

GENERAL RULES FOR ALL EXHIBITORS

1. Exhibitors **must be enrolled by May 15, 2011 as a member** of the Story County 4-H Program or a FFA Chapter that participates in the Story County Youth Fair. **Project areas must be identified on the member enrollment form by June 24 for each exhibitor.** 4-H/FFA members may make exhibit entries for the 2011 Story County Fair that reflects their identified project areas. An exhibit is one component of a project. Exhibitors are responsible for selecting the appropriate class entry for their exhibits. Class changes will not be allowed after the late entry deadline, July 1. Exhibitors must be enrolled as 4-H members through the Story County Extension Service or FFA members through their school chapters. Exhibitors may be enrolled in the 4-H and FFA programs.
2. **4-H and F.F.A. YOUTH ARE DIVIDED INTO THREE (3) GRADE GROUPS BASED ON GRADE AS OF SEPTEMBER 15 OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR.** Juniors must be in grades 4, 5, or 6 as of Sept. 15th. Intermediates must be in grades 7, 8, or 9 as of Sept. 15th. Seniors must be in grades 10, 11, or 12 as of September 15th. The last year of eligibility for 4-H members to exhibit at the Story County Fair is the year of graduation from high school for a SENIOR member. FFA members may exhibit animals at the Story County Fair until they are 21 if they are in good standing with their chapter. They may not show in the showmanship classes.
3. All Story County Fair entry forms for 4-H and FFA members are due into the Story County Extension Office on or before **Friday June 24, 2011.** 4-H clubs should return fair entry forms to the Extension Office at their scheduled time on Friday, June 24. Entry forms are found in the back of this fair book and are color coded according to the section color. Additional entry forms are available at the Extension office and at fair website www.storycountyfair.com.
4. To insure availability of space and participation by as many different 4-H and FFA members as possible at the Story County Fair, it is the policy of the Story County Fair Board and Vocational Agriculture Departments **that the exhibitors who are both 4-H and FFA members cannot enter a 4-H and FFA exhibit in the same division.** A division is the sub-categories under the livestock department. (For example: the department would be Beef, the divisions would be Market Beef, Breeding Beef, Cow-Calf).
5. **ENTRY FEE: All exhibitors will pay an entry fee at the time of entry. Entry is not complete without payment of the fee. Fee is \$.50 per class (entry line). All animals and exhibits must be entered on a separate line for each class that they will enter. There will be an additional bedding fee of \$15.00 per head for all Beef and Dairy. Cow/Calf pairs will also pay \$15.00 for bedding. There will be no refunds on entry fees.**
6. Late entries are defined as those Story County Fair Entry Forms delivered to the Extension Office after **June 24, 2011. Late entries will only be accepted through July 1, 2011.** They will be accepted only on a "space available basis" and upon payment of a \$5.00 late charge per exhibit (Line), plus the regular entry fee (as described in Rule 5 above). **This rule applies to all departments of the 2011 Story County Fair.**
7. **Alcohol** is not permitted on the fairgrounds. The use of alcohol is not promoted by the Extension Service or the 4-H and FFA programs. The Story County Fair is an educational event for 4-H and FFA youth. Therefore, all exhibitors and their families are expected to abide by this rule.
8. No smoking is permitted on the Fairgrounds.
9. All exhibits are under the control of the division Superintendents. The fair management will use diligence to insure the safety of all animals or articles entered for exhibition, after their arrival and placement, but under no circumstances will they be responsible for any loss, injury, or damage.
10. Veterinary bills incurred from the animal examination at species check-in time and throughout the fair are the responsibility of the exhibitor.
11. The decision of the judge is final in placing exhibits. The judge may choose to award Purple or Champion ribbons based on the judging standards and criteria of the class.
12. Trophies may be awarded with permission of the Fair Board, if a donor is available. A list is provided.
13. **The order of communication should a question or concern arise should be: Superintendent, Fairboard Liaison for the department, Fairboard/Extension Staff. Protests of any nature must be written and submitted with a \$50 deposit during the fair to the Superintendent of the division from which the complaint arises.** Such protests must state the case plainly. The protests will be reviewed and acted on by the executive committee. If the protest is not sustained, the deposit will be forfeited and any additional

expenses incurred to act on the protest will be paid by the party filing the protest. If the protest is sustained, the deposit will be returned and any additional expensed incurred to act on the protest will be paid by the Story County Fair Board Association. Protest based upon the statement that a judge or judges are incompetent will not be accepted.

14. Should an infraction occur for a Story County 4-H or FFA member and/or their family members (defined when the infraction consequence is applied) at a 2011 or future state or national event in which the 4-H and/or FFA programs are represented (Iowa State Fair, AKSARBEN, Clay County Fair, American Royal, etc), then the disciplined consequence incurred from the infraction will be immediately recognized by the Story County Extension Council, Youth Development Committee, and the Story County Fair Board. The disciplined consequence will immediately apply to the next and forthcoming Story County Fairs.

The 4-H and FFA programs are beneficial youth programs to be proud of at the local, state, and national levels. The mission of each program is defined the same at every level. Infractions will not be tolerated within either program at any level.

15. All **market** livestock exhibits will be released on Wednesday evening, July 27 immediately following the Ribbon Sale. All **non-market** livestock exhibits and all **non-livestock** exhibits will be released on Wednesday evening, July 27 following the Spotlight on Youth. Livestock exhibits may be checked out on Wednesday night or on Thursday, July 28 from 8:00-10:00 a.m. It is the responsibility of exhibitor to claim their exhibits.
16. Premiums will be pro-rated on the basis of unit value and ribbon rating point value. **YOUTH PARTICIPATING IN THE 2011 RIBBON AUCTION WILL FORFEIT ALL MARKET ANIMAL PREMIUMS. ALL PREMIUM CHECKS MUST BE CASHED WITHIN 60 DAYS OF ISSUE.** Checks cashed after 60 days from date of check will not be honored.
17. The executive committee must approve all bills before the treasurer can pay them.
18. Dress code for exhibition is a 4-H t-shirt or FFA t-shirt, unless other or additional requirements are set by department Superintendents with Fairboard approval. For specific dress code information, read division and department rules.
19. Removal of diseased animals is immediate by order of the official veterinarian. Failure to comply will result in exhibitor being penalized on a case to case basis as determined by the Fairboard.
20. Horse arena quiet hours. The arena will be closed to all participants at 10:00 pm with the lights out by 10:30.

21. **CAMPING REGULATIONS:**

- a. The designated camping areas are the area north of the beef barn & northeast of the Horse Arena.
- b. No camping is permitted anywhere else on the grounds including the livestock and horse barns.
- c. **Chaperones are required and must be either a leader or a parent.** (An 18 year old person is not acceptable.)
- d. Camping fee is \$15.00 per day for campers and \$10.00 per day for tents. This fee is to be paid by July 25, 2011. Checks may be made out to The Story County Fair Association.
- e. Camping units are to all be pre-registered in order to camp at the fair. Please contact Carl Link at 515-383-2232 to register.
- f. **Pre-approval to set up before Wednesday, July 20 is needed from Campground Director. Contact Carl Link.**
- g. Drawing electricity for camping purposes can only be done through the official camp site, not through barns.