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There will be NO Floor Resale Available.

ALL animals will be taken home by the exhibitor.

Exhibitor Auction Add-On deadline is five (5) working days following the sale (the Friday following the sale at 5 pm).

#### **BLANCO COUNTY YOUTH COUNCIL**

<u>Officers</u>		Position	<u>Term Expires</u>
Ed Crawford	Johnson City		2015
Rodney Green	Blanco		2016
Keitha Johnson	Blanco	Secretary	2017
Terrell Johnson	Blanco		2016
Charles M. Jones, Jr.	Blanco		2015
Melvin Moreland	Johnson City		2017
Tom Reininger	Blanco		2015
Larry Scott	Johnson City	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chairman	2015
Doug Smith	Johnson City		2016
Randy Sultemeier	Johnson City	Chairman	2017
Kip Thompson	Johnson City		2017
Donnie Turner	Johnson City		2016
Darrel Wagner	Blanco		2015
Will Wallace	Blanco	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice-Chairman	2016
Greg Wessels	At-Large		2017

Ex-Officio Directors

Blanco Agricultural Science Teachers Felice Marek Jason Marek Blanco County Extension Agents Gretchen Sanders – Family & Consumer Sciences Tim Moss – Agriculture Johnson City Agricultural Science Teachers Steven Meier

<u>Division Superintendents</u> Cattle – Larry Scott Sheep – Melvin Moreland Poultry – Ed Crawford Shop Projects – Rodney Green

#### **ENTRY FEE DEADLINE:**

#### ENTRY FORM DEADLINE: LATE ENTRY DEADLINE: SHOW BARN WORK DAYS:

SHOW BARN CLEANUP:

Swine – Darrel Wagner Goats – Randy Sultemeier Rabbits – Kip Thompson Exhibit Hall – Gretchen Sanders

Species Validation deadline Poultry - Order date December 1 – Rabbits at validation Saturday, January 10<sup>th</sup> - Noon Saturday, January 10<sup>th</sup> – 8am to noon Saturday, January 10<sup>th</sup> – 1pm to 5pm After Show Ends Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup> – 1 pm

#### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

<u>Saturday, January 10, 2015</u> 2-part work-day; #1 8am – 12pm -- #2 1pm – 5pm

Wednesday, January 14, 2015

All Shop Projects must be in place between 3:00-5:00 pm. These projects will be classified into divisions by the Shop Judge prior to judging at 8:00 am on Thursday.

#### Thursday, January 15, 2015

8 am	>	All Animal projects begin arriving and checking in.
	>	Judging of Shop Projects.
10 am	>	Exhibit Hall entries arrive
	>	All Poultry and Rabbits must be checked in/ weighed in and in place.
11 am		Steers, Hogs, Sheep and Market Goats must be checked in/weighed in and in place in the Show Barn. These species will be weighed and classified upon arrival.
11:30 am		Judging will begin
		(Divisions will follow with no set time or order)
		Rabbits, Poultry, Market Steers, Market Lambs
2 pm	>	Exhibit Hall entries must be in place
3 pm	>	Judging of Exhibit Hall entries
Friday, Januar	2	
8 am		Judging will begin in the following order:
		(Divisions will follow with no set time)
0 5		Meat Goats, Little Britches Goat Show, Market Hogs
9 am-5 pm		Exhibit Hall Silent Auction
5 pm		Exhibit Hall entries not in silent auction must be removed.
9 pm		ALL LIVESTOCK MUST BE REMOVED. (After disposition completion in office)
		Workday #3 – Following close of last division
<u>Saturday, Janu</u>	iary	<u>17,2015</u>
10:00 am	-	Exhibit Hall Project Silent Auction
11:00 am	>	Shop Projects Silent Auction
	>	Judging of the Salsa Contest
	>	Buyers Appreciation Luncheon in the Exhibit Hall
	>	Hospitality Room Open for Sale Buyers ONLY until the end of the sale
NOON	>	Exhibit Hall Projects Silent Auction Ends
1:00 pm		Premium Sales Begins in the following order:
		Grand Champions, Reserve Grand Champions
		Division/Breed Champions
		Reserve Division/Breed Champions
		1st Place of Each Class, 2nd Place, 3rd Place of Each Class, Etc.
Sunday, Janua	urv 1	18, 2015

1:00 pm → Workday #4 – Showbarn cleanup

### **GENERAL SHOW RULES**

#### Exhibitor Eligibility

- The Blanco County Youth Stock Show is open to all active and eligible members of Blanco Co. 4-H
  programs and FFA programs as defined by those organizations' guidelines for membership. Under the
  rules and regulations for these organizations, no exhibitor shall be allowed to enter projects in another
  county's show.
  - A. Exhibitors must be enrolled in 4H or FFA by the date of validation for their species or as of October 30<sup>th</sup>, whichever comes first. The exception to this will apply to new/transfer students and steer exhibitors only. For steer exhibitors, enrollment into either FFA or 4H MUST be completed within 30 days of open enrollment for the current school year.
    - 1. Exhibitors who are not enrolled in 4H or FFA at time of validation will NOT be allowed to validate their animal.
    - 2. It will be the responsibility of the County Extension Agent or Ag teachers to provide the list of enrolled members to the appropriate Board Rep/Superintendent prior to the validation for each species.
  - B. Exhibitors must attend 50% of all scheduled meetings for their enrolled club/chapter in order to be considered an "active member" and be eligible to show. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to know when and where these meetings occur and make every effort to attend. It will be the responsibility of the CEA and AST's to provide the board with meeting attendance rosters at the time of No Pass No Play for verification of compliance.
  - C. Exhibitors who do not meet these requirements will NOT be allowed to show.
- 2. The exhibitor and their projects will not be allowed to participate in the County Youth Show if all academic requirements are not met as outlined by the Texas Board of Education. Validation of exhibitors will be the responsibility of the County Extension Agent or Agricultural Science Teachers. The Ag Science and County Extension Agents will notify the Board of Directors prior to the check-in time of those exhibitors ineligible for participation in the show. Exhibitors ineligible at check-in time are ineligible for participation in the county show. Those exhibitors deemed academically ineligible may not have their entries changed to a sibling's name under late entry for any reason.

#### Substitute Exhibitors:

- 3. Only exhibitors who meet the eligibility provisions of sections 1 and 2 above –and- have an entry in the stock-show may serve as a "Substitute Exhibitor".
- 4. A Substitute Exhibitor may only be used in the event that an exhibitor has multiple projects in the same class. This includes entries being shown in grand and reserve selection classes for division champion, breed champion, or grand champion.
- 5. In the event that a substitute exhibitor is required due to extenuating circumstances such as a documented physical affliction or ailment preventing effective ability to present their project, conflict with school activity, or other situations which prevents the exhibitor from being present, on the grounds, at the time of their respective class. These situations should be communicated to the Superintendent and/or the ring assistants prior to the start of the class. The Superintendent will have final approval for any substitute exhibitor. Simple communication does not imply approval.
- 6. Every effort should be made by the entered exhibitor to show their own animal when possible.
- 7. Failure to meet these requirements may result in disqualification of the entry being exhibited by the substitute exhibitor.

#### Arrival and Departure Information

All projects will arrive and check-in/weigh-in in accordance with the posted schedule unless notified otherwise by the BCYC prior to the show. Any changes will be communicated to the CEAs and Ag teachers if made.

All livestock trailers and haulers should park in the parking area to the West of the show-barn (rodeo parking area). Sheep, Goats, and Steers should be unloaded in the parking area and led into their respective barn through the West doors. Poultry and Rabbits can be unloaded and brought in to the barn via the South doors. This change will allow for more parking for spectators and also cut down on congestion and cleanliness of the south entrance.

Once an animal has crossed the scale and/or checked in, no substitute/replacement entry will be allowed. This includes, but is not limited to, animals that die after check-in or do not meet weight requirements for their respective weight requirements.

ALL **swine** exhibitors MUST have the attached entry card filled out **prior to unload** with ear tag number and exhibitor's name. (A copy of this form is below is on page 21.) Any trailers/exhibitor arriving without this information will go to the back of the line – NO EXCEPTIONS. All tags must be clean and clearly legible.

Pen assignments will be made by the Division Superintendent and will be made available to each exhibitor at check-in. Every attempt will be made to distribute pen assignments before the show to the CEA or Ag teachers, however last-minute changes may be necessary and the Superintendents reserve the right to reassign pens at any time. Note that the wash racks are not an assigned pen and are not to be used for staging animals for entry into the show ring.

All animals must be checked in, or in line for check-in, by the cut-off time for that division. Late arrivals will not be allowed to be checked in unless mitigating circumstances exist and check-in is approved by the Superintendent for that division.

Once checked in, animals led outside of the barn or designated exercise area prior to/during their respective division will be subject to disqualification from the show.

#### <u>Departure</u>

Exhibitors may only remove/load out their projects from the facility after the completion of their respective divisions (this includes Grand/Reserve/Showmanship classes) –**AND**- completion of their disposition form(s) in the office. **DISPOSITION OF EACH PROJECT IS MANDATORY.** All animals must be removed from the Show Barn no later than 9:00 pm on Friday evening. Shop projects and Exhibit Hall entries in the silent auction are to remain until after the sale begins. Exhibit Hall projects not included in the Silent Auction must be removed no later than 5pm on Friday evening.

#### DIVISIONS AVAILABLE FOR ENTRY

#### Market Animal Projects

Broilers Lambs Rabbits Steers Hogs Market Goats Turkeys

#### Non-Animal Projects

Shop Projects – Wood, Metal, Wood/Metal Combo and Trailers Exhibit Hall – Through Texas AgriLIFE Extension Service

#### 2015 Judges

Doug Townsend
Kevin Sells
Maureen Dunckel
Gerald Young
Chris Wiemers
Brandon Morgan
Bobby Rosenbusch

#### <u>Classifers</u>

Steer Classifier Lamb Classifier Swine Classifier Kevin Sells Ronnie Lumpkins Jordan Blount

#### Project Eligibility

- Each project must be under the supervision of the County Extension Agents or the Agricultural Science Teachers. The project should reside within the boundaries of Blanco County and/or the boundaries of the Blanco ISD or Johnson City ISD in order to be eligible for entry. The only exception to this rule will be for exhibitors whose parents are employed by one of the districts and reside outside these boundaries. In those cases, those projects may be kept at the exhibitor's place of residence in lieu of a location within the districts' boundaries.
- 2. Each project must be validated for purposes of ownership in accordance with the current year's requirements and deadlines as prescribed by the State.
- 3. For tagged animals, ear tags must be readable and be of the current tags issued that year for validation for that species. Either outer ear tag or inner button should be readable if issued.
- 4. Exhibitors will not be allowed to enter or validate animals from previous years.

#### Showmanship Competition

- 1. Exhibitors with entries in the show are eligible for a showmanship award.
- 2. Substitute exhibitors who do not have an entry in the division are not eligible for showmanship in the division for which they show. (i.e An exhibitor with only a swine entry, but serving as a substitute exhibitor in the goat division will not be eligible for goat showmanship)
- 3. Showmanship competition is voluntary.
- 4. Exhibitors are responsible for signing up under the correct division and acquiring a number from the designated location. That number will be used throughout the stock show for the divisions in which showmanship is judged.
- 5. Showmanship Divisions are:
  - Junior Showmanship Division Grades 3-8

Senior Showmanship Division – Grades 9-12

6. Exhibitors will be judged by a designated judge while showing their animal. Those selected will to be called back for a showmanship class for their respective division. The Jr. and Sr. Showmanship classes will be performed following the Grand & Reserve Champion drive in each Division and will be judged by the showmanship judge for that species.

#### Entry Fees/Forms

- 1. An entry fee of \$10 for each project is due at each species validation deadline or poultry order date. All entry forms must be completed and turned into your AST or CEA by December 1st with the exception of Rabbit entries which will be paid for and entry forms completed on their validation date. Once an entry is submitted, changes will not be allowed outside the original entered division. A project can be entered only one time. Entries are specific to an exhibitor not a family.
- 2. Entries paid for after the species validation deadline or poultry order date will be subject to a late fee of \$50 in addition to the \$10 entry fee. Late entries will be taken until Noon Saturday, January 10, 2015. Late entries WILL NOT be accepted without a signature from the CEA or AST.
- 3. Entry forms will be due by December 1<sup>st</sup> and must reflect the correct name and number of entries for each species according to entry fees paid at time of validation. At this time the number of

entries per species will be declared for each member of the family. Addition of names or animals after this date will be considered a late entry.

- 4. Corrections to the entry form may not be made after 11:00 am on check-in day, Thursday, January 15, 2015. Corrections that constitute the addition of an animal or project not previously entered will be considered a late entry.
- 5. Entries are non-refundable.
- 6. Projects entered by an individual who fails to meet the requirements set forth under "Exhibitor Eligibility" portion of this rulebook, including "active member" and "No Pass, No Play" are not eligible for late entry by other individuals, including siblings.

#### Exhibitor Responsibilities

- 1. Each exhibitor shall complete and sign the enclosed Validation/Ethics/Rulebook confirmation form acknowledging they have received and/or reviewed a copy of the current year's rule book at the time their projects are validated. This shall serve as acknowledgment and understanding of the rules.
- 2. At the time of validation each exhibitor shall complete or update the fore-mentioned form for location of their project.
- 3. Each exhibitor is responsible for having their projects in place according to the scheduled check-in times for that project.
- 4. Each exhibitor will be responsible for feeding and watering their animal(s) until removed from the building.
- 5. Each exhibitor is responsible for knowing the tag numbers for their animals from time of check-in to time of removal from the barn.
- 6. Each exhibitor is responsible for removing their animal(s) from the building no later than 9pm Friday evening of the show, and only AFTER their respective divisions have been completed –AND-disposition forms completed. (unless approved by the board)
- 7. Each exhibitor and/or their parent or guardian is responsible for disposition of their animals for sale purposes by notifying the main office and completing the necessary paperwork within one hour of completion of their division. In the event that an exhibitor has projects across multiple divisions, and has qualified more than one project for the premium sale, they must notify the main office of their intentions no later than one hour after the completion of the last show on Friday evening. The division superintendent will make the decision of the disposition of a project if the exhibitor has failed to make their intentions known, which can and may include "NOT IN SALE".

#### Definition of Disposition (See also "PREMIUM SALE GENERAL RULES")

Each exhibitor MUST have a disposition sheet filled out for each project; this sheet is initialed by the exhibitor or the parent/guardian. The "definition of disposition" is what an exhibitor intends to do with his/her project at the conclusion of the show. Disposition will tell the office which unit is to be entered in the catalog for sale, and which entry is not.

#### Ethical behavior

- 1. Each exhibitor shall agree to the Texas 4-H/FFA Livestock Program Ethics form, page 18, when they sign the Validation/Ethics/Rulebook acknowledgement form.
- 2. Any exhibitor caught abusing or otherwise exercising inhumane treatment of their own or other's projects will be disqualified from the show.
- 3. Failure to follow the rules outlined in this rule book or Ethics policy may result in disqualification and/or the exhibitor may not be allowed to show or sell their projects. The Youth Council reserves the right of judgment and enforcement in each case.
- 4. Each project shall be subject to investigation of any first-hand witness of unethical fitting or alteration practice by the Blanco County Youth Council. Animals that have been given any form of intoxicating beverage, tranquilizer prior to judging will be disqualified. Any product administered internally or externally to alter the appearance or conformation of an animal for exhibition is prohibited and will be

cause for disqualification. This includes but is not limited to stomach pumping, airing injections, blocked shearing techniques, and/or drenching with carbonated beverages. This does not include products such as Calf-Calm, Pig-Calm or those approved for major stock-shows. The use of non-agricultural approved grooming products, graphites, dyes, hemp, false tail-heads, glued on hair, or hair-like substances, or other similar substances externally is prohibited. The Blanco County Youth Council Directors can/will verify these activities by examination and/or use of veterinary analysis and/or state approved resources.

#### Drug Use

All market animals and poultry must be free of illegal drugs and not within the withdrawal period of any chemical. Any exhibitor whose animal is condemned during slaughter will forfeit the total proceeds of that animal. It is the sole responsibility of the Exhibitor to insure that their project is free of prohibited substances and unethical fitting practices. The Exhibitor shall have sole responsibility for providing security for their project(s) to prevent introduction of substances or practices which may violate these rules.

#### Bedding Materials and Use of Hay

- 1. Bedding Materials will not be provided. Exhibitors are encouraged to bring shavings for their animals.
- 2. Animal exhibitors will not use straw or hay for the bedding of any animals.
- 3. Feeding of small amounts (flake or less) of hay will be permitted as long as the amount of hay offered is completely consumed and no large bales of hay are brought inside the barn at any time. Any unconsumed hay shall be removed from the barn immediately.

#### Weigh-In and Re-Weighs

All animal weights are official at the official weigh-in time. No re-weighs will be permitted on market steers, lambs, goats and hogs. A five-pound tolerance will be allowed on the **minimum** for lambs, goats and hogs. A five-pound tolerance will be allowed on the **maximum** for hogs.

#### Clipping of animals

- 1. There shall be no clipping or trimming of animals in the show barn at any times.
- 2. Lambs must be shorn slick to the skin above knee and hock joints before arrival on the grounds.
- 3. Goats must be shorn slick, with no indication of blocking, to the skin above the knee and hock joints to include the head, excluding the tail switch, before arrival on the grounds.
- 4. Any sheep or goat presented with inconsistent shearing patterns over the loin edges or belly lines of these animals shall be considered illegal blocking/fitting of the animal and will be dealt with according to the rules regarding unethical fitting.
- 5. No fitting, trimming or blocking tables will be allowed in the barn at any time.
- 6. Use of blowers will be permitted in a designated area ONLY.

#### Indemnity and Enforcement of Rules by Youth Council

Each exhibitor shall guard, protect or preserve their projects as the Blanco County Youth Council does not undertake to do so. The Directors will not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury to projects, owners or spectators.

#### Activities Not Related to the Youth Show

Any activity that affects the operation of the show and sale must be presented to the Youth Council Directors for their approval and endorsement.

Proposals for changes to these rules should be directed to the BCYC Directors AND presented in the BCYC Annual meeting. Adaption of the rule changes will be made by vote at the first regularly-scheduled directors' meeting following the Annual Meeting.

#### PREMUIM SALE GENERAL RULES

- 1. All animal projects, except steers, must place in the top 80% of its class to qualify for the Premium Sale.
- 2. Each exhibitor may sell no more than 2 qualified projects in the Premium Sale. An exhibitor may qualify more than 2 projects, however the total number sold in the Premium Sale by each exhibitor may not exceed 2.
- 3. An exhibitor may sell 2 projects provided one of the projects placed 1st or 2nd in its class and the other project placed in the top 80% of its class. EXCEPTION: Each steer exhibitor may sell one steer. They may sell a second steer if the first steer places 1st in its class or is the Reserve Grand Champion overall of show, and the second steer must place in the top 80% of its class.
- 4. In the event that an exhibitor qualifies with more than 2 Grand and/or Reserve Grand Champions, the exhibitor shall disposition which 2 projects he/she wants to sell. The additional Grand and/or Reserve Grand Champion sale position(s) may be used to benefit the BCYC Scholarship Fund.
- 5. Exhibitors must be present to sell their projects unless arrangements have been made with the Division Superintendent regarding someone to go through the sale for them. If this rule is not complied with, the project may not be sold.
- 6. In order to reduce stress on animals and move the sale along at a quicker pace, exhibitors only will be going through the sale ring.
- 7. All exhibitors will be assigned a number.
- 8. Gifts for the buyers through the sale ring will not be permitted.
- 9. No animals not making the Premium Sale may be bought through the Youth Show.
- 10. Exhibitor Auction Add-On deadline is five (5) working days following the sale (Friday following the sale at 5 pm.)
- 11. Exhibitors are required to present ALL buyers for their projects with "Thank You" notes within 90 days of the Sale (April 17, 2015). Thank you notes must be verified by club/chapter leaders in order for checks to be released to the exhibitor. If unable to complete this task within 90 days, all money for that project will be returned/refunded to the buyer(s).
- 12. Exhibitors will have 90 days from the date of their check release to cash/deposit their checks. If unable to complete this task within 90days, all money for that project will be returned/refunded to the buyer(s).

#### **COMMISSION FEES**

A 5% commission fee will be deducted on all premium sales. Such fees will be used for capital improvements or at the discretion of the Youth Council.

#### Exhibitor Check Release Policy

Checks from the sale of projects will be released on the following schedule and dependent on the number of work days the individual helps to prepare or clean up for the Stock Show.

- Three Work Days 1<sup>st</sup> Check Release
- Two Work Days 2<sup>nd</sup> Check Release (14 days later)
- One Work Day  $-3^{rd}$  Check Release (14 days after  $2^{nd}$  release)
- No Work Day 4<sup>th</sup> Check Release (when funds are available to cover checks)

#### <u>Market Animals & Shop Projects - Awards & Prize Money</u> – distributed as outlined below:

Division Grand Champions - \$40 & Belt Buckle – (Shop = Jacket)

Division Reserve Grand Champions - \$25 & Jacket

- 1st Place in a Class \$12 & Ribbon
- 2nd Place in a Class \$10 & Ribbon

4th Place in a Class - \$6 & Ribbon 5th Place in a Class - \$5 & Ribbon

3rd Place in a Class - \$8 & Ribbon

Exhibitors not placing in the prize money awards of a class will receive a corresponding placing ribbon. Contributions for awards or prize money will be applied at the discretion of the Youth Council Board of Directors.

## **DIVISION RULES**

## POULTRY DIVISION

<u>**TURKEYS</u>** Maximum Number of Entries: Weight Limit: Owned & On-Feed By: Classes:</u>

2 (1 tom and/or 1 hen per exhibitor) None To be determined by batch Toms & Hens

- 1. All turkey entries must come from the same batch to be eligible for this show.
- 2. The CEA & ASTs will select hatches.
- 3. All turkey entries must be checked in alive.
- 4. All turkeys must be removed from the grounds immediately after the Poultry shows.
- 5. No resale/floor will be available for turkeys.
- 6. Entry fees for Turkeys must be paid on the date ordered. If not they are subject to late fees.

#### **BROILERS**

Maximum Number of Entries:2 pens (1 pen of 3 pullets & 1 pen of 3 cockerels)Weight Limit:NoneOwned & On-Feed By:To be determined by batchClasses:Pullets & Cockerels

- 1. All broiler entries must come from the same batch to be eligible for this show.
- 2. Broiler projects should not be older than 7 weeks.
- 3. Broilers will be banded and validated by the CEA.
- 4. The CEA and ASTs will select hatches.
- 5. All broilers must be checked in alive.
- 6. All broilers must be removed from the grounds immediately following the Poultry Shows.
- 7. No resale/floor will be available on broiler entries.
- 6. Entry fees for Broilers must be paid on the date ordered. If not they are subject to late fees.

## **RABBIT DIVISION**

Maximum Number of Entries Weight Limit Owned & On-Feed By: 2 pens (3 rabbits per pen) Minimum 3 lbs & maximum of 6 lbs per rabbit December 6

- 1. Must be purebred
- 2. Must be 58-80 days old on show day
- 3. Rabbits must be validated and tattooed by December 6 8:30a 11:30a. The CEA and ASTs must verify birth of rabbits.
- 4. Pens must consist of 3 rabbits of the same age and each rabbit must be tattooed in one ear.
- 5. Rabbits may be sifted by the judge for poor quality or being overage or underage.
- 6. Classes will be split at the discretion of the Rabbit Show Committee.
- 7. No resale/floor will be available for rabbits.

## **GOAT DIVISION**

MEAT GOATS Maximum Number of Entries: Weight Limit:

Owned & On-Feed By: Classes 3 Minimum Weight 50 lbs Maximum Weight None October 31 Divided by Weight Breaks

- 1. All goats must be validated in the State Validation Program and therefore, must be owned and onfeed by October 31<sup>st</sup>. Goats not validated will not be eligible to show at the County Show.
- 2. Wether and nanny goats may be shown.
- 3. The show is open to any breed or crossbreed market goat.
- 4. Exhibitors are encouraged to show disbudded goats. Goats that have horns tipped and pose no danger will be allowed to show. Horns must be tipped and dry upon arrival on the grounds.
- 5. Goats must be shorn slick, with no indication of blocking, to the skin above the knee and hock joints to include the head, excluding the tail switch. Un-sheared goats will not be checked in.
- 6. No clipping will be allowed on the Show Barn grounds.
- 7. Number of classes will be determined by the Superintendent. There will be 3 divisions in weight; light, medium and heavy. Division champions will show for overall Grand and Reserve Champions.
- 8. Exhibitors may show their goats with chains, collars or halters.
- 9. Any goats found to have external parasites will be disqualified.
- 10. No resale/floor will be available for goats.

#### SWINE DIVISION

MARKET HOGS	
Maximum Number of Entries:	3
Weight Limit:	190-285 lbs
Owned & On-Feed By:	November 30
Classes:	Duroc, Hampshire, Yorkshire, Dark & White OPB
	& Dark and Lite Crossbred

- 1. All hogs must be validated in the State Validation Program and therefore, must be owned and on-feed by November 30<sup>th</sup>. Hogs not validated are not eligible to show at the County Show.
- 2. Hogs will be shown by breeds.
- 3. Breed classes will be divided by weight.
- 4. Barrows and gilts are eligible to show.
- 5. Clipping will not be allowed on the Show Barn grounds.
- 6. Only standard grooming materials may be used for show ring preparation. Glitter, paint and other decorations are NOT standard. (Hogs may be washed with soap and water.)
- 7. No feeding, watering, or washing will be allowed during the arrival and weigh-in time. The Superintendent will announce when you will be allowed to do so.
- 8. Hogs will be divided into classes as determined by the Hog Show Committee.
- 9. Hogs will be weighed and classified upon unloading.
- 10. All exhibitors MUST have the attached entry card filled out with ear tag number and exhibitors name at check-in. Any trailers arriving without cards filled out will go back to the end of the line NO EXCEPTIONS.
- 11. All ear tags MUST be clean and clearly legible, and known by exhibitor.
- 12. No resale/floor will be available for hogs.

#### **SHEEP DIVISION**

MARKET	LAMBS			
Maximum	Number of Entries	s: 3		
Weight Li	mit:	Minimum 90 lbs, no max		
Owned an	d On-Feed By:	October 31		
Classes:	Finewool	Rambouillet, Delaine, Debouillet or a cross between these breeds		
	Finewool Cross	Must be a cross with evidence of at least 50 % finewool breeding and the		
		remaining percentage exhibiting predominance of medium wool breeding		
		(Hampshire and/or Suffolk)		
	Southdown	Hair color on muzzle should be mouse colored, gray to brown, Nostril		
	pigmentation may be black to purplish-gray, Muzzle should be broad; head			
		of moderate length, Ears should be of moderate length, covered with short		
	hair or wool, Black hoof color, Birth marks are acceptable.			
	<b>Medium Wool</b> This class generally includes the Suffolk and Hampshire breeds, plus all			
		lambs that do not fit in Fine Wool, Fine Wool Cross or Southdown breed		
		divisions. This includes all other breeds of animals not listed above.		
	Hair Sheep	Dorper, Barbadoe, St. Croix, Katahdin or a cross between these breeds		

- 1. All lambs must be validated in the State Validation Program and therefore, must be owned and onfeed by October 31st. Lambs not validated are not eligible to show at the County Show.
- 2. Lambs will be classified into breeds
- 3. Lambs must be shorn slick to the skin above knee and hock joints before arrival on the grounds.
- 4. No clipping will be allowed on the Show Barn grounds.
- 5. Lambs will be divided into classes as determined by the Lamb Superintendent
- 6. The order for which breeds will be shown will be determined by the Lamb Superintendent.
- 6. No resale/floor will be available for sheep.

#### **CATTLE DIVISION**

MARKET STEERS				
Maximum Number of Entries	:	3		
Weight Limit:		850 lbs minimum		
Owned and On-Feed By:		June 30		
Breed Divisions: Briti	sh	Sire and dam of purebred breeding of the following: Angus,		
		Hereford, Polled Hereford, Red Angus, or Shorthorn.		
American Sire and/or dam of purebred breeding of one or more of th		Sire and/or dam of purebred breeding of one or more of the		
following: Beefmaster, Brahman, Brangus, Santa Gertudis, or Sim		following: Beefmaster, Brahman, Brangus, Santa Gertudis, or Simbrah.		
		Must exhibit Bos Indicus characteristics.		
<b>Exotics</b> Sire and/or dam of purebred breeding of one or more of the		Sire and/or dam of purebred breeding of one or more of the		
		following: Charolais, Chianina, Limousin, Maine-Anjou or Simmental.		

- 1. Cattle too unruly to be safely shown by an exhibitor will be sifted and removed from the Show Barn.
- 2. All steers must be validated in the State Validation Program and therefore, must be owned and on-feed by June 30<sup>th</sup>. Steers not validated are not eligible to show at the County Show.
- 3. No permanent tooth rule. Steers obviously too old at validation will be disqualified by the Steer Validation Committee consisting of the CEA, ASTs and the Cattle Superintendent.
- 4. Steers will be divided into classes as determined by the Cattle Committee.
- 5. Steers will be shown with no adhesive (blow & go).
- 6. Steers will be slick shorn if Ft. Worth goes to slick shearing.
- 7. No clipping will be allowed on the Show Barn grounds.
- 8. No resale/floor will be available for cattle.

#### SHOP PROJECT DIVISION

Deadline for Entry: Maximum number of entries: Classes: December 1st 2 Metal, Wood, Wood & Metal Combo, Trailer

- 1. Projects are to be entered by one exhibitor.
- 2. Plans/drawings and estimated costs for each project must be turned in by with entry Dec. 1st.
- 3. An orthographic drawing, bill of materials and the exhibitor are to be present with the project while being judged no exceptions.
- 4. The top 5 projects in each class will receive ribbons and prize money.
- 5. Only Overall Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner-up projects are eligible for the premium sale.
- 6. All other projects may be sold by private treaty by Exhibitors.
- 7. All projects are to remain on display until after the premium sale begins.
- 8. Projects are to be 25% wood or 25% metal to be considered a combination project. The Shop Judge will make this determination.
- 9. A waiver will be presented to each buyer waiving the Youth Council of any liability associated with these projects.
- 10. The sample score sheet below will be used as a guideline for the judging of all projects.

## **SAMPLE**

#### SHOP PROJECT SCORECARD

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DIFFICULTY COMMENTS:					30 pts	SCORE
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			TOTAL S	SCORE		
			DIVISIO	N PLACING		
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#### **EXHIBIT HALL DIVISION**

Please refer to Exhibit Hall Rule Book for additional information. The Exhibit Hall Rule Book is available at http://blanco.agrilife.org/publications or at Texas AgriLife Extension Service.

ENTRY DEADLINE:	December 3, by Noon Texas AgriLIFE Extension Service PO Box 189 101 East Cypress, Ste 109 Johnson City, 78636	
ENTRY FEE:	\$10 per entry by December 3, Noon Additional \$50 late fee through Jan 11	

Classes: Foods, Sewing, Hobbies, Fine Art, Educational Exhibits Categories: Multiple categories available please see Exhibit Hall Division Rules & Guidelines

- 1. An individual may have only one entry in each category, but an unlimited number of entries in each class. Therefore, individuals cannot compete against themselves in any category.
- 2. The top 5 projects in each category will receive ribbons & prize money. One 1st Place Sr. entry and one 1st Place Jr. entry will compete for Champion and Reserve Champion in each of the five classes.
- 3. Exhibitors may not enter a project they have previously exhibited. However, another family may make a project from the same pattern, instructions, or recipe that has been used by a sibling.
- 4. Project must have been made by the exhibitor.
- 5. The Superintendent will have the authority to reclassify or disqualify entries. Judges can disqualify entries at their discretion according to the Exhibit Hall Division Rules & Guidelines.
- 6. Any extremely valuable item should not be entered. The Superintendent and volunteers will do their best to protect items from damage or theft.
- 7. Two Sweepstakes Awards will be given to the participants who accumulate the largest number of points. Points will be distributed based on how many entries are in that age group and category. For example, if there are 15 entries in a category, the first place entry will receive 15 points and the last place entry will receive 1 point. If there is only 1 entry in a category that entry will receive 1 point.
- 8. The top Junior Sweepstakes Award Winner and the top Senior Sweepstakes Award Winner will be eligible for the premium sale.
- 9. Each class will be divided into categories and each class will have a Jr. and Sr. Division.
- 10. A 8 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> x 11 project sheet should accompany each entry in Sewing, Hobbies, and Fine Art. Information need not be typed, but should clearly state what was learned completing the project. Specifically describe new techniques and mediums used and how you went about creating the project.
- 11. Participants must provide advanced notice to the Extension Office to be excused from school on January 15, 2015.
- 12. All participants are welcome to sell their entries in the Silent Auction on Friday and Saturday.
- 13. Exhibit Hall Entry Form must be used and is included with the Exhibit Hall Division Rules & Guidelines.

#### 2014 TOP BUYERS

#### INDIVIDUALS

- 1. Debby Elsbury
- 2. David O'Bannon
- 3. Manny & Tina Sasko
- 4. Robby & Dawn Robinson
- 5. Matt & Leandy Pletcher

#### **BUSINESSES/GROUPS**

- 1. Tech Con Trenching
- 2. South Texas Friends
- 3. Hye (PMI) Metropolitan Group
- 4. KBE, Inc.
- 5. Johnson City Bank

#### SPECIAL THANKS TO THE AWARD DONORS FOR THE 2014 YOUTH SHOW

Champion Metal	Tom & Jane Mills
Reserve Champion Metal	5
Champion Trailer	
Reserve Champion Trailer	
Champion Wood	
Reserve Champion Wood	
Champion Wood/Metal	
Reserve Champion Wood/Metal	
Grand Champion Shop Project	
Reserve Grand Champion Shop	
Champion Pullets	
Champion Cockerels	Johnson City Volunteer Fire Dept.
Grand Champion Broilers	
Reserve Grand Champion Pen of Broilers	Dorothy Uecker
Champion Hen	
Champion Tom	Dirt Works
Grand Champion Turkey	L & L Drilling
Reserve Grand Champion Turkey	
Grand Champion Rabbits	
Reserve Grand Champion Pen of Rabbits	Gordon & Nancy Biggs
Champion American Cross Steer	
Reserve Champion American Cross Steer	Rodney Green & Family
Champion British Cross Steer	
Reserve Champion British Cross Steer	Dock & LuAnn Mullins
Champion Exotic Cross Steer	Century 21 Town Creek Properties Reserve
Champion Exotic Cross Steer	In Memory of C. Goehmann & J. Greenhaw
Grand Champion Steer	Jack Esser
Reserve Grand Champion Steer	The Kirby Hohenberger Family
Champion Junior Steer Showmanship	Johnson City Volunteer Fire Dept.
Reserve Champion Junior Steer Showmanship	Kim Haertner
Champion Senior Steer Showmanship	Harold & Florine Lord
Reserve Champion Senior Steer Showmanship	Dennis & Sandy Garrett
Champion Hair Lamb	Tommy and Debby Sultemeier
Reserve Champion Hair Lamb	
Champion Southdown Lamb	Bailey, Robin & Kinidi Moore
Reserve Champion Southdown Lamb	Tim and Kay Jeanes
Champion Fine wool Lamb	
Reserve Champion Fine wool Lamb	Dennis & Sandy Garrett

Champion Crossbred Lamb	In Memory of Dwayne & Janette Hoppe
Reserve Champion Crossbred Lamb	
Champion Medium Wool Lamb	
Reserve Champion Medium Wool Lamb	
Grand Champion Lamb	
Reserve Grand Champion Lamb	
Champion Junior Lamb Showmanship	
Reserve Champion Junior Lamb Showmanship	
Champion Senior Lamb Showmanship	,
Reserve Champion Senior Lamb Showmanship	
Champion Light Weight Meat Goat	
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Reserve Champion Medium Weight Meat Goat	8
Champion Heavy Weight Meat Goat	1 .
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Grand Champion Meat Goat	
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Champion OPB Black	
Reserve Champion OPB Black	
Champion OPB White	
Reserve Champion OPB White	5
Champion Yorkshire Swine	2
Reserve Champion Yorkshire Swine	
Champion White Cross Swine	
Reserve Champion White Cross Swine	
Champion Dark Cross Swine	
Reserve Champion Dark Cross Swine	
Grand Champion Swine	
Reserve Grand Champion Swine	
Champion Junior Swine Showmanship	
Reserve Champion Junior Swine Showmanship	
Champion Senior Swine Showmanship	
Reserve Champion Senior Swine Showmanship	
2014 High Business/Group Buyer	
2014 High Individual Buyer Buyers Appreciation	
Champion Buyers Caps	-
Slater Sultemeier Memorial Citizenship Award	
Citizenship Award	
	GREATIVE AWARDS & TROFTIES



#### County Name: Blanco

This ethics policy applies to any 4-H/FFA member planning to exhibit animals at livestock shows in Texas. It includes Junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. All classes of livestock offered at the livestock event are included: Cattle (Beef and Dairy), Goats (Angora, Boer, dairy, meat, Cashmere), Equine (Horses), Llamas and other specialty animals, Poultry, Rabbits, Sheep, Swine, and any other livestock classes offered. This "Texas 4-H/FFA Livestock Program Ethics Policy" will be enhanced with additional rules and guidelines which individual fairs and livestock shows adhere to on the local, county, state, regional, and national levels.

The following practices or procedures are unacceptable and are defined as being deceptive, fraudulent, unethical, and inhumane in the care, fitting, preparation and showing of all classes of livestock. The use of any illegal drug is prohibited. Any substance used to phenotypically alter the appearance of an animal entered in livestock events is prohibited. (See Guideline #5).

Proof of any animal being subjected to illegal and/or unethical practice(s) and/or procedure(s) described herein subjects the animal to immediate disqualification. The animal is ineligible for exhibition at any livestock show on the local, county, state, regional and national levels. The exhibitor will forfeit any premium, awards, or auction proceeds, and may be prohibited from future competition at livestock shows in Texas, as well as being subject to potential criminal prosecution.

The following is a listing of guidelines all 4-H/FFA exhibitors must follow to enter livestock at organized competitive events.

- 1. Exhibitors must be bonafide members of a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter in the state of Texas and care for their animals under the direct supervision of a County Extension Agent or Agricultural Science Teacher. Exhibitors must be enrolled in, and attending, public or private and/or home school elementary or secondary schools in Texas. Exhibitors must be between the ages of 9 (or 8 and in the 3'd grade) and 19.
- 2. 4-H members that plan to show horses at any of the twelve district and/or the Texas State 4-H Horse Show should submit a signed copy of this Ethics Policy with their entry forms. While items 3-9, listed below, do not apply to the horse project, there are specifics on ethics in the publication Texas 4-H Horse Show Rules and Regulations (AS 3-2.043) that do apply. The Texas State 4-H Horse Show and all of the district horse shows are conducted under the rules and regulations contained in this publication and 4-H'ers are expected to comply with those rules regarding ownership, management and treatment of horses.
- 3. All exhibitors must have viable proof (Junior division) of ownership available to prove length of time animals have been owned. Market animals (Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goats) must be owned and under exhibitor's daily care by the following deadline dates: June 30 -Steers, October 31 -Sheep and Goats, November 30 Hogs, to be eligible to participate at any major livestock show within Texas. This also includes all small market animals (Rabbits and Poultry). The official ownership date is the date shown on the bill of sale or receipt of sale, unless the animal was bred by the exhibitor, in which calving or birth records will be utilized. (Individual show rules may determine ownership requirements for non-market animals.) Registered breeding livestock must show the exhibitor as the sole owner of the animal on the breed association papers or certificates.
- 4. Exhibitors must continuously own and personally feed and care for their animal(s) throughout the entire feeding period. The feeding period begins with the specie validation date through exhibition at all shows. Prior approval must be granted by the specie specific county State Validation Committee in the event the animal will be outside the direct care of the exhibitor. The animal(s) may not be out of the exhibitors care for a period exceeding 48 hours. Exceptions may be made with approval from the specific county State Validation Committee.
- 5. No exhibitor may show a market animal which has been previously sold at a county, regional, or major livestock show or sale in which the ownership of the animal has changed hands after the state validation deadline for that specie. State validation deadline dates are as follows:

#### State Fair:

June 30 for steers, lambs, goats and swine

All Other Major Shows: June 30 for Steers October 31 for Lambs and Goats November 30 for Swine

- Market lambs and meat goats that sell at the State Fair of Texas are not eligible for further competition or validation in October.
- 6. Any method used to misrepresent the age of an animal for a class in which it is shown is deceptive and considered a violation of the rules and guidelines.
- 7. Showing an animal for another individual by claiming ownership in order to show in a specific livestock class or event is prohibited. False ownership is a violation of the rules and guidelines.
- 8. Treating an animal internally or externally, with any irritant, counter-irritant, or other substance used to artificially change the conformation or appearance of an animal for show is considered unethical, inhumane, and is prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to the use of graphite, air, powders, hemp, artificial hair coloring, common products such as fly spray, ointment or liniment used to the point that is irritating, (unless required to reduce edema at time of calving) or similar type products. The use of dyes, spray paint or other artificial coloring which result in altering an animal's true and natural appearance and/or color is prohibited. Adding false hair or hair-like material, fleece, or skin at any point, spot or area of the animal's body is illegal and will result in immediate disqualification.
- 9. Surgery, injection or insertion of foreign material under the skin and/or into the flesh of an animal to change the natural contour, conformation or appearance of an animal's body is illegal. This includes vegetable oil, air, silicon or any other substance used to alter the shape of the animal. Acceptable practices of physical preparation which are allowed include, clipping of hair, trimming of hooves, dehorning, removal of ancillary teats, and docking of tails.
- 10. The use of inhumane fitting, showing and/or handling practices or devices shall not be tolerated.
- 11. The Administration of the Texas 4-H and/or FFA Programs reserve the final and absolute right to interpret these guidelines and to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of or connected with or incident to "Texas 4-H/FFA Livestock Program Ethics Policy".

Any violation of the "Texas 4-H/FFA Livestock Program Ethics Policy" or specific rules as designated by individual fairs and livestock shows may result in forfeiture of premiums and awards, disqualification, and may result in probationary status and/or loss of eligibility for future participation in organized livestock competition. Possible civil penalties may be imposed by the proper authorities based on evidence provided by the livestock show of exhibitors in violation of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act/or the animal mistreatment, neglect, and abandonment laws that apply on the local, state, and/or national levels. All rule violations will be dealt with on an individual basis by the specie specific county State Validation Committee, the State Validation Coordinators, and/or livestock show officials.

I am verifying that I have read the "Texas 4-H/FFA Livestock Program Ethics Policy" and understand the consequences of and penalties involved for illegal, unethical, inhumane, and unfair practices in livestock competition. I am also verifying knowledge that my family and I may be prohibited from future participation in organized validation programs in the State of Texas, and could face possible criminal prosecution and/or civil penalties if implicated in any of the aforementioned acts.

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FOR THE BLANCO COUNTY 4-H AND FFA YOUTH COUNCIL

2015

Name(s):				
Address: _				
City/Zip: _				
Phone: _				
Date: _				
Fee - \$5.00 per person per Year, \$50 per couple for Lifetime, \$30 per person for Lifetime				
Please check committees that you would like to be involved in:				
Grounds/Barn		Awards	Scholarship	
Bar-be-que		Photography	Sale Ring	
Hospitality Rm		Little Britches	Decorations	

Please mail completed application to: Youth Council Secretary, P.O. Box 1255, Blanco, Texas 78606

The Blanco County 4-H and FFA Youth Council is dedicated to meeting the needs of young people through involvement in the County Livestock and Project Show. We are committed to helping our youth succeed and strive to reward them for t heir accomplishments. We are a non-profit organization and operate on a volunteer basis. We welcome you to become involved in our organization.

	Date Paid:	Amount Paid:	Check #:	Cash
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## Dues must be paid 7 days prior to the annual membership meeting for the member to be eligible to vote. This meeting is typically held in late February or early March.

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Swine Exhibitors MUST have this form filled out PRIOR to unloading any animal at the Blanco County Show. Exhibitors not having the proper form filled out when unloading will be sent to the back of the line – NO EXCEPTIONS.

All ear tags MUST be clean and clearly legible.

Exhibitor Name	Tag Number	Breed of Hog

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# BLANCO COUNTY YOUTH SHOW ENTRY FORM

EXHIBITOR NAME

#### COMPLETE ADDRESS

(as listed on school registry)

PHONE

\_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

4-H CLUB OR FFA CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION	CLASS	<u>Number</u> ENTERED	ВСҮС
TURKEYS	Hen (Max – 1)		
	Tom (Max–1)		
BROILERS	Cockerels (Max 1 pen)		
	Pullets (Max 1 pen)		
SWINE	MAX – 3		
LAMBS	MAX – 3		
MEAT GOATS	MAX-3		
STEERS	MAX-3		
RABBITS	MAX – 2 PENS		
SHOP PROJECTS	Wood		
(Max 2 entries)	Metal		
	Wood/Metal		
	Trailer		
	TOTAL		

#### **Exhibitor Signature**

#### Parent/Guardian Signature

**CEA/AST** Signature

Entry fee is \$10 per project, must be paid by species validation deadline or date of poultry order. Entries made after these dates are subject to an additional \$50.00 late fee per project. Form due December 1 & rabbits at validation. Page Intentionally Left Blank

## BLANCO COUNTY YOUTH COUNCIL VALIDATION – ETHICS – RULE BOOK CONFIRMATION

Exhibitor Name:	
4-H or FFA Group	Enrolled yes 🗆 no 🗖
Exhibitor Physical Address:	
Contact Number:	
Project Type:	
Physical Location of Project:	
Reason if different than Exhibitor:	
Did you receive a copy of the 2015 Blanco Co. Youth Show Rulebook?	Yes No
By signing below you agree to comply o TEXAS 4-H/FFA LIVESTOCK PROGRAM ET (Page 18 in this rule book)	
Exhibitor Signature:	
Parent Signature:	
All projects are subject to verification by The Youth Council Board of Dire	ectors or their designee.