

-Department A- 4-H & FFA Livestock Show and Sale

**Livestock Check In – Tuesday of Fair Week
All Livestock Shows – Thursday of Fair Week
Livestock Sale – 2pm – Saturday of Fair Week**

If 2021 reverts to a non-fair event, call 468-2225 regarding a Condensed Show Plan

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS:

Exhibitor forfeits right to participate in show and/or sale if not adhering to required rules and regulations.

REGISTRATION & MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- Exhibitors are required to be bona fide members of an organized Highland County 4-H club or FFA chapter on or before December 1. Enrollment requirements include:
 - 4-H Members: Complete 4-H Enrollment (v2.4honline.com). 4-H & FFA Livestock Show & Sale rules require membership in only one 4-H club or as a lone 4-H member. Youth enrolled as a Lone 4-H Member must schedule and meet on a regular basis with the 4-H Youth Development Agent.
 - FFA members: Complete and submit an FFA Membership Form/Dues to the FFA Advisor at Highland High School on or before December 1.

A twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) late fee will be charged to those enrolling December 2-15. Enrollments received after Dec. 15 for 4-H or FFA livestock project participation are ineligible for this event year.

- In order to show and sell livestock at the Highland County 4-H & FFA Livestock Show & Sale, youth are required to be in good standing with their 4-H Club or FFA Chapter. Members are required to **actively participate in a minimum of six** 4-H club or FFA sponsored **activities** between June 1, 2020 and May 31, 2021 in addition to Show & Sale-specific activities (YQCA training, Committee Meetings, Set Up and Wrap Up). If qualifying under 4-H, all six activities must be related to or supported by an organized club or county-based program area facilitated by the 4-H Agent. If qualifying under FFA, all six activities must be FFA related with most activities being chapter meetings. On the 4-H & FFA Livestock Show & Sale Nomination form, members designate which organization they are qualifying through. Although a minimum of six activities is required, youth participating in more should include all relevant participation.
- Exhibitors must be at least age 9 or turning 9 years old as of September 30 of the current year. Exhibitor's age must not exceed age 19 as of September 30 of current year.
- In order to show and sell livestock at the Highland County 4-H & FFA Livestock Show & Sale, youth are required to perform certain show and sale duties in addition to membership and registration requirements as delegated by the Overall Livestock Committee. These duties include, but are not limited to:
 - In-person YQCA Training (~March/April)
 - Show & Sale Planning Meeting (May)
 - Submit Bio Booklet Info (July). A template will be provided.

- Attend Set-Up/Exhibitor Orientation Meeting (~Saturday before Show)
- Enter at least one (1) agricultural educational poster or display. Can be a trifold tabletop display on any agricultural topic or a 2'x3' poster (or larger) displayed over an animal pen with species-specific information. Educational posters PER SPECIES are required for eligibility in the Herdsman/Shepherd/Swineherd/Goatherd Contest. Posters must be in place by Show time on Day 1.
- Attend a Showmanship workshop (encouraged for exhibitors with less than 3 years' experience)
- Attend Wrap Up Meeting (~Sept/Oct)
- Exhibitors must make all reasonable effort to attend required meetings as dates and times are published. Parents are encouraged to attend alongside their exhibitor(s) and to assist with assigned tasks.

NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS

- The Highland County 4-H & FFA Livestock Show & Sale Nomination Packet will be mailed in May to known interested exhibitor families. A copy, if not received by mail, can be obtained from the Highland Extension Office or FFA Advisor. Forms are **due on or before June 1 to the Highland Extension Office**. A seven-day grace period is allowed for late registrations. Youth submitting forms during this grace period are assessed a \$25 late fee. NO nomination form or late fee will be accepted after the seven-day grace period.
- A limit is set for the number of market livestock allowed each exhibitor in the 4-H/FFA Show and Sale. If wishing to tag one more than the maximum, please note on nomination form. No add-on nominations after the deadline; list all possible species and total head on the form; you can scratch extra animals but you cannot add on.
- Youth with less than three years' experience can nominate to show and sell up to five market animals; youth with four or more years' experience can nominate to show and sell a maximum of six animals. Youth cannot exceed more than the following in each species:
 - 2 market hogs
 - 2 market goats
 - 3 market lambs
 - 2 total beef entries (market and/or feeder steers)
- Open, non-sale, livestock classes are not part of the 2021 Highland 4-H & FFA Livestock Show and Sale due to pandemic restrictions and streamlining of the 4-H & FFA Livestock Show and Sale program moving forward. This includes Commercial and Purebred animals. The Highland County Fair is not sponsoring any Open Shows in 2021, but is seeking a 2022 Open Show coordinator.

ANIMAL REQUIREMENTS

- All animals are to be owned and in possession by July tagging date.
- Adults or unregistered youth cannot assist with exhibiting livestock in 4-H and FFA sanctioned classes or the sale.
- All animals must be tame and easily controlled by the youth exhibitor.
- All animals must be washed and clean to participate in the show and sale.
- It's highly encouraged that market animals be weighed often prior to show date to ensure program compliance.
- All market livestock are required to be entered and shown as follows:
 - One animal per species exhibited in exhibitor's appropriate showmanship age division
 - Weight/Age classes for each animal
 - Pair class or farm raised class, if applicable
- Youth cannot sell an animal through the 4-H & FFA livestock program that is not shown or is rejected for any reason.
- **Health:** All animals must be free of infectious and contagious disease. These could include but are not limited to ringworm, warts, pinkeye, sore mouth, foot rot, and Caseous Lymphadenitis. Animals currently being treated for any of the listed conditions that are visibly responding to treatment must have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) dated within 30 days of show and sale weigh-in.
- **Vet Check & Grading:** All animals are subject to veterinary inspection before unloading. Veterinarian inspection and animal grading will take place at the weigh-in location. All livestock coverings (blankets and tubes/slinkies) must remain off for initial veterinarian inspection and weigh-in. The veterinarian's decision is final. All animals are required to meet or exceed specific minimum industry grading standards (noted within species regulations). Animals not meeting industry standards will be rejected. Any rejected animal (due to health concerns, weigh issues, low grade, etc.) is prohibited from being unloaded at the fairgrounds. Exhibitor and/or parents should observe final weigh-in, grading, and veterinarian inspection to avoid complaint.
- No intact male livestock may be shown or sold. This includes stags.
- **Weigh-in:** All market/feeder animals will receive final weights at show date weigh-in. Animals will be weighed only once unless instructed by scale officials. Animals will be sorted for most classes by weight.
- **Ear Tags:** All market animals must be owned and in possession by tagging date. Extension agent will advise animal tagging. All sheep and goats must comply with the USDA Scrapie Eradication program and must have an official scrapie identification for show and sale. Showmen who obtain goats or sheep from flocks other than their own must ensure that the livestock are properly identified prior to transfer of ownership. All market lambs and goats in the 4-H & FFA youth show are tagged with an official show scrapie tag unless the current scrapie tag is of same color and style as the official show scrapie tag. Animals must have only one ear tag (provided by the livestock committee) unless a tag is unlawful to remove (scrapie). All farm tags must be removed. No animal substitutions allowed.

Hog Specific Requirements

- Hogs (not raised together) must be kept separate from other hogs during tagging and weigh-in. Please get permission before unloading.
- Market hog grade of #1 is required in order to show and sell.
- The weight for market hogs at show date weigh-in is 200-300 lbs. Market hogs over 300 lbs. may be exhibited and sold, but will not compete for championship or first and second place prizes. Hogs under 200 lbs. will be rejected; there is no feeder pig class.
- Hogs can be shown natural (no clipping) or may have hair clipped no shorter than 1/2".

Steer Specific Requirements

- All cattle registered for the Show and Sale will be inspected and ear tagged in June after nominations close.
- All exhibited beef must be without horns or nubs for safety compliance.
- Market steers must meet a minimum weight of 1,001 pounds at show date weigh-in and a live grade of Select Minus or better to compete.
- Feeder steers will be divided into light weight and heavy weight divisions based on show date weigh-in. Light weight feeders must weigh between 450-750 lbs. Heavy weight feeders between 751-1000 lbs. Steers below 450 lbs. will be rejected.
- Feeder steers are required to meet a minimum grade of M2 by show date weigh-in; steers grading below M2 will be rejected.
- All cattle must be weaned and can be purebred or crossbred of any beef breed(s).

Goat Specific Requirements

- Market goats are to be meat goat breeds and required to grade #2 or better to be shown and sold.
- Goats must weigh 60-130 lbs. Goats over 130 lbs. can be shown and sold but not compete for overall market champion. Goats under 60 lbs. will be rejected.
- Goats are required to have horns tipped to a blunt end before show date weigh-in. No horn removal is allowed on the fairgrounds or at final weigh-in. If horns are determined a safety issue by veterinarian or barn management, animals will be rejected.

Sheep Specific Requirements

- Market lambs are required to grade RO or better at final weigh-in to be shown and sold.
- The weight for market lambs at show weigh-in is between 90-150 lbs. Animals over the weight range may be exhibited and sold, but will not compete for championship placings and prizes. Lambs under 90 lbs. will be rejected.
- Sheep must have been recently shorn prior to arrival to accommodate veterinary inspection. Fleece length shall not exceed 1/4" at final weigh-in.
- All lambs must be docked.
- Sheep may be shown with halters at exhibitor's discretion, unless otherwise noted by the judge.

OVERALL LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE

- The Overall Livestock Committee consists of: Raymond Lightner, Jesse Swecker, Steve Heavner, Kari Sponaugle, and Berkeley Cassidy. This committee oversees the Highland County 4-H & FFA Livestock Show and Sale.

- Barn managers, under the direction of the overall barn manager Raymond Lightner, will assign pens/stalls.
- Animals are entered and handled at the sole risk of the exhibitor and must be safely controlled for the show and sale. In extreme cases, the overall committee has the authority to remove an animal from the grounds as a safety precaution, which disqualifies the animal from this event.

BARN RULES

- Exhibitor needs to maintain a clean space for their animal(s). Final clean out is expected once the exhibitor's animals are sold or have left the pen/stall. Failure to complete final clean-out within 6 hours of loadout completion will result in a \$25 per pen/stall fee. Pens should not be cleaned during show or sale times.
- Livestock exhibitors must supply all feed needed for their animal(s), which can be stored in livestock trailers or tack space. Fresh, non-chlorinated water is provided for animals by a donor.
- Misconduct in the barn area will not be tolerated and is subject to exhibitor dismissal. Misconduct should be reported to barn management or an overall livestock committee member when observed. If behavior is deemed a risk to self, fellow participants or facilities, exhibitor will be asked to leave and forfeit participation.
- Disciplinary Action for misconduct is as follows:
 - Step 1: Verbal warning to exhibitor.
 - Step 2: Parent/Guardian follow-up and possibly a parent/exhibitor meeting with the committee.
 - Step 3: Dismissal and disqualification.
- Dogs are not allowed.
- Smoking is not allowed.

SHOW INFORMATION

- Youth must stay near the show ring area on Show Days and Sale Day for line up at appropriate times. If a youth misses their class, there is no makeup or alternative class to enter. Missing a market or showmanship class will forfeit your ability to sell (unless there is a pre-approved exception).
- Master Showmanship Classes will be offered only if two or more participants are eligible in the specific class. If class is canceled, any eligible participant must compete in the highest-level senior showmanship class for the species.
- Exhibitors must wear appropriate attire in the show and sale ring which includes: Tucked in, collared shirt (with sleeves) or polo; long pants that cover body from waist to footwear; close-toed shoes; exhibitor number, if applicable (pin to mid back or place in an exhibitor number harness); exhibitors with long hair should use appropriate tie-back accessories.
- Exhibitor should be in charge of or assisted minimally with project animal's show and sale preparations.

SALE INFORMATION

- Each exhibitor should contact at least five sale supporters/sponsors. In-person visits and/or neat, handwritten or typed letters (including self-introduction, project overview and show/sale details) are suggested. Show and Sale Informational Brochures are provided by the Extension office.
- An Exhibitor Bio Booklet will be created to share with buyers prior to the sale; each exhibitor is responsible for following the Bio Booklet template and sending in a

personal project bio about their project to the Extension Office by July 31st.

- There are no bid ceilings. Price announced by auctioneer will be distributed to the exhibitor less commissions and check-off fees. Commissions per animal sold are deducted from exhibitor's checks based on species and show & sale expenses.
- This is a terminal show and sale. The winning bidder during the sale owns the animal with the right to keep (take home/slaughter) or send to the floor buyer. Buyers keeping animals for home or slaughter must notify the auctioneer when winning bid is taken during the sale. Any transactions not listed on the sales sheet will not go through the show and sale account. The sales clerk will not accept direct donations/contributions to an individual youth. All payments made to exhibitors are based on the sales sheet. All floor sale transactions go to the floor buyer. Any side transactions not listed on the final sales sheet must be communicated with the sales clerk by the take-home or floor buyer before load out.
- No livestock shall be removed from the grounds without an approved/signed release form from the barn manager. See sales clerk for a release form.
- Money earned from the sale of livestock (less commissions and fees) will be distributed after (1) buyers have paid and (2) record books are received. A \$50 fee will be invoiced to youth (or deducted from sale check) if record books are late. Late record books will also disqualify youth from special awards (Record Book, Herdsman, etc.)
- Neat, handwritten, thank you notes MUST be written and sent by youth to supporters of their projects (buyers, sponsors, award donors, etc.).
- After the live auction sale is complete and exhibitors have contacted and verbally thanked buyers, youth should exit the barn and load out areas while barn management conducts load out.

RECORD BOOKS

- 4-H and FFA Livestock record book copies can be obtained at the Highland County Extension Office or from the FFA advisor.
- The 4-H and FFA Market Animal Record Book must be completed for each project animal. Use one record book per market species (beef, sheep, swine, and goat). *(Example: One 4-H/FFA record book for market steers and a second record book for feeder steers. All market lamb data can be recorded in one record book.)*
- Exhibitor nominating an animal livestock project, then canceling animal entry within 7 days of the show date, will be required to submit a record book with all applicable components complete (feed, medical and inventory records along with a completed project story to explain why the animal(s) didn't make it to the show and/or subsequent sale). Failure to submit a project record by the current year deadline will result in waiving participation in that species project the following year.
- Record Books (complete except for final data) MUST be presented at check-in at the fairgrounds livestock barn following weigh-in enclosed in a folder with 3-hole brass fasteners or a 3-ring binder. All exhibitor record books, if exhibiting more than one species, can be contained in the same binder if separated by dividers.
- Completed 4-H & FFA Livestock record books are due to the Highland Extension Office by 5:00 PM on the 3rd Friday

of September, along with all applicable 4-H project work for the membership year.

- Record books will be judged based on the rubric on the last page. Parents are encouraged to support their son/daughter in their project work. If your child needs assistance with record keeping, consult your 4-H leader/mentor, 4-H Agent or FFA advisor in SUFFICIENT TIME PRIOR TO final submission. Should your child have an IEP, discuss this with your respective adult advisor/agent for proper assistance. The Special Needs section of the Agreement form in the front of the Record Book must be filled out for special needs instructions. We want every youth to be able to do their best.
- The top six 4-H and FFA Livestock record books in each age division will be recognized. 4-H project books will be awarded blue, red, and white ribbons based on the Danish system. FFA books will be returned to the FFA advisor for distribution to exhibitors.
- Exhibitors with project books receiving a score below 70 are encouraged to seek project book remediation with their advisor. Advisors will be informed of record book scores.

SECTION I – HOGS

MARKET HOG SHOWMANSHIP

Previous winners of classes 2 and 3 must advance to the next higher class. Master class held if more than one entry.

Class:

1. Master – for previous showmanship winners of Class 2.
2. Senior – for exhibitors 14-18 years old on the day of the show and/or previous winners of class 3.
3. Junior – for exhibitors under 14 years of age on the day of the show.
4. Novice – for first time exhibitors 13 years old and under.

PRIZES: 1st-\$12 & Rosette; 2nd-\$10; 3rd-\$9; 4th-\$8; 5th-\$7

MARKET HOGS

Class

1. Market Hog
2. Champion Market Hog

PRIZES: 1st-\$12; 2nd-\$10; 3rd-\$9; 4th-\$8; 5th-\$7
Rosette: (Champion and Reserve) \$7 and Silver Plate; \$5

3. Farm Raised Hog
Market hog must be owned by exhibitor. Hog must be born in Highland County and the exhibitor must have performed hands-on duties with hog since birth, such as worming and feeding. Once piglets are weaned, the exhibitor must take possession of the animal. Only one market hog per eligible exhibitor can be shown in this class and the hog must be one of the exhibitor's market hogs registered for the 4-H/FFA livestock show and sale and pre-registered by June 1.

PRIZES: 1st-\$30; 2nd-\$25; 3rd-\$20; 4th-\$15; 5th-\$10
Class is sponsored by Steven & Yvonne Wimer

SECTION II – CATTLE

BEEF SHOWMANSHIP

Previous winners of class 2 and class 3 must advance to the next higher class. Master class held if more than one entry.

Class:

1. Master – previous showmanship winners of Class 2
2. Senior – for exhibitors 14-18 years old on day of the show and/or previous winners of class 3.
3. Junior – for exhibitors under 14 years of age on the day of the show.
4. Novice – for first time exhibitors 13 years old and under.

PRIZES: 1st-\$12 & Rosette; 2nd-\$10; 3rd-\$9; 4th-\$8; 5th-\$7

BEEF STEERS

Class:

1. Market Steer
2. Champion Market Steer
3. Feeder Steer
4. Champion Feeder Steer

PRIZES: 1st-\$18; 2nd-\$15; 3rd-\$12; 4th-\$10; 5th-\$8
Champion-\$15 and Banner; Reserve Champion-\$10 and Rosette

5. Farm Raised Feeder Steer
Steer must be owned by exhibitor. Steer must be born and raised in Highland County on the family farm of exhibitor's immediate family or grandparent. Exhibitor must have performed hands-on duties with steer since birth, such as calving, worming, vaccinations, feeding. Only one steer per eligible exhibitor can be shown in this class and the steer must be one of the exhibitor's feeder steers registered for the 4-H/FFA livestock show and sale and pre-registered by June 1.
PRIZES: 1st-\$30; 2nd-\$25; 3rd-\$20; 4th-\$15; 5th-\$10
Class is sponsored by Sally & Mike Humphries

SECTION III - GOATS

GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

Previous winners of class 2 and class 3 must advance to the next higher class.

Class:

1. Senior – for exhibitors 14-18 years old on the day of the show and/or previous winners of class 2.
2. Junior – for exhibitors under 14 years of age on the day of the show.
3. Novice – for first time exhibitors 13 years old and under.

PRIZES: 1st-\$12 & Rosette; 2nd-\$10; 3rd-\$9; 4th-\$8; 5th-\$7

MARKET GOATS

Class

1. Market Goat
2. Champion Market Goat

PRIZES: 1st-\$12; 2nd-\$10; 3rd-\$9; 4th-\$8; 5th-\$7

Rosette: Champion -\$7; Reserve -\$5

PRIZES: 1st - \$12; 2nd - \$10; 3rd - \$9; 4th - \$8; 5th - \$7; 6th - \$6

SECTION IV -- SHEEP

SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP

Previous winners of class 2 and class 3 must advance to the next higher class. Large classes may be divided. Master class held if more than one entry.

Class:

1. Master – previous showmanship winners in Class 2.
2. Senior – for exhibitors 14-18 years old on the day of the show and/or previous winners of class 3.
3. Junior – for exhibitors under 14 years of age on the day of the show.
4. Novice – for first time exhibitors 13 years old and under.

PRIZES: 1st-\$12 & Rosette; 2nd -\$10; 3rd -\$9; 4th -\$8; 5th -\$7

MARKET LAMBS

Class

1. Market Lamb
2. Champion Market Lambs
3. Pair of Market Lambs
4. Champion Pair

PRIZES: 1st-\$12; 2nd -\$10; 3rd -\$9; 4th -\$8; 5th -\$7
Light Weight Champion; Medium Weight Champion; Heavy Weight Champion-Champion \$7 and Rosette; Reserve Champion \$5 and Rosette; Superior Champion Market Lamb (Banner) and Reserve Superior Champion (Rosette)

5. Farm Raised Lamb
Lamb must be owned by exhibitor and from one of exhibitor's lambs participating in the Highland 4-H & FFA Show. Lamb must be born and raised in Highland County on the family farm of the exhibitor's immediate family or grandparent. Exhibitor must have performed hands-on duties with lamb since birth, such as lambing, worming, and feeding. Only one lamb per eligible exhibitor can be shown in this class and the lamb must be one of the exhibitor's market lambs registered for the 4-H/FFA livestock show and sale and pre-registered by June 1.

PRIZES: 1st-\$30; 2nd-\$25; 3rd-\$20; 4th-\$15; 5th-\$10

Class is sponsored by Sally & Mike Humphries

LIVESTOCK RECORD BOOK CONTEST

All 4-H and FFA members who are entering livestock in this year's Highland County Fair are required to complete and enter record books for all entries. Record books must be presented with livestock entry on Tuesday of Fair week. The completed record book(s) must be turned in to the Highland Extension Office by 5:00 p.m. on the third Friday of September. To avoid delays in receiving sale money, please submit record books on time. Record books will be judged on neatness, completeness, accuracy, and extent of records including goals.

- Class 1. Junior (ages 9-11)
- Class 2. Intermediate (age 12-13)
- Class 3. Senior (ages 14 and over)

AGRICULTURAL YOUTH AWARD

1. 4-H and FFA members from Highland County, participating in agricultural exhibits during the Fair will be considered for this award. The winner is determined by the highest total score based on the point system below.
2. Any youth entering in two categories (not classes) at the Highland County Fair and placing in the top three places of each, will receive 10 extra points.
3. Any youth entering in at least three categories (not classes) and placing in top three places will receive 15 extra points.
4. Points apply to garden and farm products for youth, but only applies to 4-H and/or FFA livestock classes.
5. Winners will be announced at the annual Awards and Planning Meeting.

POINT SYSTEM

Category	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place
Beef	9	6	3
Horses	9	6	3
Swine	6	4	2
Sheep	6	4	2
Goats	6	4	2
Farm Products	3	2	1
Garden Products	3	2	1

PRIZES: 1st- \$25; 2nd - \$15; 3rd - \$10