

YOUTH BREEDING SHEEP SHOW

February 17 -19, 2012

Show SuperintendentKathy Nawlin
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Show Schedule

Educational Opportunities...See Point Categories on page 7

Ownership Deadline.....December 1, 2011

Entry Due Date.....Hand Delivered or Postmarked
..... On or Before December 2, 2011
1st Late Entry Period.....December 9, 2011
.....(Double Entry Fees)
Final Late Entry Period.....January 11, 2012
..... (Double Entry Fee plus \$100.00)

Deadline for Scholarship Applications &
Youth Livestock Grant ApplicationDecember 2, 2011

Chapter/Club must notify Fair
of Designated StudentJanuary 11, 2012

Ear Tag Validation.....See next page for details



Arrival/Animal Check-in Feb. 17, 8 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Champion Youth Check-in..... Feb. 17, 10 am – 12 noon
**All Record Books/Pre Fair Talk In
**All Educational Posters In
**Sign up for Talks/Demos
** Sign up for Showmanship
** Above must be turned in February 17th by 12 noon
Parent/Exhibitor MeetingFeb. 17, 12:30 p.m.
Youth Sheep Social.....Feb. 17, 12:30 p.m.
Skilathon/Record Book Skills TestFeb. 17, 1 p.m.
Seniors start at 1:00 p.m.
Intermediates start at 1:30 p.m.
Juniors start at 2:00 p.m.
Obstacle Course Contest.....Feb 17, 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.



Illustrated Talk/Demos..... Feb. 18, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Registered Sheep ShowFeb. 18, 1 p.m.
Illustrated Talk/Demos..... Feb. 18, 3 p.m. – as needed
Showmanship.....Feb. 18, 5 p.m.
Youth Breeding Sheep Show Feb. 19, 11 a.m.
(See Rotation Order on page 5)
Announce Champion Youth WinnersEnd of show
Youth Sheep Released.....Feb. 19, 4 p.m.
.....or conclusion of show if after 4 p.m.

Individuals are limited to entering a maximum of 2 Youth Livestock Shows at the 2012 Florida State Fair.

INTERPRETATION OF RULES

The management of the Florida State Fair reserves the right to amend, add to and interpret the following Rules and Regulations; and to arbitrarily settle and determine all questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising

out of, connected with or incident to the Fair.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Only Florida residents that are bona fide 4-H or FFA members (8 years old or older, as of September 1, 2011) are eligible to enter.

All entrants must be currently active in the 4-H Club Program or the Vocational Agricultural Program in Florida. Anyone having currently graduated from High School, dropped out of High School or currently enrolled in an Agriculture Class, but not attending class, shall be **ineligible** to enter or show.

2. Both FFA Chapter and 4-H Club entries will be accepted. Chapters and Clubs must be valid clubs and in good standing with their local & state organizations. Chapter/Club animals must be owned by the Chapter/Club.

3. Exhibitor must show as a member of the same organization he entered under and is a member of.

4. Any exhibitor from a family with an outstanding balance owed to the Fair will not be eligible to show at the Florida State Fair.

CHAPTERS/CLUBS PLEASE NOTE: Chapters/Clubs must designate student(s) that will enter and compete in all events. That student will be the representative for the Show, Skilathon, Record Book Test, Showmanship, and all other competitions. The age of the student(s) will determine the division of their competition (Junior, Intermediate, or Senior). Chapter must designate student(s) by January 11, 2012 (hand delivered, faxed or postmarked - Metered Mail will not be considered as a valid or legitimate postmark). **If name is not received by January 11, 2012, the animal(s) will be allowed to show and compete for Animal premiums ONLY. The Chapter/Club will not qualify for Achievement Premiums or participation in the Champion of Championship program. All chapters/Clubs must have Federal ID number to enter.** Appropriate form is located on website.

ENTRY

1. Exhibitors will be allowed to show a maximum 6 animals in show. If exhibitor enters more than 1 animal in a specific class/division it is the exhibitor's responsibility to have another youth exhibitor show the animal.

2. **There is a \$15 entry fee per exhibitor for the Youth Sheep Show.** The entire amount is non-refundable.

3. **Entry Due Date - All entries must be hand delivered or postmarked on or before December 2, 2011. It is the policy of the Florida State Fair to abide by all Rules and Regulations as posted on the Florida State Fair website at www.floridastatefairag.com.**

Entry fee will be determined by date entries are postmarked or hand-delivered to the Agribusiness Office. Hand delivered entries will be accepted in the Agribusiness Office up to office closing at 5:00 pm on the day of deadline.

Certified mail or a Certificate of Mailing validated by the Post Office is recommended. A metered postmark will not be considered as a valid postmark for entry deadline purposes.

The 1st Late Entry Period for entries postmarked between December 3rd, 2011 & December 9th, 2011 is subject to space availability and will be charged double (\$30.00) entry fees.

The Final Late Entry Period for entries postmarked between December 10th, 2011 & January 11th, 2012 is subject to space availability and will be charged double entry fees plus a \$100.00 fee (Youth).



4. ATTENTION: ALL PARTICIPANTS IN THE YOUTH REGISTERED SHEEP SHOW, IT IS MANDATORY THAT COPIES OF REGISTRATION PAPERS BE MAILED IN WITH THE ENTRY (PENDING PAPERS CAN BE PRESENTED AT CHECK-IN).

5. All entries must be made on Official Youth Sheep Entry Form, which is available on website.

6. The Florida State Fair reserves the right to limit entries based on stall/pen availability. Entries will be accepted in chronological order based on the postmark.

7. Complete animal information must be included on entry.

8. Exhibitors MUST indicate on Entry Form whether or not they plan to keep their animal(s) at a location other than the home place of the exhibitor or the Land Lab for FFA Chapter animals. Failure to provide this information may result in disqualification.

9. ALL INFORMATION AND SIGNATURES MUST BE COMPLETED TO RECEIVE FULL 10 POINTS FOR ACHIEVEMENT POINTS.

10. For Entry Verification purposes, the Fair suggests sending a self addressed stamped envelope with your entry.

OWNERSHIP DEADLINE

1. Animals must be in the ownership, possession and care of the exhibitor as of December 1, 2011. No Lease Agreements will be accepted.

2. Substitutions – Must be received by the Fair by the Ear Tag Validation date that the exhibitor is attending. The substitute animal(s) must be verified. Substitutions can be made by phone. Ownership deadline, of December 1, 2011, will still apply on substituted animals. No substitutions will be allowed after the Ear Tag Validation or upon arrival.

It is extremely important that each animal being shown has the correct birth date (month, day, year) and division submitted to the Fair office on this initial entry form.

3. Birth dates (month, day, and year) must be designated on entry forms. The Show Committee reserves the right to mouth all sheep for age.

EAR TAG VALIDATION

1. All animals will be required to attend a mandatory ear tag validation. The dates, times and locations will be as follows:

State Fair Barns – Jan. 12, 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Marion County – Rowan Agricultural Complex – Jan. 12 - 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Volusia Ag Center – Jan. 14 – 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Dade County – Week of Jan. 16, will be announced at a later date

2. Each exhibitor must designate the date/location they plan to attend on their entry form.

3. If the exhibitor is not able to attend the location/date indicated on their entry, they must notify the Fair 5 days in advance and they will be reassigned to one of the other locations/dates.

HEALTH REGULATIONS

1. All animals must meet health regulations as specified in

the Rules for Exhibition as required by the Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services.

RULES OF EXHIBITION

As required by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

5C-4.0015 Definitions.

5C-4.0017 General Requirements, Exemptions and Limitations.

5C-4.005 Goats or Sheep.

5C-4.0015 Definitions.

For the purposes of this chapter the following definitions shall apply:

(1) Accredited Veterinarian. A veterinarian licensed in the state of origin and accredited by the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (USDA, APHIS) to perform certain functions of the federal and cooperative-state-federal programs in accordance with the provisions of Title 9 Code of Federal Regulations (9 CFR) § 161 (2005).

(2) Animal(s). This term shall include:

(a) Livestock including grazing animals, such as cattle, horses, sheep, swine, goats, and other hoofed animals;

(b) Ratites, limited to ostriches, emus, and rheas;

(c) Poultry or Domestic fowl which are propagated or maintained for commercial or breeding purposes; and

(d) Wild or game animals which may threaten the agricultural interests of Florida.

(3) Authorized Representative. An employee of the state or federal government, or a licensed veterinarian accredited by the USDA, who is authorized to conduct animal disease control and eradication activities.

(4) Commercial Production Swine. Swine that have been subjected to and found negative on an annual brucellosis and pseudorabies test and have been continuously managed with adequate facilities and practices to prevent exposure to either transitional or feral swine and so recognized by state animal health officials.

(5) Group. One or more animals maintained on the same premises or in contact with one another.

(6) Horse. Any horse, mule, ass, zebra or other equidae.

(7) Isolation. Separation of individual animals by a physical barrier in a manner that assures one animal does not have access to the body, excrement, or discharges of another animal; does not share a building with a common ventilation system; and is not within ten feet of another animal.

(8) Market Class. An exhibition class consisting of finished fed animals that all go directly to slaughter immediately following the exhibition.

(9) Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI). A legible record or certificate made on an official form from the state of origin or from the USDA, or a Department-approved electronic format, issued and signed by veterinarians licensed and accredited in the state of origin for the purpose of certifying the official individual identification, test requirements, and health status of specific animals for movement, exhibition, and other designated purposes.

(10) Official Individual Identification. A form of unique individual animal identification including, but not limited to:

(a) Official Eartags. Must be tamper-resistant/tamper evident, approved by APHIS, capable of providing a unique identification number for each animal, and capable of being recorded in a central repository. Such eartags must conform to one of the numbering or tagging systems approved by the USDA, APHIS, VS in 9 C.F.R. § 71.1.

(b) Ear, tail-web or flank tattoos, approved by APHIS; breed registration tattoos when accompanied by breed

registration papers; or an official brand when accompanied by a brand registration certificate;

(c) Official leg or wing bands for poultry;

(d) Color digital images or notarized color photographs of the animal, signed by a state-licensed, USDA-accredited veterinarian; or

(e) Implanted electronic chips with a unique number that is recorded in a single, central database.

(11) Official test. A test conducted by a method approved by Department rules for the specific disease and animal species.

(12) Poultry, Domestic Fowl or Ratites. Chickens, turkeys, quail, pheasants, chukars, peafowl, guineas, ratites (limited to ostriches, emus and rheas) and waterfowl that are propagated or maintained for commercial or breeding purposes.

(13) Segregated. To maintain a group of animals separate from another group of animals in such a manner as to prevent physical contact between animals of the two groups.

(14) Materials. Title 9 C.F.R. § 71.1 (2005) is hereby incorporated by reference. Copies may be obtained from the United States Government Printing Office, Superintendent of Documents, Mail Stop SSOP, Washington, D.C. 20402-9328. History–New 1-19-95, Last Amended 6-21-06.

5C-4.0017 General Requirements, Exemptions and Limitations.

(1) Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) Required. Animals presented for exhibition purposes in Florida, unless specifically exempted, must be accompanied by an OCVI issued by a veterinarian accredited in the state of origin.

(a) The OCVI must be complete including the breed, sex, and registration number, and the official individual identification of each animal.

(b) Results of a specific test requirement or herd accreditation, certification or validation number for each animal must be recorded on the OCVI with the date of the test or herd accreditation, certification or validation.

(2) Expiration of Required OCVI.

(a) For Florida-origin animals an OCVI is valid for 90 days from the date of issue; or until the expiration date of any required tests, whichever is the earliest date.

(b) For animals imported into Florida for exhibition purposes only, the OCVI is valid for 30 days, except that, for equine imported into Florida using a current Equine Interstate Passport Card, DACS-09207, or equivalent of the state of origin signed by the State Veterinarian or chief animal health official, the OCVI will be extended to the date of expiration of the Equine Interstate Passport Card or its equivalent of the state of origin.

(3) Exemption to Required OCVI. An OCVI is not required for animals originating in Florida and entered in market classes provided that animals are segregated from other animals and the pens are occupied only by the animals in a market class. Pens used for market classes must not be reused until after cleaning and disinfecting.

(4) Inspection Required. Prior to immediate acceptance at an exhibition, all animals presented for exhibition must be visually inspected by an authorized representative for:

(a) The required official individual identification of the animal; and

(b) Clinical signs of disease including, but not limited to: caseous lymphadenitis, blisters/ulcers around the mouth, nostrils, coronary band, pinkeye, pox, scabies, lice, ringworm, atrophic rhinitis, or multiple warts that are clearly visible; and

(c) Evidence of compliance with animal tests and OCVI requirements, where required.

(5) Animals Rejected for Exhibition.

(a) Any animal in noncompliance with animal tests and OCVI requirements, or

(b) Any animal not meeting the official individual identification requirements, or

(c) Any animal which is suspected of having or showing clinical signs of dangerous transmissible, contagious or infectious disease on visual inspection, or any animal which is known to be exposed to such diseases must be:

1. Immediately withdrawn from exhibition and returned to the place of origin, or

2. Examined by a Florida-licensed and USDA-accredited veterinarian at the owner's expense within 24 hours, who certifies by a signed, written statement, that the animal is free of dangerous transmissible, contagious or infectious disease and pests.

(6) Forms. Equine Interstate Passport Card, DACS-09207 Rev. 07/05, is hereby incorporated by reference. Copies may be obtained from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Animal Industry, 407 S. Calhoun St., Tallahassee, FL 32399-0800. History–New 6-21-06.

5C-4.005 Goats or Sheep.

(1) OCVI Required.

(a) Florida-origin goats or sheep presented for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI dated not more than 90 days prior to presentation.

(b) Goats or sheep imported into Florida for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI completed within 30 days prior to exhibition.

(2) Identification. All goats or sheep entered for exhibition purposes must have an official individual identification in accordance with the National Scrapie Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules, APHIS 91-55-066, June 1, 2005.

(3) Test or Certification Required.

(a) Tuberculosis Test. All dairy goats six (6) months of age or older imported for exhibition purposes must originate from an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free Herd, or have had a negative caudal fold tuberculosis test within 90 days prior to exhibition. When originating from accredited tuberculosis-free herds, the OCVI must show, the accredited herd number and the date of the last herd accreditation test.

(b) Brucellosis Test. All dairy goats six (6) months of age or older imported for exhibition purposes must originate from a Certified Brucellosis-Free Herd, or have had a negative brucellosis test within 90 days prior to exhibition. When originating from a certified brucellosis-free herd, the OCVI must show the certified herd number and the date of the last herd certification test.

(c) Exemption From Test Requirements. There are no tuberculosis or brucellosis test requirements for meat type goats or Florida-origin dairy goats.

(4) Materials. Scrapie Eradication Uniform Methods and Rules, APHIS 91-55-066, June 1, 2005, is hereby incorporated by reference. Copies may be obtained from the United States Government Printing Office, Superintendent of Documents, Mail Stop SSOP, Washington, D.C. 20402-9328. History–New 11-4-76, Last Amended 6-21-06.

SCRAPIES

All sheep entered in the 2010 Florida State Fair Youth Sheep program must be registered in the USDA Sheep and Goat Scrapies Education Program. Each exhibitor must have a USDA premise ID number. The USDA tag must be listed on the entry form. Ear Tags will be checked at the appropriate Ear Tag Validation.

NATIONAL SHEEP AND GOAT SCRAPIE ERADICATION PROGRAM

Effective July 1, 2004

Requirements for Identification of Sheep and Goats in Shows, Exhibitions and Fairs

This information is presented to clarify the mandatory identification requirements for sheep and goats under the National Scrapie Eradication Program. There are two components of the identification requirements that must be met before sheep and goats are allowed to move into the state or within Florida (intrastate) for shows, exhibitions, and fairs.

1. **Premises Identification** – Before official individual animal identification tags can be issued, the owner/agent must register the premises on which the animal is located and obtain a premises identification number from USDA.
2. **Individual Animal Identification** – Once the premises is registered, the owner/agent will receive official individual animal identification tags for identifying each sheep and goat.

Applicator pliers will be provided to FFA, 4-H leaders and/or fair/livestock/show committee for assisting exhibitors in application of the official ear tags.

NOTE: Sheep and goats must be officially identified before commingling with other groups of animals. For registered purebred sheep and goats identified with a permanent official breed registration number, official ear tags are not required. However, upon presentation of such animals for exhibition, a copy of the breed registration certificate must accompany each animal. Regardless of the method of official identification, each animal must be associated with a premises identification number.

The premises must be registered before the exhibitor can receive the official individual ear tag for each animal. The official tags must be applied to the exhibitor's animals prior to presenting them for exhibition. Official ear tags must be affixed by FFA, 4-H leaders or by a representative of the Livestock Show committee or veterinarian.

CONTACT FOR PREMISES AND INDIVIDUAL ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER AND TAGS

USDA Veterinary Services Area Office
8100 NW 15th Place
Gainesville, FL 32606
(352) 313-3060 selection 2 (for Scrapie)

GENERAL

1. **Please Note: Due to health and safety issues, no cooking will be allowed in the barns; food and drink should not be consumed in animal areas; and exhibitors should wash hands after handling animals.**
2. Sheep should be in show-shape upon arrival at the Fair. Minimal clipping will be allowed in areas designated at the exhibitor meeting.
3. It is the intent of the Youth Sheep Committee that Youth Exhibitors are expected to do their own grooming, etc. Adults can assist in handling and restraint but not with grooming.
4. There will be no painting of sheep allowed.
5. Filling of sheep with any substance is prohibited. All ewes must be shown in their natural conformation and structure

without alteration or modification except for the grooming and treatment of the wool and trimming of hooves.

6. HANDLING: All sheep must be trained for show and controlled by the exhibitor. Animals that cannot be handled properly by the exhibitor will not be accepted and will be disqualified.

7. Feed, care and management of animals will be the responsibility of the exhibitor. Sawdust will be provided for bedding. Exhibitors may also use straw at their own expense. **Failure to maintain animals and exhibit to acceptable standards and/or failure to cooperate with Fair Officials may result in premium forfeiture and immediate dismissal from the Fairgrounds.**

8. Exhibitors must show their own animal unless prior approval has been received from show management.

9. Only animals being shown will be allowed on the Fairgrounds.

10. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to get in the show ring on time.

11. Animals are restricted to designated areas of the Fairgrounds and must not be taken from designated area. Violators are liable for any damage incurred by owner or animals.

12. The physical condition of an entrant, which the appropriate committee considers to be a problem for that entrant to participate in the show, may result in the committee not accepting an entry or not allowing that entrant to participate in the show.

13. Any person who violates any of the general rules or special rules as posted in this Premium List will forfeit all privileges and premiums won.

14. NO DOGS ALLOWED INSIDE THE BARNs.

15. Smoking is not permitted in the barns.

16. The use of alcohol is prohibited in the barns and livestock area.

ASSISTANCE

1. Youth exhibitors are expected to care for, prepare and show their own animals while on the grounds of the Florida State Fair.

2. Adults (other than parents) or similar unauthorized persons are strictly prohibited from providing direct assistance in preparation or showing of youth animals while on the grounds of the Florida State Fair. Exceptions to this rule must be approved by the committee and be in writing before the Fair.

3. Violations can result in the disqualification of the exhibitor and all premiums, Achievement Premiums, etc., will be forfeited.

4. All preparation will be done in a designated area.

5. The Florida State Fair recommends that all clipping be done prior to arrival at the Fair.

LIABILITY FOR LOSS OR THEFT

1. The owner or custodian of property of any kind brought to the Fairgrounds; either for exhibit or for other purposes, assumes as a condition of its admission to the grounds, all risk and/or responsibility for its loss, damage or theft.

2. The Fair, its officers and employees cannot and will not accept responsibility and liability for any damage or injury resulting from theft, fire, the elements, accidents or other conditions or causes; whether to exhibits, property of exhibitor, vehicles on the grounds and articles left therein or any other property of any nature whatsoever.

ARRIVAL

1. Sheep will be received from 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., on Friday, February 17, 2012. In case of emergency, call the



Agribusiness Office at (813) 621-7821.

2. **Animal checked-in will be from 8 am – 11 am. The Champion Youth check-in will be from 10 am – 12 noon.**

3. **EARLY ARRIVALS: Due to the lack of space during the Fair, early arrivals will not be permitted except in cases where the scheduled arrival time presents a hardship due to travel time, etc. In such situation, a written request must be submitted to the Livestock Office by January 11th, 2012. Exhibitor will be notified by February 1st, if the request has been approved.**

4. All sheep must enter by the Red Gate at the Orient Road entrance which is located on the west side of the Fairgrounds. See map on website.

5. **All Trailers will be parked in a remote location adjacent to or near the Fairgrounds.**

6. **Animals may be mouthed. Final Verification of Age, Class/Breed will be done at Check-in. Any discrepancies brought to the attention of the Show Committee or discovered after this time may and can result in disqualification. No changes will be made after check-in unless clerical in nature.**

7. There will be a meeting for parents and exhibitors at 12:30 in the Horse Pavilion.

official release time, will forfeit the right to all premiums/Achievement monies won by exhibitors not following this rule.

ATTIRE
For showmanship and show: All exhibitors will be required to be clean and neat and dressed in white, green, blue or black jeans or slacks with a solid white shirt with a white collar. FFA or 4-H accessories are strongly recommended. No caps or hats. Closed-toed shoes or boots are required.

JUDGING
1. Animals should be shorn & groomed in whatever manner is appropriate for breed and age with a maximum of 2" of wool on any part of the body. **Animals will be checked at the Exhibitor Check-in on Friday, February 17th from 8 am – 11 am.**

Sheep in classes 5, 6, 11, and 12 should be slick shorn and animals that are required by Breed Associations. For example – Southdown & Shropshire.

2. **Baby Doll Southdown animals will be measured at check in to verify they are true Baby Dolls. The maximum height that will be allowed is 24 inches. Please note: Any Baby Doll that does not meet that height requirement will show in the White Face classes.**

3. **A Registered Sheep Show will be held on Saturday, February 18th at 1 p.m. This will be for Ribbons Only. (See class listings on Page 6).**

4. **The Breeding Sheep Show will be judged at 11 a.m. Sunday, February 19, 2012. The Division will be rotated as follows: Division Crosses, Exotic-Wool, Exotic-Haired, Black Face and White Face.**

4. **Final Verification of Age, Class/Breed will be done at Check-in. Any discrepancies brought to the attention of the Show Committee or discovered after this time may and can result in disqualification. No changes will be made after check-in unless clerical in nature.**

5. **Divisions:**
- BF -Black Face** – Hampshire, Oxford, Shropshire, Suffolk, and any other sheep with 75% or more of these crosses.
 - WF -White Face** –Purebred Southdown, Dorset, Columbia, any WhiteFace breed, and any other sheep with 75% or more of these crosses
 - DC –Division Crosses** – Any crosses between Blackface, Whiteface, Exotic (hair or wool).
 - EH –Exotic - Haired** – Barbado, Katahdin, Dorper, St. Croix.
 - EW– Exotic – Wool** – Florida Native, Jacob, Ramanov, Baby Doll Southdown, Tunis, Texel.

6. **Classes: (For each Division)**
- For Ewes:**
1. Aged Ewes - Born before February 1, 2008
 2. 3 Year Old Ewes – Born Feb. 2, 2008 – Feb. 1, 2009
 3. 2 Year Old Ewes – Born Feb. 2, 2009 – Feb. 1, 2010
 4. Yearling Ewes – Born Feb. 2, 2010 – Feb. 1, 2011
 5. Early Spring Lambs – Born Feb. 2 – March 31, 2011
 6. Late Spring Lambs – Born April 1 – Nov. 30, 2011
7. **Grand Champion Ewe**
8. **Reserve Grand Champion Ewe**
9. **Supreme Champion Ewe**
- For Rams:**
10. Yearling Rams – Feb. 2, 2010 – Feb. 1, 2011
 11. Early Spring Ram – Feb. 2 – March 31, 2011
 12. Late Spring Rams – April 1 – Nov. 30, 2011
13. **Grand Champion Ram**
14. **Reserve Grand Champion Ram**

The Youth Sheep Social
is provided as a courtesy of the
FLORIDA STATE FAIR AUTHORITY
As a Special Recognition and
Thanks to our Exhibitors.
The Sheep Social will include lunch which may
include a Cuban sandwich, chips, drink and a dessert.

** Each Exhibitor will receive a ticket**
Additional tickets can be purchased on the Youth
Sheep Entry Form for \$3.00 per ticket.

TICKETS

1. Each Sheep Exhibitor will receive nine (9) daily admission passes and one (3-Day) parking pass. Exceptions will be made when more than one (1) exhibitor is from the same family. The second exhibitor from the same family will be issued 3 daily admission passes. The third exhibitor will be issued 3 daily parking passes and one (3-Day) parking pass. **Please Note: All passes will be single day passes. Be sure to utilize your tickets to cover every day you are at the Fair. NO ADDITIONAL TICKETS WILL BE ISSUED.**
2. Admission tickets can be picked up at the Vet Trailer upon arrival at the Fair.
3. Additional tickets can be bought in advance at discount prices. See Advance Ticket form on website for details. Tickets will be for sale at the gate.
4. Each passenger must have an admission pass.

PENS, FEEDING AND BEDDING

1. All sheep will be bedded on sawdust.
2. Feed, water pails and hoses must be provided by the exhibitor.
3. All exhibitors will be required to maintain their stall and space in a clean, sanitary condition by removal there from of any filth and/or litter, and placement in designated pick-up areas. The sanitation department of the Fair will remove refuse from designated pick-up areas only. Non-compliance of this rule will result in hiring personnel to clean exhibitor's area, and labor costs will be deducted from exhibitor's proceeds.
4. Exhibitors not properly feeding, caring for and/or managing their animal from the time the exhibit arrives at the Fair until



15. Supreme Champion Ram

** Bred ewes or ewes with lambs are eligible for show (lambs will not be taken in show ring).

*** All aged ewes should have lambed.

7. Judging will be done by a judge recommended by the Youth Sheep Committee.

8. The Modified Danish System of judging will be used.

9. Unworthy Exhibit: It is the intent of the Sheep Committee that no premium or distinction of any kind be given any animal that is not deserving. In cases where only one animal is exhibited in a class, the Judge shall make awards in accordance with the merits of the animal being exhibited which may be a blue, red, or white ribbon winner. The Judge must not award a premium to any unworthy animal. Only blue ribbon animals are eligible to compete for championship honors.

10. Judges will not award premiums to any article, product, or animal that is not deserving. It must be judged individually worthy.

11. The decision of the judge shall be final and no appeal will be considered except in cases of written protest (see Protests).

12. Any exhibitor who interferes with the judging will be promptly excluded from competition; if after judging, the premiums awarded will be withheld.

13. All animals must enter the show ring and be evaluated by the judge in order to receive premiums.

14. Animals should not be lifted off the ground by the head or neck. All four feet should be left on the ground – at all times.

15. The Fair reserves the right to combine classes if there are not 15 animals in a class.

16. The Fair has the right to break a class, but there must be at least 15 animals in a class.

ANIMAL PREMIUMS

Animals will be judged on the Danish System for Blue, Red and White awards.

Blue.....	\$50.00
Red.....	\$40.00
White.....	\$25.00
Grand Champion.....	\$50.00
Reserve Champion.....	\$25.00

PREMIUMS

1. Premiums will be paid on the basis of the judging reports, which must be signed by the judge and/or by the department superintendent or clerk.

2. Premiums will be mailed to the exhibitor after the Fair to the address given on the entry form. Errors in premium statements will not be corrected after April 1, 2012. All Premium checks must be cashed within sixty days of issuance or they become void.

3. If a Social Security Number or Federal Id Number is not provided, the Fair will not issue a premium check.

REGISTERED SHEEP SHOW

1. The Registered Sheep Show will be held on Saturday, February 18th at 1 p.m. This will be for Ribbons Only using the Modified Danish System.

2. FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS IN THE YOUTH REGISTERED SHEEP SHOW, IT IS MANDATORY THAT COPIES OF REGISTRATION PAPERS BE MAILED IN WITH THE ENTRY (PENDING PAPERS CAN BE PRESENTED AT CHECK-IN).

3. The Registered Show will be separated by breeds – Suffolk, Hampshire, Southdown, Dorper, Katahdin, Babydoll, and All Other Breeds.

4. Classes:

R1. Lambs (Under 1 year) – Feb. 2, 2011 – Nov. 30, 2011

R2. Yearling (1 to 2 year) – Feb. 2, 2010 – Feb. 1, 2011

R3. Ewes (2 and over) – Feb. 1, 2010 and before

R4. Grand Champion Ewe

R5. Reserve Grand Champion Ewe

R6. Yearling Rams – Feb. 2, 2010 – Feb. 1, 2011

R7. Early Spring Ram – Feb. 2 – March 31, 2011

R8. Late Spring Rams – April 1 – Nov. 30, 2011

R9. Grand Champion Ram

R10. Reserve Grand Champion Ram

R11. Best of Breed

SHEEP OBSTACLE CLASS/CONTEST

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this class/contest is to present or simulate conditions and obstacles that would be encountered in working with and handling sheep. This class should demonstrate the training of the sheep and the ability of the exhibitor to handle their sheep in a variety of situations.

RULES:

1. The obstacle course will consist of five to ten obstacles. These may include, but are not limited to, jumps, bridge or walk across, walk in/back out, weaving through cones or around poles, change of pace, animate or inanimate objects or blocking stand. Each exhibitor will be allowed one opportunity to complete the course.

2. Classes will be based on the exhibitor's showmanship age group.

3. Exhibitors must use a sheep that they will be exhibiting during the Youth Sheep Show. The same sheep may not be shown by more than one exhibitor.

4. Sheep should be led with a properly fitted halter.

5. Exhibitors should dress in neat professional attire. They must wear closed in shoes/boots, long pants, a shirt with a collar or the FSF t-shirt. FFA Official dress or 'show clothes' are not required.

6. Prizes will be awarded based on the obstacle course score. In cases of a tie score, the time in completing the course will be used as a tie breaker.

Please note: Scores and prizes will not count towards Champion of Champions or Exhibitor premium points.

GENERAL DISPUTES POLICY

With respect to any disputes which may occur with respect to an exhibitor at the show, such disputes shall be handled by the appropriate Livestock Committee (the "Committee") in accordance with the following:

1. An exhibitor may file a protest with respect to another exhibitor for violation of the rules and regulations of the Committee and/or the International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE) National Code of Show Ring Ethics by submitting a written protest (a "Protest") on a form (the "Protest Form") which will be available at the Agribusiness Department. The Protest must include the exact basis, cause and description of the dispute, the name of the protesting exhibitor, the name of the exhibitor being protested, and any materials in support of the Protest as well as any other matters which may be required in the Protest Form, and shall be accompanied by payment of \$50 which shall be refunded only if the Protest is sustained by the Committee. The Protest Form must be signed by the exhibitor (as the protesting exhibitor), and if the exhibitor is a minor, the Protest Form must also be signed by the exhibitor's guardian or parent, unless the parent or guardian is not available under circumstances that warrant, as determined by the Agribusiness Department in its sole

discretion. Failure to properly sign the Protest Form shall deem the Protest Form incomplete and a nullity, and in such event, the Protest will not be considered. Any Protest must be submitted (and received by the Agribusiness Department) at least two (2) hours prior to the time that the show is scheduled to occur in order to be considered prior to the show. If a Protest is submitted less than two (2) hours prior to the time that the show is scheduled to occur (“a “Late Submittal”), then the Committee will handle the Protest after the show in accordance with its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics, but the Late Submittal shall not affect the award of ribbons for the show. In order to minimize disruption to the show, an exhibitor who intends to file a Protest should do so at the earliest feasible time. In any event, a Protest must be filed with the Agribusiness Department prior to the scheduled release hour for the protested exhibitor’s animal in order to be considered.

2. The Agribusiness Department will forward any Protest Form which is duly signed (by an exhibitor as the protesting exhibitor, and if the exhibitor is a minor, the Protest Form must also be signed by the exhibitor’s guardian or parent), and any accompanying materials submitted by the protesting exhibitor in support of the Protest to the Committee for its consideration. The Agribusiness Department will also notify the exhibitor being protested of the Protest as soon as reasonably practicable after the Protest has been duly submitted, and make available a copy of the written Protest to the exhibitor being protested. The exhibitor being protested may, but shall not be required to, provide a written response to the Protest (a “Response”) by submitting a Response to the Agribusiness Department, including any materials in support of the response to the Protest, and the Agribusiness Department shall provide the Response to Committee. A Response shall be on a form obtained from the Agribusiness Department, and must be signed by the protested exhibitor, and if the protested exhibitor is a minor, the Response must also be signed by the protested exhibitor’s guardian or parent, unless the parent or guardian is not available due to circumstances that warrant, as determined by the Agribusiness Department in its sole discretion. The Agribusiness Department shall make available a copy of the Response to the protesting exhibitor upon request by the protesting exhibitor, but it shall be the protesting exhibitor’s responsibility to monitor the Protest and to obtain a copy of the Response. The Agribusiness Department will attempt to notify the protesting exhibitor and the exhibitor being protested of the time of the Committee’s review and consideration of the Protest by calling their respective cell phone numbers if provided on the Protest Form and/or the Response Form, but it shall be the protesting exhibitor and protested exhibitor’s responsibility to monitor the Protest and obtain the time of the Committee’s review and consideration of the Protest and to be available at the time scheduled for the Committee’s consideration of the Protest. For any Late Submittal, the Committee will handle the process for review of the Protest after the show.

3. The Committee members present will review the Protest and the Response, if any, in the context of its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics, and will make a decision to resolve the Protest by a majority of the Committee members present. In the event of a tie vote, the Protest shall be deemed denied by the Committee. The decision of the Committee will be final.

4. The Committee also may apply and enforce its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics, with respect to exhibitors at the show.

5. By entering the show, all exhibitors, and their Respective parents and/or guardians, shall be deemed to have

acknowledged and accepted this General Disputes Policy.

RELEASE

1. Youth Sheep will be released on Sunday, February 19th at 4 p.m. or at the conclusion of the show, if after 4 p.m.

CHAMPION OF CHAMPION PROGRAM!!

The Florida State Fair believes in the value and importance of exhibitor participation in all educational opportunities offered through their animal project. The Champion of Champions program is the means to which exhibitors can take advantage of these opportunities. By taking part in the various activities listed below exhibitors may earn additional monies which we call Achievement Premiums. Achievement Premiums will be paid in addition to current animal premiums, and will reward exhibitors based on their participation in the educational events listed below. Participation in the Champion of Champions Program is optional. Points will be accumulated by each exhibitor throughout the program for each event they participate in and Achievement Premium monies will be rewarded proportionately for their involvement.

The Point system will be as follows:

-Entry correct & complete.....	0 or 10 points
-Attend Seminar or Pre-Fair Talk	0 – 30 points*
-Record Book (Mandatory)	0 – 100 points
-Record Book Skills Test (Mandatory).....	0 – 100 points
-Skilathon (Mandatory)	0 – 100 points
-Showmanship	0 – 100 points
1 st place (Jr., Int. & Sr.)	20 points
2 nd place (Jr., Int. & Sr.)	15 points
3 rd place (Jr., Int. & Sr.).....	10 points
4 th place (Jr., Int. & Sr.).....	5 points
Blue	80 points
Red	70 points
White.....	60 points
-Illustrated Talks/Demos	0 – 100 points
-Educational Poster	0 – 30 points
	570 Total Points Possible

* Please Note: Exhibitors can only do one of these two events.

- All points will be totaled and exhibitors will be ranked in order of total points.

- Available Achievement Premiums will be allocated based on total points earned. (All points will be totaled and divided into total Achievement Premiums - thus determining a dollar value per point).

PLEASE NOTE: Only Senior Exhibitors will be eligible to qualify for the Champion of Champions Contest. Intermediate and Junior Exhibitors will only complete the segments of the Skilathon and Record Book Test that are designated for their age levels. See “Champion of Champions” section on website for additional information.

ACHIEVEMENT PREMIUM PAYMENT

Exhibitors will be mailed, after the Fair, a recap of the total Achievement points earned during the 2012 Florida State Fair. Along with the recap they will be provided with the names and addresses of two (2) Achievement Premium Sponsors. To receive payment for these points, exhibitors will be required to:

1. Write and mail a Thank You letter to the sponsor.
2. Send a copy of each Thank You letter to the Fair.

Checks for Achievement Premiums will be issued when a copy of the Thank You letters to the sponsors has been received. **Achievement Premium checks will be voided as of July 1, 2012, if copies of the Thank you letters have not been received.**

**CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS
ACHIEVEMENT PREMIUMS -
POINT CATEGORIES**

EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR - Optional

1. **PLEASE NOTE:** There will be one (1) Educational Seminar session offered this year.
2. Educational Pre-Fair Seminar will be held as follows:
September 24th – Florida State Fairgrounds
1st Year Exhibitor Orientation
8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Specie Specific Seminar
(First Time & Returning Exhibitors)
10:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Beef (Steer), Dairy, Sheep, Dairy Goat, Boer Goat, Swine, Rabbit, Poultry, Dog & Llama
3. Exhibitor can receive up to 30 points toward Achievement Premiums for attending the Educational Seminar listed above.
4. **Please Note: Registration will begin 30 minutes prior to sessions.**

PRE-FAIR TALK - Optional

1. Exhibitors can earn Achievement Premium points by presenting an educational talk on their project prior to the Fair.
2. The talk must be to an organized group. (Including: 4-H, FFA, Farm Bureau, etc.)
3. Exhibitors must submit a letter from the organization (on their letterhead) indicating that the exhibitor did make a presentation, the date and the number of people in attendance.
4. **Letters and a written copy of the script for their talk must be submitted with the Record Book upon Arrival/Check-in at the Fair. Script will be worth up to ½ of the points. DO NOT INCLUDE THEM IN THE RECORD BOOK.**

RECORD BOOK - MANDATORY

1. Exhibitors must present their record book at check-in. The completed record book must be approved and signed by the 4-H Club Leader or Agriculture Teacher.
2. A Record Book is available on the website, at the seminar or upon request.
3. All Record Books will be scored on a basis of 0 - 100 and points will be added to Achievement Premium points.
4. **A Record Book is mandatory in order to qualify for Achievement Premiums. Exhibitors that do not turn in a record book will forfeit all Achievement Premiums.**
5. Record Book will be returned by mail after the Fair.

RECORD BOOK SKILLS TEST - MANDATORY

1. Exhibitors will be given a Record Book Skills Test. The test will cover all aspects of record keeping on their animal project.
2. Junior exhibitors will answer the first 10 questions, Intermediate exhibitors will answer the first 20 questions and Senior exhibitors will answer all segments of the test.
3. **The Record Book Skills Test is mandatory in order to qualify for Achievement Premiums. Exhibitors that do not take the test will forfeit all Achievement Premiums.**
4. It is advised that exhibitors bring a small calculator to use.

SKILATHON - MANDATORY

1. A Skilathon will be held in conjunction with the Record Book Skills Test.
2. The Skilathon is a series of "hands on" stations where students will be asked to perform specific tasks.
3. A Skilathon study guide is available on the website, at the seminar or upon request.
4. Junior exhibitors only need to do Junior level skills, Intermediate exhibitors only need to do Junior & Intermediate level skills. Senior exhibitors must do ALL level skills.
5. **The Skilathon is mandatory in order to qualify for Achievement Premiums. Exhibitors that do not participate in the skilathon will forfeit all Achievement Premiums.**

SHOWMANSHIP - Optional

1. All exhibitors can earn Achievement Premium Points by participating in the Showmanship Contest.
2. The Showmanship Contest will be held on Saturday, February 18, 2012 at 5 p.m. in the Sheep Show ring. This event is optional but all exhibitors are encouraged to enter **and must sign-up at check-in.**
3. Exhibitors must adhere to the Attire Statement as outlined in the Youth Sheep Rules.
4. Exhibitors must show their own animal.
5. Judging will be on a modified Danish System. All exhibitors will receive a Blue, Red, or White Award. Rosettes will be awarded for 2nd – 4th place in each age category – 1st place will receive an award.
6. **Age Divisions:**
Junior Division (Ages 8 - 10 as of Sept. 1, 2011)

Intermediate Division (Ages 11 - 13 as of Sept. 1, 2011)

Senior Division (14 and over as of Sept. 1, 2011)

EDUCATIONAL POSTER

1. Exhibitors can earn additional points toward Achievement Premiums by entering an Educational Poster.
2. The purpose of the posters is to educate the public about the animal industry.
3. Posters must be turned in during designated arrival/check-in.
4. Posters must be removed during the scheduled release times.
5. Acceptable poster size:
 - a. 22" x 28"
 - b. 20" x 30"
6. Acceptable material for poster:
 - a. Poster board
 - b. Foam board
7. No attachments to poster to extend the acceptable size of poster.
8. Poster attachments must be within the poster size not exceed 1' in width.
9. Posters must relate to the 2012 Skilathon topic of Reproduction. Posters are not to be on showmanship.
10. Posters are not to be reused for another animal division in current year or future years. Once poster is judged/displayed it is disqualified for additional competition within the current year or future years. Posters are either photograph or marked submitted. Decision of the judge is final.
11. Posters are not to be used for the Illustrated Talks and Demos.
12. Other requirements:
 - a. Poster must have a title
 - b. Poster must have your name on the back
 - c. If poster is a game/activity it must have instructions and an answer key
 - d. If other resources (such as journals, website) are used,



they must be cited on the back of the poster

13. Judging will be based on the following:

- Required Elements 5 points
 - Labeling 5 points
 - Content 5 points
 - Attractiveness 5 points
 - Grammar 5 points
 - Effort 5 points
- Possible 30 points**

14. Posters will be disqualified for:

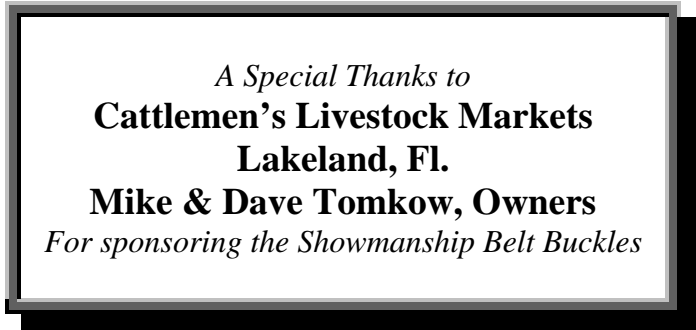
- a. Incorrect Poster Size
- b. Not on current year Skilathon topic
- c. Plagiarism (use of complete article from web or sourcebook)

ILLUSTRATED TALKS OR DEMONSTRATION - Optional

1. Exhibitors can earn Achievement Premium Points by presenting an Illustrated Talk or doing a Demonstration.
2. Exhibitors must sign up for a time-slot during designated Arrival/Check in times. If a time conflict arises, exhibitor or parent must contact Talks/Demos judge, in designated presentation area, to reschedule time.
3. Individual or Team Talks/Demonstrations will be accepted. A team consists of 2 people.
4. PLEASE NOTE: Topic of demonstration must relate to the Skilathon topic of Reproduction as related to Sheep. This does not include showmanship.
5. Talks/Demonstrations must be between 5 and 10 minutes long.
6. NO POWER POINT PRESENTATION WILL BE ALLOWED.
6. Exhibitors are required to be in Official Show Attire or State Fair T-Shirt when doing presentation.
7. Exhibitors must stay for all Talks/Demos in assigned 30 minute session.
8. Scoring will be on the following basis:
 - Appearance, Poise, Voice, Grammar.....20 points
 - Organization & Presentation30 points
 - Introduction
 - Visual Aids
 - Logical Sequence
 - Summary
 - Subject Matter.....50 points
 - Information Presented
 - One Basic theme
 - Accurate, up-to-date & complete
 - Degree of Difficulty
 - Knowledge of subject

TOTAL POSSIBLE100 POINTS

PLEASE NOTE: The poster from "Educational Poster Contest" cannot be used for Talks/Demos.
9. Live animals cannot be used for Talks/Demos.



CHARLIE MOORE SCHOLARSHIP

A scholarship fund has been established in honor of Charlie Moore and his many years of dedication to the Florida State Fair. One High School Senior recipient will be selected to receive a \$300.00 Scholarship. The money will be awarded in one payment when the Fair receives proper certification that the student is enrolled in some form of continuing education past high school within an accredited college or university in the State of Florida.

See page 12 for Application. Applications will also be distributed at check-in. All Applications must be turned in by 5 pm on Saturday, February 18th.

YOUTH LIVESTOCK SHOW ETHICS AND ANIMAL CARE WORKSHOP

The Florida State Fair believes that every youth exhibitor should receive proper training and information for raising and showing a youth animal project. It is important that the exhibitor understand:

- The purpose of youth livestock projects
- The importance of ethics in youth livestock projects
- Proper animal handling and management
- The difference between animal welfare and animal rights
- Be prepared to be an ambassador for animal agriculture

The Youth Livestock Show Ethics and Animal Care Workshop is designed to certify students to meet the mandatory certification requirements that will be in affect for the 2012 Florida State Fair. Certification is valid for a three (3) year period.

The requirements are as follows:



- All students that were entered in the Florida State Fair from 2006 to 2011 must have completed the Ethics training to show an animal at the 2012 Florida State Fair.
- YOUTH EXHIBITING AT OTHER FLORIDA FAIRS SHOULD CHECK THAT SPECIFIC FAIR'S RULES FOR ETHICS QUALIFICATION.
- PLEASE NOTE THIS RULE RELATES TO FLORIDA STATE FAIR EXHIBITORS ONLY: Youth that are exhibiting for the first time at the 2012 Fair will have a one (1) year grace period to complete the Ethics training.
- Workshops will be offered around the state. Check our website for updated dates and



IMPORTANT!!!!

CHAMPION YOUTH
&
CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

The top four (4) Senior Exhibitors based on Achievement Premium points will be invited to participate in the Champion of Champions competition. See "Champion of Champions" section on website for additional information.

times.

- **THE LAST WORKSHOP OFFERED FOR EXHIBITORS SHOWING AT THE 2012 FLORIDA STATE FAIR WILL BE JANUARY 16, 2012 AT RIVERVIEW HIGH SCHOOL**

This program has been endorsed by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agriculture Sciences (IFAS).

Please note even though you have attended an Ethics workshop in the past, your certification number may have expired. Be sure to check your certification number to be sure it is still valid.

You may check your current certification number by going to our website – www.floridastatefairag.com and clicking on the Ethics Lookup tab. You must have given us your name and city to be able to check for your certification number on the website.

Check our Florida State Fair Agribusiness website for information, times, dates on Youth Livestock Show Ethics and Animal Care Workshops that will be held around the state. Please check website periodically for newly scheduled workshops.

ALL YOUTH EXHIBITORS ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR THE MOSAIC SCHOLARSHIP, THE FLORIDA STATE FAIR FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP AND THE YOUTH LIVESTOCK GRANT PROGRAM

See Rules & Application on website

OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER

An official photographer will be designated by the Florida State Fair. Any exhibitor wishing to engage the service of this photographer may get in touch with him through the Livestock Office. Photographs of winners and participants will be taken by the Official Photographer for official use in Public Relations. All owners, exhibitors, and herdsman handling such animals are required to cooperate with the photographer.

CAMPGROUND

1. PLEASE NOTE: ALL CAMPERS/RVS MUST HAVE A CAMPING PERMIT IN ORDER TO BE ALLOWED ON THE FAIRGROUNDS WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE USED FOR CAMPING.

2. Campground Rules and Reservation Form is available on our website.

SHOWERS

1. Shower facilities are available on the grounds for use by exhibitors only!
2. Shower permits will be issued, upon request, to Livestock Exhibitors from the Agribusiness Office.

MOTEL ACCOMMODATION

1. For motel accommodation information, see our website for the Preferred Hotel List.

QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM

The Florida State Fair believes that every animal participating in activities of the Florida State Fair shall at all times be provided proper care and management in the best interest of the animal's welfare.

1. Quality assurance testing or a survey may be done at the Florida State Fair.
2. All animals are subject to testing at anytime:
 - A. To determine whether an animal qualifies for competition in a particular breed classification.
 - B. To determine whether the animal has been unethically fitted in any way.
 - C. To determine whether any false information or representation was made in a competition entry.
3. Exhibitor's signature on Entry Form acknowledges that they have read and agree to IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics, (Please note: Rule #4 deals specifically with drugs).
4. Use of drugs, in animals, not in compliance with manufacturer's label as to dosage, time of withdrawal limitations, or other manufacturer's limitations and show regulations are **PROHIBITED**. The use of tranquilizers or possession of same after arrival at the Fair, will be construed as tampering.
5. Violators will be disqualified and will forfeit all premiums and awards, including sale price of animals, if applicable, and future entry of exhibitor and/or family at the Florida State Fair.
6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices that are not recognized as acceptable training, restraint, or animal movement techniques are prohibited.

IAFE (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS) NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics," fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial and national levels.

All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:

1. All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.
2. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.
3. Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.
4. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of drugs. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show

is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event.

If the laboratory report on the chemical analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample or urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the approved laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise at any hearing in regard to the matter conducted by the fair or livestock show.

At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or irritant substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.

6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.

7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair 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 shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.

8. No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.

9. The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.

10. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have any disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published

with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including *Fairs and Expositions* and any special notices to members.

11. The act of entering of an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

FLORIDA STATE FAIR AUTHORITY LIVESTOCK ADDENDUM

OWNER represents to Florida State Fair Authority ("AUTHORITY") that no animals that are exhibited or otherwise transported onto FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS will in anyway be suffering from any contagious or infectious disease. In addition, OWNER shall defend, indemnify, and hold the AUTHORITY, the applicable Show Committee and each of their respective officials, officers, directors, employees and agents harmless of and from all losses, damages, claims, expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees at the trial and appellate levels, actions and causes of action arising out of, or in any way connected with, or by reason of this Agreement, the presence of OWNER's livestock at FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS, and/or use of FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS including, but not limited to any claim for the death of, or injury to any person or livestock, or damage to, theft of, or destruction of any property arising out of any act or omission of OWNER, OWNER's officers, agents, employees, trainers, drivers, riders, handlers, contractors and livestock, violation of any Federal, State and Local environmental laws, rules, ordinances and/or regulations, actions for negligence, wrongful death, torts, defects in the real and personal property at FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS and from any alleged liability, cause, litigation or proceeding whatsoever, even if such injury, death, loss or property damage results, in whole or in part, from the negligence of AUTHORITY, or the applicable Show Committee and their respective officials, officers, directors, employees and agents or otherwise. Neither AUTHORITY nor such applicable Show Committee shall be liable to OWNER, or any officer, agents, employees, trainers, drivers, riders, handlers, or other contractors, invitees or guests of OWNER for any injury or damage to livestock, person or property. AUTHORITY, its officers or agents, assume no liability for any loss or damage to property (including but not limited to livestock) on account of fire, theft, or any other cause including infectious or contagious diseases. In addition, OWNER acknowledges receiving and agrees to abide by the applicable rules and regulations of the AUTHORITY titled FLORIDA STATE FAIR LIVESTOCK RULES & PRIZE LIST and same are incorporated by reference herein.

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**Florida State Fair
CHARLIE MOORE SCHOLARSHIP
YOUTH SHEEP APPLICATION
(High School Seniors Only)**

Application deadline: FEBRUARY 18, 2012 by 5 pm

Instructions: Please complete this application as thoroughly as possible.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____

4H Club or FFA Chapter _____

Year of Graduation _____

In addition, on a separate page, please describe your:

1. Career Plans: Describe your future education and career plans.
2. Student Activities: Summarize your school activities (begin with the most important and include offices you've held)
3. Community Activities: List community activities and describe your involvement in each.
4. Sheep Activities: Describe your involvement in the sheep program including number of head owned and raised, period of time, a description of your breeding program, and goals that you have met.
5. References: Attach references from two adults who are not related to you.