

Gov. Walker: Hosts Blue Ribbon Livestock Auction at Wisconsin State Fair

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WEST ALLIS - Governor Scott Walker will host the 49th Annual Governor's Blue Ribbon Livestock Auction this evening at the Wisconsin State Fair. The auction supports Wisconsin State Fair Junior Exhibitors, who raise and show the animals that have been awarded breed champion status in beef, sheep, and swine.

"Every year, the Blue Ribbon Livestock Auction helps support youth in our state who are interested in agriculture," Governor Walker said. "It not only highlights the strength of our livestock industry, it also helps to ensure the future of agriculture in Wisconsin by supporting the youth exhibitors who want to build a future in farming."

The Blue Ribbon Sale of Champions Foundation is sponsoring 26 scholarships this year, totaling \$30,000. The scholarships recognize the achievements of Wisconsin State Fair Junior Exhibitors and helps them with their educational expenses. To qualify for a scholarship, exhibitors must be between the ages of 17 and 19, be a current or past junior livestock exhibitor who have exhibited beef, sheep and/or swine at the Wisconsin State Fair, and must pursue a post high school education and be enrolled or planning to enroll in a university, vocational/technical school, or university short course.

The auction begins at 6:30 p.m. and will be streaming live at <http://gbrla.com>.