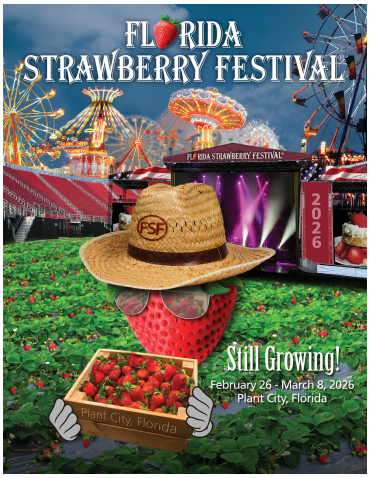

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2026 Livestock Judging Contest winners announced

PLANT CITY, Fla. (March 9, 2026) – The winners in the Florida Strawberry Festival's livestock judging contest were chosen last week in the Patterson Companies Livestock Arena in the Grimes Family Agricultural Center.

Mosaic sponsors five categories of competition for the livestock judging contest: High School FFA, Middle School FFA, 4-H, YLPA and Individual.

In the High School FFA catagory, Lake Gibson FFA won first place.

In the Middle School FFA catagory, Tomlin FFA won first place.

In the 4-H catagory, PS-91 won first place.

In the YLPA catagory, North Polk won first place.

In the Individual catagory, Savannah Brocksmith from Turkey Creek Middle FFA won first, Haylie Stephens from Lake Gibson won second and Rylee Leonard from YLPA won third.

About the Florida Strawberry Festival

The Florida Strawberry Festival is an 11-day community event celebrating the strawberry harvest of Eastern Hillsborough County. Each year, over 650,000 visitors enjoy the festival's headline entertainment, youth livestock shows, exhibits of commerce and, of course, its strawberry shortcake. The 2026 Florida Strawberry Festival takes place February 26 through March 8 in Plant City, Fla. For more information, visit www.flstrawberryfestival.com, Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and Twitter (#berryfest26).

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