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# 4-H HORSE SHOW PREPARATION CLINIC

Dr. Clay Cavinder was the clinician at a 4-H horse show preparation clinic in Tippah County.

Tori Stroupe and Brandon Albertson were the Extension agents who organized the clinic.

They had 12 youth participate along with 15 adults.



## SPEAKING AT THE FEED ADDITIVES AMERICAS 2019

Dr. Shengfa Liao was invited by Feedinfo News Service (London, UK), a division of AgriBriefing

(https://www.agribriefing.com/), as a speaker for the Feed Additives Americas 2019 that was held at Miami, FL on November 13-15, 2019 (https://www.feedadditives-americas.com/speakers/).

The title of Dr. Liao's presentation was "Reducing Protein Content for Optimal Diet Formulation: Growing Pigs." Feedinfo News Service is the world's leading provider of business and financial information for global corporations serving the agribusiness, feed additives and biotechnology sectors, with special insight into the animal nutrition and animal health industries. https://marketing.feedinfo.com/







### 4-H NATIONAL SKILLATHON CONTEST

Team Mississippi placed 8th Overall at the 2019 National 4-H Livestock Skillathon Contest held during the North American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, KY! There were 21 teams in competition this year from across the United States.

Congratulations to team members Jace Welborn, Katie Norris, Savana Ashley, Mary Beth Ainsworth and Jacob Johnson! As a team, Mississippi placed 6th in the Identification Phase, 9th in the Evaluation Phase and 6th in the Quality Assurance Phase.

Mary Beth Ainsworth was the 6th Overall High Point Individual and placed 11th in the Identification Phase and 8th in the Quality Assurance Phase! Thanks to the many people who provided livestock knowledge, experiences and support to this team since early March as they prepared for this competition, especially Heather Jennings and Jennifer Williams.

Great job by all and
I look forward to working
with the 2020 team.
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## 2019 MISSISSIPPI STATE FAIR PARTICIPATION RESULTS

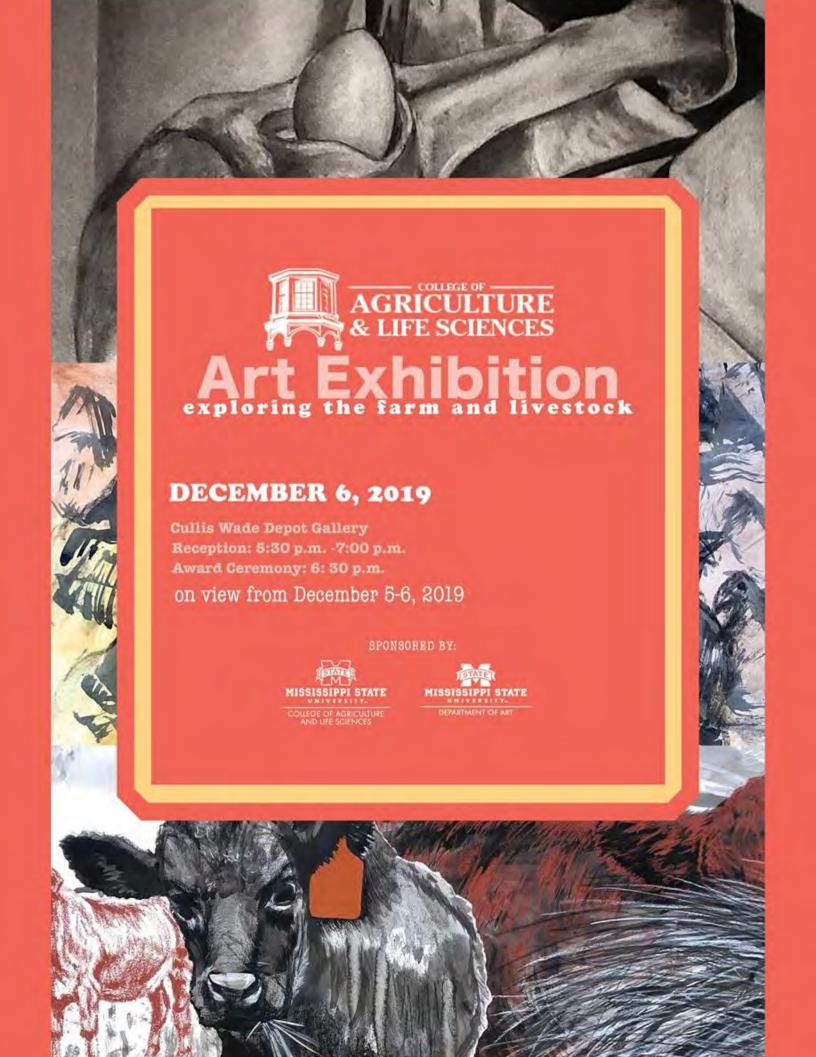
The 2019 Mississippi State Fair junior livestock shows were outstanding and a showcase for the junior livestock program in Mississippi. Extension agents, FFA advisors, leaders, parents and exhibitors are to be commended on their fine cooperation and dedicated work put into this event to make it successful.

### NUMBER OF EXHIBITS AT THE MISSISSIPPI STATE FAIR (2010-2019)

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Contest	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Beef Breeding	442	457	453	490	542	556	546	602	578	545
Commercial Beef Heifers	156	143	158	155	149	158	190	163	177	134
Steers	76	76	89	99	69	59	77	74	70	79
Lambs	204	181	142	108	113	120	114	102	92	71
Wether Dams	-	-	-	-2000	income.	-	-	-	23	30
Swine	30	34	31	29	20	42	37	39	24	28
Market Goats	198	210	177	142	165	129	140	102	93	110
Commercial Meat Goat Does	164	203	198	195	177	149	174	140	138	147
Dairy Goats	113	85	90	60	82	93	121	131	107	119
Purebred Dairy Animals	128	119	104	123	72	122	102	103	130	107
Commercial Dairy Heifers	12	22	35	31	34	20	13	25	26	25
TOTAL ANIMALS EXHIBITED	1523	1530	1477	1432	1423	1448	1514	1481	1458	1395
Pretty Cow Contest	13	21	21	18	17	7	8	10	24	25
Sweetheart/Princess Contests	28	30	23	18	18	32	28	18	15	17
Jr. Dairy Cattle Quiz Bowl	8	10	14	6	4	6	6	4	0	0
GRAND TOTAL PARTICIPATION	1572	1591	1535	1474	1462	1493	1556	1513	1497	1437

### NUMBER OF YOUTH AND LIVESTOCK AT THE MISSISSIPPI STATE FAIR

Show	4-H	4-H	FFA	FFA	Total	Total
Show	Youth	Animals	Youth	Animals	Youth	Animals
Beef Breeding	230	414	76	131	306	545
Commercial Beef Heifers	88	91	39	43	127	134
Steers	53	52	29	27	82	79
Lambs	40	62	11	9	51	71
Wether Dams	14	20	10	10	24	30
Hogs	24	26	2	2	26	28
Dairy Cattle	40	98	5	9	45	107
Commercial Dairy Heifers	17	15	7	10	24	25
Market Goats	59	82	23	28	82	110
Commercial Meat Goat Does	64	94	33	53	97	147
Dairy Goats	41	105	6	14	47	119
TOTALS	670	1059	241	336	911	1395



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