

JULY 2018 NEWSLETTER – FAIR EDITION

4-H EXHIBITS DUE IN FAIR ENTRY-

4-H Static Exhibits are due FAIR ENTRY Wednesday (tomorrow) by midnight. Exhibits will still be accepted at the check-in on Saturday of the fair, however, the process goes so much quicker if they are already entered into the system. I have attached instructions on this process for your convenience.

STATE FAIR MEETING-

If your static exhibit or communication project is selected for state fair it is important for you to attend the State Fair Exhibitor's meeting at 11:45 on Thursday, right before check out.

COPYRIGHT AND LISTING PINTEREST AS A SOURCE-

I have attached information on copyrighted material and Pinterest. Remember when filling out your project goal sheets do not use Pinterest as a source. You may have found the idea on Pinterest but you need to state the actual website where the idea came from that is listed on Pinterest. This was explained to me as thinking of Pinterest as the library, and the website from Pinterest as the book within the "library" which would be the actual source. ☺ If your exhibit is a replica of a copied trademark you need permission to use it. See page 39 in the fairbook for a sample permission letter. This can also be done in an email.

EXHIBIT TAGS AND GOAL SHEETS-

Be sure to have your exhibit tags attached and your goal sheets filled out before you arrive at check-in. We will have a very limited amount of them at the fair.

SHOW CHANGES & ARRIVAL IN TMIES

Be sure to check your fairbook for show times. Some show days and times have changed such as the horse show and rabbit show. Check the fairbook also for times that animals may arrive on the fairgrounds. All RABBITS & POULTRY must arrive on Saturday between 7:00 am and noon.

HERDSMANSHIP-

Herdsmanship is an important part of the Jasper County Fair. For livestock exhibitors this is a time when you are given the opportunity to show off yourself and animals to other people. Clean animals, in clean spaces, with clean people around them, THIS IS HERDSMANSHIP.

Make sure feed pans are cleaned up and things put away when not in use, water containers are anchored so that animals cannot spill them, hay is clean and stacked out of animal's reach, public aisles are swept and clean for people to walk through, animals are clean at all times, tack areas are picked up and neat, no trash, and decorations should be clean and tasteful.

4-H Clubs and FFA Chapters will be judged and a cash prize of \$100 will be handed out before the livestock auction. This is an area that has been improved upon over the last few years, so let's keep up the good work and practice good herdsmanship again this year!

LIVESTOCK AUCTION-

All animals to be sold at the livestock auction on Thursday of the fair, **MUST** be signed up by noon on **Tuesday** at the fair office.

You will receive a Drug Affidavit for all market animals at check in. This will need to be filled out, include a parent signature, and be turned into the superintendents at check in or to the fair office.

NO EXCEPTIONS-

The Livestock Code of Ethics will be observed throughout the Jasper County Fair and Auction.

Once livestock is sold it is the exhibitor's responsibility to clean the pens that their livestock are in before the auction.

BUCKET OF JUNK SCULPTURES-

The Bucket of Junk Sculptures will be auctioned off on Thursday, July 20th right before the Livestock Auction.

4-H SHIRTS-

T-Shirts are in and ready to be picked up. If you ordered t-shirts, we have called you to let you know they are in the office and need to be picked up.

POP & PRINGLES NEEDED FOR CARNIVAL-

If your family would like to donate some cans of pop (any brand or flavor) or Pringles for the ring-toss game at the carnival, it would be very much appreciated. Just bring them to the fairboard office (by the pavilion) before Sunday at 2:00.

SPORTSMANSHIP-

LAST BUT NOT LEAST!! We talk about Herdsmanship each year but haven't talked a lot about SPORTSMANSHIP. Last year there was some behavior seen and reported that would not fall under the category of "GOOD" sportsmanship. Please remember to be respectful! It's that easy, just be respectful of 1) your animals. They don't ask to be your projects so treat them with care and respect, the way you would want to be treated if you were them. 2) Your fellow 4-H members, a lot of the fair is based on competitive classes and just like in sports you need to show your fellow showmen/sportsman, respect and courtesy. I know this can be hard sometimes when you have worked so hard and the weather may be very hot and you may be very tired, and you or your parents don't agree with a placing but again, think how you would want to be treated. This does not just apply to fair time, but even after the fair and on **social media**. 3) Certainly the judges and volunteers who work so hard to put this fair on. Remember the result of these classes is the opinion of one man or woman on any given day. Meaning your animal or project might place fifth today, but if you go to another show a week from today with a different judge it may place first. It's all a matter of that judge's opinion on that day and we need to respect that. Shake their hand and thank them for their time, they don't have to be here and I seriously doubt they are here because of the money. 😊