - 11:45 am** Nutrition & Animal Health, Advanced Reproduction, Under the Microscope, and Facility Tour – All sessions at RSG
8:30 - 10:00 am Carcass Evaluation & Breakdown Demonstration- Witham Pavillion, Boone Co. Fairgrounds, Room 1
Stacey Zuelly & Issac Moody
10:15 - 11:45 am Facility Design for Optimal Sheep Management– Witham Pavillion, Boone Co. Fairgrounds, Room 2
Panelists: Phil Berg, Stan Poe II, Tom Slack, Braden Campbell. Moderator: Kathy Krafka Harkema
11:30 - 12:30 Lunch provided at RSG
12:45 - 4:00 pm Nutrition & Animal Health, Advanced Reproduction, Under the Microscope, and Facility Tour - All sessions at RSG
12:45 - 2:15 pm Facility Design for Optimal Sheep Management– Witham Pavillion, Boone Co. Fairgrounds, Room 2
Panelists: Phil Berg, Stan Poe II, Tom Slack, Braden Campbell. Moderator: Kathy Krafka Harkema
2:30 - 4:00 pm Carcass Evaluation & Breakdown Demonstration- Witham Pavillion, Boone Co. Fairgrounds, Room 1
Stacey Zuelly & Issac Moody

Youth Educational Program

- 7:30 - 8:00 am** Registration & Check-in: Promotional items- Witham Pavillion, Boone Co. Fairgrounds
8:15 - 9:00 am Flocks & Friends Mixer– Witham Showring, Boone Co. Fairgrounds
UJSSA Board of Directors & Interns & Isaac Lewis
9:00 - 11:30 am Showmanship Camp- Witham Showring, Boone Co. Fairgrounds
Izzy Clouse
11:30 - 12:30 Lunch provided at RSG or pizza in Witham Pavillion, Boone Co. Fairgrounds
1:00 - 2:00 pm Lamb Carcass Evaluation & Lamb Retail ID- Witham Pavillion, Boone Co. Fairgrounds, Room 1
Stacy Zuelly & Isaac Lewis
2:00 - 2:15 pm Snack Break
2:15 - 4:00 pm On-The-Move Mini Sessions– Witham Showring, Boone Co. Fairgrounds
UJSSA Board of Directors & Interns & Isaac Lewis

Silent Auction

Friday – Saturday

Support the Suffolk Event!
Donated items are welcome!
Located in Witham Hall

2026 Suffolk Event Locations

The majority of the Suffolk Event will be held at the Boone County Fairgrounds in Lebanon, Indiana. The Friday educational program will be located at both the Boone County Fairgrounds and Reproduction Specialty Group outside of Lebanon, Indiana.

Boone County Fairgrounds

1300 E 100 S, Lebanon, Indiana 46052

Witham Pavillion

Educational Program, Welcome Dinner, Youth Activities, Banquet, Sale, Junior Show

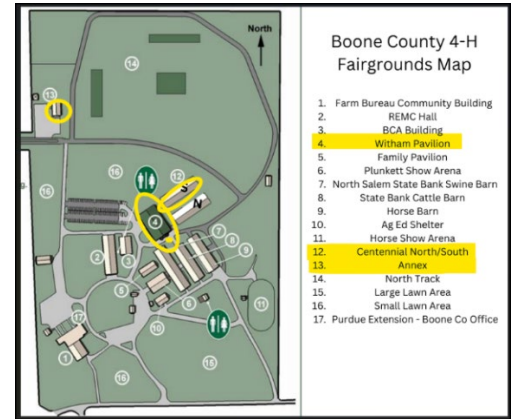
Centennial Hall

Sale and Junior Show Sheep Pens

Reproduction Specialty Group (RSG)

2590 N 500 E, Lebanon, Indiana 46052

Educational Program



Learn More

Contact the United Suffolk Sheep Association (USSA) with any questions!

Phone: 641-684-5291

Email: info@suffolks.org

Website: www.suffolks.org -For all up-to-date Suffolk Event information!

Social Media: Facebook @unitedsuffolksheepassociation

Hotels

Make reservations ASAP! Hotels with * still have discounted room block rates availability. See block name listed with hotel.

Lebanon Hotels

Holiday Inn Express - 765-483-4100

*Hampton Inn - 765-481-2920

Baymont Inn - 765-482-9613

Quality Inn - 765-335-2002

Hotels In Whitestown/Zionsville:

(10 minutes from Boone County Fairgrounds)

Home2suitses - 463-946-4050

Fairfield Inn - 463-270-0960

Holiday Inn Express *(sheep) - 317-769-0932

Hampton Inn - 317-768-2330

Thank You Sponsors!

Diamond Sponsors (\$2500 & up)



Platinum Sponsors (\$1000 - \$2499)



Ron Alves Family
McCabe Suffolks

Gold Sponsors (\$500 - \$999)



Baglien Suffolks • Russell Sheep Company

Silver Sponsors (\$250 - \$499): William Fulton Family • Heupel Farms • Hunter Nutrition • Illinois Suffolk Sheep Association • JMG Suffolks, Jeremy Geske • Janes Livestock • Moonshadow Farm, Michael & Debra Jensen • Peth Family Farm • Slack Club Lambs

Bronze Sponsors (\$100 - \$249): Dennis & Mary Ann Sorensen



National Suffolk Sale

ENTRY FORM

Electronic Entry Via Digital Suffolk Strongly Encouraged

SALE DATE: June 6 | ENTRY DEADLINE: May 1

Consignor Name:

Address, City, State, Zip Code:

Phone:

Email:

Facebook/Website:

Express Sale Entry with Digital Suffolk! - 1) log in 2) left menu "Flock Mgmt" 3) "Consignments"

Entry Rules

Entry is open to current United Suffolk Sheep Association and United Junior Suffolk Sheep Association members.

- Open to **registered Suffolk rams, ewes and wethers**. All entries are subject to a quality sift.

SHEEP AGE FOR ENTRY: Rams and ewes born after 8/31/2024. Suffolk wethers born after 12/1/2025 are eligible to enter. GAP and Percentage registered sheep are eligible to be consigned to this sale. Sheep that have reached purebred status (94% or 15/16) are eligible to participate in the sale preview. Sheep that are less than 94% are not eligible for the sale preview and will sell separately.

RAM ENTRY: To consign a ram, a ewe must be consigned.

COMMISSION: There is an 11% commission on the sale.

SALE MANAGEMENT: Willoughby Sales – Justin Willoughby: 317-523-9667

SALE COMMITTEE CHAIR: Sale Chair - Jeremy Geske: 612-756-1200

REGISTRATION: All Entries must include a **USSA registration number**. If you are not 100% sure which sheep you will be bringing, enter your best guess. Registration numbers are required to build the sale catalog in Digital Suffolk. Substitutions are allowed.

QUALITY SIFT: Entry fee will be non-refundable on any sheep removed from the sale by the quality sift committee.

PHOTOS/VIDEOS: Consignors are encouraged to upload photos of entries on Digital Suffolk. Share photos/videos and sale information on Facebook prior to the sale.

SALE ORDER | SALE PREVIEW: Sale order will be determined during the Sale Preview Friday night. Suffolk Event attendees help determine the sale order. The sale preview will be livestreamed via the United Suffolk Sheep Association Facebook page.

ONLINE BIDDING OPTION: Online bidding will be available through wlivestock.com.

PRE-ORDER BEDDING | HAY: Preorder bedding and hay available. Information will be shared directly with consignors in May.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS: Each consigned animal will need its own health paper **and** 3 photo copies are needed. **All entries must carry a Scrapie ID tag**. You will need to have a Scrapie ID on your Health Papers. **Though not required for this sale, many states require a negative B Ovis test on any rams over 6 months of age, so consignors are encouraged to have this test if you want your rams eligible to sell into any U.S. state.** An animal health committee reserves the right to inspect sheep.

DNA DECLARATION: Consignors are asked to declare DNA for spider, scrapie and the dwarf gene. The codon provided by consignor will be included on the sale orders, but is not guaranteed by the United Suffolk Sheep Association.

DEFERRED PAYMENT: Consignor settlement checks will be mailed within 30 days of the sale.

SALE TRANSPORTATION: Several breeders have agreed to be listed as potential haulers both to and from the sale. Refer to the Suffolk Event Sale information sheet for details. Trailers coming and going from both coasts and states in between.

SALE CREDITS FOR FIVE JUNIORS: The United Suffolk Sheep Foundation will award up to five credits, each worth \$500, to eligible juniors who take part in 2026 Suffolk Event youth educational sessions. The names of juniors who participate in 2026 educational sessions will be placed in a drawing, with up to five winners drawn and announced prior to the national sale. The sale credits must be used to purchase Suffolks selling in the National Suffolk Sale, June 6, 2026.

Sale Guarantee: Except for those stated below, there are no warranties, expressed or implied, as to the fitness for a particular purpose with respect to sheep being sold in this sale. The warranties and guarantees set forth below, are in lieu of all other warranties, either expressed or implied, and the remedies provided therein shall be the sole and exclusive remedy of the buyer, or party representing the buyer, for any breach of warranty or guarantee therein provided. Every ram and ewe sold will be guaranteed as a breeder if properly handled. It shall be the responsibility of the buyer to return a non-breeder to the seller in acceptable breeding condition. The seller, after a fair trial and the animal is found to be a non-breeder, shall have the privilege of replacing the ram or ewe with one of equal value to the satisfaction of the seller, or refund the purchase price. This guarantee shall not apply to any sheep that are shown subsequent to the date of the sale. Notification of non-breeder rams must be made to the seller prior to October 1st following the sale; notification of non-breeder ewes must be made to the seller prior to April 1st following the sale. Spring born ram lambs and ewe lambs are exempt the first year. This guarantee shall constitute a contract between the buyer and the seller only, and no other parties assume any liability, legal or otherwise, expressed or implied.

SALE ENTRY

Ewe Sale Entry x \$30 = _____
Ram Sale Entry x \$50 = _____
Wether Sale Entry x \$30 = _____
Late Sale Entry (after May 1)..... x \$60 = _____
Futurity Nominations (ewes only) x \$25 = _____

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

USSA Membership (Adult)..... x \$90 = _____
UJSSA Membership (Youth)..... x \$25 = _____
Total: _____

→ CONSIGNORS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO ENTER VIA DIGITAL SUFFOLK!

ENTRY SUBMISSION: EMAIL(preferred) to info@suffolks.org or **MAIL** to USSA, PO BOX 121, Holland, IA 50642

PAYMENT OPTIONS: **Mailed Check (payable to USSA)** **Bill my Digital Suffolk account** **PayPal**

National Suffolk Sale Entry Information (please include all information for all entries)

USSA Registration #: _____ Flock Name & Number: _____ Sex: ____ (ram/ewe/wether)
Date of Birth: _____ Birth Type: _____ Sire: _____ Dam: _____
DNA: _____ USSA Futurity Nominated (ewes): Yes or No If applicable, circle: GAP Percentage
Comments: (limit 250 characters)

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Date of Birth: _____ Birth Type: _____ Sire: _____ Dam: _____
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Date of Birth: _____ Birth Type: _____ Sire: _____ Dam: _____
DNA: _____ USSA Futurity Nominated (ewes): Yes or No If applicable, circle: GAP Percentage
Comments: (limit 250 characters)

2026 NATIONAL SUFFOLK SALE INFORMATION

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: Make plans to attend the 2026 *Suffolk Event* in Lebanon, IN. In addition to fellowship and fun, the weekend includes educational seminars, the National Suffolk Sale, banquet and a Junior show. In 2024, 39 head sold for an average of \$1,160. Last year, 44 head sold for an average of \$985. The **Entry Deadline** is May 1.

IMPORTANT CONSIGNOR NOTE: A registration number is required for each entry. We are utilizing Digital Suffolk to build the sale catalog. This will not work if the sheep has not yet been registered. Please contact the USSA Office with any questions. Substitutions will be allowed.

LOCATION: Boone County Fairgrounds, Witham Hall & Centennial Hall Lebanon, Indiana. All sale sheep will be housed in this facility. All sale sheep must be penned by 10 am on Friday, June 5.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE SHOW: Friday, June 5 at 7 pm. Suffolk Event paid attendees, including consignors, help determine the sale order by voting for their favorite entries in each class. The Slido app will be used for voting. The sale preview will be livestreamed via Willoughby Sales and United Suffolk Sheep Association Facebook pages. Sheep can be presented slick or in fleece. Only requirements, as this is an event where the Suffolk breed is on display, the sheep need to be washed within a week of the show and either sheared or cut out in 2026.

SALE: Saturday, June 6, at 11:30 am eastern. Billy MacCauley will be the auctioneer.

ENTRY DEADLINES –May 1: We want to have a digital catalog out ahead of time to prospective buyers so please enter by the deadline. Email entries will be accepted. Emailed entries will not be cataloged until entry fees are received.

ENTRY FEES & SUBMISSION– Entry fees are \$30 for ewes, \$50 for rams, and \$30 for wethers, payable at time of entry.

NEW IN 2026 consignors must enter at least one ewe for each ram consigned. All entries subject to a quality sift.

Maximum of 2 rams per consignor. Ewe lambs can be futurity nominated prior to the sale for \$25 per head. Entry fees are non-refundable. Remember the May 1 deadline, and please be on time!!! Make checks payable to: USSA. **SEND ENTRIES TO: USSA, PO Box 121, Holland, IA 50642 or info@suffolks.org.**

RAM ENTRY: Consignors must enter at least one ewe for each ram consigned.

ENTRY PROCESS: Consignors are encouraged to enter via Digital Suffolk but can also use the enclosed entry form. Include a USSA registration number with each entry as we are using Digital Suffolk to create the catalog. Even if you aren't 100% sure which ones you will bring, enter your best guess. Substitutions will be allowed. Information Sale Day will **NOT** be accepted. **Express Sale Entry with Digital Suffolk! – 1) log in 2) left menu "Flock Mgmt" 3) "Consignments"**

COMMISSION & SALE MANAGEMENT – Willoughby Sales will manage the *Suffolk Event* sale. In addition to the entry fee, 11% of the final bid will be charged as a sales commission.

LATE ENTRIES: All entries received after the deadline date increase to \$60 per head and are not likely to be included in the catalog.

SALE CHECK-IN: Sale check-in from 8 am to 11 am on Friday, June 5 in Centennial Hall. Sale contact Jeremy Geske (612-756-1200). All sale sheep must be penned by 10 am on Friday, June, 5.

CATALOG: A sale catalog will be distributed to prospective buyers prior to the sale and will be posted on the USSA website (and social media). We are using Digital Suffolk to create the catalog so you can upload photos as you have them. We need the registration numbers on all your entries to make this work. Entries without registration numbers will not be accepted.

PHOTOS: Consignors are encouraged to upload photos of sale entries on Digital Suffolk. That way they will be viewable by anyone who receives the digital catalog or scans the QR code of your sheep. Remember to share photos and sale information on social media. Help us get the word out to as many potential buyers as possible.

ENTRY IS OPEN TO: Rams and ewes born after 8/31/2024. Suffolk wethers born after 12/1/2025 are eligible to enter. To consign a ram, an ewe must be consigned. GAP and Percentage registered sheep are eligible to be consigned to this sale.

Sheep that have reached purebred status (94% or 15/16) are eligible to participate in the sale preview. Sheep that are less than 94% are not eligible for the sale preview and will sell separately.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS: Each consigned animal will need its own health paper **and** 3 photo copies are needed. **All entries must carry a Scrapie ID tag.** You will need to have a Scrapie ID on your Health Papers. ***Though not required for this sale, many states require a negative B Ovis test on any rams over 6 months of age, so consignors are encouraged to have this test if you want your rams eligible to sell into any U.S. state.*** An animal health committee reserves the right to inspect sheep.

ON-LINE BIDDING: There will be an online bidding and viewing option during the sale through wlivestock.com. Consignors will receive additional instructions on submitting information and photos to wlivestock.com via e-mail.

MINIMUM BID: There will be a minimum bid of \$400 (US Dollars) on all entries.

SALE SCHEDULE: All times listed are Eastern time zone. Please refer to the full Event Schedule at www.suffolks.org.

- Thursday, June 4 – Sheep barn open for sale sheep to arrive at noon
- Friday, June 5 – Sale check-in 8 – 11 am
- Friday, June 5 – All sale sheep must be penned by 10 am
- Friday, June 5 – Sale sheep viewing / People's Choice voting 7 pm
- Saturday, June 6 – National Suffolk Sale – 11:30 am eastern also bidding on wlivestock.com

SUFFOLK SALE CONTACT | MAIL BIDS: Jeremy Geske: 612-756-1200 or Jeremy.geske@gmail.com

TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE: There are several options for transporting sheep to and from the National Suffolk Sale listed below. Please contact them directly to discuss fees and arrangements. Consignors heading to most states may have room to deliver purchased sheep. Contact Jeremy Geske for assistance in lining up delivery for online/phone purchases.

East

- Check website for options!

West

- Jeremy Geske (Minnesota) • 612-756-1200
- Wesley Linke (South Dakota) • 605-770-9626
- Joe Olsen (Utah) • 801-362-9493

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DEFERRED PAYMENT: Consignor settlement checks will be mailed within 30 days of the sale.

JUNIOR SHOW: Sheep sold through the sale are eligible to be shown by the junior buyer on Sunday, June 7, as part of the **Suffolk Event** junior show. There will be classes for fitted and slick-shorn rams and ewes, and a class for Suffolk market lambs. Watch the USSA website and Facebook page and the UJSSA Facebook page for more information on entering the Junior Suffolk Show at the **Suffolk Event**. Contact Chris Auville (540-840-4927) to enter any sheep purchased through the sale by 2 pm Saturday, June 6.

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The Suffolk Event Junior Show

June 7, 2026 • Lebanon, Indiana

SHOW THEME: "Happy 250th Birthday USA!"

ENTRY: Via Showman.app "The Suffolk Event Junior Show"

Please use the form to enter exhibitor(s) for the Suffolk Event Junior Show. Multiple entries/families can be made through this form. For sheep entries, please designate the individual exhibitors. Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to enter by **May 1** to help us plan for the show. Entry can be made during show check-in on Saturday, June 6. Sheep purchased at the National Suffolk Sale the day prior are eligible to be shown. All exhibitors must be a current member of the United Junior Suffolk Sheep Association. To be a UJSSA member the individual, shall not have reached 22 years prior to January 1st of the current year. With this rule, there will be individuals who have reached 22 years old by the day of the show who are eligible to participate.

Exhibitor Name(s) _____

Email _____ Phone Number(s) _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Parent Name(s) _____

Additional Notes- contact info@suffolks.org to learn more:

- Additional show themed shirt can be ordered by May 1.
- Pre-order straw/shavings/hay can be ordered by May 1.

Submit the entry form to:

Email: info@suffolks.org

Mail: USSA, PO Box 121, Holland, IA 50642

UJSSA Membership Dues _____ x \$25= _____

Total Sheep Entries _____ x \$15= _____

Total Amount Enclosed _____

Payment Option: Mailed Check

Bill my Digital Suffolk account

PayPal

OFFICIAL CONSENT FORM

As an exhibitor of The Suffolk Event Junior Show, I fully understand and agree to comply with all the rules listed on the United Suffolk Sheep Association website. Failure to do so will disqualify me and forfeit my premiums. The exhibitor and/or parent agree that photographs/videos and likenesses of the exhibitor and animals may be used without compensation for advertising, promotion, and news articles.

Exhibitor or Parent/Guardian Signature _____ **Date** _____

Parent/Guardian must also sign if exhibitor is under 18 years of age. Signature(s) required to participate in the show.

ENTRY DIVISIONS

Up to 2 entries per class per exhibitor. One entry per sheep. Registration number, sire and dam information are preferred at the time of entry. Classes with more than 15 head will be split.

RAMS

- Class 1 – Fitted Yearling Ram (born 9/1/24 - 8/31/25)
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- Class 4 - Slick Shorn Early Senior Ram Lamb (born 9/1/25 - 11/15/25)
- Class 5 - Fitted Late Senior Ram Lamb (born 11/16/25 - 12/31/25)
- Class 6 - Slick Shorn Late Senior Ram Lamb (born 11/16/25 - 12/31/25)
- Class 7 - Fitted January Ram Lamb (born 1/1/26 - 1/31/26)
- Class 8 - Slick Shorn January Ram Lamb (born 1/1/26 - 1/31/26)
- Class 9 - Fitted February & Later Ram Lamb (born 2/1/26 & after)
- Class 10 - Slick Shorn February & Later Ram Lamb (born 2/1/26 & after)
 - Fitted Champion and Reserve Champion Ram
 - Slick Shorn Champion and Reserve Champion Ram

- Class 18 - Slick Shorn Late Senior Ewe Lamb (born 11/16/25 - 12/31/25)
 - Fitted Senior Champion and Reserve Champion Ewe
 - Slick Shorn Senior Champion and Reserve Champion Ewe
- Class 21 - Fitted January Ewe Lamb (born 1/1/26 - 1/31/26)
- Class 22 - Slick Shorn January Ewe Lamb (born 1/1/26 - 1/31/26)
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- Class 24 - Slick Shorn February & Later Ewe Lamb (born 2/1/26 & after)
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 - Fitted Grand and Reserve Champion Ewe
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MARKET LAMBS

- Class 29 - Suffolk Market Lamb

SHOWMANSHIP

- Class 30 - Beginning Showmanship Age 9 and younger
- Class 31 - Intermediate Showmanship Age 10-14
- Class 32 - Senior Showmanship Age 15 and older

EWES

- Class 13 - Fitted Yearling Ewe (born 9/1/24 - 8/31/25)
- Class 14 - Slick Shorn Yearling Ewe (born 9/1/24 - 8/31/25)
- Class 15 - Fitted Early Senior Ewe Lamb (born 9/1/25 - 11/15/25)
- Class 16 - Slick Shorn Early Senior Ewe Lamb (born 9/1/25 - 11/15/25)
- Class 17 - Fitted Late Senior Ewe Lamb (born 11/16/25 - 12/31/25)

Happy 250th Birthday USA! The Suffolk Event Junior Show

June 7, 2026 • 8:00 am • Lebanon, Indiana

ENTRY: VIA SHOWMAN APP “The Suffolk Event Junior Show”

Judge: Cassie Wallpe, Indiana

Suffolk Event Weekend Youth Activities

The Suffolk Event is designed to be a family-friendly event with more than just a junior show. We invite youth to join us for the whole weekend, please visit www.suffolks.org, “The Suffolk Event” for complete details and entry information. Youth who register and attend the educational program will be eligible for 5 - \$500 sale credits good at the 2026 National Suffolk Sale held during the Suffolk Event, sponsored by the United Suffolk Sheep Foundation. May 1st is the entry deadline for all components of the Suffolk Event, including the educational program registration, National Suffolk Sale and junior show.

Weekend youth activities in addition to Sunday’s Junior Show include:

Friday (6/5)

Promotional Contests

Youth Educational Program

Saturday (6/6)

Suffolk Cup: Youth Olympics

Youth Drawing for five- \$500 National Suffolk Sale Credits!

“Happy 250th Birthday USA” Costume Contest /Past & Present Showmanship

Suffolk Cup Awards @ Saturday Banquet

Junior Show Rules & Regulations

The United Suffolk Sheep Association (USSA) Board of Directors and staff reserve the final and absolute right to interpret these regulations and rules and settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected with, or incident to the show and contests.

1. Exhibitors compete in divisions based on their age the first day of the junior show. To be a UJSSA member, the individual shall not have reached 22 years prior to January 1st of the current year. With this rule, there will be individuals who have reached 22 years old by the day of the show whom are eligible to participate.
2. Exhibitors must be current members of the United Junior Suffolk Sheep Association (UJSSA). Annual membership dues are **\$25**. To join, send \$25 and completed membership application to: **USSA, PO Box 121, Holland, IA 50642 or through the Suffolk Event junior show entry.**
3. Entry fee is \$15 per head Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to pre-enter by **May 1** to help us plan for the show. Additional entry can be made in the show by 10 am on Saturday, June 6. **Enter via Showman App “The Suffolk Event Junior Show”**. Suffolks purchased in the June 6th National Suffolk Sale are eligible to show. Contact Chris Auville (540-840-4927) to enter any sheep purchased through the sale by 2 pm Saturday, June 6.
4. Exhibitors must show their own sheep unless they have two entries in the same class, in which case another UJSSA member may show the sheep. Exhibitors are allowed to have a current UJSSA member assist them in showing; however, the registered owner must either hold the head of the animal or set the animal's legs throughout the entire duration of the class. Failure to comply with this rule results in forfeiture of placing and premium money for the animal.
5. All sheep must be registered in the USSA. Original USSA registration certificates must be presented to show officials at check-in. **ONE EXCEPTION: Sheep purchased from a recent sale – a photocopy of the USSA registration certificate and bill of sale must be provided.** Sheep must be registered/current ownership listed in: a) the exhibitor’s name, b) a family partnership/farm name (ex. Grandparent, father, mother, brother, sister, children or grandchildren), or c) a partnership in which all partners are current members of UJSSA.
6. Exhibitors should present a neat, professional image in the show ring.
7. Exhibitors may not wear any clothing or other articles in the show ring, that advertise a sheep flock or membership name or related enterprises.
8. Judging will begin once all entries are in the ring, or up to 5 minutes between classes. Entries not in the show ring at this time will be disqualified.
9. There will be a bedding and hay pre-order available, orders to be placed through the entry process.

General Information

1. There are no pen assignments. For questions on arrival contact Chris Auville (540-840-4927). With ongoing educational sessions on Friday, limited Suffolk representatives will be in the barn for penning questions - contact Jeremy Geske (612-756-1200).
2. Exhibitors are advised to bring their own fans, extension cords, fitting, feeding and pen maintenance equipment such as brooms, shovels, pitchforks, etc.
3. Exhibitors must sign the ethics statement on the entry form.
4. Exhibitors’ show animals must be treated humanely and have all four feet on the ground when in the show ring.
5. Exhibitor and/or parent agree that photographs/videos and likenesses of exhibitor and animals may be used without

compensation for advertising, promotion, and news articles.

6. The show will be livestreamed on Facebook @unitedsuffolksheepassociation.

Health Regulations for Sheep

All sheep must be accompanied by a standard interstate health certificate issued by a licensed accredited veterinarian within 30 days of the entry to the show. The health certificate must show identification as to breed, sex, scrapie flock ID, flock number, etc.

Sheep Show Rules

1. Premiums will be determined by number of sheep shown and awarded as sheep leave the ring.
2. Arrival Time: Sheep may arrive beginning on Thursday afternoon. For Juniors coming to the show only, entry information must be submitted by 10 am Eastern on Saturday, and animals must be penned by 7 am Sunday.
3. **Check-In:** Thursday, June 4: 4:00-6:00 pm, Friday, June 5: 7:30 - 8:00 am, 4:00-5:30 pm, and Saturday, June 6: 8:00-10:00 am. Junior show contact: Chris Auville (540-840-4927). Please have health papers and registration papers available, an animal health committee reserves the right to inspect sheep.
4. All sheep must have flock tags in their ear, which match the private flock number officially recorded on the USSA certificate of registration and on the health papers.
5. Suffolk market lambs cannot be exhibited in breeding sheep classes or vice versa.
6. Sheep must be shown without artificial coloration including oils, paints, dyes, powders or other compounds. Artificially colored sheep are subject to disqualification. All sheep may be randomly checked prior to entering the show arena. Any animal found with artificial coloration will be disqualified. This includes market lambs and breeding sheep.
7. A maximum of two (2) entries per exhibitor in any one class. Sheep are limited to being shown once in individual classes (only one entry per sheep) other than showmanship classes.
8. Substitutions may be made within the same division at check-in, prior to the determination of class breaks.
9. All animals that receive premiums must stay in the ring for judge's reasons.
10. No muzzles will be allowed on any sheep entered in the show.
11. For slick shorn ewe and ram classes, no patch shearing is allowed. Lambs must be slick shorn over the entire body.
12. USSA reserves the right to perform random drug testing. Any exhibitor found showing sheep that test positive for drugs will be banned from showing in USSA and UJSSA shows for two (2) years.
13. Sheep containing a "D" for the dwarf gene are not eligible. The USSA reserves the right to conduct random testing.
14. Suffolk Market Lamb Rules
 - Suffolk market lambs must be registered.
 - All Suffolk market lambs must slick shorn over the whole body and possess Suffolk breed characteristics with black legs, black head, bell-shaped ears and be approved by a sifting committee at check-in, to be qualified as a Suffolk to be eligible to show. **Excessive leg shag and head wool may be cause for disqualification.**
15. Breeding Sheep Rules
 - Breeding sheep classes are broken by the birth date of the entry. **Classes with greater than 15 head will be split.**
 - Recommended, but not required, that breeding sheep not carry more than 3/4 of an inch fleece on any part of their body.

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