

June 14, 2017

Dear 4-H'ers Enrolled in Small Animal Projects,

The Ellis County Fair will be here soon. We are moving to an on-line entry system. This year, we are asking you to complete the usual paperwork that's included here and return it to the Extension Office **by Friday, June 30 AND** the on-line entry process **by July 10**. The new system will create your entry cards. No more hand writing cards!!

You will enter every animal, showmanship, indoor exhibit and contest participation into this system. Go to <https://www.fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/1222> to get started. You will log in using your 4-H Online user name and password. There is a help guide posted on the Ellis Co. 4-H Fair page. Call if you have questions.

The fairentry.com system opens June 15 and closes July 10.

Stall Deposits - Two separate checks are required. Checks will be **made payable to 4-H Ag/Livestock**. **The stall deposit check should be separate from the check for pictures/insurance**. Stall deposit checks are returned if you clean your pens. Remember, in the Small Animal barn, cleanup is a team project. Everyone should plan to be there by 8 a.m. on Saturday morning to help clean up the barn.

Photo & Frames - Champions & Meat Pens have a set time for photos. Check the schedule. Cost will be \$8.00 per animal / pen. You will provide a framed photo to your sale buyer. You will receive a copy of the photo, too. **Please make every effort to honor the times posted for taking these photos.**

BBQ Tickets & Invitation Poster – If you sold a meat pen in the sale last year, you may have 2 bbq tickets & a sale invitation flyer to take to a sale supporter. The name of the sale supporters will be on the back of the tickets. **Please deliver these before July 7**. If your buyer purchased more than 1 item in the sale, they may **request 2 additional tickets for each purchase**. **They should contact our office directly for those additional tickets prior to July 10.**

Health Requirements – Be sure to read the fairbook carefully to meet fair entry requirements. Contact the Countywide Poultry leaders Pam & Amy to check into getting your birds tested before the fair.

Cats & kittens will need a proof of vaccination before entering the fair.

Providing Shade – The fairboard will continue to place a large tent on the west side of the small animal barn to help with shade this year. Thank the fairboard for providing this helpful addition.

Fairgrounds Clean Up Nite is Wednesday, July 12 – Please sign up for the fairgrounds clean up nite by June 30. Commerce Bank is sponsoring pizza for all who help and we need to give them a meal count. **Be sure to thank them for this continued support of 4-H!**

Parking during clean up night – The fairboard asks that folks not park to the West and North of the small animal barn on clean up night, so that the area can be mowed. Thanks for your help in making that happen.

Website – This letter and all of the forms are also available for you to print out from the Ellis Co. Extension website. Check it out at www.ellis.ksu.edu the forms are listed under the Ellis County Fair 4-H link.

If you have questions, contact your small animal project leader or the Extension Office. More blank sheets are available, drop by the Extension Office or print them from the web, if you need more.

See you @ the Ellis Co. Fair!

Yours in 4-H,



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