

4-H & FFA JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AUCTION

Saturday, August 12, 2023, 11 a.m.

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Purpose of the Junior Livestock Auction (JLA) Committee:

The Junior Livestock Auction Committee provides a successful public sale for **4-H, FFA, and Grange** youth market projects having completed the specie requirements **of their applicable Department**, providing our community the opportunity to purchase quality farm raised food while supporting Clark County Youth and the agriculture education mission of the Friends of the Fair.

Roles and duties of the JLA Committee may be found in the *Fair Board Directors' Handbook* in the Clark County Fair office.

Weight and Grading Requirements:

To guarantee desired market quality, weight and grade requirements for each species are submitted and accepted yearly by the JLA Committee and for ease of reference are found at the end of this document and labeled, Detailed Specie Requirements. The complete specie classes and rules are found in the *4-H/FFA/Grange Youth Exhibitor Guide*. Grievance or controversies arising out of individual specie requirements (presented below) will be resolved at the department specie level. Issues connected to the JLA, will be addressed by the JLA Committee. In all cases, the final decision on issues affecting the Fair or whether any actions or items are in the best interests of the Fair, reside solely with the CCFA and/or the Fair Manager/CEO.

JLA Committee will provide a weigh master and scale reader to oversee each species at each weigh-in.

Specie Superintendent will provide JLA Committee:

- Official weigh-in sheet for each weigh-in
- At final weigh-in the Superintendent will announce if the animal successfully made weight and/or rate of gain and qualifies to participate in the *market class*.
- If a weight is contested for any animal:
 - the animal must stay within the scale area and be re-weighed immediately upon completion of the weigh-in of all other animals of that specie.
- All animals not making weight or grade will remain at the Fair and be eligible to compete in a Feeder Class or be released under the decision of the specie Superintendent after coordination with the Fair Manager.

- Superintendent will clip and remove initial pre-weight JLA ear tag for any animal not making final weight or grade as specified in 4-H/FFA/Grange Youth Exhibitor Guide *and a new tag will be placed in the animal to ensure the animal is properly identified.*
- The weigh master will log the identification number for any animal that fails to qualify to participate in the Auction and notify JLA Superintendent.
- Provide Judges placement of the Market Class. Animals not meeting market class grade will be disqualified from sale.

Market Sale Requirements:

All youth participating in the sale must meet the specie qualifying rules found in the 4-H/FFA/Grange Youth Exhibitor Guide within the *4-H/FFA/Grange Youth Animal Species Divisions* class.

This is a **terminal sale**. All animals sold at the Junior Livestock Auction must go from the Fairgrounds directly to a designated state-approved slaughter facility upon release by species Superintendent as stated in the Sale Catalog. When a buyer wishes the animal processed for his own use, they will take possession of the carcass at the packing house. The cost of custom slaughter and wrapping is the responsibility of the buyer.

Each Youth Exhibitor is allowed to sell two (2) animals or units meeting final weight/grade requirements at time of final weigh-in and judging. If an exhibitor has more than two (2) animals or units of combined species, Youth must declare which two (2) animals or units will be entered in the market sale after completion of all Market Classes. The maximum number of animals or units an exhibitor may sell at auction will remain at two (2).

Each exhibitor must lead, drive, or carry his own livestock through the sale ring unless excused by his/her superintendent.

Animal Health and Feed Records along with a Market Expense Report (to include feed tags) must be provided to the species superintendent, fully complete, prior to the animal being judged and graded. Failure to complete/provide the records will disqualify the animal from the Junior Livestock Auction.

Superintendents' official weigh-in records containing the exhibitor's name, animal ear tag number, pre-weigh-in (*if applicable*) and final weight will provide information for the sale book.

Sale Ring Rotation:

Order of sale will rotate each year between the species. All Best of Show Champions and Reserve Best of Show Champions will sell first in their respective species. Sale order for the Clark County Junior Livestock Auction for 2023 will be:

1. Poultry
2. Hogs**
3. Beef
4. Goats

- 5. Sheep
- 6. Rabbits

** Represents the Featured Species at the Buyers Buffet

Workings of the Sale:

Anyone *wishing* to purchase any of the market animals may do so by verbal bid.

Payment in full is expected at conclusion of the auction. Outstanding buyer invoices will be charged at 1% per month fee on amounts not paid within 30 days of invoice. *Failure to meet these terms may result in exclusion from future sales.*

Animals must be owned by the *Youth* exhibitor, and any profit realized will be that of the exhibitor.

Seller will be paid on the final live weight basis at weigh in for steers, hogs, and lambs; and on a per head basis for goats, poultry and rabbits.

Buyers not wishing to keep the animal they purchase, there are two options:

- **Option 1:** The buyer may re-sell it to *the* support buyer at the published support base price. *For this option:* the buyer pays the difference between his bid and the base price. The support buyer then pays the base price and takes delivery of the animal.
- **Option 2:** The buyer may donate the animal to the Clark County Food Bank through the Youth Efforts Against Hunger (YEAH) program. *For this option:* the buyer pays the full bid price of the animal. The animal is then sent for processing.

The *Youth* exhibitor retains ownership and responsibility for the care and feeding of the animal(s) until released by the Superintendent. The buyer takes possession of the meat/carcass at the packinghouse. Rabbits and Poultry are delivered to buyers.

Up to a five (5%) percent commission will be deducted from exhibitor checks. Any other charges related to the sale of the animal may also be deducted.

Market Sale checks will be issued when sufficient funds have been deposited in the Market Sale Account.

Detailed Specie Requirements:

Market Beef: (Steer/Heifer)

- Pre-Weigh In: February 4, 2023 – maximum 3 animals per exhibitor
 - 500 pound minimum
- Final Weigh In: August 9, 2023 at 7:00 a.m. – maximum 2 animals per exhibitor
 - Animal must meet rate of gain (ADG 2.5 lbs./day): 462 pounds
 - Minimum weight: 1000 pounds
- Compete and grade in market class: select or better
- Exhibitor allowed to sell 2 animals
- Family Back-up Animal: Immediate family members may register the same back-up animal, not to exceed the maximum animals per exhibitor in each species (3 beef). The family back-up animal must be identified and recorded appropriately at the initial specie weigh-in. Family back-up animals are limited to one per family. Exhibitor must notify the Specie Superintendent at final weigh-in their intention to show the family project.

Market Sheep: (Ewe/Wether)

- Pre-Weigh In: June 10, 2023 – maximum 4 animals per exhibitor
- Final Weigh In: August 9, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. – maximum 2 animals per exhibitor
 - Animal must meet rate of gain (ADG 0.4 lbs./day): 24 pounds
 - Minimum weight: 105 pounds
 - Maximum weight: exhibitor paid to maximum 150 pounds
- Compete and grade in market class, choice or better: Blue or Red ribbon only (White ribbon sheep cannot sell in the auction).
- Exhibitor allowed to sell 2 animals
- All sheep, except carcass lambs or wethers, selling in the Junior Livestock Auction shall be identified as per the USDA-APHIS Scrapie Mandatory Identification Program for sheep and goats.
- Family Back-up Animal: Immediate family members may register the same back-up animal(s), not to exceed the maximum animals per exhibitor in each species (4 sheep). The family back-up animal(s) must be identified and recorded appropriately at the initial specie weigh-in. Family back-up animals are limited to the number of youth exhibitors minus one per family (for example, a family with three exhibitors may have up to two family animals). Exhibitor must notify the Specie Superintendent prior to the animal going across the scale at final weigh-in their intention to show a family backup project.

Market Swine: (Gilt/Barrow)

- Pre-Weigh In: May 6, 2023 – maximum 3 animals per exhibitor
 - Pork Quality assurance must be completed by pre-weigh in.
- Final Weigh In: August 9, 2023 at 7:30 a.m. - maximum 2 animals per exhibitor
 - Animal must meet rate of gain (ADG 1.3 lbs./day): 131 pounds
 - Minimum weight: 220 pounds
 - Maximum weight: exhibitor paid to maximum 290 pounds
- Compete and grade in market class as 1 or 2: Blue or Red ribbon only
- Exhibitor allowed to sell 2 animals. Notify the species superintendent which animals will be sold as part of the JLA following the finished Hog (type) show.

- Family Back-up Animal: Immediate family members may register the same back-up animal, not to exceed the maximum animals per exhibitor in each species (3 hogs). The family back-up animal must be identified and recorded appropriately at the initial specie weigh-in. Family back-up animals are limited to one per family. Exhibitor must notify the Specie Superintendent at final weigh-in their intention to show the family project.

Market Goats: (Doe/Wether):

- Pre-Weigh In: June 3, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. - maximum 2 animals per exhibitor
- Final Weigh In: August 9, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. – maximum 2 animal per exhibitor
 - Animal must meet rate of gain (ADG 0.3lbs/day): 20 pounds
 - Minimum weight: 65 pounds
 - Must be born after January 1, 2023
- Compete and grade in market class as Blue ribbon only
- Exhibitor allowed to sell 2 goats only
- Market goats may be disbudded or have horns. For a horned animal to be exhibited, it MUST have its horn tips covered as a safety precaution. (Horn guards MUST be approved by the Market Goat Superintendent).
- All goats selling in the Junior Livestock Auction shall be identified as per the USDA-APHIS Scrapie Mandatory Identification Program for sheep and goats.

Market Poultry:

- All birds must be banded and band number on record, with mandatory feed record sheet provided at time of weigh in.
- Quality assurance class must be completed to qualify for sale.
- Only blue ribbon birds qualify for sale and only two lots (units) in any combination may sell in the auction. Youth may submit three lots to weigh in.
- Lot/Unit for poultry will (*consist of*) be: a single bird or pen of three birds
 - Market Chicken
 - Must be wing banded by specie superintendent or assistant
 - Must be at least 7 weeks of age on August 9, 2023
 - Minimum weight of 5 pounds
 - Market Duck
 - Must be wing banded by specie superintendent or assistant
 - Must be at least 7 weeks of age on August 9, 2023
 - Minimum weight of 6 pounds
 - Market Geese
 - Birds must have leg bands on at weigh in
 - Must be 4 to 6 months old on August 9, 2023
 - Must weigh at least 10 pounds
 - Market Turkey
 - Birds must have leg bands on at weigh in
 - Must be 14 to 18 weeks old on August 9, 2023
 - Toms must be at least 20 pounds
 - Hens must be at least 13 pounds

Market Rabbits:

- Final Weigh In: August 9, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.
- Rabbits will be judged per the American Rabbit Breeders Association market standard.
 - Except: cross breeds will be accepted and will not be held to breed specific standards
- Rabbits must be in the possession of the exhibitor during the entire (born and raised) life of the animal.
- All Rabbits (fryers) must be less than 75 days of age at final weigh in
- Only blue ribbon fryers qualify for sale and only two lots (units) in any combination may sell in the auction.
- Lot/Unit for rabbits (fryers) will (consist of) be: a single fryer or pen of three fryers
 - Each fryer must weigh 4 - 5 pounds 8 ounces