



## Kentucky Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet Kentucky State Fair

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### Kentucky State Fair Sale of Champions Raises \$102,800 for 4-H and FFA Youth

**LOUISVILLE, Ky.** (August 25, 2017) — The Kentucky State Fair 4-H and FFA Sale of Champions live auction raised \$102,800 Thursday evening, Aug. 24. This marks the twelfth consecutive year the premier livestock auction has brought in more than \$100,000.

The winning steers, hogs, lambs and goats featured in the Sale of Champions are exhibited by 4-H and FFA members during the Kentucky State Fair. The youth exhibitors receive 60 percent of the purchase price, 30 percent is distributed to the respective class winners, and the remaining 10 percent is divided equally among Kentucky 4-H and FFA.

In the time since its inception in 1980, the Kentucky State Fair Sale of Champions has raised more than \$2.5 million through the auction to further promote and encourage youth involvement in agribusiness.

The 2017 Kentucky State Fair Sale of Champions prices, exhibitors and purchasers are:

**GRAND CHAMPION STEER – \$21,000**

Exhibited by: McKalyn Shelton, Bourbon County FFA

Purchased by: Kentucky Farm Bureau Insurance, Hinton Mills, Heritage Farms, Paris Stockyard and Boehringer-Ingelheim

**RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION STEER – \$18,000**

Exhibited by: Jacklyn Duzan, Bracken County 4-H

Purchased by: Kentucky Cattlemen's Association, Kentucky Nutrition, CPC Commodities, Levy Restaurants and Graham's Boot, Work and Western Wear

**GRAND CHAMPION HOG – \$12,000**

Exhibited by: Jared Sandefur, Bourbon County FFA

Purchased by: Farm Credit Mid-America, Michael Grisanti, F.B. Purnell Sausage Co. and Monsanto

**RESERVE CHAMPION HOG – \$10,000**

Exhibited by: Tad Fisher, Bracken County FFA

Purchased by: Kentucky Pork Producers, Kentucky Soybean Board, Consolidated Grain & Barge, Cox's Shaving and Limestone Farm Lawn Worksite

**GRAND CHAMPION LAMB – \$11,000**

Exhibited by: Kasey Craig, Jessamine County FFA

Purchased by: Kentucky Corn Growers Association, Kentucky 4-H Foundation, Bagdad Roller Mills, Inc., Washington County Livestock Market and Continental Industries

**RESERVE CHAMPION LAMB – \$10,000**

Exhibited by: Clayton Burks, Breckinridge County FFA

Purchased by: Feeders Supply, Jefferson County Farm Bureau, H. David Wallace and Jason Rittenberry

GRAND CHAMPION MARKET GOAT – \$11,000

Exhibited by: Preston Forsee, Owen County FFA

Purchased by: North American Midway Entertainment, Kentucky Goat Producers, Kentucky FFA Foundation, Martin Meadow Farm and Beck Hybrids

RESERVE CHAMPION MARKET GOAT – \$9,800

Exhibited by: Chesney Soileau, Bourbon County FFA

Purchased by: First Southern National Bank, Kentucky Association of Fairs & Horse Shows, Furches Farms and Green Hill Productions

The 2017 Kentucky State Fair is Aug. 17-27 at the Kentucky Exposition Center. For more information, visit [www.kystatefair.org](http://www.kystatefair.org) or find the Fair on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) or its [blog](#).

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*The [Kentucky State Fair](#) (KSF) is an 11-day celebration of the history, heritage and culture of the Bluegrass State. More than 600,000 attend the nation's largest indoor fair, which covers 1.2 million square feet of contiguous exhibit space at the Kentucky Exposition Center. With its agricultural roots, KSF is a trade and public education exposition, a major entertainment venue and home to the World's Championship Horse Show. Attendees and exhibitors contribute over \$15.3 million annually in economic impact, and both events are owned and produced by Kentucky Venues.*