

2019 Franklin County 4-H Livestock Fun Show Rules & Regulations:

The 2019 Franklin County 4-H Livestock Fun Show is Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at the Double D Equestrian Center in Louisburg. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the show.

In cases where questions arise that are not specifically covered by the following rules, decisions of the Show Superintendent (Martha Mobley) will be final.

ELIGIBILITY

Youth between 5 to 18 years old on January 1, 2019 will be eligible to participate. Youth must be a 4-H member in Franklin County. National 4-H Rules defining age categories and competition levels will be followed. (Contact Meg Wyatt, 4-H Extension Agent at 919-496-3344 to enroll.) Youth must also have submitted a completed Entry Form by the appropriate deadline.

Cloverbuds - Youth who are age 5-8 years old by Jan. 1 of the show year.

Juniors - Youth who are 9-13 years of age by Jan. 1 of the show year.

Seniors - Youth who are 14-18 years of age by Jan. 1 of the show year.

No youth who are not registered for the show or adults may lead animals in the ring.

SPECIAL SHOW ELIGIBILITY

- Each exhibitor must be identified as intellectually challenged, developmentally disabled or special needs. Parent, guardian, teacher, supervisor or physician verification of disability may be required.
- Youth between 5 to 18 years old on January 1, 2019 will be eligible to participate. Youth must be a 4-H member in Franklin County.
- Youth must also have submitted a completed Special Show Entry Form by the appropriate deadline.

ENTRIES

This fun show is only showmanship (no breed classes). Exhibitors may show 1 animal in each division. Special Show exhibitors choose 1 division (1 animal).

ENTRY PACKET

In order to show, a completed Entry Packet must be returned to Martha Mobley, Franklin Co Livestock Agent by **5 pm Wednesday April 10, 2019**. Each exhibitor must have a parent or guardian sign the entry form acknowledging that he or she understands and will abide by ALL liability requirements and rules of the show.

The entry packet includes:

- Entry Form
- Liability/Ownership Form
- 4-H Enrollment Form (if not already on file in Franklin County) (Needs to be current, 2019)
- Medical Form (if not already on file in Franklin County) (Needs to be current, 2019)

All of these forms can be found on the NC 4-H website or obtained from the Franklin County Extension Office. By submitting a signed Entry Form you are stating that you have read and understand **all** of the rules and regulations pertaining to the Franklin County 4-H Livestock Fun Show. The penalty for falsification of **any** information on the Entry Form will be disqualification from the Show, as well as forfeit of any prizes/incentives.

SHOWMANSHIP

This fun show is only showmanship (no breed classes). The showmanship contest for each species is divided into Cloverbuds (ages 5-8), Junior (ages 9-13), Senior (ages 14 – 18) and Special Show divisions. The Cloverbud show is a non-competitive division for exhibition only, in accordance with the National 4-H guidelines. Exhibitors are limited to one entry per species class. (Ex. 1 heifer, 1 goat, 1 sheep.) Breeding animals and Market animals (of all ages) will be shown together for showmanship. The Special Show is also a non-competitive division for exhibition only. Special Show participants are limited to one entry (1 animal) for the show.

Showmanship entries are judged on:

1. Condition and cleanliness of the animal
2. Neatness of the individual participant
3. Ability to handle the animal
4. Courtesy toward other exhibitors
5. Attentiveness toward the Judge
6. Displaying the animal in its most structurally correct form
7. Knowledge of animal

Since this is a fun show, animals will be allowed to be “shared” as a team project among youth. However, “sharing” must be between the three age categories of the 4-Hers (Ex: a Cloverbud can share with a Junior or a Senior, but not with another Cloverbud.)

SPECIAL SHOW

Each exhibitor must be identified as intellectually challenged, developmentally disabled or special needs. Special Show participants will be paired in the show ring with an experienced 4-H-er and their animal. The pair will show together with the experienced 4-H-er, offering assistance as needed. A parent or guardian may also assist as needed. The Special Show is a non-competitive division for exhibition only. Special Show participants are limited to one entry (1 animal) for the show. All participants should be neatly and appropriately dressed (to be determined by parent).

Closed-toe shoes are required for anyone leading or walking with a sheep, goat or cow. If you have questions about appropriate attire, please contact your 4-H or Livestock agent. Parents and guardians should take precautions to minimize risks by sanitizing any equipment (wheel chairs, braces, crutches, etc.) that comes in contact with the animals or animal products (including feces). This should be done prior to loading the equipment in to my vehicle to prevent transference to the vehicle or home.

PREMIUMS: Ribbons will be offered for all classes. Additional prizes/incentives will be finalized and announced at the show.

DRESS

All participants must be neatly and appropriately dressed. **Closed-toe shoes**, (no plastic boots or sneakers) are required. (*Example:* button down shirt with 4-H or FFA insignia, nice jeans, boots.) If you have questions about appropriate attire, please contact your 4-H or Livestock agent.

TRAINING

There is no specific date the animal must be acquired by, **HOWEVER: All animals must be halter broken or otherwise trained as appropriate for the species.** Unruly animals may endanger the safety of other exhibitors and may be asked to leave the ring. Goat horn tips should be dulled and/or blunt. Poultry and rabbits should be accustomed to being handled. The Show Committee has the final decision on eligibility of any animal in order to protect the safety of the other exhibitors.

This is a fun show. In the event of illness, injury or death of an entered animal prior to the show, reasonable substitution will be allowed provided that the substitution animal has been appropriately worked with and prepared for the show.

FITTING & GROOMING

Major fitting and cleaning should be done prior to arrival at the show. Minor grooming should be done prior to the class.

POSTER EXHIBIT: “4-H GROWS HERE”

4-H Educational Poster

❖ **Theme for 2019: 4-H Grows Here**

- The poster theme for this year is a great opportunity for our youth to challenge themselves to learn new things about opportunities in 4-H from cooking to raising animals and experience some of the difficulties, but also have a lot of fun!
- ❖ The poster should be on a poster board or other sturdy paper no smaller than 11x14 inches and no larger than a standard 22x28 inch poster board. Printing and art should be in marker, poster paints, crayons or some other material that is bright and easy to read (not pencil).
- ❖ A 4-H Clover symbol must be somewhere on the poster.
- ❖ The poster will be the original work of the participant. The poster must be drawn/painted/sketched by the participant only.
- ❖ **Please bring your poster the day of the show: Wednesday, April 24, 2019!**

THANK YOU LETTERS & PICTURES

Each exhibitor is strongly encouraged to send “Thank you” letters & pictures to the sponsors and judges. A list of major sponsors, judges, etc. with addresses will be provided on the day of the show. Thank you notes are due by 5 pm on Monday, May 6, 2019. Monetary winnings will be given when thank you notes are received.

JUDGES DECISIONS

All decisions by the judge are final. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, show or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, show, and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.

MEDICAL CONCERNS

All animals should be in good health and current on vaccinations. Any questionable health problems will be referred to the on-site veterinary professionals. Animals with obvious abscesses or any other health problems will not be allowed in the show. Sheep & goats will be “mouthed” at check-in by North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services personnel and their decisions about animals being able to participate based on health concerns will be final. **Foot and Mouth Regulations** – If you have traveled in the last 14 days or had visitors from FMD countries, please do not attend the event.

LIABILITIES

Each exhibitor assumes all liabilities in cases of sickness, death or injury to his or her animals. Exhibitors are responsible for the feeding, watering and care of their animals during the show. The management, exhibitors and owners assume no liability for injury from any cause to individuals or property. There is no policy for compensation for loss of any animals on the farm. The facility owners and the Cooperative Extension Office shall not be liable for any damages, death, injury, or loss of property incurred by or to any exhibitor. Each exhibitor shall be responsible for any damages, death, injury or loss of property caused by the exhibitor or their animal.

AWARDS CEREMONY & LUNCH

An Awards Ceremony and lunch will be held after the completion of the show. Lunch will be provided at **no charge for all exhibitors**. Family and friends are invited but are asked to pay a small fee (\$10) to cover the additional cost. Please indicate on your Entry Form how many lunch tickets you will need, so that we can plan lunch accordingly and send the lunch payment with the entry form. If you find that you will need additional lunch tickets (after the registration deadline) please contact Martha Mobley.

CLEAN-UP

All participants are responsible for clean-up of show grounds and should not leave until the show grounds are clean.

DEADLINES

Entry Packets should be turned in to Martha Mobley, Franklin County Livestock Agent by **5pm Wednesday, April 10, 2019**

Please contact the Franklin County Cooperative Extension Office (919-496-3344) with any questions, comments, or concerns regarding any of the Rules and Regulations for the Franklin County 4-H Livestock Fun Show.

