

Travis County Youth Show Rule Book



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TRAVIS COUNTY YOUTH SHOW DEFINITIONS

As used in these rules, the following definitions shall apply.

1. **“Approved Adult 4-H Leader”** means an adult individual approved by the Travis County Extension Agents to coordinate Travis County 4-H Club projects under the direction of the County Extension Agent.
2. **“Auction Caps”** shall mean the maximum sums, as stated in Rule 22 of the Junior Livestock Show Rules that shall be allocable to Premiums for Exhibitors in the various Departments of the Junior Livestock Show. No Exhibitor shall be entitled to a Premium, including Junior Auction, in excess of the applicable amount stated in Rule 22 of the Junior Livestock Show Rules, regardless of the amount bid for such animal at the Junior Auction.
3. The **“Board”** shall mean the Board of Directors of the Travis County Youth Show.
4. **“County Show”** means any livestock show staged in the state of Texas which has a sale except: San Antonio Livestock Exposition, Houston Livestock Show, Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show, Heart O’ Texas Fair, San Angelo Livestock Show, El Paso Livestock Show, Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show, State Fair of Texas, Star of Texas Fair and Rodeo, and others the Board may deem appropriate.
5. **“Department”** means any of the following divisions of the Livestock Show:
 - Livestock Divisions**
 - Junior Market Steers
 - Junior Market Lambs
 - Junior Market Meat Goats
 - Junior Market Barrows
 - Junior Market Turkeys
 - Junior Market Fryers
 - Junior Market Meat Rabbits
6. **“Exhibitor”** shall mean an individual who meets the requirements of Rule #3 below and who enters an exhibit in the Show.
7. **“Inspection Committee”** shall mean a committee appointed by the Board President whose purpose is to inspect any exhibitors’ project at any time during the feeding and caring period (see #9 of the Jr. Livestock Show Rules) for eligibility requirements (see rule #3 of the General Rules).
8. **“Junior Livestock Auction”** shall mean the auction sale staged as an event of the Junior Market Livestock Show for qualifying Exhibitors and their entries.
9. **“Junior Livestock Show” & “Youth Fair”** shall mean the contests in the Departments identified in these Rules open to Participants who satisfy the requirements to be an Exhibitor under these Rules.
10. **“Market Animal”** means an animal entered in a Department, the entries in which are eligible to be sold in the Junior Market Livestock Auction.

11. **“Participant”** or one who “participates” shall mean an Exhibitor, a member of the Board, a Show Official, a Supervisor or any other individual who enters and or takes part in any of the events and activities of the Show.
12. **“Premium”** shall mean an award of any kind, including scholarships, cash, plaques, ribbons, trophies, and other such articles awarded to or received by Exhibitors as prizes for accomplishments in the Show.
13. **“Privilege”** shall mean the opportunity to participate in the Show and specifically includes the opportunity to exhibit, to compete for Premiums, to offer for sale any exhibit in any auction or other sale staged as part of the Show.
14. **“Protest Committee”** means a committee of Show Officials appointed by the Board to decide protests filed under these rules.
15. **“Scholarship”** means a sum to be paid by the Show’s scholarship fund for an Exhibitor’s post high school education or training. Post high school education may include cost and expenses of attending junior or senior colleges and universities, trade and vocational schools and participating in job training programs approved by the Show.
16. The **“Show”** shall mean the events and activities of the Travis County Youth Show.
17. **“Show Grounds”** shall mean the grounds of the Travis County Exposition Center, where the Travis County Youth Show is held annually.
18. **“Show Official”** means an adult individual who has been duly appointed by the Board to assist with the Show, including, but not limited to Board Members, Committee Chairman, Sub-Committee Chairman, Judges, Classifiers, Official Veterinarian and Department Superintendents.
19. **“Sponsoring School or Club”** means any public or private school or 4-H Club whose students or members become exhibitors in the Show under the supervision and sponsoring of such school or club.
20. **“Supervisor”** shall mean an adult individual who is either (a) a Travis County Extension Agent, “CEA”, who is supervising members of a 4-H Club whose members are Exhibitors in the Show or (b) a High School Agricultural Teacher of a Travis County High School, “AST”, who is supervising members of an FFA Chapter whose members are Exhibitors in the Show.
21. **“Youth Fair Auction”** shall mean the auction sale staged as an event of Youth Fair for qualifying exhibitors and their entries.
22. **“Housing Request Committee”** shall consist of the Department Superintendent from which the request arose, the General Livestock Superintendent, an AST and a CEA. This committee shall review the request and present their recommendation to the TCYS Board for final approval.

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General Rules



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GENERAL RULES

1. **STANDARDS OF CONDUCT.** The officials of the Travis County Youth Show are dedicated to the promotion of high standards of competition, sportsmanship, ethics, and fair play. Each exhibitor is expected to strictly follow these rules and to conduct himself/herself in a manner that will reflect respect upon the exhibitor, his or her school, organization, and parents. Any exhibitor or member of his/her family who violates any of these rules, at the discretion of the Board, may be barred from any further participation in the Show, and will be subject to such penalties as the Board shall deem appropriate. Each exhibitor and Show Official shall read these Rules and agree to abide by the terms and provisions hereof.
2. **INTERPRETATION AND VIOLATION OF RULES.** No Show Official can make changes to the Rules and Regulations printed or implied by this Official Travis County Youth Show Premium Book. The Board reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these Rules and settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of or connected with the Show; and to amend or add to these Rules as it, in its sole judgment, may determine appropriate. Any exhibitor who violates any of these Rules and any exhibitor who aids in or participates in a violation of these Rules, will be subjected to such penalties as the Board may order including, but not limited to, the forfeiture of all privileges, awards and premium and any compensation received by the exhibitor as a result of or for the exhibit, and any charges deemed reasonable for expenses incurred by the Show resulting from such violations.
3. **EXHIBITOR ELIGIBILITY.** Competition in the Livestock Show is open to youth who meet each of the following conditions:
 - a. He or she is at least eight years of age and at least in the 3rd grade, he or she must not be over 18 years of age as of August 31, 2017. If a student is 19 years of age after August 31, 2017, but still enrolled in a Travis County Public, Private or Home School, approval must be requested from the Board of Directors for participation in the show.
 - b. He or she has not entered a Market Animal during the present school year in another County show.
 - c. He or she must be either a legal resident of, or the primary school/coalition they are presently attending be a State accredited public, private school or home school in Travis County at the time of the show or have graduated from one of these schools at the end of the Fall semester of the school year in which the show is held. The Travis County Youth Show Board of Directors reserves the right to ask any exhibitor for proof of enrollment in a Travis County public, private, or home school/coalition at any time during the feeding period.
 - d. He or she must be under the supervision of a supervisor and must be enrolled and in good standing** in an FFA Chapter or 4-H Club in Travis County at the time of the show; provided, however, he or she must not have been previously ruled ineligible to participate in the show by the Board of Directors. He or she must show under the organization in which they enter unless otherwise authorized in writing by the Board of Directors.

**Good Standing means that a youth participant must have met the attendance requirement of attending 50% of the organizations meetings between the months of August through December. Ag Science teachers and CEAs will certify eligibility of all of the chapter/club exhibitors by January 6, 2017.

4. **NO PASS, NO SHOW.** Junior Exhibitors and contestants suspended under Texas Education Code 33.081 “No Pass, No Play” are ineligible to participate in any event associated with Travis County Youth Show. Any Animal or Youth Fair Item owned by an ineligible exhibitor is ineligible for competition. **ELIGIBILITY MUST BE MAINTAINED THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE SHOW STARTING WITH THE FIRST EXHIBITOR/CONTESTANT CHECK –IN THROUGH THE AUCTION.**
5. **SIGNATURES:** All exhibitors must have the required signatures (Exhibitor, AST/CEA and Parent or Guardian) on each entry form received.
6. **EXHIBITION PRIVILEGE.** Each exhibitor and his or her parent or guardian acknowledges (1) that participation in the Show is a privilege which the Board may revoke at any time should such exhibitor violate any of the Show rules and (2) that the Board shall have the final and absolute authority to interpret and enforce these rules and to settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of or connected with or incident to the Show, and to add to these rules as the Board shall deem necessary.
7. **LIABILITY.** Each exhibitor agrees to strictly abide by the rules and all directions and instructions issued by any Show Official. In consideration of the privileges afforded to his/her child or ward by the Show, each exhibitor’s parent or guardian agrees to be solely responsible for any property damage or personal injury sustained by such exhibitor or any third person on account of or in any way arising out of such exhibitor’s participation in the Show. Each such parent or guardian, in allowing his or her child or ward to participate in the Show, agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Show, the Board, all Show Officials, the City of Austin, and Travis County against all claims, suits, demands, damages, and costs, including reasonable attorney’s fees, arising out of or in any way connected with such child’s or ward’s participation in the Show.
8. **FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS.** Non-United States Citizens and Foreign Exchange Students are eligible to compete in the Travis County Youth Show provided they meet all other eligibility requirements.
9. **TIME OF ENTRY.** Applicants for the entry of exhibits in the Livestock show and Youth Fair must be entered online and delivered to the TCYS Office or postmarked, with appropriate fees, by 5 pm November 1, 2017, by the AST/CES offices only. No refunds of money will be made. After November 1, 2017, late entries for livestock projects will be accepted up until the conclusion of that species check-in at the 2017 show, except for rabbits. Late entries for rabbits will be accepted until the conclusion of rabbit validation on December 16, 2017. The late fee will be \$250.00 per project/animal (1 goat, 1 lamb, 1 steer, 1 barrow, 1 pen of rabbits, 1 market fryer, 1 pen of broiler, 1 turkey tom, 1 turkey hen). Late entries will not be accepted for Youth Fair Projects. All entry paperwork must include a physical address. PO boxes **may not** be used as a physical address.
10. **DECISION OF JUDGES FINAL.** Except in cases of a violation of these rules, as established by the sustaining of a protest filed and processed under Rule #12 below, the decision of the classifiers and judges as to the results of all competitive events will be final.
11. **PROTESTS.** Any participant who believes that any other participant has violated any rule of the Show may file a protest in writing, immediately upon the occasion for such protest with the Board President. Any protest not officially filed within 24 hours of the alleged incident will not be considered. The Show will not be stopped or delayed while protests are considered.
 - a. The protest must state all of the following:

- i. The name of the person who is alleged to have violated a rule and the rule violated.
 - ii. The name of a person filing and putting up the protest fee.
 - iii. The species, tag number or lot number, and description of each exhibit involved in the alleged rule violation.
 - iv. A concise statement of the protest and the reasons why the participant lodging the protest believes that a rule has been violated.
 - v. The names of all persons having knowledge of facts bearing on the truth of the protest. A protest must be accompanied by a deposit of \$200.00 (cash or money order) which will be forfeited if the protest is overruled, and returned if it is sustained. Each protest shall be determined by the Protest Committee, which shall be authorized to conduct such investigation and hear such evidence as it, in the sole discretion of its members, deems necessary.
 - b. Each Participant agrees to fully cooperate with the Protest Committee in its investigation and to give such information and testimony, and furnish such written documents to the Committee as shall be reasonably requested by the Committee. Any participant who refuses to cooperate with the Protest Committee in an investigation shall be automatically barred from any further participation in the Show.
 - c. The Protest Committee shall be entitled to adopt such rules or procedure for investigating any protest as a majority of its members deem necessary under the circumstances.
 - d. The protest shall be reviewed by the Protest Committee, which shall report its decision to the Board President. The Board President will report the findings of the Protest Committee to the Board of the Travis County Youth Show. The Board shall be empowered to impose such sanctions against any participant found by them to have violated one or more rules as the Board shall deem appropriate under the circumstances and as authorized by these rules. The Board shall have full power to act and its decision will be final.
 - e. **SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER REQUIREMENT:** All Exhibitors and contestants must have a personal Social Security Number to be eligible to participate in the Travis County Youth Show. Social Security Numbers must be recorded on both paper and electronic entry forms. Exhibitors who choose to not provide their personal Social Security Number at the time of entry will forfeit any and all awarded auction slots.
12. **INTERFERENCE WITH JUDGES AND OFFICIALS.** Any exhibitor or individual who either directly or indirectly, in person or through his parent or guardian, agent or servant, interferes with, coerces, or shows disrespect for (or attempts to do any such acts) shall be guilty of a violation of these rules and shall be subject to these sanctions provided in Rule #2 of the General Rules for such violation.
13. **PETS.** No pets are allowed on Show Grounds.
14. **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN THE BARN**

15. **SPECIAL RULES.** Special rules or conditions are published for each department where necessary and if there is a conflict between the special rule of any department and the General Rules and Regulations, the special rules will govern.
16. **THANK YOU LETTERS.** Every exhibitor who is eligible to sell their project in the Livestock Auction & Youth Fair Auction will be required to write letters of appreciation to the purchaser of the project to the Supervising Agricultural Science Teacher or County Agent. The County Agent and/or Ag Science teachers should consolidate these stamped, sealed and addressed appreciation letters to the TCYS office no later than April, 1, 2018. Any exhibitor, who has not submitted proof of their Thank-You Letter(s) by this date, may forfeit his/her proceeds. The proceeds will be sent back to the buyer.
17. **AUCTIONS.** Each exhibitor is required to comply with the regulations set forth by the TCYS Board in order to advance to the sale. No Youth Fair or Livestock project will be sold if not certified by the TCYS Board. Country Store items are not to be sold with the auction bid sheets on auction day. Any exhibitor found to have violated this rule will not receive proceeds from non-certified items.
18. **BUYER RESPONSIBILITY:** If the buyer does not pay his/her bill, the person filling out the buyer registration form will then become responsible for the entire bill. If a bill is outstanding as of April 1st, the exhibitor will not receive any unpaid portion of the total purchase price from their auction sale lot. If received, a second check will be issued within the calendar year. Buyers will have approximately 30 days from the day of auction to dispute their invoice. After 30 days from Auction, all sales will be final.
19. **PARENTS WHO ARE BUYERS:** Any exhibitor with a parent who is a buyer or main contact of a buyers group who still has an outstanding balance on September 1, 2017 will not be allowed to participate. Their entries will not be accepted and their auction checks can be held as payment for their parents' outstanding dept.
20. **DISBURSEMENT OF AUCTION PROCEEDS & CHECKS.** Every effort will be made to pay the Auction proceeds as soon as possible; however, payment cannot be guaranteed until each buyer remits payment to the Livestock Show. If a bill is outstanding as of April 1st, the exhibitor will not receive any unpaid portion of the total purchase price from their auction sale lot. If received, a second check will be issued within the calendar year. Checks that are lost, stolen or otherwise destroyed will be reissued at a fee of \$50 to the exhibitor. No checks will be reissued after 90 days from when the first printed auction check.
21. **BUYER APPRECIATION GIFTS.** Buyer appreciation gifts/gift baskets area allowed, but must not include any alcohol (beer, wine, distilled spirits).
22. **VOLUNTEERS.** Any volunteer or paid employee of the Travis County Youth Show shall not be permitted in the show ring if they are related by marriage, blood, adoption, foster child, or god child to a youth while that youth is competing in the show ring with their animal project, or related by marriage, blood, adoption, foster child, or god child to the breeder of the animal to be shown. Violations of this rule shall result in the youth forfeiting any and all awards in which they may have been entitled. To include placing for auction, proceeds from the auction sale, and ribbon(s) from the placing of that animal.
23. **EXHIBITOR SUBSTITUTION.** Entries in the Junior Show (Livestock Show, Youth Fair, and Premium Auction) must be shown by their owner. Exhibitor substitutions must follow the guidelines stated below:
 - a. **AN EXHIBITOR SUBSTITUTION FORM MUST BE REQUESTED, COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED AT LEAST 1 HOUR PRIOR TO THE START OF THAT SPECIES SHOW AND/OR AUCTION. THE COMPLETED**

SUBSTITUTION FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT, LIVESTOCK SUPERINTENDENT, OR YOUTH FAIR SUPERINTENDENT. LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS MAY SHOW THEIR LIVESTOCK ENTRIES ALONG WITH 1 SUBSTITUTE ENTRY.

- b. Exhibitor substitutions may be allowed under the following conditions. In all cases, the Department Superintendent must approve the exhibitor substitution and will do so only if all conditions are met:
- i. **UIL or Standardized Testing:** This substitution request must be made in writing by the AST/CEA, parent/guardian or leader upon arrival at the Show. This request must be made on the Official Travis County Livestock Show Exhibitor Substitution Form provided by the Department Superintendent. This request must be accompanied by a letter signed by a School Administrator, on school letterhead stating the specific reason a substitute is requested. The completed Official Travis County Livestock Show Exhibitor Substitution Form and the notarized statement must be returned to the Department Superintendent prior to the start of the respective show.
 - ii. **Sickness:** This substitution request must be made in writing by the AST/CEA, parent/guardian, or leader upon arrival at the Show. This request must be made on the Official Travis County Livestock Show Exhibitor Substitution Form provided by the Department Superintendent. This request must be accompanied by a statement, signed by a Physician, on his/her letterhead. The completed Official Travis County Livestock Show Exhibitor Substitution Form and the Physicians statement must be returned to the Department Superintendent prior to the start of the respective Show.
 - iii. **More Than One Entry In A Class or the Exhibitor Has Entries In More Than One Department Showing At The Same Time:** This substitution request must be made in writing by the AST/CEA, parent/guardian, or leader upon arrival at the Show or as soon as the problem arises, but in any case no later than the start of the respective Show. This request must be made on the Official Travis County Livestock Show Exhibitor Substitution Form provided by the Department Superintendent. The completed Official Travis County Youth Show Exhibitor Substitution Form must be returned to the Department Superintendent prior to the start of the respective Show.
 - iv. **Religious Observation:** This substitution request must be made in writing by the AST/CEA, parent/guardian, or leader upon arrival at the Show. This request must be made on the Official Travis County Livestock Show Exhibitor Substitution Form provided by the Department Superintendent. This request must be accompanied by a statement, signed by a religious organization leader, on his/her letterhead. The completed Official Travis County Livestock Show Exhibitor Substitution Form and the Religious Leader's statement must be returned to the Department Superintendent prior to the start of the respective Show.
- c. In any of the four (4) situations listed above, or in the case of an emergency, the Department Superintendent may use his own discretion as to whether a substitute showman will be allowed. If a positive decision is rendered, the substitute must be from the same school, FFA Chapter, or 4-H Club as the original exhibitor with the following two (2) exceptions:
- i. The original exhibitor is the only exhibitor from that school, FFA Chapter, or 4-H Club entered in that Department.

- ii. All other members from that school, FFA Chapter, or 4-H Club are exhibiting at the same time.
- d. In either case, any Junior Exhibitor (meeting all requirements of the Travis County Livestock Show exhibitor in the Department entered) meeting the approval of the Department Superintendent may exhibit the animal.

24. **SALE DECLARATIONS OF MARKET ANIMALS.** The Travis County Livestock Show is not a terminal Show. The Auction is a Ribbon Sale. The Exhibitor retains ownership of his or her animal after the Show. Each Exhibitor whose animal is otherwise qualified is entitled to sell two (2) animals from different divisions to include Steers, Barrow, Goats, Lambs, Rabbits, Turkeys or Fryers. If an exhibitor places two (2) projects in the same division/species, the higher placing project will be selected for auction. If the exhibitor places one or more projects that qualify for auction, up to 2 projects will automatically be placed in the auction list. If the exhibitor places three (3) or more projects that qualify for auction, unless declared otherwise in writing by the declaration deadline, the auction selection sequence will be:

Steers
Goats
Barrows
Lambs
Turkeys
Fryers
Rabbits

25. **LIVESTOCK AUCTION GENERAL RULES.** Livestock Auction participants must comply with the rules below:

- a. The Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion from each species are required to sell.
- b. Each animal sold must be handled by the exhibitor, who entered the animal, except in the case of serious illness or death in the exhibitor's immediate family.
- c. The Exhibitor Substitution rule applies to the auction. In such cases the Board President may authorize substitution by an eligible Travis County exhibitor of the same sex and age as owner/exhibitor.
- d. In the event an exhibitor has more than two projects eligible to sell, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to notify the Show Office as to which two projects will be sold. This notification must be made between 8:00 AM and 12:00 PM on, Sunday, January 14, 2017 at the Show Office. In the event notification is not made, the TCYS reserves the right to designate which projects sell. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to check and verify the Preliminary Sale List and the Final Sale Order.
- e. In the event an exhibitor pulls out of the Auction, the next highest placing animal moves into the Auction.
- f. A commission fee of 7% of the Auction total will be charged to the seller on the animals sold. 1% of the overall auction total will be distributed to the TCYS Scholarship Fund.
- g. All exhibits sold at the Auction will be sold to the highest bidder. Only animals which qualify for the sale will be sold at the Auction.

- h. Approximately 200 total lots will be selected for livestock auction. The livestock auction lots will be distributed evenly across all species/breeds as a percentage of the number of projects that arrived and qualified for competition. The auction placing depth will be set by species/breed not by individual class. A random draw may be used to select a limited number of auction lots from equally placing projects as required to achieve the target number/percent of auction lots for the species/breed. (Example: 500 Total projects arrive at the show. 180 Projects are goats. 180 Goats/500 Total Projects = 36%. Goats will receive 36% of the sale lots divided across all classes.)
- i. Each exhibitor who is offered the privilege of selling in the Auction represents that he or she has complied with all of the rules of the Show concerning all exhibits that he or she has entered in the Show, and that he or she has not knowingly aided or assisted any other exhibitor in feeding, fitting, or exhibiting any exhibit in violation of these rules.
- j. In the event that any exhibitor is found to have violated any of these rules, as a result of a protest being upheld by the Protest Committee after such exhibitor has sold one or more exhibits in the Show Auction, then such exhibitor agrees that he or she shall forfeit all proceeds from the sale of his/her projects. This rule shall apply to all exhibits sold by such exhibitor in the Auction and is not limited solely to the exhibit directly involved in the rule violation. The price bid for any such exhibitor's animals shall be refunded to the bidder.

26. **LIVESTOCK AUCTION CAPS.** The Grand Champion of each species must sell for more than the Reserve Grand Champion of its species. The Reserve Grand Champion of each species must sell for more than all lower placing animals of its species. **1% of all net auction proceeds will be distributed to the TCYS Scholarship Fund.**

27. **LIVESTOCK SALE ORDER.** Animals qualifying for sale in the Travis County Livestock Show Auction will be sold by species in the following rotation (which changes each year, the last species sold the preceding year will be move to first the following year.) **The 2018 TCYS Livestock Auction Sale order is Turkeys, Goats, Rabbits, Barrows, Steers, Lambs, and then Broilers.**

Livestock sale order information:

- a. All animals from each species qualifying for the sale will be sold starting with the Grand Champion and moving through lower placing animals. All qualifying animals from a species will be sold before moving to the next species.
- b. The sale order will not be modified/changed for individual exhibitor schedule conflicts.

28. **YOUTH FAIR SALE DECLARATIONS.** By entering this contest, you are agreeing to sell your item in the Youth Auction if it is awarded class champion. Exhibitors who do not bring their class champion item(s) to the youth auction will receive a one-year suspension of eligibility.

29. **SALE OF YOUTH FAIR AUCTION ITEMS.** Exhibitors may sell only TWO projects in the Youth Fair Auction. Class Champions will be eligible to be sold in the Youth Fair Auction, Friday, January 19, 2018, with proceeds going to the exhibitor. Youth Fair Auction Guideline:

- a. A commission fee of 10% of the Auction total will be charged on the items sold. 1% of the overall auction total proceeds will be distributed to the TCYS Scholarship Fund.

- b. If an exhibitor has two or more class champions, they must declare which of the two projects they want to sell at the youth auction by Friday, January 12, 2018 at 9PM to tcys@live.com. At this time, the Reserve Class Champion of the class they opted out of will receive that auction slot. In the event notification is not made, the TCYS reserves the right to designate which projects sell. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to check and verify the Preliminary Sale List and the Final Sale Order.
- c. Any item displayed on the stage during the auction becomes the buyer's property.
- d. Preliminary Sale List and/or Final Sale Order are subject to change due to technical error.
- e. The exhibitor or designated representative must be present at the Auction to sell his/her Class Champion item at their designated Sale Order Position. If the exhibitor or approved substitute is not present at the auction, the item becomes the property of TCYS. Proceeds will be donated to the Scholarship Fund.
- f. No minimum bids are placed on projects.
- g. Little Wrangler exhibitors shall receive a ribbon and may not move on to the Auction.
- h. Junior and Senior exhibitors shall receive a ribbon for each project. Class Champions in these two age brackets are eligible for Auction. Each exhibitor may only auction two Class Champion projects.

30. **QUALITY COUNTS.** All Travis County Youth Show exhibitors (Youth Fair and Livestock) must complete Quality Counts testing prior to December 1, 2017. AST and CEAs will certify completion of Quality Counts testing for each exhibitor along with attendance and grade eligibility prior to the start of the show. Please contact the Travis County Extension office or your Agricultural Science Teacher for testing information.
31. **EXCESSIVE COACHING.** A contestant may be disqualified from a class at the species superintendent's discretion for receiving excessive verbal coaching, hand gestures, whistles, and/or instructions from outside of the judging area. One verbal warning will be issued to the coach by the species superintendent. On the second offense the coach will be dismissed from the show ring area by the TCYS security staff.

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JUNIOR LIVESTOCK RULES

1. **ENTRY.** Travis County Youth Show makes available to CEAs and ASTs in charge of 4-H Clubs or FFA programs the opportunity to enter members in their programs in the Junior Livestock Show, subject to these Special Rules.
 - a. These rules are only minimum requirements for participation in the Show and are not intended to limit the right of any CEA or AST, or the Texas Agrilife Extension, or the Texas Education Agency, to impose additional requirements as they deem necessary. The opportunity to enter 4-H Club and FFA members' projects in the Junior Livestock Show is made available only to CEA's and AST's supervising livestock projects. In no event are these rules to be construed as making any offer or opportunity available to any 4-H Club or FFA member.
 - b. Processing and or deposit of funds does not constitute acceptance of entries from an individual and or club or chapter. Eligibility of individual members of a club or chapter are subject to verification and approval.
 - c. Entries in the Junior Livestock Show must be made by the CEA or AST under whose supervision the animals were fed and will be returned if sent in by others. The CEA or AST must certify on the entry form that the animal and the owner(s) are eligible under the rules of this Show. It is the responsibility of the CEA/AST to read all rules and check each entry form carefully before signing it.
 - d. If entries are not correctly submitted they will be returned. The Board reserves the right to reject any application, which is not submitted in accordance with these rules and the instructions, contained on the application.
2. **ENTRY FEES.** The following fees will be charged for all entries and will be payable to the Show for each entry at validation. No refunds of money will be made.

Livestock Department

Market Steers	\$20.00/Head
Market Lambs	\$20.00/Head
Market Barrows	\$20.00/Head
Market Meat Goats	\$20.00/Head
Market Fryers	\$20.00/Pen
Market Meat Rabbits	\$20.00/Pen
Market Turkeys	\$20.00/Head

3. **ELIGIBILITY OF ANIMALS.** Each animal entered in the Show must satisfy the following requirements:
 - a. Except as provided in Rule #3B below, each animal must be owned solely by the exhibitor whose name it is entered before and at all times from the date of the applicable feeding period listed in the rules. Each exhibitor must have valid written evidence of his or her ownership as of the beginning of the feeding period, which shall include a bill of sale, registration certificate, or other comparable title document. Each animal must be marked by tattoo, ear tag, ear notch, or as otherwise required in the instructions concerning entry of exhibits which accompany application forms approved by the Board and the State 4-H and/or FFA organizations.

- b. Subject to the validation requirements of Rule #11 below, an animal may be jointly owned and fitted by exhibitors who are immediate family members.
- c. At any time during the feeding period, each exhibitor agrees to provide for Inspection Committee his or her exhibits and documentation evidencing his or her ownership. Presentation of such documents may also be required by the Show Officials who receive the animal at the time of its arrival at the Show.
- d. Exhibitors must submit and deliver by the dates below a written request on a Housing Request Form established by the Show and have written approval from the Travis County Youth Show Board to house their animal at any location other than their own property or school farm within **TRAVIS COUNTY**. Upon such written approval, exhibitors may house and feed their animals together; provided, however, that except as allowed by Rule #3A above, each individual animal must be clearly marked or identified as the exclusive property of the exhibitor in whose name they are entered and each exhibitor must satisfy the requirements of Rules #8 & #9 below concerning feeding, caring for and exhibiting the animal.
- e. Written requests to house animals at any location other than exhibitors' own residence or school farm should be submitted to:

Travis County Youth Show
PO Box 1110
Manor, Texas 78653
- f. Housing request forms are due as follows (Any housing request submitted after the above deadline must be approved by the TCYS Board of Directors):

Market Steers – June 1st
Market Sheep and Goats – October 1st
Market Barrows – November 1st
Meat Rabbits – December 1st
Market Turkeys – October 1st
Market Fryers – December 1st
- g. Each animal must be fed and fitted in Travis County. Any animal that is found to have been fed and/or fitted outside of Travis County will be disqualified.
- h. No market animal that has been exhibited in another county show is eligible.
- i. Each animal must be validated by the Travis County Validation Committee on or before the beginning of the feeding period. Validation shall be accomplished, according to Texas Market Animal Validation Programs approved by the Board and the State 4-H and/or FFA organization.
- j. Any exhibitor whose animal's validation is inadvertently or accidentally damaged or lost must report such events to his or her supervisor within 48 hours of the discovery of the event. The Validation Chairman shall recommend to the Board President whether to revalidate the animal if necessary, or to disqualify from the Show.

- k. Each animal will be checked upon arrival at the Show for evidence of validation. Any animal which, in the opinion of the Board President, and the County Validation Chairman, shows evidence that its validation has been altered or tampered with shall be disqualified.
 - l. No animal validated or carried as a project in a 4-H or FFA program other than a participating school or club is eligible.
4. **INELIGIBLE ANIMALS.** Any animal owned by an ineligible exhibitor for competition. Any animal found to be ineligible for judging must be removed from the Show Grounds within two (2) hours of such notification.
5. **DISPOSITION OF ANIMALS.** All animals will be released back to the exhibitors & must be removed from the Show Grounds during designated release times. Any animal not removed from the Show Grounds by the designated release time will become property of Travis County Youth Show. Animals may be released at the time specified on the current schedule. Any exhibitor who violates this rule will not be ineligible to sell at auction.
6. **ETHICS.** The showing of unethically fitted livestock, or of any animal not of an age eligible for exhibition in the class entered is prohibited. Unethically fitting will be deemed to consist of changing the normal conformation of any part of the animal's body or using controlled substances, drugs – including but not limited to over the counter and/or extra-label, or mechanical devices to alter the physical makeup and/or performance of the animal. This includes but is not limited to the following:
- a. Treating or massaging any part of the animal's body, internally or externally with an irritant, counterirritant, or other substance to temporarily improve confirmation.
 - b. Minimizing the effects of cramping by feeding or injecting drugs and depressants or using any artificial contrivance or therapeutic treatment except normal exercise.
 - c. Blocking the nerves to prevent limping or switching of the tail.
 - d. Striking the animal to cause swelling.
 - e. Surgery or other practices performed to change the natural contour or appearance of the animal's body, hide, or hair except the removal of warts, horns, and the permitted clipping and dressing of hair and trimming of hooves.
 - f. Insertion of foreign material under the skin.
 - g. Changing the color of hair at any point, spot or area of the animal's body. Any grooming material that allows color to come off from any animal will not be allowed at the Show.
 - h. The use of alcoholic or carbonated beverages in the feed or administered as a drench.
 - i. The use of diuretics.
 - j. The act of artificially filling animals internally, which would include stomach pumping, drench tubes or any other method per se (by esophagus), is prohibited.
 - k. Administration of a drug internally or externally. Animals under the care of a licensed veterinarian and/or taking any type of medication are ineligible.

- I. All medication administered during the Travis County Livestock Show must be administered by the Official Travis County Livestock Show Veterinarian and a written medication record must be filed. Animals receiving any performance enhancing drugs (i.e. including, but not limited to, steroids, diuretics, anti-inflammatory, tranquilizers and painkillers) in this manner are ineligible from competition.
- m. The Official Show Veterinary, in agreement with the Board President, reserves the right to treat any animal if, in the opinion of the Official Show Veterinary it is in the best interest of the animal's health and well-being to be treated. If the Official Show Veterinary administers treatment to an animal and therefore uses any medication that does not meet the appropriate withdrawal time, the animal will be determined ineligible for competition.
- n. No syringes, needles, implants, stomach pumps, are allowed on the Show premises.
- o. Unethical administration of controlled substances to any animal during the feeding and fitting period is prohibited.
- p. The term "DRUG" shall mean any substance for which the sale, possession or use is controlled by license under federal, state, or local laws or regulation and any substance commonly used by the medical or veterinary professions which affects the circulatory, respiratory or central nervous system of any species of livestock. If drugs are used by an Official Travis County Livestock Show Veterinarian to treat a recognized disease in market animals, the withdrawal times listed by the drug manufacturer must be strictly followed.
- q. The exhibitor specifically represents that no animal entered by him/her is unethically fitted, and all information is correctly stated. All entries will be required to have signatures on each entry form stating that the animal was not unethically fitted. These forms must be signed by the following:
 - i. Junior Exhibitor
 - ii. Parent or Guardian
 - iii. County Extension Agent and/or Agricultural Science Teachers
- r. Any animal which in the opinion of the Judge, Show Official, Board President, or Official Show Veterinarian, shows signs of having been operated upon or tampered with for the purpose of concealing faults in conformation or with the intent to conceal the animals lack of soundness will be disqualified. The exhibitor agrees to submit any animal entered by him/her to inspection by any veterinarian appointed by the Board President and agrees to have such animal submitted to such tests as may be requested. Travis County Livestock Show reserves the right to have DNA, blood, and/or urine laboratory analysis made on any animal entered for competition. The conclusions reached by the veterinarian and analysis shall be final and conclusive without any recourse against Travis County Youth Show or any officer, director, employee thereof or veterinarian as appointed by the Board. The exhibitor waives the right of action which he/she might have for any action taken under this rule, and releases Travis County Youth Show and the Veterinarian from any and all claims or demands whatsoever in connection with the inspection or testing of any such animal or any ruling or action taken by reason of the conclusion of the veterinarian.
- s. In the event any animal is declared by the veterinarian or testing agency to be unethically fitted, the Board is authorized to permanently bar the exhibitor and his/her family from any further

participation in the Travis County Youth Show. If any prizes have been awarded to animals shown in violation of these rules, the management will immediately request the return of all prizes.

- t. Any exhibitor who has violated any portion of this Rule with his/her animal or another exhibitor's animal will have all of his/her projects in the Travis County Youth Show disqualified and the Board is authorized to permanently bar the exhibitor and his/her family from any further participation in the Show, and said exhibitor shall be subject to any other penalties assessed by the Board.

- 7. **MEDICATION.** Administration of any medication to market animals that is not approved by the FDA is a violation of Federal Law. Read all label directions and observe all required withdrawal periods. For purposes of figuring withdrawal times the Travis County Youth Show Date should be used as the harvest dates.
- 8. **COMPLIANCE.** Each exhibitor shall be solely responsible to determine that his or her animal complies with all Federal and State laws, rules, and regulations concerning the administration of drugs, chemicals, and feed additives to food producing animals including, but not necessarily limited to, the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act of 1906 and all amendments thereto. Each exhibitor is deemed to represent & warrant to the Travis County Youth Show that his/her animal complies with all such laws, rules, and regulations at the time such animal is exhibited. Each exhibitor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Travis County Youth Show and all Show Officials from all fines, losses, claims, penalties, suits, and expenses, including attorney's fees, arising out of or in any way related to a violation by such exhibitor of the representation and warranty stated above.
- 9. **OWNERSHIP/FEEDING PERIODS.** Each exhibitor must singularly own his or her exhibit at the beginning of the feeding period. Such exhibitor must feed, care for, and exhibit without aid or assistance from anyone other than a Supervisor, his or her immediate family member, or approved Adult Travis County 4-H Leader; provided however, that after the exhibit arrives at the Show Grounds, no one other than the exhibitor or his or her immediate family member, Ag Teacher, County Agent, or other junior exhibitor from Travis County may aid or assist in the feeding, caring for, and exhibiting of the exhibit unless expressly authorized by these rules. This rule shall not prohibit the assistance of a licensed veterinarian to provide advice and treatment for the health of the exhibit prior to arrival at the Show Grounds. The dates listed below are validation dates. Feeding and fitting periods must begin no later than the following:
 - Market Steers – 06/30/2017
 - Market Lambs – 10/17/2017
 - Meat Goats – 10/17/2017
 - Market Barrows – 11/19/2017
 - Meat Rabbits – 12/16/2017
 - Market Turkeys – SALE Hatch Date
 - Market Fryers – TCYS Hatch Date

- 10. **ERRONEOUS ENTRY.** Exhibits that have been erroneously entered may be transferred to the proper class prior to judging upon application to the Livestock Show Board who will determine the matter upon its merits. If such classes have been judged; however, they will not be reported.

- 11. **VALIDATION.** Each animal must be validated by the Travis County Validation Committee on or before the beginning of the feeding period. Validation shall be accomplished according to Texas Market Animal Validation Programs approved by the Board and the State 4-H and/or FFA organization. All validation paperwork must include a physical address. PO boxes **may not** be used as a physical address. Exhibitors who are immediate family members may validate and fit the same animal. No jointly validated animal may be entered or shown by more than one exhibitor. Contact your supervisor for location and date of validation for each species (Note: Validation must take place on or before the deadline for the beginning of the feeding

and fitting period). Validation tags may be replaced upon animal death after the Travis County Validation, but before the state deadline if tags are available by contacting the Travis County Youth Show office. Animal death must be verified by a minimum of 2 of the following individuals: Supervising Ag Science Teacher/CEA, Livestock Superintendent, and/or Species Superintendent.

12. **ARRIVAL OF ANIMALS.** All animals for exhibition in all divisions must be on the show grounds and checked in by the respective Superintendent of the Department not later than the deadline listed in the official Schedule of Events. Animals that arrive after the designated deadline will not be accepted for competition in the Show. Any exception to this rule will be at the discretion of the Board President after consulting with the supervising Agricultural Science Teacher or County Agent where reasonably possible.
13. **DISMISSAL OF ANIMALS.** Animals may be released at the time specified on the most current schedule. Any exhibitor that violates this rule will not be eligible to sell at the auction.
14. **WEIGHING.** Steers, lambs, barrows, goats and rabbits will be weighed under the supervision of the Superintendent. This will be the official weight. Re-weighs are NOT permitted. The show officials reserve the right to weigh-back at any time. All steers, lambs, barrows, goats, and rabbits will be weighed at the time scheduled for that species upon arrival at the Show. Each animal must conform to the weight requirement stated in the Department Special Rules. All animals' validation will be verified at the time they are weighed. Each exhibitor must immediately report to his Supervisor any accidental loss or damage to the validation of his or her animal. Failure to do so may result in the disqualification of the animal. The Official Show scales can only be used by the Department Superintendents or their designee. No one may use the scales to check the accuracy of their own scales.
15. **OBJECTIONABLE EXHIBIT.** The Board reserves the right to remove from the Show Grounds any exhibit, animal or equipment that may be falsely entered, or may be deemed unsuitable or objectionable. No animal having a disease or showing symptoms of a disease of any nature will be allowed to participate in the show. Officials have the rights to remove showing privileges at any time. At weigh in if an animal show any signs of a disease they will not be allowed to weigh. They will be placed in a quarantined area. The department Superintendent, Asst. Superintendent, General Livestock Supt., and show veterinarian will evaluate the animal and determine whether or not showing privileges will be granted. This will include, but not limited to Ringworms, stress and other communicable diseases.
16. **BEDDING.** Shavings will be available for purchase at the show. No outside shavings can be brought for use. All proceeds from shavings sales go to the scholarship fund. Exhibitors must remove all shavings at the end of the show.
17. **CARE OF PENS AND STALLS.** Each Exhibitor is required to clean his or her animal's stall, pen, & aisle before 8:00 am of each day of the Show and to keep them in a neat and attractive condition throughout the Show.
18. **CARE OF ANIMALS.** Each Exhibitor is solely responsible for the care, security, and preservation of his or her exhibit. Neither the Travis County Youth Show Board nor any Show Official shall be responsible for any loss, shrinkage or damage to the exhibitor's livestock, exhibitor's property or the owners or exhibitors thereof. Each exhibitor whose animal has been entered in the Show is required to feed and care for the animal, stall, or pen until the time of release and to be present to assist in loading the animal at the time of release. All electrical appliances used by the exhibitor will be subject to approval by an electrical inspector or Show Officials who may make periodic inspections throughout the Show. Hand held battery operated clippers for

touch up purposes may be used. If an exhibitor fails to care for his or her animal in accordance with this Rule, the exhibitor shall be subject to such penalties and charges assessed by the Board, in its sole discretion, which penalties and charges shall be deducted from any payments, premium, or compensation payable to the exhibitor.

19. **ANIMALS DISQUALIFIED.** Should an animal awarded a prize be disqualified, the animals gaining the lower prizes shall not graduate up onto the higher position.
20. **AWARDS.** In each class, animals will be ranked (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.) according to their placing.
21. **STALL ASSIGNMENT.** All Market Animals must remain in assigned areas at the Show Grounds unless authorized by the Department Superintendent. All livestock exhibitors must comply with the following stalling rules:
 - a. Market animals are NOT allowed in the Horse Stalls unless directed there by Show Officials.
 - b. Market animals must NOT leave the Show Barn at any time.
 - c. Exercising must be done in the Show Barn.
 - d. Due to limited pen space at the Show, the Show management reserves the right to place more than one animal in each pen. Each department will be arranged so that each specific FFA chapter and the Travis County 4-H Clubs will be penned or stalled together wherever possible (except poultry and rabbits).
 - e. Tack stalls will be assigned only if space permits.
 - f. Any exhibitor who violates this Rule or who participated, directly or indirectly, in a violation of this Rule, will have all of his/her entries disqualified including projects qualifying for the Premium Sale. The exhibitor can also be placed on probation for the following years Show.
22. **EQUIPMENT.** Blocking of aisles with any kind of equipment (show boxes, feed pans, etc.) is prohibited.
23. **SIFTED ANIMALS.** Exhibitors may not under any circumstances replace a sifted animal (weight, disease, etc) with another animal project from their home, trailer, etc.
24. **LOST OR BROKEN TAGS.** Livestock projects that have lost or broken their tags are allowed on the show grounds during load-in as long as prior arrangements have been made with the validation chairman to retag the animal at the show. Animals needing to be retagged will be placed in a holding pen prior to weighing in.
25. **BARN HOURS.** Barn hours will be from 6:00 AM until midnight.

BEDDING/SHAVINGS

Shavings will be available for purchase at the show.

No outside shavings can be brought for use.

All proceeds from shavings sales go to the scholarship fund.

The exhibitor must remove all shavings at the end of the show.

LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT SPECIAL RULES: MARKET STEERS
ENTRY DEADLINE: November 1, 2017

1. Each exhibitor may enter no more than two (2) Market Steers.
2. After the steers are weighed-in, they will be divided as equally as possible by number into four (4) classes.
3. Minimum weight for steers is 850 pounds with a tolerance of 10 lbs.
4. Market Steers will be validated according to the Texas Steer Validation Program, approved by the Board and the State 4-H and/or FFA organizations.
5. No change of the major color pattern or dyeing will be allowed, with the exception of dressing on hooves and scurs. Any grooming material that allows color to come off any steer will not be allowed at the Show.
6. When steers are weighed-in, no other equipment except a rope halter and/or nose ring can be attached to the animal.
7. All steers will be clipped to have no more than one-quarter inch of hair on any part of the animal's body. The only exception will be the switch of the tail. The switch may be ratted and balled or may be bobbed off. Steers will be checked at the time of weigh-in for conformity of one-quarter inch or less of hair.
8. Steers not meeting the approval of the Hair Classifier at the time of weigh-in will be given an opportunity to be re-checked at a designated time to be determined by the Hair Classifier. All steers found to still be in violation of this rule will be disqualified from the Show.
9. No steer will be allowed to weigh-in or compete which has any oils, glues or other foreign material present.
10. All market steers will be tattooed & tagged with a Texas state ear tag (see Rule #11), at the time of Travis County Livestock Show Validation date. Any exhibitor whose animal's validation tag is inadvertently or accidentally damaged or lost must report such an event to his/her County Agent or Ag Science Teacher within 48 hours of the discovery of the event. All market steers must have the state validation tag and tattoo in the ear at the time of arrival on the grounds for the annual Travis County Livestock Show event. The Board President may use nose prints to settle validation questions at the Show.
11. The Board President or Travis County Youth Show Market Steer Superintendent may disqualify an unruly steer from the Show Ring and may prohibit an unruly steer from entering the Sale Ring on Auction Day.
12. Administration of any medication to market animals that is not approved by the FDA is a violation of Federal Law. Read all label and directions and observe all required withdrawal periods.

AWARDS:

Grand Champion
Reserve Grand Champion

Buckle and Banner
Buckle and Banner

CLASS:

1. Light-Weight Steers
2. Middle-Weight Steers
3. Light Heavy-Weight Steers
4. Heavy-Weight Steers
5. Grand Champion Market Steer
6. Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer

LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT SPECIAL RULES: JR. BREEDING HEIFERS
ENTRY DEADLINE: November 1, 2017

1. All entries are subject to the General Rules and these additional rules. There will be no limit on the number of heifers an exhibitor may enter. Heifer entries will not be eligible for the premium sale.
2. Exhibitors must be a legal resident of Travis, Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Hays or Williamson counties and active, eligible youth members of either a 4-H Club or FFA Chapter.
3. Copies of registration papers must be included with paper entry form. Original registration papers will be checked at the show.
4. TCCA recognized breeds are eligible to show and will be combined into one division. For heifer entries, original registration papers must indicate the animal meets breed requirements. No entries registered under ranch names or in partnerships will be accepted.
5. Original registration papers must be in the exhibitor's name by November 1, 2017.
6. Heifers must be state validated and TCYS will accept heifers that are fall validated as well.
7. All heifers must be in place by the deadline set forth in the "Schedule of Events" posted at www.traviscountyyouthshow.org/livestockshow. Registration papers will be checked and the heifer show will start at in accordance with the Schedule of Events.
7. All heifer entries will be combined into one division. No heifer born before 9/1/2015 will be allowed to show. Age classes will be broken by heifer birth date.
8. Breed classes will be provided at the discretion of the Heifer Show Superintendent for all breeds with more than 5 entries shown. Breeds with less than 5 entries will show in one division.
9. All exhibits are subject to Texas Animal Health Commission rules.
10. No additional or artificial hair, twine or other foreign material may be used in grooming of breeding heifers. Show will be a blow-and-go event.
11. Heifer Showmanship contest will be broken up into Junior and Senior divisions. The Junior division will be from 3rd through 8th grade and the Senior division 9th to 12th grades.

AWARDS:

Grand Champion Heifer	Buckle and Banner and \$500 Premium
Reserve Grand Champion	Buckle and Banner and \$250 Premium
Showmanship Champion	Buckle
Showmanship Reserve Champion	Buckle

CLASS:

1. Heifer Calves up to 12 months old
2. Junior Heifers 13 months to 18 Months
3. Senior Heifers 19 months to 28 Months
4. Grand Champion Junior Breeding Heifer
5. Reserve Grand Champion Junior Breeding Heifer

LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT SPECIAL RULES: MARKET LAMBS
ENTRY DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 1, 2017

1. Each exhibitor may enter only two (2) market lambs.
2. Wether and ewe lambs will be eligible to be shown.
3. Minimum weight for Lambs is 90 lbs. except Southdowns and Dorpers. Minimum weight for Southdowns and Dorpers is 80 lbs. A tolerance of 3 pounds will be given at weigh-in.
4. Lambs will be classified and weighted directly off the trailer under the direction of the Department Superintendent. Underweight lambs will be sifted. Lambs will be divided as equally as possible into weight classes for the respective breed classifications (Southdown, Fine Wool, Fine Wool Cross, Dorper, and Medium Wool) by the Department Superintendent and an assistant with a minimum of 6 animals within a breed classification to make more than one class. The size of classes and number of classes will be determined by the number of entries within each classification.
5. Lambs will be classified by the official classifier using the breed classification standards found in the current HLSR Premium book. A link will be placed here once online – <http://www.hlsr.com>
6. There will be no shearing/clipping with cord type electrical clippers allowed in the barn after check in. Touch up clipping with hand held battery operated clippers, scissors, and hand shears will be allowed.
7. The Department Superintendent will determine that all lambs are uniformly slick shorn from the knee joint and hock joint before the time of weigh-in. Lambs not meeting the approval of the Department Superintendent will be allowed to remove the lamb from the barn for reshearing and to be presented to the Lamb Superintendent before the check in deadline. All lambs found to still be in violation of this rule will be disqualified from the show.
8. Market Lambs will be validated according to the Texas Lamb Validation Program, approved by the Board and the State 4-H and/or FFA organizations.
9. No painting, powdering, artificial coloring, or adhesives will be allowed.
10. All market lambs will be tattooed & tagged with a State ear tag at the time of the Travis County Livestock Show validation date (See rule # 11). Any exhibitor whose animal's validation tag is inadvertently or accidentally damaged or lost must report such an event to his/her County Agent or Ag Science Teacher within 48 hours of the discovery of the event. All market lambs must have a State validation tag in the ear at the time of arrival on the grounds for the annual Travis County Youth Show event. The Board President may use nose prints to settle validation questions at the Show. All TLBA (Texas Lamb Breeder's Association) ear tags must be in place before arriving at validation. The Travis County Youth Show validation committee WILL NOT place TLBA ear tags in lambs' ears.
10. Administration of any medication to market animals that is not approved by the FDA is a violation of Federal Law. Read all label directions and observe all required withdrawal periods.

AWARDS:

Grand Champion
Reserve Grand Champion
Breed Champions
Reserve Breed Champions

Buckle and Banner
Buckle and Banner
Rosette
Rosette

CLASS:

1. Light-Weight Finewool
2. Middle-Weight Finewool
3. Heavy-Weight Finewool
4. Champion Finewool Lamb
5. Reserve Champion Finewool Lamb

6. Light-Weight Finewool Cross
7. Middle-Weight Finewool Cross
8. Heavy-Weight Finewool Cross
9. Champion Fine Wool Cross Lamb
10. Reserve Champion Fine Wool Cross Lamb

11. Light-Weight Southdown
12. Middle-Weight Southdown
13. Heavy-Weight Southdown
14. Champion Southdown Lamb
15. Reserve Champion Southdown Lamb

16. Light-Weight Dorper
17. Middle-Weight Dorper
18. Heavy-Weight Dorper
19. Champion Dorper Lamb
20. Reserve Champion Dorper Lamb

21. Light-Weight Medium Wool
22. Middle-Weight Medium Wool
23. Light Heavy Weight Medium Wool
24. Heavy-Weight Medium Wool
25. Champion Medium Wool Lamb
26. Reserve Champion Medium Wool Lamb

27. Grand Champion Market Lamb
28. Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb

LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT SPECIAL RULES: MARKET MEAT GOATS
ENTRY DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 1, 2017

1. Each exhibitor may enter only two (2) goats.
2. Wether and doe goats may be shown.
3. The minimum weight for goats is 50 lbs. The Maximum weight for goats is 120 lbs. A tolerance of 3 pounds will be allowed beyond the minimum and maximum weights at weigh-in.
4. Exhibitors are required to have all goats dehorned or to have horns tipped before arrival at the Show.
5. There will be no shearing/clipping with cord type electrical clippers allowed in the barn after check in. Touch up clipping with hand held battery operated clippers, scissors, and hand shears will be allowed.
6. Goats will be weighed directly off of the trailer, free of blanket and chain, under the direction of the Department Superintendent and divided into ten (10) weight classes.
7. Goats must be shorn slick (with no indication of blocking) above the knee and hock joints, excluding the tail switch, upon arrival to the Show Grounds. Goats not meeting the approval of the Department Superintendent will be allowed to remove the goat from the barn for reshearing and to be presented to the Department Superintendent before the check in deadline. All goats found to still be in violation of this rule will be disqualified from the show.
8. Exhibitors will be allowed to use halters or collars in the show ring.
9. Meat Goats will be validated according to Texas Meat Goat Validation program, approved by the Board and the state 4-H and FFA organizations.
10. No painting, powdering, artificial coloring, or adhesives will be allowed.
11. All meat goats will be tattooed and tagged with a Texas State validation ear tag in the ear at the time of the Travis County Youth Show validation date (See Rule # 11). Any exhibitor whose animal validation tag is in advertently or accidentally damaged or lost must report such an event to his/her County Agent or Agriculture Science Teacher within 48 hours of the discovery of the event. All meat goats must have a Texas State validation tag and tattoo in the ear at the time of arrival on the Show Grounds for the annual TCYS event.
12. Administration of any medication to market animals that is not approved by the FDA is a violation of Federal Law. Read all label directions and observe all required withdrawal periods.

AWARDS:

Grand Champion
Reserve Grand Champion
Division Champions

Buckle and Banner
Buckle and Banner
Rosette

CLASS:

1. Class # 1
2. Class # 2
3. Class # 3
4. Class # 4
5. Class # 5 – Champion Lt Wt Divison
6. Class # 6 – Reserve Champion Lt Wt Division
7. Class # 7
8. Class # 8
9. Class # 9
10. Class # 10 – Champion Med Wt Division
11. Class #11 – Reserve Champion Med Wt Division
12. Class #12
13. Class #13
14. Class #14
15. Class #15 – Champion Hvy Wt Division
16. Class #16 – Reserve Champion Hvy Wt Division
17. Grand Champion Meat Goat
18. Reserve Grand Champion Meat Goat

LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT SPECIAL RULES: MARKET BARROWS
ENTRY DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 1, 2017

1. Each exhibitor may enter only two (2) market barrows.
2. Only barrows may be entered for competition.
3. Barrows must weigh between 115 and 280 lbs. inclusive. A tolerance of 10 pounds will be given beyond the minimum and maximum weights at weigh-in.
4. Barrows will be weighed directly off of the trailer, under the direction of the Department Superintendent and will be broken down by breeds (Duroc, Hampshire, Yorkshire, OPB, and Cross Bred) and then by weight. There must be six barrows to make a breed and minimum of seven within a breed classification to make more than one class. The size of classes and number of classes will be determined by the number of entries within each classification. Classification will be done at the time of weigh in and is final and cannot be appealed. Any animal that does not meet breed classification will be placed in a cross bred class. Barrows will be classified by the official classifier using the breed classification standards found in the current HLSR Premium book at <http://www.hlsr.com>.
5. There will be no shearing/clipping with cord type electrical clippers allowed in the barn after check in. Touch up clipping with hand held battery operated clippers, scissors, and hand shears will be allowed.
6. The use of talc, oils or any foreign material will not be permitted. No drenching methods can be used on barrows.
7. All market barrows will be tagged and ear notched according to state validation rules at the time of validation (See rule #11). Any exhibitor whose animal's validation is inadvertently or accidentally damaged or lost must report such event to his County Agent or Ag Science Teacher within 48 hours of the discovery of the event. Any barrow arriving at the Show Grounds without the appropriate ear tag and notches will be subject to disqualification from showing.
8. Administration of any medication to market animals that is not approved by the FDA is a violation of Federal Law. Read all label directions and observe all required withdrawal periods.
9. Classes will be broken as evenly as possible by breed under the direction of the Swine Superintendent and the General Livestock Superintendent using the following sliding scale:
 - a. 1-6 Barrows in a Breed – 1 Class
 - b. 7-30 Barrows in a Breed – 2 Classes
 - c. 31-45 Barrows in a Breed – 3 Classes
 - d. 46-60 Barrows in a Breed – 4 Classes
 - e. 61-75 Barrows in a Breed – 5 Classes
 - f. 76-90 Barrows in a Breed – 6 Classes
 - g. 91-105 Barrows in a Breed – 7 Classes
 - h. 106-120 Barrows in a Breed – 8 Classes
 - i. 121-135 Barrows in a Breed – 9 Classes
 - j. 136-150 Barrows in a Breed – 10 Classes

10. If a breed has 8 or more classes the Swine Superintendent may create division champion classes within the particular breed.

AWARDS:

Grand Champion	Buckle and Banner
Reserve Grand Champion	Buckle and Banner
Breed Champions	Rosette
Reserve Breed Champions	Rosette
Division Champions	Rosette

PRELIMINARY CLASSES:

1. Light-Weight Duroc
2. Middle-Weight Duroc
3. Heavy-Weight Duroc
4. Champion Duroc
5. Reserve Champion Duroc

6. Light-Weight Hampshire
7. Middle-Weight Hampshire
8. Heavy-Weight Hampshire
9. Champion Hampshire
10. Reserve Champion Hampshire

11. Light-Weight Yorkshire
12. Middle-Weight Yorkshire
13. Heavy-Weight Yorkshire
14. Champion Yorkshire
15. Reserve Champion Yorkshire

16. Light-Weight OPB
17. Middle-Weight OPB
18. Heavy-Weight OPB
19. Champion OPB
20. Reserve Champion OPB

21. Light-Weight Crossbred
22. Middle-Weight Crossbred
23. Heavy-Weight Crossbred
24. Champion Crossbred
25. Reserve Champion Crossbred

26. Grand Champion Market Barrow
27. Reserve Champion Market Barrow

LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT SPECIAL RULES: MARKET BROILERS
CHICK ORDER DEADLINE: OCTOBER 1, 2017 (HATCH DATE: December 1, 2017)
ENTRY DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 1, 2017

1. An exhibitor is required to purchase a minimum order of twenty-five (25) birds with a maximum of seventy-five birds (75) in lots of twenty-five (25). The cost per chick is \$2.00.
2. Families may cross validate a minimum of twenty-five (25) birds total with a maximum of seventy-five (75) birds per family member. Families that choose to cross validate must pick a single 4-H club/FFA chapter to place their chick order through and list all family members that will be cross validating on the official chick order form.
3. A maximum of two (2) chicks per individual or family order may be replaced at chick pick up.
4. Each exhibitor will be assigned a unique identification wing band number for their fryer order (75 maximum) from which they must select their fryer entry.
5. Only Agriculture Science Teachers or County Extension Agents can order these chicks through the Travis County Youth Show Office using the order form available at www.traviscountyyouthshow.org.
6. The birds will be wing tagged by the breeder for identification. The birds must have their original and un-tampered wing bands at the time of entry. Birds losing their wing band, unless the wing band is lost while in possession of the Show Official, will be sifted.
7. Exhibitors may enter and exhibit a single pen of cockerels and/or a single pen of pullets. If an exhibitor chooses to exhibit the additional pen, an additional entry fee will be required at the time of entry.
8. At check-in, the judge will do a preliminary judging and will sift for sex, wing bands, parasites, fitness, and quality. Each exhibitor is entitled to have four (4) birds available for inspection per pen. The judge shall have the discretion to substitute the extra bird in the pen. Three (3) birds will be designated as birds for show. The fourth bird will only be made available for show if the judge requests a replacement bird due to sift findings during inspection. Any mixed pens of cockerels and pullets will be shown in the cockerel class.
9. There will be no weight limits.
10. Exhibitors will furnish their own feed, water, feed and water containers. Show will furnish pens and shavings for poultry exhibitors.
11. No bird substitutions will be allowed after the birds have been inspected.
12. Administration of any medication to market animals that is not approved by the FDA is a violation of Federal Law. Read all label directions and observe all required withdrawal periods.
13. All sifted birds will be released back to the exhibitor and must be removed from the Show Grounds within two hours of sift.

14. All show birds will be released back to the exhibitor and must be removed from the Show Grounds during designated release times.

AWARDS:

Grand Champion

Buckle and Banner

Reserve Grand Champion

Buckle and Banner

CLASS:

1. Pullet Class
2. Cockerel Class
3. Grand Champion Market Broilers
4. Reserve Grand Champion Market Broilers

LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT SPECIAL RULES: MARKET TURKEYS
ENTRY DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 1, 2017

1. Turkeys will be a commercial strain; all poults will be hatched from eggs produced by the same breeder flock.
2. Only Agriculture Science Teachers or County Extension Agents can order these poults through Texas A&M University using major show entry procedures and hatch dates.
3. Each poults will be identified with a "Special" consecutively numbered wing band and a distinguished mark.
4. **Each exhibitor may enter one tom and one hen in the show.**
5. An exhibitor may show a turkey with any band number as long as that number falls within the series originally assigned to their family and indicated on the validation form on file at the Travis County Youth Show Office.
6. The birds will be wing tagged by the breeder for identification. The birds must have their original and un-tampered wing bands at the time of entry. Birds losing their wing band, unless the wing band is lost while in the possession of the Show Official, will be sifted.
7. At check-in, the judge will do a preliminary judging and will sift for wing bands, parasites, fitness, and quality. Each exhibitor is entitled to have two (2) birds available for inspection. The judge shall have the discretion to substitute the extra bird in the pen. One (1) bird will be designated as the bird for show. The second bird will only be made available for show if the judge requests a replacement bird due to sift findings during inspection.
8. There will be no weight limits.
9. Exhibitors will furnish their own feed, water, feed and water containers. Pens will be furnished by the show.
10. No bird substitutions will be allowed after the birds have been inspected.
11. Turkeys will be validated according to the instructions on the validation certificate approved by the Board. Wing band numbers must be supplied to the Travis County Youth Show Office, on the appropriate form, within ten (10) days from date of hatch in order to remain an eligible entry.
12. Administration of any medication to market animals that is not approved by the FDA is a violation of Federal Law. Read all label directions and observe all required withdrawal periods.
13. All sifted birds will be released back to the exhibitor and must be removed from the Show Grounds within two hours of sift.
14. All show birds will be released back to the exhibitor and must be removed from the Show Grounds during designated release time.

AWARDS:

Grand Champion
Reserve Grand Champion

Buckle and Banner
Buckle and Banner

CLASS:

1. Turkey Hens
2. Turkey Toms
3. Grand Champion Turkey
4. Reserve Grand Champion Turkey

LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT SPECIAL RULES: MEAT RABBITS
ENTRY DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 1, 2017

1. Each Exhibitor may enter one (1) pen of standard meat rabbits or a single (1) meat rabbit fryer. Exhibited single meat rabbit fryers **will not** be eligible to participate in the Youth Auction, but will be awarded ribbons based on their placing.
2. Meat pen definition: Pen will consist of three (3) animals. **Each animal shall weigh at least 3.5 pounds and not over 5.5 pounds and shall not be over 70 days of age.** All three (3) rabbits shall be the same breed and be purebred with a 2 oz. tolerance per rabbit.
3. Single fryer rabbit definition: **One single animal weighing at least 3.5 pounds and not over 5.5 pounds and shall not be over 70 days of age.** A 2oz. tolerance will be allowed at the weigh in table.
4. VALIDATION/TATTOOS: Exhibitors must have ownership and possession of meat rabbit pens prior to the validation date. Tattoos will be placed in the rabbits left ear for permanent identification at validation. No breeder tattoos or markings should be placed in the left ear prior to validations. Each exhibitor is allowed to validate a maximum of twelve (12) meat rabbits of the same breed, the first four will be validated free, and all others will be \$1 each. In the case of cross validation within families, twelve (12) meat rabbits of the same breed may be validated per family member entered in the Show (i.e. A family of two exhibitors can validate no more than twenty-four (24) meat rabbits of the same breed, a family of three can validate no more than thirty-six (36) meat rabbits of the same breed and so on.). Validation will occur at the location to be determined from 9-12 noon, date December 16, 2017.
5. A Show Official appointed by the Board of Directors will sift all rabbits as they enter the show. The rabbit show will follow ARBA (American Rabbit Breeders Association) rules. This is NOT an ARBA sanctioned show.
6. Exhibitors must furnish their own feed, water, and feed and water containers.
7. No substitutions of rabbits will be allowed after the rabbits enter the exhibition area.
8. Administration of any medication to market animals that is not approved by the FDA is a violation of Federal Law. Read all label directions and observe all required withdrawal periods.
9. All sifted rabbits will be released back to the exhibitor and must be removed from the Show Grounds within two hours of sift.
10. All show rabbits will be released back to the exhibitor and must be removed from the Show Grounds during designated release times.

AWARDS:

Grand Champion Meat Pen

Buckle and Banner

Reserve Grand Champion Meat Pen

Buckle and Banner

CLASS:

1. Single Fryers
2. Meat Pens
3. Grand Champion Meat Pen
4. Reserve Grand Champion Meat Pen

LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT SPECIAL RULES: SHOWMANSHIP

1. In the divisions of Market Steers, Market Meat Goats, Market Barrows, Market Lambs, and Market Meat Rabbits, showmanship will be handled by the species judge. Showmanship will be open to all youth who wish to participate within the species they showed. Showmanship will take place after the judging of the species.
2. Exhibitors participating in showmanship must show an animal that is owned and exhibited by them during the current year's show.
3. Showmanship will be divided into the following divisions:
 - a. Pee Wee (ages 5-8)
 - b. Juniors (3rd – 5th Graders)
 - c. Intermediate (6th – 8th Graders)
 - d. Seniors (9th – 12th Graders)
4. All showmanship rabbits must come from the exhibitor's meat pen. No outside rabbits may be utilized in showmanship competition.
5. Placings will be awarded to 1st-3rd in each division.
6. Exhibitors participating in the Pee Wee livestock show portion of the Travis County Youth Show must be between 5 and 8 years of age and enrolled as a Travis County 4-H Clover Kid or sibling of an FFA member enrolled in a Travis County school. Youth have the opportunity to exhibit the following projects: Goats, Sheep, and Rabbits. The animal must be exhibited during the 2017 show by an eligible exhibitor to be eligible to be exhibited during the Pee Wee showmanship events. Youth will receive a ribbon, no champion will be named.

AWARDS:

Pee Wee

- Ribbon

Juniors (3rd – 5th Graders)

- First – Buckle
- Second – Banner
- Third – Rosette

Intermediate (6th – 8th Graders)

- First – Buckle
- Second – Banner
- Third – Rosette

Seniors (9th – 12th Graders)

- First – Buckle
- Second – Banner
- Third – Rosette

**LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT SPECIAL RULES:
HERDSMAN AWARD**

All club, chapters and exhibitors are required to keep their pens/stalls clean and orderly at all times based on the general rules of TCYS. Participating in the Herdsman Contest is an additional opportunity and optional to all participating clubs and chapters who have entered the Travis County Youth Show.

1. Judging will take place Thursday – Saturday with the final places be made after cleanup.
2. **Entry Form & Fee: Entry forms will be due January 10, 2017 at 7PM with a payment of \$20/species, to be paid by the club at the time of entry. If payment is not included with entry form, the club will be disqualified.**
3. Two inspections per day (1 morning & 1 afternoon) with a maximum of 40 points can be earned per walk thru. The following criteria will be used to make the selection:
 - a. Cleanliness of pens (10 Points)
 - b. Cleanliness of aisles (10 Points)
 - c. Cleanliness of animals (10 Points)
 - d. Manner in which the club exhibits their area by identifying the school and individual exhibitors (10 Points).
4. Number of awards to present in each category will be as follows:
 - a. **1st place \$250 and certificate**
 - b. **2nd place \$150 and certificate**
 - c. **3rd place \$75 and certificate**
5. Awards will be presented at the beginning of the Auction.
6. The Herdsman Awards will be given out the in the following species:
 - a. Market Lamb/Goats
 - b. Swine
 - c. Market Steers

TRAVIS COUNTY YOUTH SHOW HOUSING REQUEST FORM

Mail to: Travis County Youth Show
PO Box 1110
Manor, Texas 78653

Name of Exhibitor: _____

Exhibitors Home Address: _____

Exhibitors Phone Number: _____ Club/Chapter: _____

Species: _____ Number of animal: _____

Current Housing Location Address: _____

Name of Property Owner: _____ Phone: _____

Property Owner's Address: _____

Purpose of Request:

The below signatures give authorization to the Housing Inspection Committee the approval to come on the property at any time without notification to inspect the above mentioned projects.

Exhibitors Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Property Owner's Signature

Ag Teacher/County Agent Signature

Date Submitted

Date Received by TCYS Office

TRAVIS COUNTY YOUTH SHOW PROTEST FORM

Date: _____ Name of the Alleged: _____

Name of the Person(s) Filing the Protest: _____

Species: _____ Tag Number: _____

Protest Statement and Reason:

Other Exhibitors or Spectators Involved:

\$200.00 Deposit Received From: _____

Deposit: Returned Forfeited

Outcome/Conclusion:

Travis County Youth Show Youth Fair Rules



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For questions regarding TCYS Youth Fair, please contact:
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YOUTH FAIR ENTRY GUIDELINES

1. **ENTRY PROCEDURE AND DEADLINE:** Please see the General Rules for entry information. The right is reserved to reject entirely or accept conditionally any entry and to refuse any accepted entry admittance to the grounds.
2. **CONTESTS AND ELIGABILITY:** The Youth Fair, Welding, Floral Design and Food Challenge contests of Travis County Youth Show are open to active, eligible youth members of either a Travis County 4-H Club or Travis County FFA Chapter. Exhibitors must be a legal resident of Travis, Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Hays or Williamson counties. **An exhibitor may only compete in Travis County Youth Show Youth Fair contest if they have not entered in any other county's show.** Proof of residency and membership may be requested by TCYS Board of Directors. This applies ONLY to Youth Fair participants; please see Livestock Rules for eligibility qualifications.
3. **SUPERVISION:** All projects must be hand made by exhibitor under adult supervision. Finished projects may not be store bought but may be made from kits.
4. **AGE GROUPS:** Exhibitors will be divided into three (3) divisions determined by grade:
 - a. Little Wranglers – Grades K-2
 - b. Juniors – Grades 3-8
 - c. Seniors – Grades 9-12
5. **ENTRY FEES:**
 - a. Little Wranglers Division - \$3.00/Entry
 - b. Junior and Senior Division - \$10.00/Entry
 - c. Plant Fee for each Horticulture Entry is \$5.00 for Classes 49-53 and \$10 for Classes 54 and 55. Plant orders are due October 1, 2017. Pick up date is October 13, 2017. Multiple plants may be ordered per class.
6. **REFUNDS:** No refunds of entry fees will be made per the General Rules.
7. **NUMBER OF ENTRIES:** Each exhibitor will be permitted to enter a maximum of five (5) entries, with no more than one entry per class.

YOUTH FAIR GENERAL RULES

1. **PROJECT IDENTIFICATION FORM:** Exhibitor's Project Identification Forms will be provided at check-in.
2. **JUDGING:** Exhibit areas will be closed during judging. Judges' decisions are final.
3. **PROJECT QUALIFICATIONS:** Projects that have been released back to the exhibitor from a Travis County Youth Show cannot be re-entered in a Travis County Youth Show in following years.
4. **GROUP PROJECTS:** Group projects are permitted in some divisions to allow two or more youth to work together on one project. Group project exhibitor guidelines:
 - a. Group projects will be entered and judged in the age group based on the grade of the oldest member in the group. (See Youth Fair Entry Rule #3).
 - b. An exhibitor may participate in ONLY ONE group project.
 - c. Complete descriptions must be given for each entry. All group members and their parent or guardian must sign the entry form. One (1) exhibitor may enter the group project, but must list all individuals in the group on the entry form.
 - d. All proceeds from group projects will be made payable to the sponsoring group as indicated on the entry form.
 - e. All eligible members participating in a group project must be present at time of judging for personal interview on the project. If all eligible members are not present, points will be deducted. (Interviews to be held on Friday, January 12, 2017. Interviews will be scheduled at Check-in.)
5. **CLASSIFICATIONS:** Questions arising in classifications of entries will be resolved by the Youth Fair General Superintendent. Entries must be appropriate for the division/class entered and must meet all special rules pertaining to the division/class or it will be disqualified. At the Youth Fair General Superintendent's discretion, TCYS reserves the right to combine and/or divide any class for more competitive judging. The Youth Fair Superintendent may move an entry to another division/class in order to group similar items for judging. Age groups will not be combined. Decision of Youth Fair Superintendent is final.
6. **SAFETY:** All projects shall meet safety standards and electrical codes. Failure to comply shall result in the disqualification of the project.
7. **NO LIVE ANIMALS**
8. **PROJECT WORKSHEETS:** Each Junior and Senior exhibitor shall prepare a written project worksheet of his/her entry, which shall be submitted with the project at the time of entry. **Projects worksheets are worth 25% in judging each project.** Project Worksheet Guidelines:
 - a. The project worksheet may be typed, printed, or neatly written by the exhibitor and submitted ONLY on the Official Youth Fair project worksheet form. No other pages may be attached.
 - b. No photographs of exhibitor may be attached except for Group Projects and Ag/Mech projects. The project worksheets are for projects in Divisions A, B, C, E, F, G, H and I. Rules for D. Group Project classes and Division J. Agricultural/Outdoor Recreation differ; please see Division explanation for these rules.

- c. A complete recipe must be included for all entries in Division A and B. Recipes must be on the official TCYS Recipe Entry Form found on the website. By entering, the exhibitor gives permission for TCYS to publish this recipe in an official TCYS cookbook.
 - d. The project worksheet can be obtained from your Agricultural Science Teacher, 4H Leader or County Extension Office, or **on the website**.
 - e. The worksheet must be complete and turned in with the project according to the project arrival schedule in this book. Projects will not be accepted without completed project worksheets.
9. **COUNTRY STORE:** Interested exhibitors are offered an opportunity to sell non-auction selling entries through the TCYS Youth Fair Country Store.
- a. All entries in Divisions A and B become the property of TCYS at Check-in. A Bake Sale will be held the day after judging from 8:00 am to noon. Portions of Class Champions and Reserve Champions will be sold in the Bake Sale as a tasting plate. The proceeds will be used to purchase needed equipment for TCYS.
 - b. All money received for a project in the Country Store goes directly to the exhibitor; TCYS retains no portion of these funds.
 - c. A Country Store Superintendent is responsible for posting the price of each project on the Project Identification Form and on the Project.
 - d. There is a minimum sale price of \$5.00 per item.
 - e. Items may be purchased by the public through the Country Store from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Saturday, January 13, 2017. Buyers will write their check directly to the exhibitor which will be held by the Country Store until Check-out. These checks along with placing ribbons, judges' comments and Project Worksheets will be given to exhibitors at Check-out in one packet per exhibitor. In case of a group project, buyers will write a check to the group (i.e. club/chapter).
10. **RELEASE OF EXHIBITS:** BAKED FOODS and PRESERVED FOODS become property of TCYS and will not be released. All other projects MUST be picked up between 4:00 – 6:30 pm on Saturday, January 13, 2017. Any projects NOT picked up during this release time will become the property of TCYS. NO EXCEPTIONS.
11. **RIBBONS:** Ribbons will be placed on the projects upon completion of judging. All ribbons not picked up during the designated release time will be forfeited. Blue and red ribbons will be awarded on the basis of quality of entry rather than 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place ranking. More than one blue award could be given in a particular class.
12. **AWARDS & PRIZES:** Rosettes will be awarded to Class Champions and Reserve Class Champions provided they are blue ribbon quality. Projects receiving blue ribbons are eligible for a Class Champion award. It is possible that not every class will have a Class Champion, even if there are blue ribbons awarded in that class.

In the event that an exhibitor has more than 2 class champions in the youth fair, that exhibitor will declare which 2 projects they will sell at auction. At that time, the Reserve Class Champion of the class they opted

out of will receive that auction slot. See General Rules for Youth Fair Sale Declaration information.

13. **PROJECT ACCESSORIES:** No accessories may be added to the project. For example: If the project is a candle holder, do not add candles.

LITTLE WRANGLER YOUTH FAIR CLASSES

- 200. Cupcakes and Muffins (13 Plate)
- 201. Drop Cookies (13 per plate)
- 202. Plaster Craft/Paper Mache
- 203. Paintings (finger painting, tempera, etc.)
- 204. Drawings (crayons, pencils, markers, etc.)
- 205. Decorated T-Shirts
- 206. Plants
- 207. Toys/Structures (Lego's, Tinker Toys, Lincoln Logs, etc.)
- 208. Loom Weaving (Potholders, etc.)
- 209. Clay/Dough Sculptures
- 210. Other

JUNIOR AND SENIOR YOUTH FAIR DIVISIONS

A. BAKED FOODS DIVISION GENERAL RULES:

1. Cakes (Classes 1 & 2) should be in a container that is translucent and easily accessible. Baked food items in classes 3 through 8 must be exhibited on a STURDY plate in a Ziploc bag provided by the exhibitor without any embellishments.
2. All food items become the property of TCYS upon Check-in and no portion of the project or its container will be returned to the exhibitor.
3. All entries must be made from scratch, no boxed cakes, canned icing or pre-made pie crusts may be entered whatsoever. No entry may contain perishable foods such as milk, meringue, eggs, custard, pudding, cream cheese, whipped cream, butter, canned fruit or fresh fruit without it being baked **into** the entry. No cheesecakes, flans, custards, puddings or pies with pudding or meringue may be entered even if it has been baked as TCYS has no capability to refrigerate entries. Make sure that if pecans are used that they are fresh not old and no pieces of shell are mixed in. See attached Health Department letter.
4. Baked items that show obvious signs of spoilage before judging will be disqualified by the judge. It is the judge's decision whether to taste an entry or not.
5. Recipe(s) must be submitted electronically on www.traviscountyyouthshow.org/youthfair by November 29, 2017. Submissions must include exhibitor's name, phone number and email address in order to receive approval or disqualification of recipe. Recipes will be reviewed by the Recipe Review Committee. If recipe is disqualified, exhibitor will have 5 business days to resubmit a recipe for approval after notification from TCYS Recipe Approval Committee email explaining issues with recipe. Recipe may only be re-submitted once, if disqualified. All recipes must be preapproved in order to compete in the 2018 TCYS Youth Fair. **Exhibitor will receive a reply via email if the recipe is approved. The approved recipe will have a TCYS watermark on it. Please print out this attachment, with the watermark for check-in. Entries without this approval will not be accepted at Check-in. TCYS WILL NOT resend recipes after December 15, 2017.**

6. A complete recipe must be attached to your project worksheet on an official TCYS Recipe Form found on the website. **One recipe sheet should be submitted for the entire recipe (for example: one submission for cake and frosting or pie crust and filling).** By entering, the exhibitor gives permission for TCYS to publish this recipe in an official TCYS cookbook.
7. All baked foods that become eligible for the Auction must be prepared fresh for the Auction.
8. Judges criteria will include, but may not be limited to the following:
 - i. Project Worksheet (25%)
 - ii. Taste
 - iii. Texture
 - iv. Appearance
 - v. Quality

BAKED FOODS CLASSES – DIVISION A

1. Chocolate Cakes (no cupcakes or cake balls)
2. Other Cakes (no cupcakes or cake balls) **NO CHOCOLATE INGREDIENTS**
3. Bar Cookies/Brownies (24 per plate) - **NO TARTS**
4. Other Cookies (24 per plate) - **NO TARTS**
5. Candies (full recipe)
6. Pies **CRUST MUST BE HANDMADE** - (full pies - no mini pies) - **NO TARTS**
7. Yeast Breads
8. Fruit or Nut Quick Breads

B. PRESERVED FOOD DIVISION GENERAL RULES:

1. All canned foods must be processed in clear standard jars with unbroken seals (paraffin seals are not acceptable). Jars must be properly sealed by pressure cooker or hot water bath method and method must be detailed in recipe. Jars with dirty or rusty rings or not properly sealed will not be accepted at Check-In. Specific jar sizes are as follows: Class 9 and Class 10 items must be processed in ½ pint or 1 pint size mason jars. Classes 11 and 12 must be processed in either 1 pint or 1 quart sized mason jars. Headspace in jars is noted below. **Helpful instructions are detailed here: http://nchfp.uga.edu/publications/nchfp/tech_bull.html**
2. All dried foods must be in moisture and vapor proof bags. Dried foods in Ziploc type bags, mason jars and Tupperware type containers **WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**
3. **All preserved foods will be judged on appearance and recipe. No preserved projects will be tasted.** Projects that show obvious signs of spoilage will be disqualified by the judge.
4. Exhibitors will not receive their jar back.
5. A complete recipe must be attached to your project worksheet on the official TCYS Recipe Form found on the website.
6. By entering, the exhibitor gives permission for TCYS to publish this recipe in an official TCYS cookbook.
7. **No preserved projects at auction. Exhibitors will bring a basket of their choosing in place of their project.**

8. Project must be entered with NO ADORNMENTS ON JARS OR BAGS.
9. Exhibitor may submit one additional jar per entry to be placed in the Agricultural Museum at the Texas State Capitol.
10. Judges' criteria will include, but may not be limited to, the following:
 - i. Project Worksheet
 - ii. Texture
 - iii. Color/Appearance (packed correctly and liquid amount)
 - iv. Quality
 - v. Technique

PRESERVED FOODS CLASSES – DIVISION B

9. Jellies, Jams, Marmalades & Preserves (1/2 pint or 1 pint sealed jar with 1/4" headspace)
10. Salsa/Pepper Sauce (1/2 pint or 1 pint size sealed jar) (Leave 1/4" headspace)
11. Pickled Vegetables (1 pint or 1 quart size sealed jar)(Leave 1/2" headspace)
12. Barbecue Sauces (1 pint or 1 quart size sealed jar) (Leave 1/4" headspace)
13. Dried Foods, including jerky (No Wild Game) – Each entry must have 12 pieces for judging

C. TEXTILE DIVISION GENERAL RULES:

1. Judges' criteria will include, but may not be limited to, the following:
 - a. Project Worksheet (25%)
 - b. Originality
 - c. Workmanship/Quality
 - d. Appearance
 - e. Complexity

TEXTILE CLASSES – DIVISION C

14. Constructed Garments, with or without embellishments
15. Accessories (belts, scarves, button covers, etc.) All leather items must be entered under Leather in the Crafts Division, even if the item could be considered a fashion accessory. Accessory items such as belts, purses, wallets, boots, etcetera which are made of leather will not be accepted in the Textiles Division.
16. Quilting
17. Stuffed Animals/Stuffed Dolls (Sewn by Exhibitor)
18. Pillows
19. Needle Work

D. GROUP PROJECTS GENERAL RULES:

1. Judges' criteria will include, but may not be limited to, the following:
 - i. Binder (25%)
 - ii. Originality
 - iii. Workmanship/Quality
 - iv. Personal Interview
 - v. Degree of Difficulty

2. Each project will include an interview of all participants. Please note the additional requirements for each class.
3. These requirements should be included in a binder and submitted with the project at Check-in. Forms for completing project requirements may be found on the TCYS Website. Interviews will be scheduled by the Division Superintendents at Check-in. Binder must include:
 - i. A pattern or drawing of the project including detailed measurements which may be spot checked by the judges.
 - ii. Photographs, in sequence, showing the stages of construction of the project.
 - iii. A bill of all supplies needed for construction. This should include an itemized list of all supplies, the quantity of each, size and their cost.
 - iv. A log of hours worked on the project detailing work done and by whom.
 - v. Each exhibitor should include a paragraph explaining what skills they learned or mastered while creating this project.
4. Ag/Mech Group Projects may be entered under Division J.

GROUP PROJECT CLASSES – DIVISION D

20. Textiles (i.e. Quilts)
21. Wooden Indoor Furniture
22. Wooden Outdoor Furniture

E. ARTS DIVISION GENERAL RULES:

1. Any artwork on paper must be matted. All mats must be black.
2. Artworks on stretch canvas (canvas which is backed by a wooden frame) must be no larger than 16"x20" and have finished painted edges. No signatures may be visible.
3. No project may be framed in any manner. Picture hangers will be provided by the show.
4. Judges' criteria will include, but may not be limited to, the following:
 - i. Project Worksheet (25%)
 - ii. Contrast/Depth
 - iii. Use of Color
 - iv. Technique
 - v. Originality

ARTS CLASSES – DIVISION E

23. Color drawings may use one of the following: Pencil, chalk pastels or oil pastels.
24. Black and white drawings may use one of the following: Charcoal, ink or pencil.
25. Mixed Media - A technique involving the use of two or more artistic media that are combined into a single composition. Acceptable media: pencil, chalk pastels, oil pastels,

- collage, ink, marker, crayon and paint.
26. Original Sculpture (clay, plaster, paper Mache, etc. – does not include Green Ware)
 27. Paintings, oil or acrylic
 28. Painting, tempera- water colors or gouache
 29. Small Recycled Trash to Art (Measuring 24" x 24" or less)
 30. Large Recycled Trash to Art (Measuring over 24" x 24")

F. CRAFTS DIVISION GENERAL RULES:

1. Judges' criteria will include, but may not be limited to, the following:
 1. Project Worksheet (25%)
 2. Originality
 3. Technique
 4. Workmanship/Quality
 5. Degree of Difficulty

CRAFTS CLASSES – DIVISION F

31. Artistic Compositions (artificial flowers, mirrors, shadow boxes, antlers, etc.)
32. Jewelry & Beads – must be mounted on display board
33. Lamps (Must be in working order and include light bulb. Will be tested by the judge.)
34. Wreaths (No Live Plants – provide a hanging loop or door hanger for display)
35. Leather Craft (leather kits, tooled, carved, dyed/painted, laced/stitched)
36. Metal Craft (No Computer Numerical Control Plasma and Water Jet cut entries)
37. Mosaics (All grout must be completely dry BEFORE Check-in. Entries with damp grout and strong odor will not be accepted.)

G. PHOTOGRAPHY DIVISION GENERAL RULES:

1. All entries must be mounted or matted on an 11" x 14" black mat board or foam board and the photograph must be 8" x 10". NOTE: THE COLOR OF THE MAT MUST BE BLACK.
2. No glass, no frames, no hard/Plexiglas type plastic!
3. Nothing extra may be glued to the photo.
4. All photographs must be taken by the exhibitor within the previous calendar year
5. All project worksheets are to be securely taped to the back of the photograph in such a way that the worksheet hangs down and can be easily read by the judges.
6. Photo hangers will be provided by the show.
7. Judge's criteria will include, but may not be limited to, the following:
 - i. Project Worksheet
 - ii. Originality/Imagination
 - iii. Appropriate use of Lighting
 - iv. Color
 - v. Focus
 - vi. Composition

PHOTOGRAPHY CLASSES – DIVISION G

38. Landscape, Flora, Scenic
39. People
40. Animal-Domestic or Wildlife
41. Food (no photos of alcohol allowed)
42. Computer Enhanced (images altered or created with software programs)
43. Details and Macro (details or parts of a subject)
44. Night Photography (no sunlight allowed in photograph, must be after dusk/before dawn)
45. Theme (Reflections)

H. WOODWORKING DIVISION GENERAL RULES:

1. The majority of the project must be wood and constructed from raw material to qualify for these classes.
2. Items in this category will be judged on wood craftsmanship.
3. The finish applied to any woodworking project must be of a semi-transparent type which permits the natural grain patterns of the wooden surface and the workmanship to be clearly visible. Any finish such as an opaque paint or solid stain that leaves a solid coating of pigment or texture on the surface that does not permit the natural grain of the project to be visible will be disqualified.
4. Judges' criteria will include, but may not be limited to, the following:
 - i. Project Worksheet (25%)
 - ii. Design/Originality
 - iii. Craftsmanship
 - iv. Technique
 - v. Complexity

WOODWORKING CLASSES – DIVISION H

46. Wooden Furniture (Examples: Picnic table, swing, play house, patio set, chair armoire, gun cabinet, bed, etc.)
47. Small Tabletop Accessories/Decorative Items (Examples: Cutting board, writing pen, jewelry box, candle holder, clock, lamp, lazy susan, shelf, hat rack, mailbox, bird house/feeder, display case, etc.)
48. Large Accessories (Examples: Chest, tack box, plant stand, bookcase, stool, bench, hall tree, hat rack, etc.)

I. PLANTS DIVISION GENERAL RULES:

1. All plants will be purchased through the Travis County Youth Show. Plants will be provided by a local wholesale nursery for \$5 per entry for classes 49-53, \$10 per entry for classes 54 and 55 due with the plant order on October 2, 2017. Orders and payment must be submitted online at www.traviscountyyouthshow.org/youthfair. Each participant will be given the same type of plant in the same type of pot in a specific category. The plants in each category will be provided based upon the inventory of the wholesale nursery providing the plant stock.

2. Plants will be picked up at the Clifton Career Development School on October 13, 2017 from 4:00 - 6:00pm.
3. Photographs are not required.
4. Plants must be wiped clean. No plant shines or wax may be used to gloss the foliage other than soap and water.
5. All plants must be watered prior to entry. Plants should be insect and disease free. Any infested plant will be subject to removal.
6. All plants must be living.
7. No embellishments may be glued or in any way attached to the plants. No top dressing of the soil or additional accents may be added (for example: accent stones or driftwood).
8. Class 54, Dish Garden Succulent/Cacti may contain decomposed granite as a top dressing.
9. Judges' criteria will include, but may not be limited to, the following:
 - i. Project Worksheet (25%)
 - ii. Appearance
 - iii. Color
 - iv. Size

PLANTS CLASSES – DIVISION I

49. Foliage plant in an 8" in diameter, plastic, terra cotta colored pot
50. Succulent/Cactus in an 8" in diameter, plastic, terra cotta colored pot
51. Vine plant in an 8" in diameter, plastic, terra cotta colored pot
52. Flowering Plant in an 8" in diameter, terra cotta colored pot
53. Fern in an 8" in diameter, plastic, terra cotta colored pot
54. Dish Gardens – Succulent/Cacti (includes at least three different types of plants, all provided by the Travis County Youth Show) Pot may be no larger than 12" in diameter, plastic, terra cotta colored pot
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J. AGRICULTURAL/OUTDOORS RECREATION DIVISION GENERAL RULES:

1. An original working plan or drawing, photographs showing stages of construction and a bill of materials are required with each project as well as a job log. Additional documentation may be required for plans of vehicles that are used on public highways ASAE standards must be met on three point hitch and PTO Operated equipment.
2. Working drawings should include a student drawn original multisided orthographic projection drawn to a given scale with proper lettering and dimensioning. Dimensioning shown on drawing should be specific and complete enough for it to be apparent that drawing was used to plan and construction project. Judges will spot check dimensions on projects to see if they comply with drawings. Drawing may be a CAD (Computer Aided Design). Pictorials, isometric oblique or perspective may be included.

3. Bill of materials must include a description of material, including quantity, size and cost. Job log of hours spent working on project must be included.
4. Working drawings must be 18"x24" and mounted on foam board.
5. Photographs showing work in progress should depict proper safety procedures including clothing eye and face shields, etc. Photographs should be sequenced in the order of constructing the project.
6. Each exhibitor must submit a Skills Form explaining the skills they learned or mastered while creating this project.
7. Please see TCYS website for forms to complete the above requirements.
8. Exhibitor will be interviewed by judges.
9. Individual projects will be competing with group projects.
10. **Class 63 and 64 are for exhibition only and will not receive an auction slot. Prizes will be awarded for first place in each of these classes. Projects must come with a trailer lock provided by the exhibitor.**
11. Judges criteria will include, but may not be limited to the following:
 - i. Binder (25%)
 - ii. Originality/Appearance
 - iii. Workmanship/Quality
 - iv. Complexity
 - v. Personal Interview

**AGRICULTURAL/OUTDOORS RECREATION CLASSES – DIVISION J
THIS DIVISION IS ONLY OPEN TO SENIOR AGE GROUP EXHIBITORS**

56. Agricultural Machinery and Equipment (hay hauling equipment, spraying equipment, hydraulic equipment, shop equipment, mounted or pull-type tractor equipment, electrical shop equipment)
57. Pick-up and ATV Equipment (bumpers, headache racks, grill guards, or pick-up flat beds)
58. Livestock Handling (gate and livestock panels, squeeze chutes and restraining equipment, trim chutes, blocking stands, livestock crates and head gates, creep and self-feeders, electrical livestock or wildlife equipment, bits or spurs)
59. **Farm Equipment Restoration**
60. Wildlife Equipment (feeders and stands)
61. **Barbeque Pits (stationary only)**
62. **Home Convenience (Metal furniture, indoor or outdoor)**
63. **EXHIBITION ONLY: Trailers**
64. **EXHIBITION ONLY: Trailer Mounted BBQ Pits**