



2026 North Georgia State Fair

Mutton Bustin'

Participant Rules & Event Information

October 2-4, 2026 – Carriage Kia Grandstand

Marietta, GA

About The Event

Mutton Bustin' is an exciting new event for the North Georgia State Fair. Young Riders get their chance to hold on tight and ride a sheep out of the chute, rodeo-style. It's safe, supervised, and unforgettable fun for participants and spectators alike.

Event Schedule

- Friday, October 2 – 7:00 PM
- Saturday, October 3 – 7:00 PM
- Sunday, October 4 – 5:00 PM

Location: Carriage Kia Grandstand

Participant Requirements

- Children must be 5 or 6 years old at the time of the event.
- Riders must not exceed 55 pounds.
- A maximum of 20 riders per night will be accepted.
- A parent or legal guardian must register the child and sign the official waiver and release form.

Dress Code

For safety reasons, all riders must follow this dress code:

- Long pants (jeans recommended)
- Boots or sturdy shoes
- No flip flops or sandals allowed
- Long sleeve shirts are recommended
- Helmets and safety vests will be provided – no outside gear permitted.

Check-In Requirements

All riders must check in at the Carriage Kia Grandstand at least 30 minutes before the event start time. Late arrivals may forfeit their spot.

Prizes

- Every participant will receive a 2026 Mutton Bustin' t-shirt.
- The winning boy and girl each night will be awarded a custom belt buckle.



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Registration & Waiver

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IMPORTANT:

To be eligible, your child must be 5 or 6 years old at the time of the event and must not exceed 55 pounds. Only 20 riders per night will be accepted.

A parent or legal guardian must complete this form and sign the waiver.

Participant Information

Child's Full Name: _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): _____ / _____ / _____

Age on Event Day: _____

Weight (must be 55 lbs or less): _____ lbs

T-Shirt Size (circle one): YM | YL

Parent or Legal Guardian Information

Full Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Address: _____

Preferred Ride Date (Check only one –20 riders per session –confirmation via email)

☐ Friday, October 2 – 6:30 PM

☐ Saturday, October 3 – 6:30 PM

☐ Sunday, October 4 – 4:30 PM

WAIVER, RELEASE OF LIABILITY, AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

My child is planning to participate in the Mutton Bustin' activities at the 2025 North Georgia State Fair. I hereby request that my child be permitted to participate in the Mutton Bustin' event.

I understand and agree to the following:

- I will be physically present at the event and will personally supervise my child before and during their participation in the Mutton Bustin' event.
- I understand that if I am not present, my child will not be allowed to participate in the event.
- I understand that physical contact with sheep or being near livestock poses inherent risks, including the possibility of serious injury to my child or to myself.
- I acknowledge that Mutton Bustin' is a physically demanding and potentially hazardous activity.

Being fully aware of the risks involved, for myself and on behalf of my child, **I voluntarily assume all risks associated with this activity.** I hereby **fully and forever release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue the following entities and individuals**, collectively referred to as "the Releases":

The Cobb County Fair Association, Ken Treadway Rodeo LLC, Cobb County Government, and all of their respective subsidiaries, affiliates, officers, directors, employees, members, agents, participants, sponsors, representatives, sanctioned entities, advertisers, and any other individuals or organizations involved in the planning, execution, or operation of the Mutton Bustin' event.

I further agree to hold harmless and indemnify the Releases from any and all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damages to my child, to myself, to my spouse, or to our personal representatives, heirs, assigns, or next of kin. This includes, but is not limited to, claims for personal injury, disability, death, or property damage, whether caused by the negligence of the Releases or otherwise, while participating in, observing, or being in the vicinity of the Mutton Bustin' event.

For purposes of this waiver, the term "Restricted Area" includes, but is not limited to: the arena, livestock holding and chute areas, staging areas, entryways, walkways, and any other areas associated with the event where participants, animals, or event personnel are active.

By signing below, I certify that I have read and fully understand this waiver and release, and I voluntarily agree to its terms.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____