# 2020-2021 Rules

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# Student Copy

# Royal FFA Livestock, Horticulture Project Show & Sale



# April 8th - 10th, 2021

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-Developed by the Royal ISD Agri-science Department Staff and approved by the Royal FFA Advisory Committee.

### 2020-2021 ROYAL FFA LIVESTOCK SHOW AND SALE

The following dates note the various activities for student livestock projects.

Students who plan to participate in the show and sale <u>must be present</u> for those dates and times pertinent to their project program(s) **NOTE...The Royal FFA Advisory** 

Committee reserves the right to amend these rules if needed throughout the 2020-2021 school year

#### MARKET STEERS

Tag/Weigh-In ......Monday, June 22nd, 5:00 P.M. @ Royal AG Barn.

Progress Show ......Friday March 5th - Saturday, March 6th, @ Royal AG Barn.

Schedule TBD

Check-in for Show......Wednesday, April 7th, 4:00-6:00 P.M. @ Royal AG Barn.

Judging Date/Time ......Friday, April 9th, immediately following heifers.

Release of Project......... at the conclusion of events on Saturday, April 10th.

#### **COMMERCIAL HEIFERS**

Tag/Weigh-In ......Tuesday, November 10th, 4:30-6:30 P.M. @ Royal AG Barn
Progress Show ......Friday March 5th - Saturday, March 6th, @ Royal AG Barn.
Schedule TBD

Check-in for Show......Wednesday, April 7th, 4:00-6:00 P.M. @ Royal AG Barn
Judging Date/Time ......Friday, April 9th, immediately following Broilers.

Release of Project....... at the conclusion of events on Saturday, April 10th.

## **COMMERCIAL BROILERS**

Chick Arrival DateWeek of February 22nd, 2021.
Check-In for ShowFriday, April 9th, 3:30 P.M.
Judging Date/Time Friday, April 9th, 5:30 P.M.
Release of Project at the conclusion of events on Saturday, April 10th.
MARKET GOATS
Tag/Weigh-InUpon delivery to the chapter (Week of November 16th - tentative).
Progress Show Friday March 5th - Saturday, March 6th, @ Royal AG Barn. Schedule TBD
Check-In for ShowWednesday, April 7th, 4:00-6:00 P.M. @ Royal AG Barn
Judging Date/TimeThursday, April 8th, immediately following Plant Show.
Release of Project at the conclusion of events on Saturday, April 10th
<u>MARKET SWINE</u>
Tag/Weigh-InUpon delivery to chapter (week of December 7th - tentative).
Progress ShowFriday March 5th - Saturday, March 6th, @ Royal AG Barn. Schedule TBD
Check-In for ShowWednesday, April 7th, 4:00-6:00 P.M. @ Royal AG Barn.
Judging Date/TimeThursday, April 8th, immediately following goats.
Release of Projects at the conclusion of events on Saturday, April 10th .

### **Horticulture Show**

Plant Delivery......Upon delivery to the chapter (mid February).

Portfolio Due...... Tuesday, April 6th, 4:00 P.M.

Check-In for Show.....Thursday, April 8th, 4:00 P.M.

Judging Date/Time.....Thursday, April 8th, 5:00 P.M.

Release of Projects...... at the conclusion of events on Saturday, April 10th.

#### 2020-2021 ROYAL FFA LIVESTOCK SHOW AND SALE RULES

The Royal FFA Advisory Committee, its officers, committee members, the Royal FFA Chapter, and its advisors, shall not be held responsible or liable for any loss, damage or injury to any persons, or any company, for property losses or injury sustained, by anyone, from any accident on the school grounds.

The Royal FFA show is open to students that are enrolled in an Agscience class or Career Prep Class at Royal High School/ECHS, Royal Junior High School, and Royal STEM Academy in grades 7th-12th. Students receiving either face to face or virtual instruction are eligible to participate. Exhibitors must be paid FFA members for the applicable school year. All livestock exhibits should be approved by the advisors before tag-in. Projects will be checked periodically to see that proper care is being administered to animal(s).

#### **STEERS**

- A. Steers will be selected, weighed & tagged-in on June 22nd from 5:00-6:30 P.M. The location of this event will be at the Royal Ag Barn. (See "Steer Selection Guideline" sheets for more details)
- B. Steers <u>must</u> have an average daily gain of at least 1.5 lb. per day over the entire feeding period.
- C. Steers must be halter broke prior to Progress Show. Exhibitors must be able to control their animals in the show ring without assistance in order to show in March.
- D. Exhibitors with two steers/heifers must present their entry to the judge to be evaluated for control and quality.
- E. F. Steers will be clipped before Wednesday, April 7th and will have no more than <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" of hair on any part of the animal's body at the time of the show, with the exception of the tail switch.

#### HEIFERS

To be eligible for competition at the <u>2020-2021</u> show, <u>heifer</u> projects <u>must be born</u> within the boundaries of the <u>Royal Independent School District</u>, and <u>selected with an advisor prior to purchase</u>. A "Breeder's Certificate" form must accompany the exhibitor on the day of tag-in.

- A. Heifers will be weighed/tagged-in on Tuesday, November 10th from 4:30-6:30 PM. The location for this event will be at the Royal AG Barn.
- B. <u>Heifers must be born within the months of January '19 March '20 to be eligible for the show.</u> Proof of the heifer's age must be submitted on the breeder's certificate on the day of tag-in. (Certificates can be picked up from the FFA advisors)
- C. Grooming materials for heifers is limited to water and/or an oil-based spray (i.e. "Final Bloom.")
- D. Heifers must be brucellosis vaccinated prior to the November 10th tag-in.
- E. <u>All heifers</u> must be palpated by a licensed veterinarian no more than 30 days prior to the April 7th move in date. This information must be presented to the advisory committee upon arrival to the showgrounds.
- F. Heifers must be halter broke prior to Progress Show. (please see **Steer rule C** for additional information

#### PIGS AND GOATS

- A. All pigs and goats will be obtained through the Royal agscience department. Pigs and goats will be ear-tagged prior to arrival with a number tag. Students will draw numbers as a group to determine selection order.
- B. Pigs and goats will be weighed and validated upon delivery to the chapter at the Royal Ag Barn. The delivery date will be contingent upon an agreement between the breeder(s) and advisors. Goats will arrive in "mid" November"; pigs will arrive in "early" December."
- C. Pigs and goats will be castrated prior to tag-in.
- D. Weight limits at the show in April shall be as follows: (All pigs and goats not meeting the weight parameters must leave the showgrounds immediately; except in "Hard Luck" cases)

Pigs- between 220-300 lbs. Goats – a minimum weight of 65 lbs. No upper limit.

E. Goats will be slick shorn & exhibited with 1/4" of hair or less at the show in April.

G. <u>Loss of Project</u> – If an exhibitor's goat or pig project dies of natural causes, or shows signs of a serious health problem within 7 days of the delivery/selection day, that student may choose another goat or pig from the same set of livestock that were offered on selection day. This will be offered at no charge to the exhibitor. If the death occurs after the 7 day period, the student may purchase another project species through the FFA chapter (if the delivery/selection date has not passed), or apply for the "Hard-Luck" award.

#### **BROILERS**

- A. Broiler chicks will be ordered in lots of 25 birds per exhibitor and must be obtained through the Royal Agscience department. A broiler processing fee will be charged at the time of entry.
- B. Broilers will be delivered the week of February 22nd.
- C. Exhibitors will select a pen of 3 birds to be shown in March. One alternate bird may accompany the pen at check-in.
- D. <u>Birds to be processed for buyer consumption (non-show birds)</u> will be loaded and taken to the processor after the completion of the livestock show and sale. Advisors will inform students and their families of the specific instructions as time approaches. Exhibitors will pick up the processed birds from the Ag Department and deliver to their buyers. Other arrangements made between buyer and exhibitor must be approved by the advisors.
- E. Each pen of broilers will be wing banded at the time of delivery to exhibitors. Wing bands must stay attached to chicks throughout the feeding period. Broilers losing their wing band, for whatever reason, WILL BE SIFTED.
- F. The pen of 3 show birds must weigh a minimum of 15 pounds (or an average of 5 pounds per bird). Pens not meeting this requirement will be sifted prior to judging

#### Horticulture

- 1. Plants will be picked up by the student at the <u>Royal FFA Greenhouse Facility</u>, <u>but raised at the student's home</u>. To be eligible to participate in the 2021 Plant Show, The entry fee is \$50.00 per exhibitor.
- 2. Students will be responsible for the daily care and maintenance of their plants.

- 3. Students will be given seven start-up plants along with an example of an adequate record keeping system and portfolio requirements on Pass Out Day.
- 4. Projects will be judged on the following:

  Quality of the Plants 50pts max

  Record Keeping System 25pts max

  Container Décor 25pts max
- 5. The initial plants, startup containers, media, and fertilizer can be obtained from the Royal Agriculture Department. Other items needed throughout the growing period will be the responsibility of the student.
- 6. Students will be responsible for acquiring a decorative container to show their plants. This will be secured by the student at their own costs. Students have the option of planting all in one container or in separate containers.

#### **Horticulture Specifics**

- A. Students will be assigned seven plants. Of the seven assigned plants, there will be one specie of each plant. On April 8th, Students may exhibit three to seven plants total. They must be planted in a container(s) and the container may be decorated/designed by the owner. All containers must be approved by the advisors. Be Creative!
- B. Students may only exhibit one horticulture project. (Set of 3 or more Plants)
- C. Plants will be cared for under the supervision of the advisors.
- D. Exhibitors are responsible for caring for their projects throughout the growing period until conclusion of the show. Failure to comply with this rule can result in disqualification.
- E. All exhibitors must submit their Portfolio to their Ag Science Teacher on Tuesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>.
- F. All exhibitors must arrive with their plants at the Royal AG Barn between 3:30 and 4:00pm on Thursday, April 8th. Plant judging will begin at 5:00pm.
- G. After the completion of the show, the project will remain the property of the student. All plants must be removed from the RHS AG Barn at the conclusion of events Saturday, April 10th.

#### \*\*\*Auction\*\*\*

- A. The Top 5 Placing Horticulture projects will be sold during the auction. All money (including add-ons) will be given to the exhibitor at the Awards and Appreciation Banquet in May.
- B. Students may use the decorative containers assembled for the show when auctioning their plants. Additional decorations/signs will not be needed in the auction ring.
- C. Plants in the auction will be sold as a set/group. Exhibitors not selling their projects in the live auction will be able to sell their project in the form of a silent auction on Saturday, April 10th.
- F. Only the exhibitor and their plant project (Top 5 Sellers) will be allowed in the auction ring and photo area unless assistance is required.

#### **IN-GENERAL**

A W-9 form is attached and will need to be filled out by all who plan to show and sell a project in the 2020-2021 Royal FFA Show. The W-9 form, along with the show rule signature page must be turned in to the advisors prior to the initial tag-in/delivery date of the student's selected project. NO EXCEPTIONS

Students without a valid social security number on file with the Ag-science department by their initial species tag-in day will forfeit 28% of their generated show revenue prior to receiving their checks.

In January 2021, Form 1099's will be issued to students who sold a project/received a scholarship in the 2019-2020 (previous year's) show/school year.

- A. Students may enter and exhibit (2) livestock projects per category at the 2020-2021 Royal FFA Livestock Show & Sale.
- B. At the conclusion of all judging, students with more than one livestock entry in the show must decide which project they plan to sell, and report that information to the Sales

Committee immediately after showing their last project. Students may not pull livestock projects from the sale after the sale sheet has been printed.

## C. ALL GRAND CHAMPIONS AND RESERVE CHAMPIONS MUST SELL IN THE FFA AUCTION.

- D. All steers, heifers, goats, and pigs <u>must be present and shown by the exhibitor</u> at the Progress show on Friday March 5th and Saturday, March 6th. As the event nears, a detailed schedule of the day(s) events will be given to the exhibitors and their families. Exhibitors must notify the advisors prior to the start of the Progress Show if they are unable to attend (ex. Death in family, serious illness, Texas Major Livestock Show conflict). Note...Official FFA Dress (from the waist up) is required to be worn by the exhibitor during the Progress show
- E. Absolutely no <u>prescription</u> tranquilizers may be used on animals before, during, or after the show. No drugs may be administered to any animal within the specified withdrawal time before the show.
- F. All animals, poultry, etc. must be free of disease, well groomed, and in condition to be shown as directed by the Advisory Committee. Any evidence of abuse or mistreatment of animal(s) by the owner will be grounds for disqualification from show and sale. The Royal Advisory Committee has the right to remove any exhibit, animal, or concession that they may deem objectionable or unsuitable.

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- a. All animals need to be clipped <u>before</u> arrival to the barn on Wednesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. A clipping schedule for all species will be coordinated by the Royal FFA Advisors. All animals will be clipped at the RISD School grounds.
- b. Grooming (which includes clipping and fitting throughout the entire feeding period and livestock show) will be done by the exhibitor of the animal under the supervision of the Royal FFA Advisors. If assistance is required, a current member (of the Royal FFA chapter) or immediate family member may assist. No outside assistance (relatives, friends, etc.) will be allowed. Failure to comply with this rule can result in disqualification.



c. <u>Animal Handling/Unruly Animals:</u> Exhibitor safety is a top priority. Cattle must be shown with a halter and be sufficiently gentle enough to be properly handled by one exhibitor. If an exhibitor loses control of their project more than twice in the showring, the animal will be considered unruly. If the exhibiting of this project poses a danger to the exhibitor

and/or other parties, the Royal FFA Advisory reserves the right to remove and disqualify the exhibitor and project.

- H. Exhibitors are responsible for feeding and caring for their projects throughout the feeding period until time of delivery to the buyer. Students will sign "SAEP Visitation Summaries" after each teacher's visit the students' facilities (at least one visit each six weeks). Visitation responsibilities will be determined by the Royal ISD Ag Science teachers. Families with multiple entries/specie will not be allowed to switch projects after initial validation/tag-in date. Failure to comply with this rule can result in disqualification.
- I. All bedding must be kept clean, dry, and free of feed and manure during the show. Projects will be bedded on shavings or sand only. No individual cattle stalls allowed.
- J. All exhibitors will be with their projects at weigh in and 1 hour before show and sale starts, and will remain with their animal until dismissed by the advisor. Refer to the rule cover sheet for tag-in, progress show, check-in, show, sale, and release times. Failure to comply with these times will result in automatic elimination.
- K. In order to sell, the animal must meet quality standards as decided on by the judge.

  92 lots is the maximum number of livestock lots that will be sold at the 2021 Royal FFA

  Show. The Royal FFA Advisory Committee reserves the right to add student livestock project lots to the auction. The following outlines the number of eligible lots (by species) to be sold.

Cattle (combination of steers & heifers) – 20 lots

- + Hogs 24 lots
- + Goats 24 lots
- + Broilers 19 lots
- + Horticulture 5 lots

92 total projects sold

Note...If a species does not have enough eligible projects to fill the allotment, the empty lots will be assigned to the other species. The species order of filling empty lots will be Steer, Heifer, Hog, Goat, Broiler, Horticulture, Steer, Heifer, Hog,...etc. If the total project count is over 92, lots will be pulled from the sale by order of Broiler, Goat, Hog, Heifer, Steer, Broiler, Goat, Hog,...etc.

L. Failure to appear in the arena to show or sell by the exhibitor constitutes automatic elimination. (Unless a situation arises that is approved by the advisors . . . examplesdeath in the family or severe illness, etc.)

- M. All Royal FFA members <u>must be available</u> for special assignments during the days of the show and sale. Roll calls will occur periodically during the Show & Sale.
- N. Official dress <u>must be worn</u> while showing and selling livestock projects in April. Students not in official dress will be disallowed to show and sell. (Progress Show: Exhibitors are to wear official FFA jacket, white collared shirt, scarf/tie, denim jeans and closed toed shoes.)
- O. All exhibitors <u>will be required</u> to be present to clean show facilities at the conclusion of events on Friday, April 9th and/or Saturday, April 10th. Presence will be accounted for by roll call. Failure to comply with this rule will constitute a \$50.00 forfeiture from the student's livestock project.
- P. An <u>8% commission fee</u> will be charged on all entries sold to help promote and support FFA chapter activities and expenses. Other expenses and money owed to the chapter will also be deducted.
- Q. Animals in the auction will be sold by the head or by the pen. Students with sifted or multiple projects are encouraged to solicit their non-auction livestock with the public, however, negotiations between students and potential purchaser(s) will be conducted at the conclusion of the livestock auction. No "for sale" signs allowed.
- R. No sale entries will be p.o. in the auction ring.
- S. All exhibitors must write "THANK YOU" letters to buyers and donors and present to advisors to be mailed <u>on or before, Friday April 23rd.</u> No money will be paid until this requirement is fulfilled.
- T. No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs will be allowed at the RISD School Grounds. Violators will be disqualified.
- U. The show facilities will be open at 6:30 AM and close at 11:00 PM. Exhibitors should plan to be on the show grounds as early as possible on show and sale days.
- V. Release times for ownership of all projects will be at the conclusion of events on Saturday, April 10th. Other arrangements made between buyer and exhibitor <u>must be approved</u> by the advisory committee prior to the release of the animal.
- W. All students participating in the 2020-2021 Royal FFA Show and Sale must meet the minimum requirements in each of the following categories:

- 1) Regularly scheduled monthly meetings students may not miss more than 2 monthly meetings from September to March
- 2) <u>Chapter Activities</u> students must participate in <u>at least 2 approved chapter activities from the following:</u>
  - A) Chapter Fundraiser: sell a minimum of 10 items
  - B) Participation in an LDE or CDE competitive event contest
  - C) Advisor assigned work days (2 hours of shop/lab project, barn work days, greenhouse, etc.)
  - D) Chili Supper
  - E) Other activity approved by the Advisors
- 3) <u>Service activities</u> <u>students must perform at least 1 activity of FFA service</u> <u>towards an approved school, community, or support group event or activity</u> (can food drive, school supply drive, pals program)

#### **LIVESTOCK SALE**

- A. Only the exhibitor and their animal project will be allowed in the auction ring and photo area. An exception to this rule would be a student selling a cow/calf pair entry.
- B. Students are encouraged to keep decorations to a <u>minimum</u> while in the auction ring. Glitter and paint products are not allowed. All other decorations (blankets, caps, scarves, etc) must be approved by the advisors prior to the livestock show.
- C. Add ons to livestock and horticulture projects are encouraged. Deadline to add on to any projects are due by Monday, April 12th @ 4PM.

#### LIVESTOCK CLINICS

Livestock clinics for steers, heifers, goats, and hogs will be held for each species after the initial tag-in dates. Items such as showmanship, feeding and management, and daily care techniques will be addressed. The advisors will post the dates and schedules of these clinics in the Ag-Science department classrooms. Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to attend their species clinics.

#### **PARENT PARTICIPATION**

The following outlines the requirements for parents/guardians of FFA members participating in the 2020-2021 Royal FFA Show and Sale

1) Mandatory Meeting

- A parent/guardian representative <u>must be present</u> at the spring semester FFA parent meeting. This meeting is scheduled for January 12th, 2021 at 6:00 pm in the Royal High School PAC.

#### 2) Work Rule Requirement

- A parent/guardian representative must perform a minimum of 2 hours of service (per exhibitor) towards a Royal FFA Show and Sale calendar event. These events include (but are not limited to) the Royal FFA Progress Show and the Royal FFA Show and Sale. A fee of \$100 per work hour will be charged if this requirement is not met

Note...Sign up lists/scheduling will be managed and documented by the Royal FFA Advisors

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

STUDENTS MUST HAVE A GRADE OF AT LEAST A 70 FOR EACH CLASS ENROLLED IN FOR THE FOURTH SIX WEEKS, TO BE ELIGIBLE TO EXHIBIT, SHOW AND SELL AT THE 2021 ROYAL FFA LIVESTOCK SHOW. A FAILING GRADE IN ANY CLASS, REGARDLESS OF WEIGHT OR TITLE (I.E. A/P, HONORS, ETC.) CONSTITUTES DISQUALIFICATION OF THE EXHIBITOR AND THE PROJECT(S).

### IF "HARD LUCK" AWARDS/MONIES ARE AVAILABLE, STUDENTS MUST FULFILL ALL ELIGIBILITY, DISCIPLINE, AND SHOW RULE OBLIGATIONS ASSIGNED BY THE ROYAL FFA CHAPTER

NO SUBSTITUTE EXHIBITORS, UNLESS PRE-APPROVED BY THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

STUDENTS HOPING TO SHOW & SELL THEIR LIVESTOCK PROJECT MUST MAINTAIN A CLEAN DISCIPLINARY RECORD THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE SCHOOL YEAR. EXHIBITORS WILL COMPLY WITH SCHOOL DISTRICT CODE OF CONDUCT.

A 3 DAY SUSPENSION FROM SCHOOL - (AUTOMATIC PROBATION, ANY FOLLOWING SUSPENSIONS WILL RESULT IN AUTOMATIC DISQUALIFICATION)

EXPULSION OR DAEP PLACEMENT (DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS)— <u>AUTOMATIC</u> DISQUALIFICATION)

(NOTE...STUDENTS ARE NOT HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR SERVING DAEP TIME FOR LAST YEAR'S INSTANCES OR REFERRALS).

# THE ROYAL FFA ADVISORY COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REVIEW THE DISCIPLINE ACTIONS ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS.

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THE FOLLOWING ENTRY-FORM AND W-9 FORM MUST BE ON FILE WITH THE ROYAL AGSCIENCE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE TAG-IN, OR DELIVERY DATE OF THE STUDENT'S PROJECT PROGRAM. FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL RESULT IN AUTOMATIC DISQUALIFICATION.

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## 2020-2021 Royal FFA Livestock Show Entry-Form

Student Name:		
Parent(s)/Guardian(s)	Name:	
Mailing Address:		
City:	State: Zip:	
Student Phone #	Parent Phone #	
	Project Choice (Circle One	<u>)</u>
Market Steer	Commercial Heifer	Horticulture
Market Swine	Market Goat	Market Broilers
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Student Signati	ure	Date

Date