

# **Weimar FFA Stock Show**

## **General Information and Rules**

*\*\*These rules are subject to change by the show committee and/or agriscience teachers following the completion of each year's stock show but prior to the 15<sup>th</sup> of June each year\*\**

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. Weimar FFA Chapter adheres to the National FFA Constitution and By-Laws that specifically states "a student MUST be enrolled in an Ag Science class in order to be eligible for FFA membership." Students must be an FFA member in order to be eligible to show and sell an animal at the Weimar FFA Stock Show.
2. Projects require time EVERY DAY for feeding, cleaning, and exercising.
3. FFA members are not required to raise a project. This is a privilege, NOT a right, and should be treated as such.
4. There is the potential for the loss of money with any project.
5. All pens must be predator proof.
6. All poultry must be purchased from the chapter but all other projects are to be purchased by students independently.
7. Advisors will assist with advice regarding animal purchase upon request.
8. Only fryer rabbits may be sold at the Weimar FFA show.
9. The Weimar FFA Stock Show will be held on the third Friday of February at the Weimar FFA "Mac Glover" Show Facility.
10. The Weimar Agriscience teachers will be more than willing to visit and assist with a project at any time by request.

### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

1. FFA members may NOT miss more than 2 FFA meetings to be eligible to show (Meetings are held in April, September, October, November, December, and January. The April meeting prior to a 9<sup>th</sup> grader entering high school will not count against them). There will be a mandatory show meeting immediately following the September FFA meeting.
2. In the event a failing grade was made in any class the 6-weeks prior to the show, grades will be checked weekly to determine a current passing grade in the class is in place and eligibility for show purposes will occur.
3. A minimum of 5 buyer invitation letters (3 local, 2 out of town) must be turned in with stamped, addressed envelopes by the first Wednesday after Christmas break (1/8/2020) (\$5/day penalty).
4. Members must complete all requirements on the 'points page' to participate in the Weimar FFA Stock show and sale (this includes: missing no more than 2 FFA meetings, volunteering at a minimum of 1 WeCAN Food Distribution, selling/earning \$250 in fundraising dollars, participation in 2 additional community service activities)
5. Conduct unbecoming of a Weimar FFA member will result in the automatic disqualification of an exhibitor at the discretion of the agriscience teachers and Weimar ISD administration.

## General Show Rules

1. The Weimar FFA advisors and their designees shall have the power to act on any of these rules.
2. Any member not meeting all eligibility criteria by the designated date will not be allowed to participate in the stock show or auction.
3. A member who wins the showmanship/market contest will be eligible to enter the contest again.
4. Judges will be selected on a 2 year rotation.
5. Entry fees will be \$10 per animal/pen entered, due at the time of check in
6. Weight class breaks will be determined at the discretion of the agriscience teachers.
7. The chapter will retain a 4% commission on all show monies received from the stock show.
8. Students who exhibit broilers must pay for them before picking up their animals.
9. Students who show broilers and rabbits must deliver the animals already butchered within 10 days of the show upon request of the buyer\*\*\*
10. Students can tag in or purchase as many animals as desired, BUT they are allowed to show no more than 2 large animal species and NO MEMBER MAY SELL MORE THAN ONE ANIMAL/PEN.
11. \*\*\*Each student must work at least one hour in the stock show concession stand\*\*\*
12. Each student must wear official dress for the sale (brown boots and pants for girls will be permitted)
13. Each student must wear blue jeans, a white collared shirt, an FFA jacket, and a scarf/tie while showing their animal in the ring.
14. \*\*\*All exhibitors MUST attend at least one mandatory barn setup day\*\*\*
15. \*\*\*All exhibitors MUST attend clean up on the morning following the show\*\*\*
16. Members must complete an official FFA Record Book before receiving their show earnings.
17. \*\*\*Members MUST send a "Thank You Note" to ALL of their buyers, buckle, banner, and add-on donors. Thank you notes must be turned in to the ag department in a stamped, addressed envelope within 2 weeks of the show\*\*\*\*
18. \*\*\*A mandatory sale meeting will be held following a brief lunch break. The time of this meeting will be announced during the show, all exhibitors MUST attend\*\*\*
19. Animals that do not meet quality standards as determined by the ag teachers or their designee at the time of check-in will not be allowed to show or sell.
20. Large species animals that do not meet minimum weight requirements will be permitted to sell for resale value only.
21. All animals are to be tagged-in by a pre-determined date which will be announced during the first month of each school year.
22. All animals will be sold by the head, not by the pound.
23. Seniors may have animal cut out signs. Others will have the available exhibitor signs.
24. No animal can be double entered.
25. There must be at least 4 exhibitors to make a sale species.
26. Weigh in for steers and pigs will be on Thursday evening prior to the show from 4-6pm. The gate will be locked at 9pm and reopen on Friday at 6:30am. Weigh in for lambs, goats, rabbits, and broilers will be Friday morning from 7-7:45am. Exhibitors may weigh as many times as needed during this time frame, but once an allowable weight has been reached no re-weighs will be allowed.
27. Changes/Additions to regulations may be made at the discretion of the agriscience teachers as deemed necessary. The agriscience teachers have the final say in regards to all show decisions.
28. Drench guns may not be used in the barn. Stomach pumping, drenching tubes or any other method (by esophagus) is prohibited.
29. Exhibitors must be a Weimar High School student in order to show any species.

## PENALTIES

\*\*\* Rules 9, 11, 14, 15, 18 will each result in a \$25 penalty.

\*\*\*\*Rule 17 will result in the loss of **\$10 PER DAY** that the thank you notes are turned in late to the ag department.

*All penalties and money owed to the chapter (including the cost of buyer and award picture(s)) will be automatically deducted from show checks.*

**Up Date: 12/3/2019**

## STEERS

1. Weight limit is 500-800 pounds on tag in date with a 10-pound scale allowance. Weight at show is 900lbs min-no max
2. Tag-in is the second Wednesday in September at Weimar Veterinary Clinic from 3-5:00 pm.
3. Market steers should abide by Houston Livestock Show Rules in regards to clipping (1/4" hair).

## MARKET SWINE

1. May show either barrow or gilt.
2. Hogs must be tagged on a predetermined date during the first week of November (specific date TBA during the first month of school).
3. Weight limit at the show will be 200lbs minimum to no maximum with a five pound scale tolerance.
4. Market swine may be trimmed to a length of 3/4".

## MARKET LAMBS

1. May show either a wether or ewe.
2. Lambs must be tagged on a predetermined date during the first week of November (specific date TBA during the first month of school).
3. Weight limit at the show will be 90lbs minimum to no maximum with a five pound scale tolerance.
4. Lambs must be slick shorn and of uniform length from knee and hock up. "Blocking" is not allowed.

## MARKET GOATS

1. May show either a wether or doe kid.
2. Goats must be tagged on a predetermined date during the first week of November (specific date TBA during the first month of school).
3. Horns must be tipped on all goats prior to show (not less than the diameter of a dime at the end).
4. Weight limit at show is 60-115lbs with a 5 pound scale tolerance.
5. Goats will be shown in a show chain or collar.
6. Goats must be slick shorn and of uniform length from knee and hock up. "Blocking" is not allowed.

## POULTRY

1. All birds must be bought through the chapter.
2. Broilers are shown in a pen of 3.
3. Broiler pen must collectively weigh at least 12 pounds with a 1/2 pound scale allowance.
4. Left over broiler chicks from Houston can be shown as roasters in the local show.
5. Broilers will be delivered during the first week back to school in January.

## RABBITS

1. Exhibitor may own a doe.
2. Each pen will consist of 3 rabbits, either sex, approximately 70 days old. Rabbits within the pen shall be the same breed and weigh no more than five pounds or less than three pounds with a 1/2 pound weight allowance. Breed 100 – 103 days prior to show.
3. Rabbits must be of a recognized commercial breed – example: New Zealand and California or can have a mixed breed between the two.
4. Exhibitors are responsible for finding and purchasing their own rabbits.
5. If breeding your own rabbits you must adhere to rule #2 Breeding Schedule.
6. Rabbit tattooing will be held during the first week back to school in January.

2019-2020 Important Dates

**SHOW DATE- 2/21/2020**

**Steer Tag In- 9/11/19 (Revised to 9/18/19)**

**“Intent to Show” Forms Due- 9/30/19**

**Pig, Lamb, Goat Tag In- 11/4-5/19**

**Broiler Orders Due- 11/1/19**

**Show Invites Due- 1/8/2020**

**Rabbit Tattooing- 1/14/20**

**Broiler Pickup- TBD**

**Activity Pages Due- 2/7/20**

**SHOW DATE- 2/21/20**

**Thank You Notes Due- 3/6/2020**

# Weimar Stock Show INTENT TO SHOW Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Ag Class(es) \_\_\_\_\_ Period \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Circle which animal(s) you will be showing.

STEER      PIG      LAMB      GOAT      RABBIT      BROILER

Do you need help finding your animal?

YES      NO

Will you be raising your animal at the ag barn? *(deposit will be required and a contract will be sent at a later date)*

YES      NO

I acknowledge that I have read the Weimar FFA Stock Show General Information and Rules and understand that I/my child must abide by all listed criteria, including but not limited to the following:

1. Following all listed animal rules and regulations
2. Meeting all eligibility requirements prior to 1 week before the show, including:
  - i. Attendance at a minimum of 1 WeCAN
  - ii. Missing no more than 2 FFA meetings
  - iii. Selling at least \$250 in fundraiser items
  - iv. Participation in 2 additional community service projects
  - v. Submitting a minimum of 5 buyer invitations by the designated date (12/13/19)
  - vi. Maintaining UIL eligibility
  - vii. Demonstrating behavior befitting of a Weimar FFA member
3. Sending thank you notes within 2 weeks after the completion of the show. (Due in addressed and stamped envelopes to Agscience teacher by 2/28/20)

I further understand that failure to follow all rules may result in the inability to participate in the stock show and auction OR the loss of penalty money from the exhibitors' sale check.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**\*\*\*this form is DUE by 9/30/2019\*\*\***