

2026 Kentucky Standardbred Development Fund Race Dates

OAK GROVE

Oak Grove Early Sire Stakes:

2YO Race Dates

- Event 1: 6/22 (All Divisions) (6/23 optional)
- Event 2: 7/6 (All Divisions) (7/7 optional)
- Event 3: 7/13 (All Divisions) (7/14 optional)

3YO Race Dates

- Event 1: 6/23 (All Divisions) (6/24 optional)
- Event 2: 7/7 (All Divisions) (7/8 optional)
- Event 3: 7/13 (All Divisions) (7/14 optional)

To be eligible, horses must have met all requirements of 810 KAR 7:040. Entry fee for each Event is \$200.

Two and Three-Year-Olds will race in a series of three Events raced on the above dates (or optional dates). Each Event will consist of races in each division for the week of the Event. The structure for 2026 will not involve the traditional 2 legs and a final. The details for the Events are set forth below.

Two-Year Olds (a maximum of 8 horses in each race; no trailers)

- **Event 1**
 - All entered horses race for \$40,000 with an open draw in each division.
- **Event 2**
 - The top horses (i.e. 1st through 4th place) in each race within a division from Event 1 move up to a \$60,000 race with an open draw. The exact number of horses moving up will be determined based on the number of divisional races in Event 1 with sufficient horses moving up to establish full fields.
 - The remaining horses within a division in the Event 1 races (i.e. horses finishing 5th or behind) remain at the \$40,000 level with an open draw.
 - Any horse that enters in Event 2 that did not race in Event 1, will be entered to race for \$40,000 and are included in the open draw above.
- **Event 3**
 - The top 8 earners in each of the divisional races from Event 1 and Event 2 race for \$80,000 with an open draw.
 - The remaining horses within each division race for \$50,000 with an open draw.
 - Horses that did not enter in Event 1 or Event 2 will have the potential to race in Kentucky Bred Maiden Races for \$30,000 if there are at least 6 horses entered (at the race secretary's discretion).

Three-Year Olds (a maximum of 8 horses in each race; no trailers)

- **Event 1**
 - All entered horses race for \$40,000 with an open draw in each division.
- **Event 2**
 - The top horses (i.e. 1st through 4th place) in each race within a division from Event 1 move up to a \$60,000 race with an open draw. The exact number of horses moving up will be determined based on the number of divisional races in Event 1 with sufficient horses moving up to establish full fields.
 - The remaining horses within a division in the Event 1 races (i.e. horses finishing 5th or behind) remain at the \$40,000 level with an open draw.
 - Any horse that enters in Event 2 that did not race in Event 1, will be entered to race for \$40,000 and are included in the open draw above.

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For both the 2YOs and 3YOs when starters are being finalized for Event 3, where there is a tie in total earnings from Event 1 and Event 2, an open draw for the final slot(s) will separate the horses with equal earnings to establish the top 8. The Race Association and the KHRG have the final decision on any disputes that might arise.

Oak Grove 4YO Series:

4YO Series I Race Dates

Leg 1: 4/27

Leg 2: 5/4

Final: 5/16

Legs (2): \$50,000 Guaranteed

Final: \$100,000

4YO Series II Race Dates

Leg 1: 5/25

Leg 2: 6/1

Leg 3: 6/15

Final: 6/22

Legs (3): \$50,000 Guaranteed

Final: \$150,000

Eligibility & Rules:

- 1) All entries must be a Kentucky-bred as defined by 810 KAR 7:040.
- 2) All KHRG paperwork must be completed.
- 3) All owners, trainers, grooms, and drivers must have a KHRG license.
- 4) Entry Fee: two hundred and fifty (\$250) for each leg; no entry fee on finals.
- 5) All entries must be made by the time designated on the racetrack condition sheet.
- 6) All entries are subject to approval by the racetrack Race Secretary.
- 7) Horses must show a clean charted line within forty-five (45) days of race.
- 8) There must be at least four (4) entries, or the leg(s) will be canceled, and no purse money will be paid out.
- 9) Horses must start in a minimum of one (1) leg of a series to be eligible to the finals for that series.
- 10) The top eight (8) points earners who enter will make the Final.
- 11) There shall be eight (8) horses on the gate. Splits shall be as follows:
 - 1-9: 1 division
 - 10-18: 2 divisions
 - 19-27: 3 divisions
 - 28-36: 4 divisions
- 12) The Race Association and the KHRG have the final decision on any disputes that might arise.

By entering, all involved agree to the rules of the 4YO Series at Oak Grove.