

# FFA CATTLE SHOW TEAM CONTRACT

MEMBERSHIP ON THE DISD SHOW TEAM IS CONSIDERED A PRIVILEGE; THEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING RULES MUST BE FOLLOWED.

### **RULES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

**Advisor:** As your advisors, we are dedicated to your success, the success of the livestock team, and the welfare of the animals that represent our team. As your advisors, we will

- Lead the selection & purchasing process for student animal projects
- Provide advice on feeding, grooming, equipment, and other necessary purchases
- Provide instruction and recommendations to help students properly groom animals for show, train their animals prior to show, teach animal anatomy and facts necessary for showmanship and exhibit their animals successfully in the show ring.
- Provide students with entry forms for all school sponsored livestock shows
- Validate animals for DISD school sponsored shows.
- Ensure that all students who are competing have followed the rules and guidelines set forth in this contract .
  - The DISD teachers reserve the right to dismiss any student from the Livestock Show team on a per show basis based on eligibility, behavior, or improper care of animal

**Students:** As members of the DISD FFA Livestock Show Team, students will conduct themselves in a way that brings pride to our team:

- Treat animals ethically at all times
- Submit entry forms for shows by due date set by FFA advisor
- Read and follow all show rules and regulations for each show in which you compete
- Follow all school student rules at all FFA show team events including anytime the student exhibits their animal as a representative of DISD FFA
- Follow all rules and regulations as set forth in this contract.
- Work with fellow show team members and advisors to maintain cleanliness in the livestock trailers, barns and other work areas.
- While at a show, arrive on time to scheduled feeding and team meeting times, remain in the areas designated by the advisors, and leave only when dismissed by the FFA advisor
- Follow all instructions from DISD FFA advisor(s), show coordinator or judge(s) while at a livestock show
- Refrain from cursing, arguing and horseplay in the barns and show ring
- Wear appropriate clothing at all times while representing the show team at livestock events
- Wear appropriate show clothing including: jeans pressed and in good condition, collared shirt and appropriate footwear
- Assist fellow show team members before, during and after show
- Remain eligible with school to participate in extracurricular activities (i.e. attendance, grades, discipline)
- Obtain supplies necessary to show your animal (see Supplies)
- Display a positive attitude and good sportsmanship at any time you represent the DISD FFA Livestock Show Team



## **Other Key Rules/Responsibilities:**

- 1. Students are responsible for caring for and monitoring their show animals on a daily basis. Advisors have the right to deny student's participation in FFA livestock shows if their animal is obviously underweight, underfed, in poor health, or in poor physical or mental condition that diminishes their show appeal, threatens the health of other animals, threatens their animal's health, or brings discredit to our organization. As managers of the DISD Ag Barn Facility, it is the FFA advisors responsibility to make decisions that ensure the overall health of everyone's projects.
- 2. Parents/Students may be asked to leave school or county property or any FFA sponsored event for misconduct, aggressive or disrespectful behavior towards advisor(s), parents, or for any behavior that brings discredit to our organization.
- 3. Students must follow the DISD CTE student organization eligibility rules.
- 4. Students who choose to attend livestock shows outside of the designated school shows must follow all school, FFA, and show team guidelines as they still represent our organization
- 5. Any decisions or instructions made by FFA advisor at a school sponsored show are final. Any discussion can be directed to the FFA advisor or school district administration at a later date.
- 6. Attend any scheduled species meeting as scheduled by the FFA advisor(s)

By working together as a team, caring for the health and welfare of your animal(s), and dedicating your time to practicing, studying, and grooming for exhibitions, the DISD FFA Livestock Show Team is sure to have a smooth and successful year!

#### SHOWS

School sponsored livestock Shows (all entry forms for this will be filled out at the Major Livestock Show Meeting):

- State Fair (Heifers only)
- Ft. Worth Livestock Show
- San Antonio
- Houston Livestock Show
- Denton County Livestock Show
- Weekend Show TBD

Optional Jackpot Show opportunities will be announced by the FFA advisor(s) as information becomes available. Jackpot Show opportunities may be limited in order to maintain safe and healthy animal projects.

#### SPECIFIC CATTLE SHOW TEAM SUPPLIES

- Feed for correct number of days (please think about how much this will be so not to over or under pack feed)
- Show stick
- Original papers (heifers only)
- Feed pan and water bucket
- Show halter
- Neck Tie
- Grooming materials



## **EXPECTATIONS WHILE AT THE SHOW**

- All feeding will take place outside at the tieouts unless instructed differently by an FFA advisor
- All calves will be tied out at night and tied in during the day unless told differently by an FFA advisor
- Be on time to feeding times. During show days, no students are allowed to leave the show barn(s) without permission from the FFA advisor.
- During feeding times:
  - o Feed your calves
  - During the evening feeding while calves are eating all students should be in the barn cleaning up the stalls, spreading out shaving, etc.
  - During the morning feeding, after all calves are done eating and brought inside, all students should go to tie outs and clean up
  - o No student may leave from a feeding without checking with out with the FFA advisor
  - Calves should be blown or brushed off each morning after feeding. If the calf is dirty, it should be washed also
  - If you have a question or an issue, contact an FFA advisor. DO NOT take it upon yourself to solve a dispute