

Colorado State Fair and Industrial Exposition

2026 Youth Llama and Alpaca (Camelids)

- Division #975
- Department 912
- Entry Fee \$25 per entry

Entries Close:	Monday, August 10 th
Begin Arrival:	Saturday, September 5 th at 7:00 a.m.
In Place:	Saturday, September 5 th at 5:00 p.m.
Display Posters In Place:	Saturday, September 5 th at 6:00 p.m.
Check-In and Exhibitor Meeting:	Sunday, September 6 th at 9:00 a.m.
Show (Showmanship and Costume):	Sunday, September 6 th at 4:00 p.m.
Show (Obstacle and Pack):	Monday, September 7 th at 1:00 p.m.
Begin Release:	Monday, September 7 th during the show
All Out:	Monday, September 7 th at 7:00 p.m.

Competition Requirements

1. All entrants must have read and be familiar with the General Terms and Conditions, General Livestock and Small Animal Competition Requirements, Junior Livestock Competition Requirements, Colorado State Fair Exhibitor Code of Conduct, Animal Welfare Policy, and Livestock Health Requirements. When applicable, all association rules shall apply.
2. All entrants for livestock exhibited in Open, Breed, or Market competitions shall provide a valid Premises Identification number (PID) at the time of entry. To obtain a PID, contact the Colorado Department of Agriculture at 303-869-9130 or click on the following link:
<https://ag.colorado.gov/animals/colorado-location-identification-lid-registration-premises>

3. All Camelids arriving at the Colorado State Fair must have a Certificate of Veterinarian Inspection (CVI) with them at the time of arrival. This CVI must be dated no more than seven (7) days prior to arrival

4. Bedding: Exhibitors are responsible for their own livestock bedding. Entry into competition at the Colorado State Fair and Industrial Exposition ("State Fair") does not include bedding.

Exhibitors may pre-order bedding and shavings through the official bedding vendor or bedding and shavings will be available to purchase on-grounds from said vendor upon arrival. The phone number and order portal will be posted on the Fair's website.

Straw may only be used for Breeding Sheep, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goats, and for Open Breeding Cattle tie-outs. All other uses of straw are prohibited.

Outside bedding for livestock exhibitors is permitted.

5. Exhibitors must be 4-H members (being 8 years of age and not having reached their 19th birthday as of December 31, 2025); in FFA and active in an approved Vocational Agriculture school program as of January 1, 2026 (not to have reached their 19th birthday as of December 31, 2025); or be a member of a Junior Breeding Association (being 8 years of age not to have reached their 21st birthday as of December 31, 2025).

6. Any unruly Camelid will be removed from the show. The Superintendents or judge may rule a Camelid as unruly, unable to participate in the show for safety purposes.

7. ENTRY NUMBERS: Each entry will be assigned a number. Entry numbers will be provided to all exhibitors. The exhibitor must display these numbers when the animal is in the show ring.

8. SHOWMANSHIP classes will be required for all exhibitors. The showmanship class is a demonstration of the handler's ability to show a Camelid to its best advantage at halter. Judging is based on the handler's basic skills in fitting, grooming, animal knowledge, following directions and showing style when presenting the animal to the judge for evaluation. Showmanship will be limited to those junior exhibitors with llama or alpaca being exhibited.

9. OBSTACLE - This class demonstrates the Camelid's obedience and willingness to complete the activities requested by the handler. Obstacles may include, but are not limited to, a bridge or ramp, jumps, change of pace and backing.
10. PACK - This class simulates the conditions and obstacles encountered when packing on the trail. All packs must have two straps (belly and chest straps are acceptable) and panniers must be filled out. Obstacles may include a bridge or ramp and backing. Alpacas are permitted to use dog or goat packs and must be filled with something light. Parents are asked to gather packing equipment and help younger exhibitors so the show can start on time.
11. COSTUME - This costume contest in 4-H is not about dressing up your Camelid, but rather how the 4-H Member has trained and desensitized the Camelid to various stimuli. Although it may be an entertaining event for spectators, it is important not to lose sight of the purpose behind it. The more your Camelid is trained to accept being touched, wearing the costume, and having coverage on various parts of their body, the higher your score will be. Points are awarded for things like dragging items, hats, glasses, noise-making items and reflective items, all showing how well the 4-H Member has worked with their Camelid. Additionally, the handler's attire and theme are also considered in the score because the Camelid's acceptance of the oddity of the handler's attire shows the desensitization of the Camelid. The costumes can be purchased or made, but the focus is on the training and desensitization of the Camelid before the show. **The costume for 2026 must reflect the theme of the 250/150 Celebration of the United States and Colorado.**
12. EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY (POSTER) - The educational display class is a part of the Camelid project in 4-H. The aim of this class is to showcase a skill learned or investigated during the current 4-H Camelid Project. The participants are required to make a tri-fold board that meets the standardized tabletop display board size of 4 ft. x 3 ft. trifold. The display board must be neat, well-organized and readable from 3-5 feet away. Scoring will be in the areas of creativity, accuracy of information, interest and value of exhibitor, depth of knowledge, neatness, readability, well-organized and met expectations of contest guidelines.
13. Authority officials have the right to combine any classes with fewer than 5 animals.
14. Ribbons will be awarded 1st through 6th place in all classes.

Premium Schedule A

No. of Entries	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
1	\$11	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
2-3	\$14	\$9	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4-5	\$17	\$12	\$9	\$0	\$0	\$0
6-9	\$20	\$15	\$12	\$9	\$0	\$0
10-11	\$23	\$18	\$15	\$12	\$9	\$0
12-14	\$26	\$21	\$18	\$15	\$12	\$0
15-19	\$29	\$24	\$21	\$18	\$15	\$12
20 and up	\$32	\$27	\$24	\$21	\$18	\$15

SHOWMANSHIP

Class No.	Premium
1601. Junior (ages 8 - 10)	Rosette
1602. Intermediate (ages 11 - 13)	Rosette
1603. Senior (ages 14 - 18)	Rosette
1604. Champion Showman	Award by
1605. Reserve Champion Showman	Award by

OBSTACLE

Class No.	Premium
1610. Junior (ages 8 - 10)	A
1611. Intermediate (ages 11 - 13)	A
1612. Senior (ages 14 - 18)	A

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1613. Champion Obstacle **Award by**

1614. Reserve Champion Obstacle **Award by**

PACK

Class No. Premium

1618. Junior (ages 8 - 10) A

1619. Intermediate (ages 11 - 13) A

1620. Senior (ages 14 - 18) A

1621. Champion Pack **Award by**

1622. Reserve Champion Pack **Award by**

COSTUME

Class No. Premium

1625. Junior (ages 8 - 10) A

1626. Intermediate (ages 11 - 13) A

1627. Senior (ages 14 - 18) A

1628. Champion Costume **Award by**

1629. Reserve Champion Costume **Award by**

DISPLAY (POSTER)

Class No. Premium

1632. - Junior (ages 8 - 10) Rosette

1633. Intermediate (ages 11 - 13) Rosette

1634. Senior (ages 14 - 18) Rosette

1635. Champion Display **Award By**

1636. Reserve Champion Display **Award By**

Junior Llama and Alpaca Special Awards