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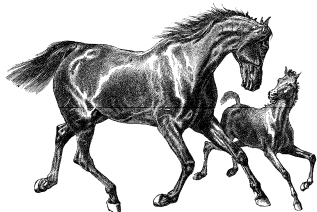
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## Horse Entry Forms

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The horse entry form must be completed for you to enter the parish, district and state horse shows. The first criteria is that all youth must be enrolled in 4-H. To fill out the entry form, please follow these instructions:

### 1. REMEMBER

A. All horses (both registered and grade) must have been under the exhibitor's possession since **April 1, 2009**. Remember that the exhibitor should be doing the "majority of the work".

B. Depending on which type of horse you are showing this year will determine the different kinds of paper work you will need to return:

1. Registered horse in the **name of exhibitor** - send a copy of registration papers, copy front and back of each paper, completed entry form, checklist, a check or money order for the amount on the fee form.

2. Registered horse in the **name of immediate family member** - send a copy of the registration paper, copy front and back of each paper, completed entry form, the horse ID section on the bottom of the entry form, checklist, and a check or money order for the amount on the fee form .

3. **Grade horse** - send in a copy of the grade horse certificate, completed entry form, check list and a check or money order for the amount on the fee form. Those of you that attended the clinic this year will receive a copy of your certificate at a later date.

C. All registered horses must be transferred on the registration paper into the name of the exhibitor or in the name of the designated immediate family member prior to **April 1, 2009**.

D. All grade horses must have already

been certified prior to **April 1<sup>st</sup>**.

2. Yearling fillies may be shown but registration papers are required on all yearling horses (no stallions). **There is no class for weanlings.**

3. All horses to be exhibited must be accompanied at the shows by a negative "**Coggins**" test and an official **health certificate**. The "Coggins" test is good for one year but health papers are only good for 60 days. Please be sure to have this because both will be checked at the Parish, District, and State shows.

4. For **registered** horses, **original registration papers** will be checked at the Parish and District Shows. A copy of the registration papers (front and back of each paper) should be sent to us along with the completed entry form described below. For grade horses, the original "**Grade Horse Certificate**" will be checked at the Parish and District Shows.

5. The **entry form** for the 4-H Horse Shows is enclosed. This entry form has all exhibitor information needed for the computer along with the classes to be selected by the exhibitor. Complete the code of conduct and safety rules as part of the entry form. The exhibitor, and parent or guardian must sign at the bottom of the entry form. Also a signature of both exhibitor and parent/guardian is required beneath the code of conduct and safety rules.

6. Please fill out all information requested on all forms on both front and back. Including the exhibitor **social security number**. We must have it to enter the exhibitor in the computer in order to receive any premiums. The "Entry Number" square should be left blank. For classes broken by exhibitor's age (13 & Under, 14 & Over), consider the child's age as of January 1, 2009.

## Horse Entry Forms Continued

7. One entry form must be completed on each horse. Please indicate all the classes that you wish to enter by placing a **check mark** next to that particular class. It is recommended to make a copy of the form and bring the copy of the classes that you enter with you to the show. This will help you remember which class numbers you entered when you check-in.



*Please read carefully!*

8. Exhibitors are allowed to enter more than one horse per class. This must be completed at least one week prior to the Friday of the parish show, by close of business to participate in the parish show. The entries must be accompanied by the correct fees per class on the same date. Furthermore, exhibitors may add classes at the parish show, but will only be allowed to exhibit their horse in the class(es) added at the district level and may qualify for state. It must be accompanied by the correct entry fees on the date of the parish show.
9. Registered Quarter Horses, Appaloosas, Arabians, Paints and Miniatures wishing to show at halter must each enter their appropriate halter class (classes 27-74). Registered horses of any other breed as well as any grade horses wishing to show at halter must enter Class 40 (AOB Geldings) or Class 43 (AOB Mares). No registered horse may be marked stallion on registration paper.
10. Any exhibitor wishing to enter Breakaway Roping, Tie-Down Roping, or team penning must enter the appropriate class (Classes 1-4 or 21). The entry fee for these classes at parish is **\$10.00 each and \$15.00 at district**.
11. We will offer team penning again this year at the district show. Exhibitors that are interested must indicate this on the entry form. It is being added into the schedule on Thursday morning. This will not be a qualifying event, but is being added as a PRACTICE for the state event. We encourage exhibitors to enter and find two team mates. Rules for the event are as follows;
- A. Horses must be entered in team penning at the parish level. This should be indicated on the parish entry form. Each youth may enter one horse and only one in the team penning. Horses and youth must meet all requirements for any other class (i.e. possession date, etc.). Upon arrival at the district show, teams (3 exhibitors) will declare team members.
- B. Teams may be made up of any three exhibitors eligible for competition, within regard to parish or age of youth, but must show at our district show.

No exhibitor may be a team member of more than one team.

12. Youth do not have to qualify in any other event in order to participate in team penning, working hunter, dressage, and equitation over fences, however, they must have entered these classes on the parish entry form. No entries will be accepted at the State Horse Show.
13. All other classes, Performance, Showmanship or Halter will be **\$5.00** for parish and **\$5.00 for the district show**. Showmanship (Classes 22 & 25) is considered a regular performance class and falls into the category with all other regular performance classes (classes 5-21 and 92 as well as 78-91). A horse must enter and show in halter to be eligible to show in Showmanship. An exhibitor can only show in one Showmanship class. **This excludes classes for team penning and working hunter, dressage and equitation over fences. These classes will only be offered at state.**
14. A special Louisiana Bred Futurity will be conducted again this year at the State Show, but will only include selected halter classes. Futurity halter classes will be open to registered Quarter Horse, Appaloosa, and Paint yearlings, two-year-olds, and three-year-olds. Judging of these futurity halter classes this year will take place within the regular classes.
15. This year a \$5.00 assessment fee will be charged to each exhibitor for parish to offset cost of facility. Deadline to get entry forms, checklist, fee forms, entry fees, and copies of registration papers back to us will be **April 15<sup>th</sup>**. If you are waiting on registration papers in the mail (a) include a note to let us know about this and (b) be sure to get a copy to us as soon as the papers arrive. No reimbursements will be issued. For entry fees, pay by **check or money order** only. Make checks or money orders payable to **Lafayette 4-H Livestock Fund** and please send it to: **Charles Hebert, 4-H Horse Entries, 1010 Lafayette Street, Suite 325, Lafayette, LA 70501**.
16. The district stall request fee is included in the fee form. Please request the total number of stalls needed at \$15.00 each for the district show. Parish stalls will be paid once you arrive at Sugarena.
17. All exhibitors should complete the Horse Entry Check List. If you need an additional copy of the horse entry form it can be located on the website at [www.lsuagcenter.com/Inst/Extension/livestockshow](http://www.lsuagcenter.com/Inst/Extension/livestockshow). **MAKE A COPY OF YOUR ENTRY FORM FOR YOUR RECORDS PRIOR TO SUBMITTING THEM IN THE MAIL!** This is an attempt to try to remind all exhibitors exactly what types of paper work is needed for each exhibitor/horse. You will find the fee form on the reverse side of the Check List. Please fill in the blanks on the fee form, and the total amount and send a check or money order for the total amount.

## State Horse Show Information

### Entry Fees:

A decision has been made to continue assessing entry fee(s) for the LSU AgCenter's State Horse Show. This decision has been approved by the Management Council that oversees and approves changes for the State 4-H Horse Shows. This is due to escalating cost as well as our desire to provide improved awards and a more quality educational opportunities for Louisiana 4-H and FFA horse project members.

These fees **will be collected upon your arrival** at the State 4-H/FFA Horse Show at the Ike Hamilton Expo Center in Monroe, LA, in the show office. All checks should be made payable to the **LSU AgCenter Livestock Show Office**. The following fee schedule will apply to all exhibitors at the 2009 State Horse Show.

**Entry Fee (per class)** . . . . . \$ 10.00

### Cattle Charge

**(Roping & Team Penning classes)** . . . . . \$ 15.00

**Stall Fee (horse or tack)** . . . . . \$ 15.00/day

### Team Penning:

Team penning is being offered at the 2009 Louisiana 4-H/FFA State Horse Show. If you are interested in team penning you must indicate it on your entries before returning them to our office. The general rules are as follows:

1. Open to all 4-H and FFA members
2. No qualification for the state show will take place at the parish or district level.
3. Horses must be entered in team penning at the parish level. This should be indicated on the parish entry form. Each youth may enter one horse and only one in the team penning. Horses and youth must meet all requirements for any other class (i.e. possession date, etc.). Upon arrival at the State Horse Show, teams (3 exhibitors) will declare team members and pay appropriate entry fees for this class. Teams may be made up of any three exhibitors eligible for competition, within regard to district, parish or age of youth. No exhibitor may be a team member of more than one team.
4. Youth do not have to qualify in any other event in order to participate in team penning and working hunter, however, they must have entered team penning on the parish entry form. No entries will be accepted at the State Horse Show.

Anyone that is interested in team penning and may have additional questions, please contact your parish 4-H agent for more details.

## Fundraising Efforts

The horse advisory committee has voted to conduct several types of fundraisers to raise money to benefit our program. We will continue incorporating entry and stall fees at the parish show. The fees are to cover cost of event. A raffle and silent auction will be incorporated into our fundraising efforts for the year.

The board is issuing a plea to members and their parents to solicit donations for parish show awards. The sponsorship letter was mailed out in January and March that contained detailed information and a sponsorship form for all donors. These were due to our office by **April 1, 2009**

We are requesting \$75 donations for the class sponsorship. This information as well as the donations are due to Mr. Charles by **May 15<sup>th</sup>**. These sponsors will receive a half page add in our parish show program. We will accept donations of any amount. Please contact any of the committee members or our office with any questions. At the time of printing we had received nine sponsorships.

Finally, we will be conducting a raffle in conjunction with the district show in July. If you have items to donate or have questions, please contact one of the advisory members or Ms. Monica Guidry, the coordinator of the raffle at 337-896-7264. We would like to secure items for the raffle before mid-April. Therefore, we will print raffle tickets and get them to exhibitors in early May.

It is through the success of these fundraisers that the program has been able to continue to give the awards during our show. We appreciate your teamwork and continued efforts of promoting the Lafayette 4-H Horse Program.

## Open Horse Shows

The 2009 Bayou Area 4-H Horse Show will be held on **Sunday, May 17, 2009** at the Assumption Parish Horse Arena in Napoleonville, Louisiana. The show will start promptly at 9:00 a.m. Prizes will include 8 belt buckles, head stalls and many more for high point individuals. All exhibitors will receive an award.

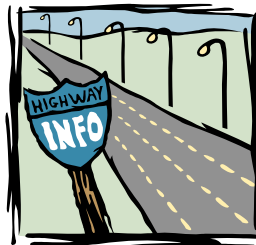
Entry fees are \$4.00 per event entered. There will be an extra \$20.00 cattle charge per roping event. Entries and fees will be collected in advance and must be received by **May 1, 2009**. Fees must be made payable to the **Lafourche 4-H Foundation** and mailed to P. O. Box 123, Thibodaux, LA 70302. If you have any further questions please contact Katie Wilcox at (985)446-1316 for more details and entry.

Vermilion Parish will host their show on May 24, 2009. The show is tentatively scheduled for Rockin' Riders Arena in Maurice. The schedule of events will include Speed Events, Showmanship, Western Pleasure, Reining Events and Roping Events. For more information contact Hilton Waits at 337-898-4335.

## Rule Changes for 2009

- Start a pilot project with speed event horses (poles, barrels and stakes). If a horse qualifies in two classes at district and has previously entered and competed in the third class, but did not qualify they would be allowed to compete in the third class at the show. The exhibitor would be required to indicate their desire at the district show to be allowed at the state show.
- Dressage will be split into two classes in 2009, 13 & under and 14 & over
- New maneuvers will be added to the rules for the showmanship class, they include: push turn to left, turn on hind quarters, and sending the horse around you in either direction.
- A new ground work class will be added to the show rules and a description of the class will be listed in the show catalog.
- Recommend that a clause be added to page 13 with the possession rules that "The location of the horse during the show season (April 1—August 1) must be specified to the 4-H agent by April 1 of show year.
- A Quiz Bowl committee of Lacey Urick, Howard Cormier and Tommy Shield was formed to revise the questions with assistance from Master Horseman. The Jr. Master Horsemen book from AQHA is recommended as a reference source.
- Jr. and Sr. Dressage and Equitation (All Ages) over fences will be added as qualifying classes for the Southern Regional Horse Show.
- Dressage will be added to the high point judged calculations. Team penning will be added to the speed events high point calculations.

## 4-H Goes to the Web...



Have you ever misplace a newsletter? Has there ever been a month where the mail delivery did not deliver a 4-H letter? Well, we are hoping to increase our communication efforts with members, parents, and volunteers through the use of this new website.

The Lafayette Parish staff has been working diligently to post content information on our web page. These efforts are being made to become more effective as well as efficient in our communication efforts.

You may access the new site by typing [www.lsuagcenter.com](http://www.lsuagcenter.com) then click on parishes on the right hand side of the page. Click on Lafayette and click on 4-H Youth Development. We have created a variety of channels that will be beneficial to clientele. These channels are currently under construction: 4-H Camp, 4-H Challenge Camp, 4-H Hotline, 4-H University, Contest Rules and Forms, Contest Results, Events, Junior Leadership, Leader Update, Leader/Volunteer Development, Livestock Letters and Forms, Newslines, and Photo Gallery.

We will continue our efforts to develop the site into a resource for all youth and adults alike. The livestock letters site is where the horse letters are placed.

There is more resource information on the web. The new "Louisiana 4-H & FFA Horse Show" catalog has not arrived. The catalog should be posted on the state web page within the next month. It is very important that each horse exhibitor family print one of these catalogs. This catalog will include the general rules and specific rules for each event. The web address is <http://lsuagcenter.com/Inst/Extension/livestockshow>.

## Parish Rules

Many years ago, our parish advisory committee created some rules to structure our program. These rules are in addition to the LSU AgCenter State Horse Show Catalog. They were developed about fifteen years ago and have been added to better facilitate our program and show. The rules relate to entry procedures, fees, etc.

One of the important rules that applies to the entries is the procedure for incomplete entries. All **incomplete entries will be returned** to the exhibitor with a cover letter stating the type of paper work that is missing. This will include registration papers, entry form, and/or fees. The exhibitor will have an **additional 15 days or until the last working day of April at close of business** to get all information completed.

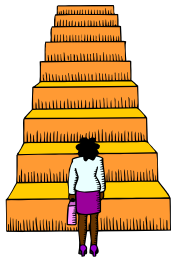
If all the completed paperwork is not returned by **April 30th**, the exhibitor must submit an Appeals Form with a written excuse to the 4-H Agent and the Horse Appeals/Protest Committee. The exhibitor will have to pay a late entry fee as determined by the Appeals/Protests Committee. You may review the entire list of parish rules on the attached list.

*"4-H is a community of young people... across America... who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills"*

## Youth Horseman Needed

We are in search of young 4-H Club members interested in horse related contests. These contests include Horse Judging, Horse Public Speaking, and Horse Demonstrations. We can send a senior and junior team, each consisting of four members in Horse Judging. In addition, there are two age groups for each of these contests: Horse Public Speaking and Horse Demonstrations (13 years of age or younger, and 14 years and over, or open division)

They will be conducted in conjunction with the State Horse Show in July 2009. The main objective for this contest is to provide an opportunity for youth enrolled to demonstrate their knowledge of equine-related subject matter in a competitive setting where attitudes of friendliness and fairness prevail.



*Are you ready for the challenge?*

**Public Speaking** - Public Speaking is a contest where the competitor demonstrates their speaking ability.

**Individual and Team Demonstration**- In these contests the exhibitors demonstrates how to do something related to horses. A few examples of this is giving a horse a shot, shoeing, implanting a microchip, etc. These are two separate contests where in the

Individual Demonstration the exhibitor works alone and/or in the Team Demonstration. A team of two members work together.

**Judging Team**- In this contest a team of either three or four members compete against other parishes to see which team has the best knowledge of how to judge horses. The members work separately judging approximately four halter classes and three performance classes. The exhibitor then gives reasons on why he or she placed the class like they did. This class is excellent experience for exhibitors to learn more about judging and why classes are placed the way they are. It also teaches the exhibitor how to speak correctly in front of people and gives the exhibitor a good knowledge of horse terms.

**Quiz Bowl**- This is a new contest made up of four team members. The members buzz in and answer questions about horses. This contest is a great chance to learn trivial horse facts.

We would like to generate a list of those members that are interested in any of these contest. Please write your name and contest that you are interested in attached to the entry form. You will receive more information once we know who is interested. Please respond by April 30, 2009.

## Calendar of Events

April 1 .....	<b>Possession Date for ALL Horses</b>
April 1 .....	<b>Registered Horses MUST be transferred into the name of the exhibitor or immediate family member identified as the owner on the ID form.</b>
May 1 .....	Barnyard Bash at the UL-Lafayette Blackham Coliseum
May 8-9 .....	Acadiana Horse Camp New Iberia, LA
June 14 .....	Parish Horse Show, Sugarena, New Iberia, LA
July 2-4 .....	District Horse Show UL-Lafayette Blackham Coliseum
July 6-11 .....	LSU AgCenter State Horse Show in Monroe, LA
July 20- 24 .....	Southern Regional Horse Show in Lexington, VA



## Horse Camps

There will be five educational State Horse Camps conducted within the next four months. These camps offer intensive hands-on training for you and your horse. The camps will cover safety, horsemanship, basic riding and training skills, horse health and much more.

The first camp will be held in central Louisiana. It is scheduled for April 14-15, 2009 at the C. Woodrow Dewitt Sr. Livestock Facility in Alexandria, La. For more information contact Rodney Johnson at 319-767-3968.

The second camp will be held in the Lake Charles/Sulphur area. It is scheduled for April 15-16. For more information contact Jimmy Meaux at 337-475-8812.

The third camp will be held April 16-17, 2009 in Monroe, LA. It will be held at the Ike Hamilton Expo Center. For more information, contact Mr. Jim McCann 318-649-2663 at or Mrs. Amanda Sewell at 318-259-5690.

The fourth camp will be held in New Iberia, LA at Sugarena May 8-9, 2009. For more information contact Hilton Waits at 337-898-4335 or Richard Hebert.

The fifth camp will be held in Amite, LA on May 27 - 28. For more information contact Lacey Urick at 985-839-7855. There are a few more that may be scheduled in the future. When they are confirmed, we will send out information on location and dates.

The fees are similar and for a participant/leader/parent with a horse would vary between \$60.00-\$75.00 depending on the location of the camp. A participant/leader/parent without a horse would cost about \$20.00. The fee will cover ground fees, meals, insurance, shavings, and a T-Shirt. Registration is limited to approximately forty to fifty 4-H members.

These clinics are available for all members and their parents. All participants will be required to complete a standard Health Card for these events. You can locate the health card on the Lafayette 4-H website under the Contest Rules & Forms sub channel. If you need additional information, please contact Mr. Charles Hebert, Mrs. Darla Lanie, or Miss Heather Bordelon at the 4-H Office at 291-7090.

## Closing Remarks

We apologize for the delay in getting this publication out to you. There were several concerns and fees for the district show were not confirmed until Tuesday of this week.

Entries will still be due to our office on April 15, 2009. Please try your best to get your paperwork back to us on time. If there is a situation out of your control, please contact us to make us aware as well as a timeframe for the situation to be corrected.

Farewell partner, till we meet on the trail again....If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Charles at the Lafayette LSU AgCenter, Louisiana Cooperative Extension, 4-H Office at 291-7090.

Sincerely,

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### ***Please Note:***

It is the policy of the LSU AgCenter, Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service that no person shall be subjected to discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin, gender, religion or disability. If you have a disability which requires special attention for your participation in any aforementioned activity, please contact the Lafayette Parish Office at 291-7090.

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**THE LAFAYETTE PARISH 4-H  
HUB-CITY EQUINE NEWS**  
Newsletter Attachments  
April, 2009



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**NOTE:** All exhibitors must be a current 4-H club member in Lafayette Parish for the 2008-2009 school year. Entry forms and fee forms were mailed to members that are currently enrolled in the horse project to verify their membership.

**LAFAYETTE PARISH  
4-H/FFA HORSE  
GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. All rules and regulations stated in the Louisiana 4-H/FFA State Horse Show Catalog shall be adhered to in the conduct of the Parish Program and the Parish Show unless otherwise stated in the Parish Rules and Regulations.
2. In matters not covered by specific rules and matters concerning the interpretation of a specific rule or rules, the decision(s) of the 4-H Agent in charge of the horse program and the Appeal/Protest Committee will prevail. This committee will rule on each situation as an individual. All decisions are final.
3. All violators of rules and regulations governing 4-H/FFA horse shows will be penalized. Penalties will be levied by the 4-H Agents and FFA Advisors in charge at their discretion and in relation to the severity of the violation.
4. Each exhibitor, when attending any 4-H/FFA horse show or activity, must have a parent/guardian or other adult responsible for the exhibitor's supervision and must indicate this to the Agent in charge.
5. Consumption of alcoholic beverages or of drugs by exhibitors at 4-H/FFA horse events is expressly prohibited. Violators of this rule or other rules concerning conduct will be penalized by the 4-H Agents and FFA Advisors in charge and their names submitted to school authorities for further disciplinary action.
6. Only bona fide 4-H and FFA members in Lafayette Parish will be allowed to participate in the parish horse program and the parish horse show. To be a bona fide member, an exhibitor must reside and/or attend school in Lafayette Parish and must officially enroll in 4-H or FFA in Lafayette Parish at the school or as a member-at-large during the beginning of each school year.
7. All exhibitors must have possession of their animals as listed in the Louisiana 4-H and FFA Horse Show Catalog and must complete and return all entry form/information to the 4-H Agent or FFA Advisors in charge on or before the published deadline.
8. In the case where the entries are not returned by the published deadline the 4-H Agent or FFA Advisor will send out a notice stating that the exhibitor has missed the deadline to turn in horse show entry information and must meet the final date/deadline.
9. All incomplete entries that are returned incomplete, will be returned to the exhibitor with a cover letter-tating what is incomplete. Exhibitors will have an additional 15 days or until the last working day of April, by close of business to complete paperwork. If the paperwork is not completed and returned by that date, the exhibitor will have to submit a written excuse to the 4-H Agent in charge. The exhibitor will have to pay a late entry fee as determined by the 4-H Agent and the Horse Appeals/Protest Committee.

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## **GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

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10. Exhibitors must show their animals at the parish show to be eligible to show at the district show unless the child or animal is sick or temporarily physically handicapped or unless an explanation is submitted in written, by the exhibitor and/or parent to the 4-H Agent or FFA Advisor prior to the show.
11. An exhibitor must show his/her own animal in regular classes except under conditions listed in the Louisiana 4-H and FFA Horse Show Catalog.
12. An exhibitor must show his/her own animal in all showmanship classes.
13. Exhibitors are allowed to enter more than one horse per class. This must be completed one week prior to the Friday of the parish show, by close of business to participate in the parish show. The entries must be accompanied by the correct fees per class on the same date. Furthermore, exhibitors may add classes at the parish show, but will only be allowed to exhibit their horse in the class (s) added at the district level and may qualify for state. It must be accompanied by the correct entry fees.
14. In a case where an exhibitor has entered more than one horse per class, he/she may show (qualify) at the Parish Show with one and may select to show the other at District. The final decision, of which horse to show must be decided on by the time the exhibitor checks in at the district show. When the exhibitor checks in at the parish show he/she should state that the alternate horse is ( not at parish ), but may show at district.

**REVISED: January 14, 2002**

# 4-H AND FFA LIVESTOCK PROJECTS HARDSHIP POLICY AND GUIDELINES

Revised—August 1, 1999

## **OBJECTIVE:**

The objective of the youth livestock program is to develop responsibility, dedication, decision-making, leadership, trustworthiness, sportsmanship and citizenship through the possession and personal care of a live animal project. The youth (4-H or FFA member) will have many educational opportunities and activities to learn about animal agriculture and develop life skills. We are striving for maximum contact with animal and participation in educational activities.

## **HARDSHIP POLICY:**

The ability of the youth to provide personal care for the animal is a major goal in the livestock projects. The guiding concern in granting permission for hardship requests should be the education and development of the youth. Concern for ensuring that the animal is shown has minimal importance in granting hardships.

## **GUIDELINES FOR GRANTING HARDSHIPS:**

### **Category I - Possession of Animals**

- A. Animal should be housed within a reasonable distance to allow youth to interact with the animal project on a positive basis. Housing at public stables or training facilities is allowed. But exhibitors are required to do a majority of the work. When horses are not housed at the exhibitor's property, the agent should be notified of the location of the horse.
- B. Youth ( 4-H or FFA member) should do most of the work and care for the animal project.
- C. All housing requests must be made prior to possession date.
  1. Residential restrictions will be considered.
  2. Opportunities for housing will be considered.
- D. Animals housed across the parish line must be recommended by both agents and/or FFA advisors.

### **Category II - Registration papers on Grade Horse Certificates**

- A. Registration papers and grade horse certificates must be completed and filed with the 4-H agent or FFA advisor by April 1, 2007.
- B. Registered horses that do not have papers available will be considered.
- C. Registration papers or grade certificates not completed by the possession date because of uncontrollable circumstances will be considered.

### **Category III - Replacement of Injured or Deceased Animals**

- A. Injured animals must be checked and verified by the 4-H Agent and/ or FFA Advisor or veterinarian.
- B. The replacement animals should be of comparable quality. Replacement of animals will be considered only for those exhibitors with one animal project per species.

- C. Replacement animals must be obtained by the following dates:
1. January 3 - Market Hogs; Breeding Swine
  2. December 15 - Beef Breeding; Market Lambs; Breeding Sheep; Dairy.
  3. November 1 - Market Steers
  4. June 1 - Horses
- D. Exhibitors may enter multiple horse at the district show and scratch those not shown at the show.

#### **Category IV - Conflicts with Show and Extenuating Circumstances**

Exhibitors must show their own animals. Exceptions will be made only in the following cases and with the proper approval. In all cases, when the exhibitor cannot show his/her own animal, the exhibitor must have a bona fide 4-H or FFA member to show in his/her place. If the animal qualifies for the championship classes and the exhibitor is unable to show the animal, the same individual exhibiting in class must show the animal in the championship class.

1. Exceptions at the District Show:
  - a. Exhibitors' animals will be allowed to qualify only for the State Show (not eligible for champion at District Show - Ribbon Group Only) if the exhibitor is not present due to school conflicts (academic, athletic and other school-related activities).
  - b. Exhibitors' animals will be allowed to show in class and in the championship drive only if the exhibitor cannot show because of illness, physical handicap, personal injury or death in the family. In the case of illness, physical handicap, personal injury or death in the family, the exhibitor or representative shall make the request to the agent/FFA advisor and District Livestock Show manager. The District Livestock Show manager has the authority to approve or disapprove last-minute requests.
  - c. To obtain an exception for school conflicts and physical handicap, the exhibitor must file a Livestock Project Possession/Hardship Form and have the proper approval prior to the District Show.

#### **HARDSHIP PROCEDURE**

Youth and/or parent must fill out hardship form and include all pertinent information. The form must be signed by the youth, parent and/or guardian, agent/FFA advisor, parish chair/school principal and approved by the District Show manager. Hardships should be routed through the State Livestock Show manager.

#### **DECISION MAKING RESPONSIBILITY:**

1. District Show managers shall have the responsibility and authority to process and approve all hardships within the guidelines, with the exception of Category IV.
2. Hardships falling outside the hardship guidelines may be recommended by the District Show manager to the Livestock Show manager.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL**

1. The Livestock Show manager shall have the final approval for all hardships.
2. The hardship form can be found on the Livestock Show Web page at [www.lsuagcenter.com](http://www.lsuagcenter.com).