

Polk County Youth Fair

Fair Dates - January 23-29, 2010

(863) 519-8677, ext. 116

Entry Deadlines - Late Entry Deadlines and Fees

All exhibits must be entered on a 2010 entry form and submitted to the Polk County Youth Fair Office 1702 Highway 17 South, Bartow FL 33830 or mailed to P O BOX 9005, Drawer HS03, Bartow, FL 33831-9005. Entries postmarked on the entry deadline date will be accepted. Entry forms are available on line at: www2.polk-fl.net/polkffa/home/home.shtml or polk.ifas.ufl.edu. Your signature on the entry form you are entering your project on signifies that you have read and understand the rules and regulations and agree to abide by said rules and regulations. Please read specific department rules for other deadlines and penalties related to market animals and plants for auction.

2009

July 24, 2009 (Friday)

2010 Market Steer Entry Forms due.

August 1, 2009 (Saturday)

Mandatory initial Market Steer Weigh-in 6:00 A.M. -9:00 A.M.
2010 Market Steer late entry deadline

September 17, 2009(Thursday) - 7:00 p.m.

Mandatory meeting for all market hog exhibitors, 4-H Leaders and teachers.

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September 19, 2009(Saturday) - 9:00 a.m.

Mandatory meeting for all market hog exhibitors, 4-H Leaders and teachers

September 18, 2009(Friday)

2010 Horticulture Entry Forms due for blueberry plants, citrus trees, plants for auction, bedding plants and hanging baskets and plants for display

September 18, 2009 (Friday)

2010 Poultry Entry Forms due

September 21, 2009 (Monday)

2010 Market Hog Entry Forms due

September 25, 2009

2010 Horticulture late entry deadline date for blueberry plants, citrus trees, plants for auction, bedding plants and hanging baskets, and plants for display.

September 28, 2009 (Monday)

2010 Market Hog late entry deadline

October 2, 2009 (Friday)

2010 Poultry late entry deadline

October 3, 2009 (Saturday)

Market Hog Tagging Day 6:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

November 2, 2009 (Monday)

2010 Purebred Beef and Commercial Heifer Entry Forms due

November 6, 2009(Friday)

2010 Horse entry deadline

2010 Rabbit entry deadline

November 13, 2009(Friday)

2010 Rabbit late entry deadline

December 4, 2009 (Friday)

2010 Purebred Beef and Commercial Heifer late entry deadline

2010 Horse entry form and Horse class entry Forms late entry deadline

2010 Bedding Plants, Hanging Baskets ownership deadline

2010 Vegetable Entry Forms due

December 11, 2009 (Friday)

2010 Vegetables late entry deadline

2010 Dog Entry & Dog Class Entry deadline

December 18, 2009(Friday)

2010 Late entry deadline for Dog entry & Dog class entry

2010

January 8, 2010(Friday)

Chili Cook Off Entry Forms Due, Scrap Off Entry Forms Due
Copies of letters to buyers due for market hog, market steer, cake auction, commercial heifer, blueberry, citrus and plant entries

January 15, 2010(Friday)

Late entry deadline for blueberry, citrus trees and ornamental plant buyer letters

January 19, 2010 (Tuesday) 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Entry forms and Recipe Form due for Cake Auction, Demonstrations, Illustrated Talks, Sew-Off Contest, Tablesetting Menu Planning Contest, and Working Booths.

January 19, 2010 (Tuesday) 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Non-perishable Entry Forms and Exhibits due in the Stuart Center at the Agriculture Center.

January 22, 2010(Friday) 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Perishable Entry Forms and exhibits(food exhibits) due in the Stuart Center at the Agriculture Center

January 25, 2010 (Monday) 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Cakes for Auction check-in



fairgrounds located at 1702 Highway 17 South, Bartow Florida

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NOTE TO STUDENTS: Before planning a project to be entered into the Youth Fair be sure to read the 2010 Rules and Regulations that relate to that project. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations. If you have any questions, check with your 4-H Leader, Vocational Agriculture or Family & Consumer Sciences Teacher. It is suggested that entry forms and any other documents be sent by **certified mail** to insure that entries are postmarked (**NOT METERED MAIL OR FAX**) by the deadline dates. All forms except exhibit tags may be obtained online at: www2.polk-fl.net/polkffa/home/home.shtml **or** polk.ifas.ufl.edu.

NOTE TO TEACHERS AND LEADERS: Be sure each young person planning a Youth Fair project has access to a copy of the 2010 Rules and Regulations (for additional copies, please contact the Youth Fair Office in Bartow, 863-519-8677, ext. 116).

ENTRY CHECK-IN TIMES:

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19th

Non-Perishable Entry Forms and Exhibits 2:00 P.M. -6:00 P.M.
(Cake Auction Entry Form and Recipe Form, Child Development, Clothing Exhibits, Demonstrations/Illustrated Talks Entry Form, Educational Exhibits, Food Preservation Exhibits, Home Furnishings, Mannequin Modeling Check-in, Metal Works Exhibits, Photography Exhibits, Sew Off Contest Entry Forms, Storytelling Entry Forms, Tablesetting and Menu Planning Entry Form, Working Booths Entry Form, and Woodworking Exhibits)

Doors will close at 6:00 p.m.

Cake Covers and Display Disks for Cake Auction Exhibits may be purchased for \$2.00.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22nd

Perishable Exhibits and Entry Forms 2:00 P.M. - 6:00 P. M.
Doors will close at 6:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23rd

Horse (Horse Arena) 7:30 A.M.
Market Hogs 12:00 A.M. - 7:00 A.M.

MONDAY, JANUARY 25th

Commercial Heifers 7:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.
Blueberry Plants, Ornamental Plants and Vegetables 10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Cakes for auction (Valencia Room of Ag. Center) 2:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26th

Poultry, Eggs and Rabbits 1:00 P.M. -6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27th

Purebred Beef Breeding Animals 6:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.
Market Steers 6:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.
Dog Showmanship(Horse Arena) 3:00 P.M.- 6:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28th

Dog Agility (Horse Arena) 8:00 A.M.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20th

Judging of Non-Perishable Exhibits/Tri-Color Judging 9:00 A.M. until finished

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23rd

Horsemanship Contest (Horse Arena) 8:30 A.M.
Judging of Perishable Exhibits/Tri-Color Judging 9:00 A.M. until finished

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24th

Market Hog Show (Arena) 2:30 P.M.

MONDAY, JANUARY 25th

Arena Open To Public 8:00 A.M.
W. H. Stuart Building open to Public 8:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M.
Table Setting & Menu Planning Contest (Stuart Center) 8:00 A.M. - 3:30 P. M.
Seniors(set up time begins at 8:00 a.m.) 8:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.
Junior(set up time begins at 10:00 a.m.) 10:30 A.M.-1:00 P.M.
Elementary(set up time begins at 1:00 p.m.) 1:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.
Cakes for Auction check-in (Valencia Room of Ag. Center) 2:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.
Top Ranch Hand Contest(Arena) 2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Market Hog Showmanship(Arena) 6:00 P.M.
Judging of Cakes for Auction 5:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.
Notification of Cake Auction Winners 9:00 P.M.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26th

W. H. Stuart Building Open To Public	8:30 A.M. - 8:00 P.M.
Arena Open To Public	8:30 A.M. - 9:00 P.M.
Working Booths (Stuart Center)	9:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.
Judging of Blueberry & Horticulture Entries	9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
Cake Auction (Arena)	10:00 A.M.
Market Hog Sale	10:00 A.M.- 4:00 P.M.
Mannequin Modeling (Stuart Center)	1:00 P.M.- 7:00 P.M.
Sew Off Contest (Stuart Center)	4:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.
Commercial Heifer Show	6:00 P.M.
Commercial Heifer Showmanship Contest - Junior & Senior Divisions(Immediately following Commercial Heifer Show)	
Commercial Heifer Checkout for those not qualified to sale(immediately following Commercial Heifer Show)	
9:00 P.M.	
Market Hog Load out	7:00 P.M.- 10:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27th

W. H. Stuart Building Open To Public	8:30 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.
Arena Open To Public	8:30 A.M. - 9:00 P.M.
Story Telling Contest (Stuart Center)	9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
Judging of Rabbit Exhibits (Main Barn)(Poultry and rabbit area of barn closed during judging)	9:00 A.M.
Judging of Poultry & Egg Exhibits (Main Barn)(Poultry and rabbit area of barn closed during judging)	9:30 A.M.
Chili Cook-Off	1:00 P.M.- 5:00 P.M.
Dog Showmanship Class(Horse Arena)	3:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.
Poultry Show/Poultry Showmanship	5:00 P.M.
Whip Popping Contest(Arena)	7:00 P.M.
Market Hog Load out	7:00 A.M.- 10:00 A.M.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28th

W. H. Stuart Building Open To Public	8:30 A.M. - 8:00 P.M.
Arena Open To Public	8:30 A.M. - 9:00 P.M.
Demonstrations & Illustrated Talks (Stuart Center)	8:30 A.M. -11:00 A.M.
Dog Show: Agility, Rally, Obedience Classes(Horse Arena)	8:00 A.M.
Poultry & Egg Judging Contest (Arena)	9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
Rabbit Judging Contest (Rabbit area of Barn)(Rabbit area will be closed to public during judging)	9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
Purebred Beef Show (Arena)	10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Purebred Beef Showmanship Contest - Junior, Intermediate & Senior Divisions(Immediately following Purebred Beef Show)	
Scrap-Off Contest	2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Market Steer Show (Arena)	7:00 P.M.
Market Steer Showmanship Contest (Arena) - Junior & Senior Division(Immediately following Market Steer Show)	

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29th

Buildings Open To Public	8:30 A.M. - 9:00 P.M.
Horticultural Judging Contest	9:00 A.M. - 9:45 A.M.
Livestock Judging Contest (Arena)	10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
Working Booths (Stuart Center)	9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
Mannequin Modeling	9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
Blueberry Plant & Ornamental Plant Sales (Arena)	2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Tri-Color Presentation (Stuart Center)	4:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.
Parade of Champions (Arena)	6:00 P.M.
Commercial Heifer Sale(Arena)	6:30 P.M.
Market Steer Sale (Arena)	7:30 P.M.
Removal of Non-Perishable Exhibits	7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.
Poultry Checkout	5:00 P.M. - 10:00 P.M.
Rabbit Checkout	3:00 p.m. - 8:00 P.M.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30th

Removal of Perishable(includes live animals) & Nonperishable Exhibits	9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.
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X Non-perishable exhibits must be removed Friday, JANUARY 29, 2010 between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Live animals may be removed from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. or Saturday, JANUARY 30, 2010 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. See Department Superintendent to make any other arrangements. **All exhibits not removed from the fairgrounds by 10:00 a.m., Saturday, JANUARY 30, 2010 will become the property of the Fair and exhibitor will forfeit all premiums unless other arrangements have been made in advance with Fair management. All check-out of exhibits must be cleared through the appropriate Department Superintendent or their representative.**

POLK COUNTY YOUTH FAIR, INC.
P O BOX 9005, DRAWER HSO3, BARTOW FL 33831-9005
(863) 519-8677, ext. 116

JANUARY 23- JANUARY 29, 2010
2010 GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

NOTE: YOU MAY BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THE YOUTH FAIR IF YOU FAIL TO FOLLOW ANY OF THE YOUTH FAIR RULES.

1. Eligible Exhibitors: Any bonafide member of 4-H, FFA, FCCLA on date of entry. Exhibitors must declare organization affiliation at time of entry of exhibit and may not change affiliation between entry time and Fair. Each exhibitor must also be a bonafide full time student in a Polk County school (12th grade or below). Exhibitors that are home schooled must be a resident of Polk County and be schooled in their own home. **Minimum age of exhibitors is 8 years old as of September 1, 2009** No adult school students or students over the age of 22 will be eligible. Market steer exhibitors must be 10 years old as of **September 1, 2009** and in grades 4 through 12.

Exceptional Students: The Fair encourages parents, leaders and teachers of exceptional students to study the exhibit categories and select those that are reasonably within the abilities of the individual youngster. The Fair Management, if contacted in advance will make all reasonable efforts to permit alternatives to be used in such a way to allow the youngster an opportunity to participate.

2. Eligible Exhibits: Exhibits are to be the result of a planned learning experience -- made, grown, raised, trained, and/or completed by the individual since the last Fair. The student must be involved on a continuing basis to provide a meaningful educational and personal development experience. Please refer to the rules of each department for specific requirements in regards to entry deadlines, ownership deadlines, etc.

3. Entry Forms: Exhibitors who knowingly state false information on entry forms will be subject to **disqualification from the Fair.** Exhibitor's signature, parent/guardian's signature and teacher/leader's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, parent/guardian, teacher/leader and that all understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations. A physical address where market animals will be raised is required to be listed on the entry form submitted. Specific committee members will spot check market animals from initial entry deadline until final date of check-in at fair time. Entry forms and additional copies of the Rules and Regulations are available from the Youth Fair Office, located at 1702 Highway 17 South, Bartow, Florida 33830 **or** online at <http://www2.polk-fl.net/polkkffa/home/home.shtml> **or** polk.ifas.ufl.edu.

4. Entry Fees: A \$5.00 entry fee will be in effect for the following departments: Family & Consumer Sciences, Dog Show, Egg, Poultry & Rabbit(counted as one division), Horticulture. Each exhibitor must submit a \$5.00 entry fee per division for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. This entry fee **must** accompany entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit in a division need only pay the entry fee one time for the division they are entering. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

Entry Fees for large animals: A \$10.00 entry fee will be in effect for the following divisions: Purebred Beef Breeding, Commercial Heifer, Horse, Market Hog, Market Steer. Each exhibitor must submit a \$10.00 entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair for the division they are entering. This entry fee **must** accompany entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit in a division need only pay the entry fee one time for the division they are entering. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

Tagging Identification Fee: Exhibitors entering the Market Hog and Market Steer department will need to submit a \$10.00 identification fee. This fee must accompany the entry form for entry to be considered valid. Entry forms received without tagging identification fee being paid will not be accepted. **Tagging identification fees are nonrefundable.**

5. Late Fees: Late fees for the proper amount **must** accompany entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. **Entry forms received without late entry fee will not be accepted.** This rule also applies to late fees for buyer letters that are required in the market hog, market steer, blueberry plant, cake auction, citrus trees, and ornamental plants departments. **All Late fees are nonrefundable.**

6. Exhibit Tags: A completed exhibit tag must accompany EACH exhibit, **except** for horses, market steers, market hogs, beef breeding, and commercial heifers.

7. Number of Exhibits: The number of exhibits allowed will vary with each department. See specific rules for the Department under which the exhibit will be entered for details.

8. Judging: The Danish System of judging will be used and the decision of the judges will be final. Exhibits may be screened at the time of check-in for quality, appropriateness, and conformity to the rules and regulations prior to being placed on exhibit. Excellent (blue), Good (red), Worthy (white) and other appropriate awards will be given to each entry based on the judges decision. Should an exhibit not meet the minimum standards, in the opinion of the judges, a **No Award** may be given and the entry will not be exhibited.

9. **Sale of Projects:** Only live animals, blueberry plants, citrus trees, ornamental plants and cakes for auction will be auctioned. **NO** medically unsound or dead animals will be auctioned. **At time of sale, no additional incentives can be added to sale of any sale project which includes but not limited to fishing trips, hunting trips, vacations, etc.**

X 10. **Clipped/Shaved Hogs:** If an exhibitor's hog that has been entered for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair is found with hair that is less than 3/4" long at any time during the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair, exhibitors must remove hog from fairgrounds immediately.

11. **Premiums:** Premium checks will be distributed as soon as possible after the closing of the Fair.

12. **Checks From Sale Projects:** Monies from the sale of blueberry plants, citrus trees, cakes, commercial heifers, market hogs, ornamental plants and market steers, will be mailed to exhibitors as soon as money is received from the buyer and copies of thank you letters(not metered mail or fax) are received from exhibitor. **Exhibitors not submitting copies of thank you letter to buyer to the Youth Fair within 90 days following the sale will forfeit all sale money. Add-on checks if not paid by the time money from sale has been received will be mailed separately.**

13. **Special Contests:** Awarding of special contests is subject to funding from sponsors and will not be awarded unless sponsor provides funding before fair time.

14. **Liability:** Exhibitors, by entering the Polk County Youth Fair, assume all responsibility for their exhibits. The Polk County Youth Fair, Inc. will not assume any responsibility for loss or damage to an exhibit or any liability caused by an exhibit or exhibitor. The Fair will make every reasonable effort to protect property or exhibits from loss or damage.

15. **Sale of Items:** There will be no sale of property, exhibits or other items allowed on the Fair Grounds without prior approval of the Fair Management. Posting of advertisements or other such materials is forbidden without the approval of the Fair Management.

16. **Protests:** An Appeals committee composed of the Fair Management, appropriate Division Superintendent(s) and three members of the Board of Directors of the Fair shall receive and act upon any protest arising out of any event. The protest must be filed in writing and accompanied by a \$25.00 cash deposit. If the protest is overruled, the deposit shall be forfeited to the Fair. **Decision of judges are final and are not subject to protests.**

17. **Exhibitor Conduct:** Exhibitors are required to conduct themselves as ladies and gentlemen. Appropriate dress is required at all times. No radios are allowed to be played in the building including the inside of the barn. **NO SNUFF OR CHEWING TOBACCO IS ALLOWED DURING AN EVENT. The use of alcoholic beverages, drugs and related substances is forbidden on the Fair Grounds. Violators will be referred to the appropriate law enforcement agency for prosecution. Unbecoming conduct such as the use of profanity, on the part of the exhibitor or anyone associated with the exhibitor will, at the discretion of the Fair Management, result in the disqualification of the exhibitor and require the immediate removal of the exhibitor and his/her exhibits from the Fair Grounds with forfeiture of all premiums and awards.**

18. **No animals of any kind other than those entered are allowed on the fairgrounds at any time. The only dogs (other than dogs in service to the disabled) allowed on the Fair grounds are those participating in the Dog Show on the day of the Dog Show. See Dog Show General Rule 10.**

19. **Removal of Exhibits:** See Schedule of Events (page 2). No exhibits may be removed except during the hours and dates specified. Removal of exhibits without permission of the Fair Management will result in the forfeiture of all premiums and awards. All exhibits not removed from the Fair Grounds by 5:00 P.M., **Saturday, January 30, 2010**, will become the property of the Fair and exhibitor will forfeit all premiums unless other arrangements have been made in advance with the Fair Management. All check-out of exhibits must be cleared through the appropriate Department Superintendent or his or her representative.

X 20a. **Camping on Fair Grounds:** Youth Fair exhibitors and their families planning to park travel trailers or other equipment on the Fair Grounds must pre-register with the Youth Fair office. **Registrations for camping must be received by December 1, 2009.** The fee for camping is \$150.00 per week. People other than Fair exhibitors and families will not be permitted to camp on the Fair Grounds. Campers must camp in designated areas only. **Cancellation of camping space must be done prior to December 19, 2009, otherwise camping fee will be forfeited. No temporary shade, rain or camping type structures are allowed to be erected other than in a designated camping area. Arrangements for these types of structures should be made with fair management.** All exhibitors remaining on the grounds after Fair closing time must be accompanied by a responsible adult **at all times.** Campers may not plug into the Agriculture Center's electrical system because of the shock hazard and danger of overloading electrical circuits. See complete rules for camping attached to registration form.

X 20b. **Dry camping on Fair Grounds:** Youth Fair exhibitors and their families planning to park travel trailers or other equipment on the Fair Grounds must pre-register with the Youth Fair office. **Registrations for camping must be received by December 1, 2009.** The fee for camping is \$75.00 per week. People other than Fair exhibitors and families will not be permitted to camp on the Fair Grounds. Campers must camp in designated areas only. **Cancellation of camping space must be done prior to December 19, 2009, otherwise camping fee will be forfeited. No temporary shade, rain or camping type structures are allowed to be erected other than in a designated camping area. Arrangements for these types of structures should be made with fair management.** All exhibitors remaining on the grounds after Fair closing time must be accompanied by a responsible adult **at all times.** Campers may not plug into the

Agriculture Center's electrical system because of the shock hazard and danger of overloading electrical circuits. See complete rules for camping attached to registration form.

- X **21. Temporary shade, rain or camping type structures are allowed to be erected in a designated area. Registration for these structures must be received by December 1, 2009.** People other than Fair exhibitors and families will not be permitted to camp on the Fair Grounds. **The cost per week will be \$25.00 per tent site. This fee must be paid in advance.** All exhibitors remaining on the grounds after Fair closing time must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times. **Arrangements for these types of structures should be made in advance with fair management.**
22. No golf carts, ATV's or any other off road vehicles other than used by Fair Officials will be allowed on fairgrounds at any time unless prior approval is made with Fair Officials.
- X **23. After the Horse Show, ALL livestock trailers, regardless of size, MUST be parked in a designated area of the horse arena. Any livestock trailer parked in any other location is subject to impoundment by Security.**

LIVESTOCK DIVISION

General Rules

1. **Eligible Exhibits:** Exhibits are to be the result of a planned learning experience -- raised and trained, by the exhibitor since the last Fair. The student must be involved on a continuing basis to provide a meaningful educational and personal development experience. The care, feeding and training of the animals shall be the responsibility of the student. Ownership by the exhibitor is required for those selling commercial heifers, market steers and market hogs. **NO CHAPTER ANIMALS ARE ALLOWED TO BE ENTERED IN ANY LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT.** Exhibitors must own market animals by the following dates: Market Steers - **July 24, 2009**, Market Hogs - **September 28, 2009** and Commercial Heifers **November 2, 2009**. **THIS RULE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED AND IT'S VIOLATION WILL SUBJECT THE EXHIBITOR TO IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION FROM THIS FAIR AND ALL FUTURE YOUTH FAIRS.** Ownership by the exhibitor for all other animal projects is desired, but not required. However, the animal must be in the care or in the possession of the student by **November 3, 2009**. In the case of horses, the ownership, leased date, cared for deadline is **October 1, 2009** (see horse rules, page 10). See specific rules for each department.

2. **No Livestock (except horses) will be allowed in the Horse Arena at any time during the Youth Fair for any purpose. Violation of this rule will subject exhibitors to disqualification from the Fair and forfeiture of all awards And premiums.**

3. **Fire Safety:** All animals will be bedded on sand provided by the Fair. The use of straw, hay or other combustible materials to bed animals is prohibited. It is suggested that exhibitors use hay bags to feed animals. Hay and show boxes will be placed in designated areas of the barn to minimize the fire hazard and provide more access through the alleys for the exhibitors and spectators. **SMOKING is strictly prohibited** in the barn.

4. **Handling of Animals:** Failure of the exhibitor to be able to handle his/her animal **at all times**, may result in disqualification. All animals (except market hogs) must be halter broken. No animals will be accepted that cannot be handled properly by the exhibitor. Use of nose tongs or other restraining devices, except show halters, will not be allowed, except on bulls, which may be shown with the aid of a nose lead in conjunction with the regular halter. Each exhibitor must show and sell his/her own animal (unless prior approval is received from fair management). No chapter animals are allowed. All beef cattle including market steers, must be double tied at all times with halter and neck rope furnished by the exhibitor.

5. **Tampering:** The use of drugs, not in compliance with manufacturers' label instructions or Youth Fair regulations is prohibited. The use of any medication other than for the health of the animal as well as any form of tampering (filling with water, tranquilizing, etc.) is prohibited. Animals will be subject to examination at any time and violators will automatically be disqualified with forfeiture of **all premiums, awards, and all rights to exhibit in future Youth Fairs.** **NOTE:** Market steer, and market hog exhibitors and their parent(s) will be required to sign a Drug Certification Slip prior to the animal being accepted for show and sale.

6. **Removal of Horns:** No animal will be allowed to show with dangerous horns. Animals with spurs, nubs or tipped horns, and certain registered horned breeding animals, may be allowed to show, if in the opinion of the Department Superintendent they are not dangerous to the exhibitors or spectators. Questions concerning horns **must be resolved prior to entry.**

7. **Grooming and Fitting Assistance:** Preparation for showing **should** be done by the exhibitor. Hand clippers, scissors, etc. are permitted. Electric service is not adequate to support the use of electric grooming aids. No grooming chutes, stalls, etc. will be allowed except in designated areas. Fair management will designate a specific area for the use of this type of equipment. A fenced grooming area will be designated by Fair Management for exhibitors to groom their animals at fair time. Grooming chutes are to be kept at least six feet inside fenced area. No animals will be tied to chain link fence.

8. **School Attendance:** School attendance is important, but exhibitors should take care of their own exhibits during the Fair and make prior arrangements with teachers to make up work missed while at the Fair.

9 Exhibit Space: Each exhibitor will be assigned an exhibit space and be expected to arrange his or her own exhibit. Each exhibitor will be required to furnish feed and care of his/her exhibit(s) with the exception of poultry and rabbits. Show boxes and other show equipment must be placed as to maintain a minimum alley width of six feet. Show boxes should not exceed eighteen (18) inches in width, thirty (30) inches in length and eighteen (18) inches in height - show boxes larger than this will be placed in a designated area rather than exhibit space. Retainer boards not to exceed six inches in height will be allowed. Carpet, ornamental plants, and other decorative material will not be allowed in the exhibit area of the barn.

10. All animals must be housed inside the barn **AT ALL TIMES** except when showing, exercising or during washing or grooming times. Exhibitors shall keep animals on display in their assigned areas. Exercising, walking, etc. of large animals will be limited to designated areas only. Failure to do so will result in disqualification from the Fair.

11. Herdsman Contest: Each exhibitor will automatically be entered in the Individual Herdsman Award Contest. In order to qualify for the individual award, the exhibitor must do all work in maintaining the exhibit and exhibit area. Failure to maintain minimum standards may result in disqualification of the exhibit and forfeiture of premiums and awards. Individual Herdsman Awards will be given for first place in Beef, Commercial Heifer, Market Hog, and Market Steer Departments. Those individuals who choose to compete within a club or chapter will not be eligible for individual competition. Club or Chapter Herdsman Awards will be given for first place in the Beef and Commercial Heifer Departments. There will be no club or chapter competition in the Market Hog Department and Market Steer Department.

12. Eagle Award Contest: Each exhibitor will automatically be entered in the Individual Eagle Award Contest. In order to qualify for the individual award, the exhibitor must do all work in maintaining the exhibit and exhibit area. Failure to maintain minimum standards may result in disqualification of the exhibit and forfeiture of premiums and awards. Individual Eagle Awards will be given for first place in Beef, Commercial Heifer, Market Hog, and Market Steer Departments. Those individuals who choose to compete within a club or chapter will not be eligible for individual competition.

13. Livestock Showmanship: Official dress of exhibitor's organization will be a criteria for showmanship qualification.

Class breaks for the Commercial Heifer Department will be divided into two divisions and will be based on the exhibitor's age as of **September 1, 2009:** Junior Division - 8 to 12 years old and Senior Division - 13 to 18 years old

Class breaks for the Market Steer Department will be divided into two divisions and will be based on the exhibitors age as of **September 1, 2009:** Junior Division - 10 to 13 years old Senior Division - 14 and older

Class breaks for the Beef and Market Hog Departments will be divided into three divisions and will be based on the exhibitors age as of **January 1, 2010:** Junior Division - 8 to 10 years old, Intermediate Division -11 to 13 years old and Senior Division - 14 years old and older

14. All livestock Exhibitors are required to be wear organizational dress as defined below for all livestock shows and all livestock sales. Exhibitors not in organizational dress will be fined a \$50.00 fee for each show and sale in which they are not properly attired. Polk County Youth Fair Official Guidelines are as follows:

FFA: FFA jacket zipped to the top. White collared shirt with FFA scarf or tie - solid black or navy tie/scarf or **Polk County FFA Showmanship Shirt**(as available) is acceptable. Black/dark pants . Black, dark brown or gray boots/shoes.

4-H: Polk County 4-H Showmanship Shirt(as available) is acceptable or a white shirt with green scarf, green ribbon or green tie and dark pants.

No soft shoes such as tennis shoes allowed.

Livestock Health Regulations

A. Vehicles - Trucks & Trailers (Beef, Commercial Heifer, Market Hog, and Market Steer)

1. Commercial vehicles and trailers must be cleaned and disinfected under the supervision of an accredited veterinarian with a statement to this effect indicated on the Health Certificate.
2. Non-Commercial (Owner's) vehicles and trailers may be cleaned and disinfected by the owner. The State Veterinarian on duty will inspect these vehicles and if they have not been properly cleaned and disinfected, the animals may be rejected. Proper cleaning means that all dried manure, bedding and other materials must be removed prior to disinfecting. Vehicle Disinfectant Forms will be available from the Youth Fair Office.
3. The cleaning and vehicle disinfectant form is valid for thirty (30) days provided no livestock, other than those qualified for exhibition are hauled.
4. Any of the acresylic disinfectants are acceptable. Examples are Lysol or other commercial acresylic compounds.
5. ALL livestock trailers, regardless of size, **MUST** be parked south of the southern boundary of the horse arena. Any livestock trailer parked in any other location is subject to impoundment by Security.

B. The following guidelines for health regulations **"STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, DIVISION OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY RULES AND REGULATIONS, ADMISSION OF ANIMALS FOR EXHIBITION, CHAPTER 5C-4"** will be in effect for all animals. All

cattle(including market steers) must have an Official Health Certificate issued by an accredited veterinarian. No fax copies of health certificates will be accepted - only certified copies, this includes Coggins tests for horses.

ADMISSION OF ANIMALS FOR EXHIBITION

Chapter 5C-4

ADMISSION OF ANIMALS FOR EXHIBITION

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5C-4.001 General Requirements and Limitations.

- (1) Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) Required. All animals for exhibition in Florida, unless specifically exempted, must be accompanied by an OCVI issued by a veterinarian accredited in the state of origin.
 - (a) The OCVI must be complete including the breed, name and registration number, and permanent identification such as tattoo, ear tag number, microchip number, or brand.
 - (b) Results of a specific test requirement or herd certification or validation number for each animal must be recorded on the OCVI with the date of the test or herd certification or validation.
- (2) For exhibition purposes only, an OCVI is valid for 90 days from the date of issue; or until the expiration date of any required tests, whichever is the earliest date. For importation into the State, the OCVI is valid for 30 days pursuant to Rule 5C-3.002(1)(c).
- (3) Exemption to Required OCVI. An OCVI is not required for animals originating in the State of Florida and entered in market classes provided the animals are segregated from other animals and the pens are occupied only by the animals in a market class. Pens used for market classes must not be reused until after cleaning and disinfecting.
- (4) Prior to acceptance at an exhibition, all animals presented for exhibition must be visually inspected by a veterinarian licensed in the state of Florida, or by a Department representative for:
 - (a) The required identification of the animal;
 - (b) Clinical signs of disease; and
 - (c) Evidence of compliance with test requirements
- (5) Any animal which has clinical signs of contagious or infectious disease on visual inspection or any animal which is known to be exposed must be:
 - (a) Withdrawn from exhibition and returned to the place of origin, or
 - (b) Examined at the owner's expense within 24 hours by a veterinarian licensed in the State of Florida who certifies by a signed written statement that the animal is free of contagious or infectious disease. *Specific Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History - 7-1-77, 8-7-77, 9-30-80, Formerly 5C-4.01, Amended 4-17-89, 1-19-95, 6-4-95.*

5C-4.0015 Definitions. For the purposes of this Chapter the following definitions shall apply:

- (1) Accredited Veterinarian. A licensed veterinarian who has been approved to perform certain functions of the federal and cooperative federal-state programs by the Deputy Administrator, United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Veterinary Services, in accordance with the provision of 9 CFR 161 (1993).
- (2) Animal(s). This term shall include:
 - (a) Livestock including grazing animals, such as cattle, horses, sheep, swine, goats, and other hoofed animals;
 - (b) Ratites, limited to ostriches, emus, and rheas;
 - (c) Domesticated fowl which are propagated or maintained for commercial, exhibition, or breeding purposes, or as pets; and
 - (d) Wild or game animals which may threaten the agricultural interests of the state.
- (3) Department Representative. An employee of the Department who is authorized to perform animal health regulatory activities regarding the prevention, control, and eradication of certain infectious or communicable diseases of animals.
- (4) Exhibition. An assembly of animals for the purpose of competition or public presentation including but not limited to fairs, shows, and rodeo events.
- (5) Group. One or more animals maintained on the same premises or in contact.
- (6) Horse. Any horse, mule, ass, zebra or other equidae.
- (7) Isolation. Separation of individual animals by a physical barrier in a manner that assures one animal does not have access to the body, excrement, or discharges of another animal; does not share a building with a common ventilation system; and is not within ten feet of another animal.
- (8) Market Class. An exhibition class consisting of finished fed animals where all animals in the class go directly to slaughter immediately following the exhibition.
- (9) Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection(OCVI). An official form approved by the senior animal health official of the state of origin or an equivalent form from the USDA, which is a complete and legible certificate issued by a veterinarian who is licensed and accredited in the state of origin.
- (10) Official test. A test conducted by a method approved by Department rules for the specific disease and animal species.
- (11) Segregated. The maintenance of one group of animals so as to prevent physical contact with another group of animals.
- (12) Materials. Title 9 C.F.R. § 161 (1994) is hereby incorporated by reference. Copies may be obtained from the United States Government Printing Office, Superintendent of Documents, Mail Stop SSOP, Washington, D.C. 20402-9328. *Specific Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2), 585.145(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History-New 1-19-95, Amended 6-4-95.*

5C-4.002 Cattle.

(1) OCVI Required. Cattle for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI dated not more than 90 days prior to presentation and must be accompanied by evidence of completion of the test requirements or certifications listed in 5C-4.002(2). **Also see specific department rules.**

- (2) Test of Certification Required.
 - (a) Tuberculosis.
 1. Cattle may be entered for exhibition without a tuberculin test provided the OCVI identifies the cattle as originating from a Tuberculosis-Free State as defined in rule 5C-7.016(3), Florida Administrative Code, an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free Herd, as defined in rule 5C-7.016(1), Florida Administrative Code, or a herd not under quarantine in a Modified Accredited Tuberculosis State, as defined in rule 5C-7.016(23), Florida Administrative Code. When accredited, the herd accreditation number must be recorded on the OCVI.
 2. Other cattle may be entered for exhibition provided the cattle originate from a herd not under quarantine and have a negative tuberculin test within 30 days prior to the date of the exhibition.
 3. A positive test on any animal in a designated group, disqualifies all animals of the group from exhibition. *Specific Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1),(2)FS. History - Amended 7-25-66, 11-15-67, 7- 1-71, 9-1-72, 8-7-77, 8-8-79, 9-30-80, 6-26-83, Formerly 5C-4.02, Amended 4-17-89, 1-19-95.*

(b) Brucellosis.

Effective June 13, 2001, USDA, APHIS, VS, recognized Florida as a Cattle Brucellosis Class "Free" State. Cattle for exhibition must be accompanied by an Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) dated not more than 90 days prior to presentation.

Note on Dairy Cattle: Prior to issuance of OCVI, dairy cattle that have not been vaccinated against Brucellosis must have proof of negative Brucellosis test within 30 days. The test and OCVI will remain valid, for exhibition, for 90 days.

5C-4.003 Swine.

- (1) OCVI Required. All **breeding** swine for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI dated not more than 90 days prior to presentation and must be accompanied by evidence of completion of the test requirements or certifications listed in 5C-4.003(2). The following are required:
 - (2) Test or Certification Required. Breeding swine over 6 months of age, excluding barrows and gilts in market classes, must originate from a Validated Brucellosis-Free Herd, as defined in rule 5C-6.008, Florida Administrative Code, or must be recorded negative to a brucellosis test within 30 days of presentation. If from a validated herd, the herd number must be recorded on the OCVI.

- (b) Pseudorabies. Breeding swine over six months of age entered for exhibition, excluding barrows and gilts in market classes, must originate from a Qualified Pseudorabies-Free Herd, as defined in rule 5C-21.005(2), Florida Administrative Code, or be negative to a pseudorabies test within 30 days of the day of exhibition. If from a qualified herd, the qualified herd number must be recorded on the OCVI.
- (3) Isolation. Swine returning to the farm from exhibitions must be isolated from other swine at least 30 days before being returned to the herd. Breeding swine for exhibition must be maintained in isolation between exhibitions or move directly between exhibitions. *Specific Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History - Amended 3-21-64, 6-20-68, 1-1-71, 3-1-72, Formerly 5C-4.03, Amended 4-17-89, 1-19-95. Also see Market Hog Department rule # 19, page 14.*

5C-4.004 Poultry, Domestic Fowl and Ratites. - Also see Poultry Rule #8, Page 16.

- (1) OCVI Required. An OCVI is required for domestic fowl and ratites for movement into Florida, but not specifically for exhibition. However, poultry, domestic fowl and ratites presented for exhibition without an OCVI, must be tested on site as provided in 5C-4.001(4).
- (2) Test or Certification Required. Poultry, domestic fowl and ratites entered for exhibition must originate from Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flocks or hatcheries, as defined in rule 5C-16.008, Florida Administrative Code, or have a negative pullorum-typhoid test within 90 days prior to exhibition. *Specific Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History Amended 4-20-67, 4-18-84, 4-4-85, Formerly 5C-4.04, Amended 6-21-87, 4-17-89, 1-19-95, 6-4-95.*

5C-4.008 Equine.

Georgia, and Alabama have mutually agreed to recognize such extensions by the two other states; and

2. (1) OCVI Required. An OCVI is required for all equine for movement into Florida, but not specifically for exhibition.
- (2) Test or Certification Required. All horses presented for exhibition must be accompanied by evidence of a negative official test for equine infectious anemia (EIA), conducted within 12 months prior to exhibition.
- (a) Exemption to Test Requirement. A foal under six months of age accompanied by its dam which has met the EIA test requirement is not required to have an EIA test.
- (b) The EIA test must be reported on VS Form 10-11 (Apr 90) and must be:
1. An original copy of the official test record; or
 2. A copy of the original test record, certified by the laboratory which conducted the test; or
 3. A notarized copy of the original test record.
- (c) A horse not accompanied by an EIA test record as required by 5C-4.008(2) or which does not correspond to the description on VS Form 10-11 (Apr 90) will be prohibited from exhibition.
- (3) Equine Event Extension. An OCVI is required for equine moving interstate to equine. Upon written request to the Division, the expiration of a Florida Equine OCVI will be extended for up to six months provided that:
- (a) The purpose is to allow routine movement to equine events such as horse shows or meets, races, trail rides, or fox hunts in the states of Georgia and Alabama; and
 1. Florida The Equine OCVI is complete; and
 2. The new expiration date will not be later than the expiration date of the EIA test.
 - (b) This Equine Event Extension does not supersede or replace the requirements of any given event.
 - (c) A new Equine Event Extension will not be issued for an owner, owner's agent, or horse which has been the subject of an Equine Event Extension which the Department has canceled.
 - (d) Forms. VS Form 10-11 (April 90) is hereby incorporated by reference. Copies may be obtained from the United States Government Printing Office, Superintendent of Documents, Mail Stop SSOP, Washington, D.C. 20402-9328. *Specific Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(3), 585.145 FS. History - New 1-19-95, Amended 6-4-95.*

5C-4.009 Other Species.

Specific Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(2) FS. History - New 1-19-95, Repealed 6-4-95.

5C-4.010 Penalties for Violations.

Specific Authority 585.002(4) FS. Law Implemented 585.007, 585.145(3) FS. History - New 1-19-95, Repealed 6-4-95.

Beef Breeding Department

1. **Entry deadline is 5:00 P.M., Monday, November 2, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Late entries will be accepted until **5:00 P.M., Friday, December 4, 2009** or postmarked (**not metered mail or fax**) on that date with a \$100.00 nonrefundable late entry fee. Late entry fee must be submitted with entry form. Ownership of the beef breeding project is desired but not required. **NO CHAPTER ANIMALS ARE ALLOWED.** However, **the project animal must be in the care of or in the possession of the student by November 2, 2009.** In addition, **a lease or contract agreement for animals not owned by the exhibitor must be submitted with the entry form.** **Entry forms for leased animals will not be accepted if lease/contract agreement is not submitted with entry form.**

Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.

2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a **one time** Beef Breeding entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$10.00. This entry fee **must** accompany the beef breeding entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one beef breeding animal need only to pay the entry fee one time. This entry fee will be valid for all beef breeding entries in the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

3. **EACH EXHIBITOR IS ALLOWED TO ENTER SIX ANIMALS BUT CAN SHOW ONLY FOUR, WITH ONLY ONE ENTRY PER CLASS.**

4. **All beef breeding animals must be registered.** The exhibitor must list on the entry form the breed, sex, birth date, registration numbers, ear tattoo numbers or brand. At the time of check-in, the exhibitor must show either registration papers or a letter from the Breed Association showing the registration to be pending to the Department Superintendent. No Grade animals will be allowed to show in the Beef Breeding Department.

5. Maximum age of beef animals is three years of age as of **January 1, 2010.** Beef cattle born prior to **January 1, 2007** will not be eligible to show.

6. Calves born after **September 15, 2009** will not be allowed to show as a single entry.

7. **All beef breeding animals must be handled by the exhibitor only from the trailer to tie space at fair check-in.** Exhibitors who cannot handle their cattle will have two hours after the end of check-in to demonstrate handling ability or be disqualified. During the show any unruly cattle deemed a safety hazard by the beef committee will be removed from the arena, placed last in class and receive a white ribbon.

8. Exhibitors are required to use their own animals in showmanship contest.

X Denotes Changes from 2009 Rules & Regulations

X 9. Each exhibitor must show his/her own animal in the class which they are entered. No adult assistance in the show ring will be allowed.

10. Each exhibitor will be responsible for maintaining a clean tie space. Feed pans and buckets must be removed from the stall by 9:00 a.m. and removed no later than 8:00 p.m. following the evening feeding. Exhibitors are also required to leave beds completely clean at check out. Exhibitors who fail to clean assigned stall areas will forfeit all premium money. **Check-out time will be Friday, January 29, 2010 at 9:00 p.m.**

X 11. **Record Book: All exhibitors must present either an approved up to date FFA record book or a 4-H record book at check-in time. No exceptions will be made. EXHIBITORS NOT PRESENTING AN UP TO DATE RECORD BOOK WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2010 SHOW.** Record book will be returned to exhibitor as soon as committee member has reviewed record book for completeness.

12. Classes for the 2010 Youth Fair Beef Breeding Show:

Class 1 - Calves born May 1, 2009 and after	Class 8 - Calves born May 1 to June 30, 2008
Class 2 - Calves born April 1 to April 30, 2009	Class 9 - Calves born April 1 to April 30, 2008
Class 3 - Calves born March 1 to March 31, 2009	Class 10 - Calves born March 1 to March 31, 2008
Class 4 - Calves born January 1 to February 28, 2009	Class 11 - Calves born January 1 to February 28, 2008
Class 5 - Calves born November 1 to December 31, 2008	Class 12 - Calves born September 1 to December 31, 2007
Class 6 - Calves born September 1 to October 31, 2008	Class 13 - Calves born May 1 to August 31, 2007
Class 7 - Calves born July 1 to August 31, 2008	Class 14 - Calves born January 1 to April 30, 2007

Commercial Heifer Department

X 1. Entry deadline for **leased** Commercial Heifers is 5:00 P.M., Monday, **November 2, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Late entries will be accepted until **5:00 P.M., Friday, December 4, 2009** or postmarked (**not metered mail or fax**) on that date with a \$100.00 nonrefundable late entry fee. Late entry fee must be submitted with entry form. **NO CHAPTER ANIMALS ARE ALLOWED.** However, the project animal must be in the care of or in the possession of the student by November 2, 2009. In addition, a lease or contract agreement for animals not owned by the exhibitor must be submitted with the entry form. Entry forms for leased animals will not be accepted if lease/contract agreement is not submitted with entry form. Leased animals are ineligible to participate in the commercial heifer sale. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.

1(b).Entry deadline for **Exhibitor Owned** Commercial Heifers is 5:00 P.M., Monday, **November 2, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Late entries will be accepted until **5:00 P.M., Friday, December 4, 2009** or postmarked (**not metered mail or fax**) on that date with a \$100.00 nonrefundable late entry fee. Late entry fee must be submitted with entry form. **NO CHAPTER ANIMALS ARE ALLOWED.** The project animal must be owned by the student by November 2, 2009. In addition, an original bill of sale with purchase price for animals must be submitted with the entry form. Entry forms for owned animals will not be accepted if original bill of sale is not submitted with entry form. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.

2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a Commercial Heifer entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$10.00. This entry fee **must** accompany the entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one Commercial Heifer need only to pay the entry fee one time. This entry fee will be valid for all Commercial Heifer entries in the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

3. **EACH EXHIBITOR IS ALLOWED TO ENTER SIX ANIMALS, BUT CAN SHOW ONLY FOUR ENTRIES, WITH ONLY ONE ENTRY PER CLASS. THE FAIR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO FURTHER LIMIT ENTRIES BELOW FOUR IF SPACE BECOMES LIMITED.**

4. Exhibitors are required to use their own animals in showmanship contest.

5. **Each exhibitor must show his/her own animal in the class which they are entered. No adult assistance in the show ring will be allowed.**

6. Each exhibitor will be responsible for maintaining a clean tie space. Exhibitors are required to leave beds completely clean at check out. Exhibitors who fail to clean assigned stall areas will forfeit all premium money.

X 7. **Record Book: All exhibitors must present either an approved up to date FFA record book or a 4-H record book at show time. No exceptions will be made. EXHIBITORS NOT PRESENTING AN UP TO DATE RECORD BOOK WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2010 SHOW.** Record book will be returned to exhibitor as soon as committee member has reviewed record book for completeness.

8. All commercial heifers must be handled by the exhibitor only from the trailer to tie space at fair check-in. Exhibitors who cannot handle their cattle will have two hours after the end of check-in to demonstrate handling ability or be

disqualified. During the show any unruly cattle deemed a safety hazard by the beef committee will be removed from the arena, placed last in class and receive a white ribbon.

9. There are no minimum or maximum weight requirements. However, the following minimum target weights are recommended:

- Calves should weigh at least 450 pounds at weaning (45% of mature weight).
- Yearlings should weigh at least 650 pounds at breeding (65% of mature weight)
- Two year olds should weigh at least 850 pounds at calving (85% of mature weight)

10. **A judge will be asked to make their selection based on the type of animals which are best adapted to South Florida. They will be asked to select heifers which will be the most productive in conditions in the cattle industry in our area. This means that animals with Brahman influence may receive higher class placement than straight English or Continental breeds.**

X 11. **ALL HEIFERS MUST HAVE A NON REMOVABLE FORM OF PERMANENT IDENTIFICATION (TATTOO OR BRAND) AND THE ID MUST BE INCLUDED ON THE ENTRY FORM AND HEALTH CERTIFICATE.**

12. Brucellosis vaccination is required on all commercial heifers. *Please note that the window for vaccinating heifers is from 4 to 10 months of age.

October 2008 heifers to be vaccinated between February and August 2009

November 2008 heifer to be vaccinated between March and September 2009

December 2008 heifer to be vaccinated between April and October 2009

January 2009 heifer to be vaccinated between May and November 2009

February 2009 heifer to be vaccinated between June and December 2009

March 2009 heifer to be vaccinated between July 2009 and January 2010

X 13. All **non vaccinated** heifers entered in the two and three year old commercial heifer division are required to have a 30 day negative brucellosis test. This should be done no earlier than December 25, 2009, but need to be done early enough to allow time to get results.

14. All heifers must be polled, dehorned or tipped to a 1" diameter end.

15. **ALL HEIFERS IN THE TWO YEAR OLD DIVISION ARE REQUIRED TO BE PALPATED BY A LICENSED VETERINARIAN AND STATE OF PREGNANCY SHOULD BE NOTED ON HEALTH CERTIFICATE.**

X 16. **Classes for the 2010 Youth Fair Commercial Heifer Show:**

Yearling Division:

Fall Heifers born October 1, 2008 - December 31, 2008 **or** Winter Heifers born January 1, 2009 - March 31, 2009

Remember -most commercial ranches do not keep birth date records. Exhibitors need a signed lease or contract agreement or bill of sale from breeder estimating the month in which the heifer was born. If necessary, classes could be further divided to prevent overly large classes.

Two Year Old Division:

Fall Heifers born October 1, 2007 - December 31, 2007 **or** Winter Heifers born January 1, 2008 - March 31, 2008

(These cattle raised with high nutrition levels for show are encouraged to be bred to calve at two years of age. Heifers with calf at side may be awarded higher class placement over bred and open heifers due to actual proof of fertility and productivity).

X **Three Year Old Division:**

Fall Heifers born October 1, 2006 - December 31, 2006 **or** Winter Heifers born January 1, 2007 - March 31, 2007 .

X **ALL ENTRIES IN THE THREE YEAR OLD DIVISION MUST HAVE CALF AT SIDE - NO EXCEPTIONS.**

17. **Sale:** The top five placing exhibitors will be given the opportunity to sell their heifers. Exhibitors must own their animals should they choose to participate in the sale. **Health certificates on sale heifers must be available to buyers.** If any of the top five placing exhibitors choose not to participate in the sale, the next placed exhibitor will be offered the chance to sell their animal. A resale(buy back price) will be auctioned to the highest bidder prior to the sale. A beef referendum fee and a 5% sale fee will be deducted from each sale. **Exhibitors not submitting copies of thank you letter to buyer to the Youth Fair within 90 days following the sale will forfeit all sale money.** A 5% fee will also be deducted from all add-ons received. An exhibitor may sell only one commercial heifer and one market animal for slaughter.

18. **ALL COMMERCIAL HEIFER EXHIBITORS** who own their animal(s) are required to contact at least two **different** potential buyers. Copies of at least two letters which are legible with potential buyers names (one letter with two potential buyers names is not acceptable) to potential buyers are due in the Youth Fair office by **5:00 P.M. Friday, January 8, 2010** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date and should be marked **Attn: Commercial Heifer Committee**. If one letter is sent to a potential buyer and is used for several different projects(hog, cake, blueberry plant or plant buyer letter), a separate copy must be sent to the Youth Fair office addressed **Attn: Commercial Heifer Committee**. Exhibitors not submitting copies of two letters to potential buyers to the Youth Fair office by **5:00 P.M.**

Friday, January 8, 2010 will be fined \$50.00 to be deducted from sale check. No buyer letters will be accepted after Friday, January 8, 2010. Postmarked by the United States Postal Service(not metered mail or fax) by the deadline is acceptable.

xHorse Department

1. Entry deadline: The entry deadline is **5:00 P.M., Friday, November 6, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Late entries will be accepted until **5:00 P.M., Friday, December 4, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date with a late fee of \$25.00 plus a one time \$10.00 entry fee(per horse) for a total of \$35.00. These fees are nonrefundable. **Entry forms for leased animals will not be accepted if lease/contract agreement is not submitted with entry form.** For Horse entry forms and lease information see item #3. Late entry fee must be submitted with entry form.

2. Entry Fees: Each exhibitor must submit a Horse entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$10.00. This entry fee **must** accompany the horse entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one horse need only to pay the entry fee one time. This one time entry fee will be valid for all horse entries in the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

3. Horse Entry Forms and Leases: Horse entry forms and leases can be downloaded from websites: www2.polk-fl.net/polkffa/youthfair or www.polk.ifas.ufl.edu. All exhibitors must turn in a complete Horse Entry form including one and only one showmanship class and pre-registration for show class. The Horse Committee must approve all leases. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.

4. Ownership: Horses must be owned, leased and cared for by the exhibitor by **October 1, 2009**. A leased horse can only be shown by the lessee. Two individuals may not own/lease the same horse/pony unless they are members of the same family living in the same household. More than one family member may enter the same horse, however, the horse can be shown only once in each event. No stallions more than one year of age will be allowed to enter

5. Check In: Check in will begin at 7:30 a.m. Each exhibitor must have a record book and negative Coggins when check in.

6. Eligibility: Refer to Rule #1, page 3 of the General Rules and Regulations.

7. Number of Entries: Each exhibitor will be allowed to enter two horses. Exhibitors can participate only once in each event. No substitute riders will be allowed.

8. Horses used in classes 0405-0426 must enter class 0403 or 0406. Horses used in classes 0427-0434 must enter in class 0407 or 0408..

9. All classes will be divided into junior and senior divisions if there are three or more entries in each class. Age is calculated as of **September 1, 2009: Junior Division - 8 - 12 years old Senior Division - 13 - 18 years old.**

xShow Classes:

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| 0401. Jr. Quiz for English/Western/Speed Class Exhibitors (Mandatory) | 0418. Sr. Western Pleasure |
| 0402. Sr. Quiz for English/Western/Speed Class Exhibitors (Mandatory) | 0419. Jr. Western Horsemanship |
| 0403. Jr. English Showmanship | 0420. Sr. Western Horsemanship |
| 0404. Sr. English Showmanship | 0421. Jr. Dressage |
| 0405. Jr. Western Showmanship | 0422. Sr. Dressage |
| 0406. Sr. Western Showmanship | 0423. Jr. Trail |
| 0407. Jr. Speed Showmanship | 0424. Sr. Trail |
| 0408. Sr. Speed Showmanship | 0425. Jr. Costume |
| 0409. Jr. Grooming & Conditioning | 0426. Sr. Costume |
| 0410. Sr. Grooming & Conditioning | 0427. Jr. Flags |
| 0411. Jr. Walk Trot (Novice Only (See Rule #11)) | 0428. Sr. Flags |
| 0412. Sr. Walk Trot (Novice Only (See Rule #11)) | 0429. Jr. Hollow Log |
| 0413. Jr. English Pleasure | 0430. Sr. Hollow Log |
| 0414. Sr. English Pleasure | 0431. Jr. Poles |
| 0415. Jr. English Equitation | 0432. Sr. Poles |
| 0416. Sr. English Equitation | 0433. Jr. Barrel Race |
| 0417. Jr. Western Pleasure | 0434. Sr. Barrel Race |

10 Required Classes: All exhibitors are required to participate in the quiz class and one and only one Showmanship class. Material for the Quiz will be taken from the "4-H Horse Project Manual". Copies of the manual are available through the 4-H office at the Polk County Extension Office. Failure to participate in the required quiz class or showmanship class will result in forfeiture of all premiums and awards earned in the Horsemanship Contest.

✕11. **Walk Trot Class:** This class is for beginners only(Novice). Beginner exhibitors may enter this class, but will be prohibited from entering any other class that requires cantering or loping.

NOTE: A student with a horse project but without a horse entered in the Fair, may enter the Quiz category only. When entering only the Quiz category, an activity form must be completed.

12. **Record Book:** All exhibitors must present either an approved up to date FFA record book or a 4-H record book at check in time. Exhibitors not presenting an up to date record book will not be allowed to participate in the 2010 show. Record book will be returned to exhibitor as soon as committee member has reviewed record book for completeness.

✕13. **Premiums and Awards:** High point award will be awarded for the top Junior and Senior divisions. The overall high point winner will be recognized by the Collins-Swiger Award and is located in the Polk County Extension Office. The top three places in each class will receive points toward the Junior and Senior high point awards. The contestant scoring the most points will be recognized by having their name placed on the Collins-Swiger award which is displayed in the Polk County Extension office. All ties will be broken by the quiz scores.

✕14. **Parade of Champions** - all junior and senior first place winners and the overall high point winner are eligible to be in the Parade of Champions on Friday, January 29, 2010. Eligible winners should report to the Stuart Center at 5:30 p.m. in FFA or 4-H dress with all received awards.

15. **Only horse exhibitors are allowed to work their horses while on the show grounds. NO COACHING ALLOWED ON THE FAIR GROUNDS. Failure to comply may result in disqualification. No parental or professional grooming, "tuning up" or assistance from outside the ring will be allowed. If there are any questions referring to assisting participants, rule compliance, or conduct at the show, please contact one of the committee members.**

16. When an exhibitor or another person on behalf of an exhibitor is guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct or misbehavior while on the show grounds, management may suspend such exhibitor's right to participate in future classes and/or shows.

17. Show management reserves the right to refuse an exhibitor entry into any class or event if they deem that entry unsafe for the exhibitor and/or other exhibitors or animals. With the exhibitor's safety in mind, any activity or situation deemed unsafe can be stopped by show management and may result in disqualification from that class.

18. An official of the show may check the appointments of any horse/rider combination throughout the duration of the show. It is the responsibility of the contestant to comply with all rules and regulations. The judge at his/her discretion may disqualify an exhibitor for inappropriate appointments or equipment.

19. Management reserves the right to cancel all or part of the show based on weather conditions.

20. **HEALTH REGULATIONS:** See Livestock Health Regulations, pages 6-8 of the 2010 General Rules and Regulations.

SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES

Personal appearance of the exhibitor: neat, clean, well groomed, attentive, courteous, and in appropriate attire. SEI or ASTM approved safety helmet, with fastened chin harness, is required.

Equipment:

a) **English:** Clean, adjusted bridle or halter. No crops, bats or whips are permitted.

b) **Western:** Clean adjusted halter to fit the horse. Fancy halters shall not be given preference over good working halters. No whips or bats permitted.

- Showmanship classes will judged strictly on the ability of the exhibitor to fit and show a horse in a halter class.

ENGLISH DIVISION

Appropriate Attire: All exhibitors are to wear a SEI or SEI/ASTM approved equestrian safety helmet with fastened chin harness in every class. Clothing must be clean, neat and appropriate for English classes. Riders must wear coat with breeches. and boots. Spurs of the unroweled type, gloves, crops or bats are optional. Gloves are preferred in the equitation class.

Tack: Clean English forward, hunting or dressage type saddles. Saddles may have suede seat and/or suede inserts on the skirts. Snaffle, pelham, kimberwick or full bridles (Weymouth) are permitted. A cavesson noseband is required. Pelham bridles must have 2 sets of reins attached. (Pelham connectors are not allowed). Breast plates are optional. Martingales are not allowed in any under saddle flat classes. Draw reins and hackamore are not permitted.

WESTERN DIVISION

Appropriate Attire: Clothing must be clean and neat. Riders shall wear western boots(No tennis shoes or sport shoes are acceptable) and western dress pants or jeans. Shirts with a collar and long sleeves are required. Spurs, chaps and similar equipment are optional. All exhibitors are required to wear an SEI or SEI/ASTM approved equestrian helmet with fastened chin harness in every class.

Tack: Horse shall be shown with a stock saddle; silver equipment will not count over a good working outfit. Martingales, tie-downs, nose bands or draw reins are prohibited except in speed events. Absolutely no metal will be permitted under the jaws, regardless of how taped or padded, and no chin strap narrower than one-half inch will be permitted. Chain curbs are permissible, but must be of the standard flat variety with no twist and must meet the approval of the judge. A bosal may be used any class. Mechanical hackamore is prohibited except in timed events.

The judge shall have the authority to require the removal or adjustment of any piece of equipment, which in his opinion would give a horse an unfair advantage or constitute excessive harshness or cruelty.

DRESSAGE

Appropriate Attire: All exhibitors are to wear a SEI or SEI/ASTM approved equestrian safety helmet with fastened chin harness in every class. Clothing must be clean, neat and appropriate for hunter classes. Riders must wear coat with breeches and boots. Spurs of the unroweled type and dressage whips are optional. Gloves are preferred.

Tack: To be ridden in a snaffle with or without a drop, flash or figure-8 nose band. Tack may be inspected prior to competition.

Dressage whips are optional: Unauthorized tack will be removed or contestant will be disqualified. Martingales are not allowed. Any English type saddle may be used (i.e. dressage, forward seat, flat or cut back).

OPEN TRAIL

Appropriate Attire: Exhibitors will be attired appropriately with English or Western Appointments.

Tack: Tack (bridle and saddle) must be acceptable for use in Western Pleasure, English Pleasure, Flat Saddle Pleasure or Hunter Type Pleasure Horse or Pony. No tie downs, martingales or mechanical hackamores.

SPEED EVENTS

Appropriate Attire: Clothing must be clean and neat. Western dress pants or jeans and boots are required. Shirts with long sleeves and collar are required. All riders are required to wear an SEI or SEI/ASTM approved equestrian safety helmet with fastened chin harness.

Tack: Western-type saddles must be used. A mechanical hackamore or other type bridles can be used. Use of two hands on the reins is allowed in speed events. The judge or appointed equipment official may prohibit the use of bits or equipment deemed too severe. Use of martingales, tie-downs and nosebands is permitted in these classes. Draw reins are not allowed in speed events.

- ✘ ● Striking a horse in front of cinch with anything other than the open hand in front of cinch is an automatic disqualification. Striking the horse with anything, including hand, in front of the throatlatch is a disqualification.
- No string, rubber bands or other material to tie feet or legs in stirrups is allowed.
- Protective leg equipment will be permitted in classes 0427-0433.

The Horse Committee Members reserve the right to change specified classes for safety reasons or to cancel classes for insufficient entries. Any class times quoted by show staff are approximate. **Concession Stand will be available day of the Horse Show. No horses will be allowed in the concession stand area.**

Market Hog Department

1. **Date of Ownership and Entry Deadline:** Each exhibitor may enter two market hogs which must be owned by the exhibitor by **Monday, September 21, 2009** (see livestock general rule #1, page 4). An entry form and **ORIGINAL** bill(s) of sale **with PURCHASE PRICE INCLUDED** must be submitted to the Youth Fair office **ATTN: MARKET HOG COMMITTEE** by **5:00 P.M., Monday, September 21, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. **If there is a dispute regarding entry forms received by the entry deadline, exhibitor will have 14 days from weigh-in date to present an unopened postmarked (postmarked by the US Postal Service) envelope following all rules above. NO CHAPTER ANIMALS ARE ALLOWED. Exhibitors who own market hogs prior to the September 21, 2009 deadline, but fail to properly submit entries, may enter upon payment of a nonrefundable \$50.00 late entry fee, PAYABLE IN CASH ONLY submitted along with entry form and ORIGINAL bill(s) of sale WITH PURCHASE PRICE INCLUDED. Late entry fee must be submitted with entry form. LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED until September 28, 2009.** Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations..

- ✘ 2. **There will be a mandatory meeting for all market hog exhibitors, parents/guardians, 4-H leaders and teachers on Thursday, September 17, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. or Saturday, September 19, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. to review rules and questions concerning market hog show and sale. This meeting will be held at the Agricultural Center in Bartow. Exhibitors failing to attend this mandatory meeting will be fined \$25.00 for non attendance. This fine will be deducted from exhibitor's sale check.**

3. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit an entry fee in the market hog department for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$10.00. This entry fee **must** accompany the market hog entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one market hog need only to pay the entry fee one time. This entry fee will be valid only for entries in the market hog department for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

4. **Tagging Identification Fee:** Exhibitors entering the Market Hog department will need to submit a \$10.00 identification fee. This fee must accompany the entry form for entry to be considered valid. Entry forms received without tagging identification fee being paid will not be accepted. **Tagging identification fees are nonrefundable.**

X 5. **Clipped/Shaved Hogs:** If an exhibitor's hog that has been entered for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair is found with hair that is less than 3/4" long at any time during the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair, exhibitors must remove hog from fairgrounds immediately.

6. Each exhibitor will be allowed to show either one market hog or one market steer only. Exhibitor must show and sell his/her own animal. **Youth not present to show animal will be disqualified and must remove animal from premises immediately. Animals belonging to youth who are not present to take the hog into the sale ring at designated time as per the sale order will be sold at packer price.** If the exhibitor does not follow prior guidelines regarding showing and selling own animal, he/she will forfeit all premiums and awards.

7. **Eligible Animals:** Projects are limited to market barrow or open gilts (boars and stags will not be permitted). Each exhibitor will be allowed to show and sell only one market hog. In the event exhibitor has two market hogs entered, he/she must decide which market hog they want weighed in at final weigh-in in January. **Only in the event of the first market hog being eliminated will the second market hog be allowed to unload and weigh-in.**

8. **Mandatory Tagging Date:** All market hogs entered will be permanently ear tagged on **Saturday, October 3, 2009** from 6:30 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. at the Agricultural Center in Bartow. There is no minimum or maximum weight limit at the October 3, 2009 tagging date. Ear tag with Youth Fair symbol/number and plastic ear tag must correspond with each other. **Exhibitors must notify the Polk County Youth Fair office of an incorrect ear tag number placed in hog's ear at initial tagging day by Monday, October 12, 2009.** If the incorrect ear tag number is not reported, the ear tag placed in hog's ear will remain as is. In the event of loss of these ear tags, exhibitor is required to notify the Youth Fair within 48 hours after loss so market hog can be retagged. Exhibitors Removing ear tag from market hog after sale will be charged a fee of \$100.00 to be deducted from sale check. This rule will be strictly enforced.

X 9. **Gain-in Weight Contest:** Those wishing to enter the market hog gain in weight contest will have the opportunity to weigh in their market hogs on mandatory tagging date scheduled for October 3, 2009. Weight recorded on certified scales at weigh-in site will be official weight. There is a \$25.00 gain in weight contest fee that is to be paid in cash on October 3, 2009. This contest fee is nonrefundable. The gain in weight contest will be based on:

1-25 hogs entering - 1st place will be awarded, 26-50 hogs entering - 1st and 2nd place will be awarded, 51 or greater hogs entering - 1st, 2nd and 3rd places will be awarded. This will be an approximate 50% pay back with prize amounts to be determined by the Market Hog Committee.

10. **Final weight requirements:** All market hogs will be weighed in on **Saturday, January 23, 2010**. At the final weigh-in hogs must weigh in **between 240 and 300 pounds**. Maximum sale weight in January, 2010 is 300 pounds.

11. Each exhibitor must submit a budget sheet in October at the initial weigh-in and a cost analysis sheet in January. **A COST ANALYSIS SHEET IS TO BE TURNED IN AT FAIR TIME BY 6:00 p.m., on Saturday, January 23, 2010. Exhibitors turning in cost analysis sheets after 6:00 p.m. January 23, 2010 will be assessed a late fee of \$25.00.**

12. All market hogs will be penned by classes beginning with Class 1 (light weight) on concrete moving through the weight classes with the heavier classes being penned on dirt. Exhibitors are responsible for providing water for their hog. The management reserves the right to determine the number and size of classes to insure the maximum efficiency in conducting the show.

13. **Weigh-in Procedures:** If an exhibitor questions the accuracy of weight, he may request a reweigh of his/her pig immediately. At that point pig will be removed from scales for recalibrating and pig reweighed. This request must occur before pig leaves the scale area and before another pig is weighed. Pigs will not be reweighed under any other circumstances. This rule applies to both the October and January weigh-ins. **EXHIBITORS ENTERING TWO PIGS MUST HAVE BOTH ON VEHICLE AT WEIGH-IN IN OCTOBER AND JANUARY. IN ORDER TO EXERCISE THE SECOND PIG OPTION. EXHIBITORS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO RETURN TO SCALE WITH A PIG AFTER HAVING LEFT THE SCALE AREA.**

14. **Washing of animals:** Sponging off in assigned pens with water in buckets only will be allowed for both ends. **NO OILS, GLITTER, SOAP OR POWDERS TO BE USED ON MARKET HOGS. NO SIGNS OF ANY KIND ARE ALLOWED OTHER THAN THOSE PROVIDED BY YOUTH FAIR. NO** wash racks will be available.

15. **Handling: NO CROPS OR WHIPS WILL BE ALLOWED AT ANY TIME.** Also see Livestock General Rule 4, page 5.

16. **Judging:** The Modified Danish System will be used and Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected.

17. **Sale:** Order of sale will be Grand Champion, Reserve Champion, First Place Junior Showmanship winner, First Place Intermediate winner, First Place Senior Showmanship winner, class winners in each class with all other hogs being sold at random as penned in the barn. Market price will be established by packer bids. **At time of sale, no additional incentives can be added to sale of steer which includes but not limited to fishing trips, hunting trips, vacations, etc. ALL MARKET HOGS MUST SELL AND GO TO SLAUGHTER.** Sale checks will be mailed as soon as money for market hogs has been received by the Youth Fair Office from the buyer **and a copy of the thank you letter(not metered mail or fax) to the buyer has been received from the exhibitor by the Youth Fair office.** Exhibitors not submitting copies of thank you letter to buyer to the Youth Fair within 90 days following the sale will forfeit all sale money.

Load out time is Tuesday, January 26th, 7:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. and Wednesday, January 27th, 7:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.

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18. **Sale Fee:** Each exhibitor will be assessed a 5% fee and a pork referendum fee of \$.0040 per total of sale to be deducted from the sale of market hogs. A 5% fee will also be deducted from add-ons received. **Add-ons that are paid for when the sale of the animal is paid, will be included with sale check.** All other add-ons will be mailed separately.
19. All market hog exhibitors are required to contact at least two **different** potential buyers. Copies of at least two letters which are legible with potential buyers names (one letter with two potential buyers names is not acceptable) to potential buyers are due in the Youth Fair office by **5:00 P.M. Friday, January 8, 2010** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date and should be marked **Attn: Market Hog Committee**. If one letter is sent to a potential buyer and is used for several different projects (hog, blueberry plant, citrus tree, plant or steer buyer letter), a separate copy must be sent to the Youth Fair office addressed **Attn: Market Hog Committee**. Exhibitors **not** submitting copies of two letters to potential buyers to the Youth Fair office by **5:00 P.M. Friday, January 8, 2010** **will be fined \$50.00 to be deducted from sale check**. No buyer letters will be accepted after Friday, January 8, 2010. Postmarked by the United States Postal Service (not metered mail or fax) by the deadline is acceptable.
20. **HEALTH REGULATIONS:** All hogs presented at check-in or **any time during the fair** will be disqualified should animal exhibit symptoms of communicable disease, hernias or any condition deemed unsatisfactory by the market hog committee. Also see livestock health regulations on pages 6-8.
21. **Special Contests:** See General Rule #12, page 4.
- X 22. Fines exceeding \$100.00 are to be paid prior to the 2010 Market hog Show and must be paid in cash rather than being deducted from exhibitor's sale check. Exhibitors not paying fines in advance will be disqualified and must remove animal from fairgrounds immediately.
- X 23. Exhibitors or a designee for the exhibitor must sign in daily at a registration table to show that they are caring for their animal. Exhibitors failing to sign in will have their market hog pen "red tagged". Exhibitors receiving two red tags will be required to remove their animal and forfeit all premiums and/or awards.

Market Steer Department

1. **Date of Ownership and Entry Deadline:** Each exhibitor may enter two market steers which must be owned by the exhibitor by **Friday, July 24, 2009** (see livestock general rule #1, page 5). An entry form and **original** bill(s) of sale must be submitted to the Youth Fair office by **5:00 P.M., Friday, July 24, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. **Exhibitors who own market steers prior to the July 24, 2009 deadline, but fail to properly submit entries, may enter upon payment of a nonrefundable \$100.00 late entry fee, PAYABLE IN CASH ONLY submitted along with entry form and ORIGINAL bill(s) of sale WITH PURCHASE PRICE INCLUDED.** Late entry fee must be submitted with entry form. **NO CHAPTER ANIMALS ARE ALLOWED. No market steers will be accepted after the August 1, 2009 weigh-in.** Each exhibitor will be allowed to show and sell only one market steer. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations. All market steers accepted in the show must sell.
2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit an entry fee in the market steer department for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$10.00. This entry fee **must** accompany the entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one market steer need only to pay the entry fee one time. This entry fee will be valid only for entries in the market steer department for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**
3. **Tagging Identification Fee:** Exhibitors entering the Market Steer department will need to submit a \$10.00 identification fee. This fee must accompany the entry form for entry to be considered valid. Entry forms received without tagging identification fee being paid will not be accepted. **Tagging identification fees are nonrefundable.**
4. All exhibitors are required to sign a "Polk County Youth Fair Market Steer Ethics Policy and Statement of Understanding" and must be turned with entry form July 24, 2009. This ethics policy must be signed by the exhibitor, parent/guardian and teacher or 4-H leader. Exhibitors, parent/guardian, teacher or leader must be present at the weigh-in. Parents/guardians not present for the initial weigh-in must sign and turn in a "2010 Polk County Youth Fair Waiver and Hold Harmless Agreement" prior to the initial weigh-in in August.
5. As a condition for participation in the Polk County Youth Fair Market Steer Show and Sale, exhibitor hereby agrees to submit to unique animal identification of any and all animals entered by exhibitor for purposes of identification. The Polk County Youth Fair requires that the animal exhibited at the Polk County Youth Fair be the same as the animal entered at the initial weigh-in on August 1, 2009. If the animal's identity is found to differ from initial weigh-in exhibitor will forfeit any prize money and/or sale proceeds, any add-ons and may forfeit all rights and privileges to exhibit in the future at the Polk County Youth Fair. An identification tag fee in the amount of \$10.00 will need to be submitted with entry form. Parents/guardians not present for the tagging process will need to complete and submit a "2010 Polk County Youth Fair Waiver and Hold Harmless Agreement" prior to the tagging being done at initial weigh-in in August.
6. **No bull calves will be accepted at the August weigh-in.** The neutering process must be sufficiently healed before the weigh-in. We recommend the neutering be done as early as possible.
7. Each exhibitor will be allowed to show and sell either one market steer or one market hog only. Exhibitor must show and sell their own animal.

8. **Mandatory Weigh-in Dates and Weight Requirements:** All market steers entered will be weighed in, ear tagged with corresponding numbers at the initial weigh-in on **Saturday, August 1, 2009**. Market steers must weigh a minimum of 550 lbs.(550 lbs. or more) at the initial weigh-in on August 1, 2009. If an exhibitor questions the accuracy of the initial weight, they may request a reweigh of his/her market steer immediately after weighing. This request must occur before the market steer leaves the scale area and before another market steer is weighed. Market steers will not be reweighed under any other circumstances. Weigh-in will be from 6:00 A.M. until 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, August 1, 2009. All market steers will be weighed in at the Agricultural Center in Bartow. **Market steers must weigh a minimum of 1,000 pounds(1,000 pounds or more) at the final weigh-in in January 27, 2010.**

9. All steers will be subject to a unique individual identification system at initial check-in in August and again upon arrival at the fair in January.

X 10. **NO CLIPPING REQUIREMENTS**(Prefer no complete body sleek sheer/close clipping). Animals will show and sell on a WASH - BLOW - SHOW & SALE program. The Market Steer committee will supply the exhibitors with the only soap allowed to wash their animal. **NO** chemicals of any kind which includes but not limited to adhesives, paints, foam, polish, glitter, etc. will be allowed. Use of any chemicals is **immediate disqualification** and removal from the fairgrounds.

11. Ear Tag Removal: Exhibitors removing ear tag from market steer after sale will be charged a fee of \$100.00 to be deducted from sale check. This rule will be strictly enforced.

12. **Certified Age Certificate and/or Mouthing:** No market steer will be accepted whose known age is more than 24 months. A signed statement from the breeder certifying age will be accepted. The management reserves the right to determine age by mouthing in cases where the physiological age differs greatly from the certified chronological age.

13. **Show Classes:** Market steers will be placed in classes based on weight regardless of age. The management reserves the right to determine the number and size of classes to insure the maximum efficiency in conducting the show.

14. **Age of Exhibitors:** Exhibitors must be 10 years old as of **September 1, 2009** and enrolled in grades 4 - 12.

15. **At final weigh-in market steers must be handled by exhibitor only from scale to tie space. Any exhibitor who cannot handle their steer at final weigh-in will have until 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 27, 2010 to demonstrate handling requirement or be disqualified at that time. During the 2010 Market Steer Show any market steers deemed a safety hazard will be removed from the show and receive a no award and will be sold at the end of the sale. Any market steers removed from the show by the market steer committee after being judged will also be sold at the end of the sale.**

16. **Owner Responsibility:** It is the responsibility of the owner to verify ear tag and unique individual identification match from the initial weigh-in in August, 2009. At time of sale, halter will be supplied for each steer. This halter is the property of the Fair and must remain with the market steer after the sale. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in a \$10.00 service fee assessed to the exhibitor. Market steers must be double tied with a halter lead and neck rope, each tied to a separate ring.

17. No costumes or decorations of any kind will be allowed on the animal during the show or sale which includes but not limited to hats, bandanas, ornaments, etc.

18. **Sale:** All market steers will be sold at a 3% shrunk weight. Order of sale will be Grand Champion, Reserve Champion, first place junior showmanship winner, first place senior showmanship winner, followed by the first place blue ribbon winners in Class 1, 2, etc. chronologically. Other blue, red and white ribbon animals will be selected in the same manner. Market price will be established by packer bids. **At time of sale, no additional incentives can be added to sale of steer which includes but not limited to fishing trips, hunting trips, vacations, etc. All Market Steers must Sell and go to slaughter.** Sale checks will be mailed as soon as money for market steers has been received by the Youth Fair office from the buyer and a copy of the thank you letter(not metered mail or fax) to the buyer has been received from the exhibitor by the Youth Fair office. Exhibitors not submitting copies of thank you letter to buyer to the Youth Fair within 90 days following the sale will forfeit all sale money. Add-on checks will be mailed separately from sale checks.

ALL MARKET STEERS MUST GO TO SLAUGHTER

19. **Sale Fee:** Each exhibitor will be assessed a 5% fee and a \$1.00 beef referendum fee. A 5% fee will also be deducted from add-ons received.

20. All market steer exhibitors are required to contact at least two **different** potential buyers. Copies of at least two letters which are legible with potential buyers names (one letter with two potential buyers names is not acceptable) to potential buyers are due in the Youth Fair office by **5:00 P.M. Friday, January 8, 2010** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date and should be marked **Attn: Market Steer Committee**. If one letter is sent to a potential buyer and is used for several different projects(hog, cake, blueberry plant or plant buyer letter), a separate copy must be sent to the Youth Fair office addressed **Attn: Market Steer Committee**. Exhibitors not submitting copies of two letters to potential buyers to the Youth Fair office by **5:00 P.M. Friday, January 8, 2010 will be fined \$50.00 to be deducted from sale check..** No buyer letters will be accepted after Friday, January 10, 2010. Postmarked by the United States Postal Service(not metered mail or fax) by the deadline is acceptable.

21. **Health Regulations:** ALL MARKET STEERS PRESENTED AT CHECK-IN WILL BE REFUSED ENTRY SHOULD ANIMAL APPEAR TO BE MEDICALLY UNSOUND OR EXHIBIT ANY CONDITION THAT WOULD AFFECT THE MARKET VALUE OF THE MARKET STEER. Also see Livestock Health Regulations on pages 6- 8.

22. Each exhibitor is required to submit a budget sheet in August at the initial weigh-in. **EXHIBITORS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT A COST ANALYSIS SHEET AT CHECK-IN IN JANUARY.** Cost analysis sheets are to be turned in by 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 27, 2010. Exhibitors turning in cost analysis sheets after 6:00 p.m., January 27, 2010 will be assessed a late fee of \$100.00 to be deducted from sale check.

23. **Special Contests:** See General Rule #12, page 4.

Poultry Department

1. **Date of Ownership and Entry Deadline:** Exhibitors may enter four birds but show only three. Each exhibitor may enter a maximum of four entries which exhibitor must have possession by **Friday, September 18, 2009**. Each exhibitor is limited to three entries in show. Entry forms must be submitted to the Youth Fair office by **5:00 P.M., Friday, September 18, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Exhibitors who own poultry prior to the **September 18, 2009** deadline but fail to properly submit entry forms may enter upon payment of a \$10.00 late entry fee by the late entry deadline of Friday, October 2, 2009. Entry forms that are **NOT PROPERLY COMPLETED** with the **CLASS NUMBER, VARIETY, WHETHER THE BIRD IS A COCK, COCKRELL, PULLET OR HEN**, will be returned to exhibitor and a nonrefundable late entry fee of \$10.00 will apply. Late entry fee and entry fee must be submitted with entry form. No poultry will be accepted after the late entry deadline of **Friday, October 2, 2009**. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project **signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations. No substitute entries** will be accepted at check-in. Exhibitors may enter up to four birds on the same Poultry Entry Form.

Classes: **0803.** Commercial(hen only) **0804.** Bantam Male or Female Chicken

0805. Standard Male or Female Chickens **0806.** Turkey **0807.** Poultry Showmanship

NOTE: Poultry may be banded for identification purposes, but is not required. It is recommended that roosters have spurs removed or nubbed, unless the breed standard states otherwise.

2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a Poultry entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00. This entry fee **must** accompany the poultry entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one poultry exhibit need only to pay the entry fee one time. This poultry entry fee will be valid for all entries in the Poultry Department for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

3. **No male commercial birds will be accepted.** Eligible commercial birds: Female Leghorns, Female Rhode Island Reds, Female Plymouth Rocks, Female Barred Plymouth Rocks, Female Sex Links.

4. Eligible breeds are those that are recognized by the American Poultry Association "**Standard of Perfection for Poultry**" and "**American Bantam Association Standard**".

5. Trophies will be given for Champion Commercial Hen, Champion male and Champion female bantam, Champion Male and Champion Female Standard, Champion Turkey. An overall Grand Champion will be chosen from the six champion fowl.

6. **NO PHEASANTS, QUAIL OR WATER FOWL WILL BE ACCEPTED. ONLY THOSE POULTRY LISTED IN THE ABOVE CLASSES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

7. All poultry must be in the possession of the exhibitor by **September 18, 2009**.

8. **Health Regulations: ALL POULTRY PRESENTED AT CHECK-IN WILL BE REFUSED ENTRY SHOULD BIRD(S) EXHIBIT SYMPTOMS OF EXTERNAL PARASITES as well as any other diseases.** Also see Livestock Health Regulations pages 6-8.

9. Poultry check out time will be Friday, January 29, 2010, 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

10. **POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP CLASS:** Poultry Showmanship will be held Wednesday, January 27, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. Exhibitors who wish to participate in the Showmanship class 0807 should indicate so on their poultry entry form. Showmanship classes will be divided into three divisions and will be based on the exhibitors age as of **September 1, 2009: - 8 to 10 years old Intermediate Division -11 to 13 years old Senior Division - 14 years old and older**

Egg Department

1. **Egg entry deadline is Tuesday, January 26, 2010, 1:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. during the check in of poultry.** Eggs are to be entered on a 2010 Youth Fair General Entry Form and must accompany egg exhibits at time of check-in. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.

2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit an egg entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00. If an exhibitor has entered poultry, the entry fee for poultry is considered valid for eggs. This entry fee **must** accompany the entry form in order for egg entry form to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one dozen eggs need only to pay the entry fee one time. This egg entry fee will be valid for all egg entries in the 2010 Polk

County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

3. All eggs shown must be chicken eggs selected by the exhibitor. They need not be produced by the exhibitor's flock. There should not be identification marks on the eggs. Eggs entered **should be cleaned** and displayed in **clean egg cartons**. Exhibitors need not have birds entered in the Poultry Show to be eligible to participate in the Egg Show.
4. No eggs other than brown or white will be accepted.
5. Eggs should not be purchased from a grocery store.
6. **Exhibitors may not enter more than 2 dozen eggs total. All eggs must be entered in single dozens.** A separate exhibit card must be filled out for each dozen and attached to the carton.
7. **THERE WILL BE TWO CLASSES - EXTRA LARGE AND LARGE FOR BOTH WHITE AND BROWN EGGS.**
8. Large eggs shall weigh from 24 to 26 ounces per dozen and extra large eggs shall weigh from 27 to 29 ounces per dozen.
9. A dozen eggs of minimum weight for the class shall receive as many points, other things being equal, as a dozen eggs of maximum weight for the class.
10. Eggs will be judged on interior as well as exterior quality.
11. Except for the Best Dozen Brown Eggs, the Best Dozen White Eggs and runners up, all other eggs will be disposed of after judging. Only the best of each category will be displayed in the Stuart Center.

Rabbit Department

X 1. **Date of Ownership and Entry Deadline:** Each exhibitor may enter up to three bucks, three does, (or any combination totaling three) which exhibitor must have possession of by **Friday, November 6, 2009** **Entries must be identified by breed of the rabbit.** Entry forms must be submitted to the Youth Fair office by 5:00 P.M., **Friday, November 6, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Exhibitors who own rabbit(s) prior to the **November 6, 2009** deadline, but fail to properly submit entries, may enter upon payment of a \$10.00 late entry fee and entry fee by the late entry deadline of **Friday, November 13, 2009.** Late entry fee must be submitted with entry form. No rabbits will be accepted after the late entry deadline of **Friday, November 13, 2009.** Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.

Categories: 0901. Purebred **0902.** Crossbred

2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a rabbit entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00. This entry fee **must** accompany the entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one rabbit need only to pay the entry fee one time. This entry fee will be valid for rabbit entries in the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

3 **Acceptable Breeds:** Either purebred or crossbred rabbits will be permitted to show, however, crossbred rabbits will not be eligible for overall awards. In the event that cage space is limited, purebred rabbits will be accepted before crossbred rabbits.

4 All rabbits must be in the possession of the exhibitor by **November 6, 2009.**

5 **All rabbits must have a permanent, legible tattoo at the time of check-in. Any excess ink must be wiped out of ear prior to check-in. This is important for the identification of your rabbit.**

6 The Modified Danish system of judging will be used; a trophy and ribbons will be awarded for the Best of Show and the 1st - 2nd - 3rd place runners up. The Best of Breed will be awarded a special ribbon. 1st - 2nd - 3rd place will receive special ribbons.

X 7. Exhibitors will need to provide a water bottle for each rabbit they are entering. Exhibitor must fill water bottle before leaving check-in.

8. Once rabbits are checked in, exhibitors may not remove rabbits from cage until check-out time: 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Friday, January 29, 2010.

HORTICULTURE DIVISION

General Rules - applies to the following Blueberry, Citrus & Horticulture Rules

- X 1. **Date of Ownership and Entry Deadline:** All citrus trees, plants and blueberry plants, except bedding plants, hanging baskets and vegetables, must be in the possession of the student by **Friday, September 18, 2009**. Plants must be pre-entered no later than **5:00 P.M., Friday, September 18, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Late entries will be accepted until **5:00 P.M. on Friday, September 25, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date with a \$10.00 late entry fee. Late entry fee must be submitted with entry form. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.
2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a horticulture entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00 for any and all entries within the division. This includes blueberries, citrus trees, plants grown for auction, plants for display and vegetables. This entry fee **must** accompany the first entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit need only to pay the entry fee one time. This entry fee will be valid for all horticultural entries in the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**
3. **Date of Ownership and Entry Deadline for Vegetables:** Vegetables must be in the possession of the student by **Friday, December 4, 2009**. Vegetables must be pre-entered no later than **5:00 P.M., Friday, December 4, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Late entries will be accepted until **5:00 P.M. on Friday, December 11, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date with a \$10.00 nonrefundable late entry fee. Late entry fee must be submitted with entry form.
4. **Horticulture Project Summary:** A set of Horticulture Project Summary Sheets must be presented at time of check-in. Project Summary will be checked and returned to exhibitor immediately. **A Horticulture Project Summary is required for all areas. Blueberry, citrus trees, plants for auction, plants for display only and vegetables. A single Project Summary may be used for all areas. Exhibitors may use the regular 4-H Horticulture Record Book or the FFA Record Book.**
5. Plants may be grown at home or personally cared for in the school nursery. Entries will be subject to a spot check by the Horticulture Committee.
6. The committee has the right to reject entries of inferior quality or diseased plants. If any doubt exists as to whether an exhibitor raised the plants entered, the committee can request an interview with the exhibitor to question the exhibitor as to his/her knowledge in growing the plants entered.
7. Criteria for the Premier Horticulture Exhibitor Award will be based on Judge's placing of exhibits and exhibitor's level of participation in horticulture related activities such as:
1. A completed up to date set of Horticulture Project Summary sheet or Record Book.
 2. Entries in the ornamental plant, citrus tree and/or blueberry department.
 3. Participate in the Horticulture Judging Contest.
 4. Enter vegetables.
 5. Be present for sale of project.
 6. Submit copies of buyer's letters

Blueberry & Citrus Department

Category:

1001. Blueberry

X 1002. Citrus Tree

- X 1. **Date of Ownership and Entry Deadline:** All blueberry plants and citrus trees that were distributed to exhibitors in March, 2009 must be entered on a 2010 Horticulture Entry Form by entering the tag numbers only assigned to plant(s) and trees no later than **5:00 P.M., Friday, September 18, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Late entries will be accepted until **5:00 P.M. on Friday, September 25, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date with a \$10.00 nonrefundable late entry fee in addition to the entry fee. Entry fee and Late entry fee must be submitted with entry form. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian.
- X 2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a horticulture entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00 for any and all entries within the division. This entry fee **must** accompany the first entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit need only to pay the entry fee one time. This one time entry fee will be valid for all entries in the horticulture department for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**
3. Each exhibitor will be allowed to show and sell only **one** blueberry plant or only **one** citrus tree. Exhibitors may not show and sell both blueberry plants and citrus trees. This is a contest organized solely for the purpose of recognizing participants' skills in growing containerized blueberry plants and citrus trees and rewarding participants by providing a blueberry plant auction and citrus tree auction.

4. Blueberry plants and citrus trees entered must have been purchased in March, 2009 from the Polk County Citrus Advisory Blueberry Plant/Citrus Tree Sale.
5. **All blueberry plants must be grown and exhibited in a standard 5 gallon container. All citrus trees must be grown and exhibited in a standard 10 gallon container. If an exhibitor uses their own container, it may not be any larger than the containers available at time of purchasing the plants, soil and containers.**
6. Entries entered in competition will be judged according to Florida Department of Agriculture Grades and Standards. All plants/trees must be judged Florida #3 or better to be exhibited.
7. All plants/trees graded Florida #1 will be sold at the blueberry/citrus tree auction.
8. Participants in the blueberry plant/citrus tree auction must be present during the sale of their project. Exhibitors should remove their plant from the sale arena and return it to the exhibit area after it is sold. **Participants are required to be in the official dress of their respective organization or PCYF Showmanship Shirt(as available).**
9. **Sale Fee:** Each exhibitor will be assessed a 5% fee. This fee will be deducted from monies received from the sale of the plant/tree. A 5% fee will also be deducted from add-ons received.
10. Exhibitors are required to contact at least two different potential buyers. Copies of letters to buyers are due in the Youth Fair office by **5:00 P.M. Friday, January 8, 2010** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Exhibitors submitting copies of letters after **5:00 P.M., January 9** and prior to **5:00 p.m. January 16, 2010** will be assessed a nonrefundable late fee of \$10.00. Late fee is due with copies of letters. Exhibitors not submitting copies of letters to potential buyers by **January 15, 2010** will not be included in the 2010 Blueberry Plant/Citrus Tree Auction. If one letter is sent to a potential buyer and is used for several different projects(blueberry, citrus, plant buyer letter and hog or steer buyer letter), a separate copy must be sent to the Youth Fair office addressed **Attn: Horticulture Committee. Letters inviting potential buyers to the Horticulture Auction must mention both Blueberry/Citrus Tree and Ornamentals Plants, if the exhibitors has entries in both areas.** Sale checks will be mailed as soon as money has been received for blueberry plants from buyer and a copy of the thank you letter(not metered mail or fax) to the buyer has been received by the Youth Fair office from the exhibitor. **Exhibitors not submitting copies of thank you letter to buyer to the Youth Fair within 90 days following the sale will forfeit all sale money. Add-on checks will be mailed separately.**
11. Growing instructions for participants interested in competing for the 2010 Contest is listed in the "Care of Blueberry Plants" "Care of Citrus Trees" fact sheet available from the Polk County Citrus Advisory Committee.

Ornamentals Department

Plants Grown For Auction, Bedding Plants and Hanging Baskets .

1. **Date of Ownership and Entry Deadline:** All plants except bedding plants and hanging baskets must be in the possession of the student by **Friday, September 18, 2009**. Plants must be entered no later than **5:00 P.M., Friday, September 18, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Exhibitors who own plants or intend to enter plants by the entry deadline but fail to properly submit entries, may enter upon payment of a \$10.00 late entry fee by the late entry deadline of **5:00 P.M. Friday, September 25, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax). Late entry fee must be submitted with entry form. No plants will be accepted after the late entry deadline of **Friday, September 25, 2009**. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.
2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a horticulture entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00 for any and all entries within the division. This entry fee **must** accompany the entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit need only to pay the entry fee one time. This one time entry fee will be valid for all horticulture entries in the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**
- X 3. **Date of Ownership and Entry Deadline for bedding plants and hanging baskets:** Bedding plants or hanging baskets that were entered by September 18, 2009, must be in the possession of the student by **Friday, December 4, 2009**. Plants must have been pre-entered no later than **5:00 P.M., Friday, September 18, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Exhibitors owning or intending to enter plants by entry deadline, but fail to properly submit entries by entry deadline, may enter upon payment of a \$10.00 late entry fee by the late entry deadline of **5:00 P.M., Friday, September 25, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax). Late entry fee and entry fee must be submitted with entry form. No plants will be accepted after the late entry deadline of **Friday, September 25, 2009**.
4. Each student is eligible to pre-enter eight (8) entries, but may show only four at the Youth Fair. Participants may show a maximum of two exhibits in any one of the four categories.
5. Plants in a single exhibit must be of the same species or variety and grown in containers of the same size. No substitute plants will be accepted at check-in in January. **NOTE - Maximum container size: 10 gallon.** All exhibitors must be able to move and handle their own plants regardless of container size.
6. Purchased plants must be transplanted to a larger container size and a dated receipt must be stapled to the record book, indicating proof of purchase. If plants are propagated by cuttings, indicate type of cuttings, when taken, etc., in the record book. **Plants kept by the exhibitor for the next project year must also be transplanted to a larger container size and indicated in record book.**
7. Plants **MUST be** grown in standard plastic production pots, flats or trade baskets.
8. All entries (not individual plants) shall be labeled with common and/or variety of cultivar. Patented plants must be identified with the proper patent tag.
9. All plants will be judged according to Florida Department of Agriculture Grades and Standards.

10. All plant entries judged blue ribbon or better will be sold at plant auction. Entries may not be split and auctioned as separate lots. **NOTE:** Plants ineligible for the plant auction will not be sold through the Youth Fair office.

11. Exhibitors are required to contact at least two **different** potential buyers. Copies of letters to buyers are due in the Youth Fair office by **5:00 P.M. Friday, January 8, 2010** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Exhibitors submitting copies of letters after **5:00 P.M., January 8, 2010** and prior to **5:00 p.m. January 15, 2010** will be assessed a nonrefundable late fee of \$10.00. Late fee is due with copies of letters. Exhibitors not submitting copies of letters to potential buyers by January 15, 2010 will not be included in the 2010 Horticulture Auction. If one letter is sent to a potential buyer and is used for several different projects (blueberry, citrus, or plant buyer letter and hog or steer buyer letter), a separate copy must be sent to the Youth Fair office addressed **Attn: Horticulture Committee. Letters inviting potential buyers to the Horticulture Auction must mention Blueberry, Citrus Trees and Ornamentals Plants, if the exhibitors has entries in either areas.** Sale checks will be mailed as soon as money has been received for plants from buyer and a copy of the thank you letter (not metered mail or fax) to the buyer has been received by the Youth Fair office from the exhibitor. **Exhibitors not submitting copies of thank you letter to buyer to the Youth Fair within 90 days following the sale will forfeit all sale money. Add-on checks will be mailed separately.**

12. **Sale Fee:** Each exhibitor will be assessed a 5% fee. This fee will be deducted from the sale of the plant(s). A 5% fee will also be deducted from all add-ons received.

13. Exhibitors in the Ornamental Plant Auction must be present during the sale of their plants. Exhibitors should remove their plants from the sale arena and return them to the exhibit area after they are sold. Exhibitors with plants in the plant auction must be in the official dress of their respective organization or PCYF Showmanship Shirt (as available).

14. The Horticulture Committee may make changes necessary to correct the entry of plants listed in the different categories listed below. Exhibitors may contact the Horticulture Committee to determine the proper section in which to enter different plants.

NOTE: Maximum of 2 entries in each of these categories:

Category 1101: Bedding Plants

An entry in each class shall consist of one flat containing **18** or more plants grown in cell-packs or 2 1/4" pots; or one flat containing 10 plants grown in 4" pots. **All bedding plants shall be grown from seed or starter plugs by the exhibitor.**

Examples of bedding plants which may be used include the following: (Other bedding plants may also be used, but must be listed by name.)

Begonia Petunia Marigold Snapdragon Coleus Gerbera Salvia Vegetables

Category 1102: Foliage Plants.

An entry shall consist of 3 plants of the same species, grown in identical pots (6" pots or larger containers for each entry. **Note - Maximum container size: 10 gallon**). All exhibitors must be able to move and handle their own plants regardless of container size.

Examples of foliage plants may be used include the following: (Other foliage plants may also be used, but must be listed by name). P.M.

Dieffenbachia Dracaena Ficus Peace Lily Schefflera Pothos

Category 1103: Landscape Ornamentals

An entry in each category shall consist of one flat of rooted liners with at least 32 liners in the flat or 10 plants in one gallon containers, or 5 plants in two gallon containers, or 3 plants in three gallon or larger containers. **Note - Maximum container size: 10 gallon.** All exhibitors must be able to move and handle their own plants regardless of container size.

Examples of Landscape Ornamentals which may be used include the following: (Other landscape ornamentals may be used, but must be listed by name).

Asparagus Fern Azalea Blue Daze Boxwood Confederate Jasmine Croton Heather Hibiscus
Juniper Ligustrum Palms (outdoor) Plumbago Pittosporum Podocarpus Pyracantha
Viburnum Lorapetalum Daylilies Split Leaf Philodendron Xanadu Philodendron

Category 1104: Miscellaneous.

An entry in each class shall consist of 3 plants of the same species, grown in identical pots (6" pot or larger containers for each entry. **Note - Maximum container size: 10 gallon**). All exhibitors must be able to move and handle their own plants regardless of container size.

Examples of types of plants which may be used include: (Plants that do not fit any of the above sections may be used, but **must be listed by name**). Flowering house plants Hanging baskets (trade baskets only) African Violet

Plants For Display - Not To Be Auctioned

Category 1105. This area allows the students to exhibit plants which they do not wish to sell in the plant auction. This also allows the student the possibility to earn additional points in competition for the Premier Horticulture Exhibitor Award.

1. Date of Ownership and Entry Deadline: All plants, except bedding plants and hanging baskets must be in the possession of the student by **Friday, September 18, 2009**. Plants must be entered on a 2010 Horticulture Entry Form no later than **5:00 P.M., Friday, September 18, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Exhibitors who intend to enter plants by the entry deadline but fail to properly submit entries, may enter upon payment of a \$10.00 late entry fee by the late entry deadline of **5:00 P.M. Friday, September 25, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax). Late entry fee and entry fee must be submitted with entry form. No plants entries will be accepted after the late entry deadline of **Friday, September 25, 2009**. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules

and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.

Bedding plants and hanging baskets that were entered by September 18, 2009, must be in the possession of the exhibitor by Friday, December 4, 2009.

2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a Horticulture entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00 for any and all entries within the division. This entry fee **must** accompany the first entry form in order for entries to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit need only to pay the entry fee one time. This one time entry fee will be valid for all entries in the horticulture division for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

3. Plants in a single exhibit must be of the same species or variety and grown in containers of the same size except dish gardens. **No substitute plants will be accepted at check-in in January.**

4. If plants are purchased and transplanted to a larger container size, a dated receipt must be stapled to the record book, indicating proof of purchase. If plants are propagated by cuttings, indicate type of cuttings, when taken, etc. in the record book. **Plants kept by the exhibitor for the next project year must also be transplanted to a larger container size and indicated in record book.**

5. Plants (except dish gardens) **MUST** be grown in standard plastic production pots, flats or trade baskets.

6. All entries (not individual plants) shall be labeled with common and/or variety of cultivar. Patented plants must be identified with the proper patent tag.

7. All plants will be judged according to Florida Department of Agriculture Grades and Standards.

8. An entry shall consist of 3 plants of the same species, each grown in an individual 6 inch or larger container except dish gardens or bedding plants. One dish garden constitutes an entry and one flat of (18 or more) bedding plants constitutes one entry.

9. **Maximum container size: 10 gallon.** All exhibitors must be able to move and handle their own plants regardless of container size. **Maximum size of a hanging basket is 12".**

10. **Each student is eligible to have one entry in up to four categories listed below.**

Category 1105: Plants for Display Only

Bedding plants Landscape Plants, Foliage plants, Dish gardens, Bromeliads, Orchid, Hanging baskets, Flowering house plants.

Vegetables Department

1 **Date of Ownership and Entry Deadline for vegetables:** Vegetables must be in the possession of the student by Friday, December 4, 2009. Vegetables must be entered on a 2010 Vegetable Entry Form no later than **5:00 P.M., Friday, December 4, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Exhibitors owning vegetables by entry deadline, but fail to properly submit entries by entry deadline, may enter upon payment of a \$10.00 late entry fee by the late entry deadline of **5:00 P.M., Friday, December 11, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax). Late entry fee and entry fee must be submitted with entry form. No vegetables will be accepted after the late entry deadline of **5:00 P.M., Friday, December 11, 2009**. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.

2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a horticulture entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00 for any and all entries within the division. This entry fee **must** accompany the entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit need only to pay the entry fee one time. This one time entry fee will be valid for all horticulture entries in the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

3. Plants may be grown at home or personally cared for in the school nursery. Entries will be subject to a spot check by the Horticulture Committee.

4. Following are the acceptable varieties and the amount or quantity of specimens necessary to constitute an entry. **Exhibitors may enter only 10 different entries in the Vegetable Department. VEGETABLES MUST BE CLEANED FROM ALL DIRT BEFORE CHECK-IN AT FAIR TIME.**

Category 1201: Vegetables which may be used are:

Beans - Snap or Pole - Display 1 quart

Beets - bunched 1 tightly tied bunch of 6

Beets - topped - Display 6 specimens

Broccoli - Display 3 heads

Cabbage - Display 3 heads

Cabbage - Chinese - Display 3 heads

Carrots - bunched - Display 1 tied bunch of 6

Carrots - topped - Displayed 6 specimens

Cauliflower - Display 3 heads

Chives - Display 1 bunch of 12

Collards - Display 1 bunch of 3 plants

Cucumber - Display 6 specimens

Endive - Display 3 specimens

Escarole - Display 3 specimens

Kale - Display 1 bunch

Kohlrabi - Display 6 specimens

Lettuce - head - Display 3 heads

Lettuce - leaf - Display 1 bunch

Mint - Display 1 bunch 1 inch at tie

Mustard - Display 1 bunch 3 inches at tie

Onion - cured - Display 6 specimens

Onion - green - Display 1 bunch of 12

Parsley - Display 1 bunch 1 inch at tie

Peas - English - Display 1 pint

Potatoes - Irish - Display 6 specimens

Radishes - Display 1 bunch

Rutabaga - Display 3 specimens

Spinach - Display 1 bunch 3 inches at tie

Strawberries - Display 1 pint

Tomatoes - Display 5 specimens or 1 pint

Turnips - bunched - Display 1 bunch of 6

Turnips - topped - Display 6 specimens

GENERAL DIVISION

Dog Show Department

1. **Entry Deadline:** Dogs must be entered on a 2010 Youth Fair Dog Show Entry Form and a 2010 Youth Fair Dog Show Class Entry form no later than **5:00 P.M., Friday, December 11, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Late entries will be accepted until **5:00 P.M., Friday, December 18, 2009** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date with a nonrefundable \$10.00 late entry fee. Any fees received after entry deadline has passed will be returned to exhibitor. Any substitutions submitted after entry deadline must have committee approval. Incomplete or incorrect entry forms /class entry forms will be unacceptable and will be returned to exhibitor where upon completion it may be resubmitted with applicable late fees included. If late fee is not received at the time of late entry then entries will be returned to exhibitor. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.

2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a **one time** dog show entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00. This dog show entry fee **must** accompany the entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one dog need only to pay the entry fee one time. This one time entry fee will be valid for all dog entries only in the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

X 3. **ATTIRE:** All exhibitors will be required to be clean and neat. Exhibitors are encouraged to dress in black pants and a green shirt, with or without a 4-H logo attire for performance events. FFA exhibitors may wear appropriate FFA Showmanship dress. Dress is to be business attire in accordance with established nationally recognized dog organization Junior Showmanship rules.

4. Exhibitors may enter and show only 2 dogs. No substitute dogs will be allowed at check-in time.

5. Exhibitors must be enrolled in the Dog and/or Assistance Dog Puppy Project for the current year and manage at least one dog of any age. The dog(s) must be owned or leased by December 1, 2009. A copy of the lease must be included with the entry form due on December 11, 2009.

X 6. All dogs are required to have all up-to-date rabies, parvo and distemper vaccinations. **Proof of vaccinations must be on file with the 4-H Club's Leader. Documentation of vaccinations must be included with record book and will be examined along with the record book.** Vaccinations must be given by a licensed veterinarian. Proof of Rabies vaccination is a county registration paper, a receipt, or a signed vaccination certificate from the issuing veterinarian including the dog's description. If vaccination papers expire between entry deadline and day of show, new vaccination papers are required no later than two weeks prior to show REGARDLESS of old shots expiring in this two week period.

7. Female dogs in season will not be allowed on the show grounds.

8. Purebred and mixed breed dogs will be allowed to compete..

9. Assistance Dog puppies must be at least four months of age. All other dogs must be at least six months as of the date of the show. Dogs must be at least six months old to compete in obedience. **Dogs must be fifteen months of age at the time of Youth Fair to compete in Agility.**

10. Only Assistance Dogs may enter the Assistance Dog Class.

11. No animals other than the dogs entered in the competition will be allowed on show grounds.

X 12. A dog may be shown by one person only in each area(Showmanship, Obedience, Rally or Agility). No sharing of dogs except in Brace.

X 13. While on show grounds only the exhibitor may handle, train, work or groom his/her dog. Violation of this rule will result in disqualification.

14. Upon request prior to entry submission and, with leader approval and signature, jump heights can be lowered one level for dogs over 7 years old. Dogs shall be judged in the jump class entered.

15. **Protests:** An Appeals committee composed of the Fair Management, appropriate Division Superintendent(s) and three members of the Board of Directors of the Fair shall receive and act upon any protest arising out of any event.

The protest must be filed in writing and accompanied by a \$25.00 cash deposit. If the protest is overruled, the deposit shall be forfeited to the Fair. **Decision of judges are final and are not subject to protests.**

General Dog Show Rules and Regulations

X 1. **Record Book:** Record Books: Record books must be up to date and presented at time of check-in. Documentation of vaccinations must be included with record book and will be examined along with the record book. Books and vaccination records will be checked and returned to exhibitor immediately.

2. Dogs must be on a leash, except during performances requiring unrestricted movement. Dogs must be kept in Dog Show Area only. Dogs must be removed from the grounds immediately following show.

3. Each exhibitor is liable and responsible for his/her dog's behavior. Any dog showing excessive aggression will be required to leave show grounds. This decision will be made by the Dog Show Committee representatives.

4. Each exhibitor is responsible for picking up after his/her dog. There will be a designated exercise area available for use.

5. Dogs should be bathed, combed, and nails clipped.

6. Crates are required for all dogs entered in show and will be assigned to a designated area.

7. No dogs are to be left unattended in cars.

8. Obedience exercises are to be performed according to AKC rules and regulations as modified by 4-H. A six foot leash is required for Basic and Sub-Novice A and B classes. No pinch collars or gentle leader collars are allowed on show grounds.

9. A participant may not enter more than two dogs. This does not include Assistance Dogs. Each dog needs a separate entry form and class registration.

10. Classes will be divided into Junior (8 years to 10 years old as of September 1, 2009) Intermediate (11-13 as of September 1, 2009) and Senior (14 years to 18 years old as of September 1, 2009). Performance classes may be combined or divided **if** the number of entries warrant at the committee's discretion.

11. High Point: There will be a trophy awarded to Junior, Intermediate & Senior High Point winners. If two dogs are entered by the same exhibitor, each dog's score will be kept separate. High point will be based on the actual combined scores from QUIZ, SHOWMANSHIP, OBEDIENCE, RALLY and AGILITY.

12. If two dogs are shown by the same exhibitor, only the scores from the dog entered in Showmanship will be considered for the High Point Trophy.

X 13. **Quiz Class:** Failure to participate in the Quiz class will result in forfeiture of all premiums and awards earned in the Youth Fair Dog Show. The Quiz Class will begin at 8:30 a.m. the day of the show. All exhibitors are required to participate in the Quiz class. Material for the QUIZ will be taken from the PAWS I, PAWS II, PAWS III and PAWS IV curriculum available from the 4-H office.

14. Tie breakers will be given in the form of additional questions.

Showmanship Classes

1. Showmanship classes will be held Wednesday, January 27, 2010 from 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. Handlers are judged on preparation and presentation of their dog in grooming, posing, and gaiting. Exhibitors shall be allowed to show only one dog in Showmanship. Judges may ask questions pertaining to breed, group, body parts, showmanship skills and gaiting patterns.

2. **Basic** - First year handler.

3. **Novice** - Handlers who have shown for one or more years with beginning dog or beginning handlers with experienced dog.

4. **Advanced** - Handlers who have shown in Junior Showmanship competition at 2 or more nationally recognized dog organization Dog Shows, or have won first place in Novice class at a previous 4-H Dog Show.

Assistance Dog Class

1. **Evaluation Class** - Exercises are judged: E = Excellent, G = Good, P = Practicing, NE = Needs Exposure.

2. Contestants will be given participation ribbons. Basic evaluation will be judged according to the age of the dog.

3. **Obedience:** Sit Down, Come, Sit-Stay, Down-Stay, Forward, Come and Recall.

4. **Practice and Exposure:** Greeting people, noise exposure, food distraction, garbage can, garbage bag, hat/sunglasses, sitting at table, item retrieving, umbrella, leave food (age appropriate - at discretion of judge), load and unload in car.

NOTE: Evaluator may make special comments.

5. **Assistance Dog Obedience:** Some exercises performed as in the basic obedience class. Judged the same except for the following differences:

- **HEEL:** Service dogs may heel on either the right or left of the handler. The dog's nose should be at the handler's knee. Guide dogs do not heel. The dog should put slight tension on the leash as if gently pulling the handler. The dog's shoulder should be slightly in front of the handler's knee.

- When the handler stops while heeling the dog is not required to sit.

- **RECALL:** The dog should go to "come front" position then to side or heel position by the handler as commanded, not crossing behind the handler.

- Other requirements based on assistance dog standards.

Obedience Classes:

1. **Basic** - First year dog and first year handler. You may be in this class for a period of one year starting from your first dog show anywhere and have not completed Novice class work or have a CD title.

2. **Sub-Novice A** - Experienced handler with beginning dog or beginning handler with experienced dog. Handlers who have shown two or more years. Dogs may be in Sub-Novice A for one year and will advance to Sub-Novice B or Novice A according to the dog's ability.

3. **Sub-Novice B** - Handlers who have shown other dogs in obedience competition at nationally recognized dog organization obedience trials, have won First Place in Sub-Novice at a previous 4-H Dog Show.

4. **Novice A** - For handlers and dogs ready to compete in novice exercises except dogs with obedience titles or handlers and dogs who have won first place in Novice A at a previous 4-H Dog Show.

5. **Novice B** - Handlers showing dog with obedience title other than Rally. For handlers and dogs who have shown in obedience competition at nationally recognized dog organization obedience trials or have won first place in Novice A at a previous 4-H Dog Show. Also includes handlers who have trained and showed at a Novice level at any nationally recognized dog organization dog show other than a Fun Show.

6. **Graduate Novice** - For dogs and handlers who have completed Novice work and are training for Open, but are not ready to compete in Open exercises.

7. **Open** - For dogs and handlers ready to compete at this level.

8. **Utility** - For dogs and handlers ready to compete at this level.

- X 9. **Brace** - Dogs do not have to be the same breed, but should be similar in size. Dogs may have different owners. Class will be judged using the Graduate Novice exercises.
10. **Brace Exercises - Individual:** Heeling on lead, figure 8 on lead, recall off lead, stand for examination off lead.
11. **Brace Exercises - Group:** One minute sit off lead, three minute down off lead.
- X 12. **Four Member Team** -The team consists of four handlers with four dogs who work simultaneously. Class will be judged using Graduate Novice exercises - stand for exam, recall, finish, long sits and downs will be off lead exercises. Handlers may respond to judge's or team captain's commands. Figure 8 is done simultaneously using 5 posts. For the recall, handlers leave dogs in unison, call dogs one at a time, finish in unison.
13. **Four Member Team Exercises - One Team at a time:** Heeling on lead, figure 8 on lead, recall off lead, stand for examination off lead.
14. **Four Member Team Exercises - All teams together:** One minute sit off lead, three minute down off lead.
15. **Basic and Sub-Novice Exercises - Individual:** Heeling on lead, figure 8 on lead, recall on lead, stand for examination on lead.
16. **Basic and Sub-Novice Exercises - Group:** One minute sit on lead, three minute down on lead.
17. **Novice Exercises - Individual:** Heeling on Lead, figure 8 on lead, stand for examination off lead, heeling off lead, recall off lead.
18. **Novice Exercises - Group:** One minute sit off lead, three minute down off lead.
19. **Graduate Novice Exercises - Individual:** Class will consist of a selection from the following exercises as described in the AKC rules: heel on lead, heel off lead, figure 8 off lead, drop on recall, dumbbell recall, recall over high jump, recall over broad jump, three or five minute long down with handlers out of sight.
20. **Graduate Novice Exercises - Group:** Three minute sit off lead, five minute down with handler out of sight.
21. **Open Exercises - Individual:** Heeling on lead, figure 8 off lead, drop on recall, retrieve on flat, retrieve over high jump, broad jump.
22. **Open Exercises - Group:** Three minute sit off lead, Five minute down with handler out of sight.
23. **Utility Exercises - Individual:** Signal exercise, scent discrimination of leather & metal articles, directed retrieve moving stand and examination, directed jumping.

Agility Classes

Agility Course Standards:(Modified AKC standards)

Dog Height	Jump Height	Table Height	Long Jump
Under 8"	4"	4"	8"
Over 8" under 11"	8"	8"	16"
Over 10" under 14"	12"	8"	24"
Over 14" under 18"	16"	16"	32"
Over 18" under 22"	20"	16"	40"
Over 22"	24"	16"	48"

1. A handler may show two dogs in agility.
2. Dogs may wear nylon, leather or fabric leashes and collars with a flat buckle. No tags, no pinch collars or choke chains will be allowed. Off lead dogs may wear a flat buckle collar, rolled leather collar or no collar.
- X 3. The agility rules, heights and regulations are all from the American Kennel Club as modified by 4-H. However, in the Basic class, dogs measuring over 22" will jump 20".
4. A dog's jump height is determined by measuring the dog's standing height from the withers (at the base of the neck) to the floor.

CLASSES:

5. **BASIC -ON LEAD:- For beginner handler and beginning dog in their first year of showing.** Simple course with 10 obstacles which may include any of the following: A-Frame (apex at 4'11"), Dog Walk (3' 0" tall), Tunnel, Chute, Pause Table (Sit or down position at judge's discretion for 5 cumulative seconds), jumps without wings.
6. **Sub Novice - ON LEAD: - For experienced handler with beginning dog or beginning handler with experienced dog (2nd or more year of showing).** Simple course with 10 obstacles including any of the following: A-Frame (apex at 4'11 "), Dog Walk 3'0"tall), Tunnel, Chute, Pause Table (Sit or down position at judge's discretion for 5 cumulative seconds), jumps without wings.
7. **Novice - OFF LEAD - Simple** course with 10 to 15 obstacles including all previous plus teeter, **Tire Jump, 6 weave poles,** and jumps including single, **2 winged, panel, broad and double.**
8. **Advanced - OFF LEAD:** Course design may be more complex with 18-20 obstacles including all previous plus triple jumps and 12 weave poles.

ALL EXHIBITORS WITH A SCORE OF 200 MUST ADVANCE TO THE NEXT LEVEL.

Rally Obedience Classes

To be held Thursday - January 28, 2010 along with regular obedience classes.

- X 1. Class will be divided Junior, Intermediate and Senior. All exercises are to be performed on leash with a flat or training collar. In the Rally Basic class leash needs only to be long enough to provide adequate slack. Scoring will be based on AKC standards for Rally as modified by 4-H.
2. **Rally Basic:** For beginner handler and beginning dog in their first year of showing in accordance with AKC RALLY Novice. The course exercises will be chosen from the first 31 AKC Rules list of exercises with the course consisting of 10 - 15 stations with no more than 5 stationary exercises.
- X 3. **Rally Sub-Novice A:** For experienced handler with beginning dog or beginning handler with experienced dog in accordance with AKC RALLY Novice. Dogs may be Sub-Novice A for one year and will advance to Sub-Novice B or Novice A according to the dog's ability. The course exercises will be chosen from the first 31 AKC Rules list of exercises with the course consisting of 10 - 15 stations with no more than 5 stationary exercises..
4. **Rally Sub-Novice B:** For handlers who have shown other dogs in rally competition at nationally recognized dog organization rally trials, have won First Place in previous rally trials, who have shown other dogs in rally competition at nationally recognized dog organization rally trials, have won First Place in previous 4-H Dog Show. The course exercises will be chosen from the first 31 AKC Rules list of exercises with the course consisting of 10-15 stations with no more than 5 stationary exercises.
5. **Rally Novice A:** For handler and dog ready to perform in AKC Rally Novice A. The course exercises will be chosen from the first 31 AKC Rules list of exercises with the course consisting of 10 - 15 stations with no more than 5 stationary exercises.
- X 6. **Rally Novice B:** For handlers who have shown other dogs in rally competition at nationally recognized dog organization rally trials, have won First Place in previous rally trials, who have shown other dogs in rally competition at nationally recognized dog organization rally trials, have won First Place in previous 4-H Dog Show. The course exercises will be chosen from the first 31 AKC Rules list of exercises with the course consisting of 10-15 stations with no more than 5 stationary exercises.
- X 7. **Rally Advanced:** For dog and handler who are ready to show off lead, have a Rally Novice title, dogs receiving a score of 100 in Rally Novice, or dog and handler ready to move up. In accordance with AKC Rally Advance rules, exercises will be chosen from the AKC Signs 1-45 with 12-17 stations with no more than 7 stationary exercises and one jump.
8. **Rally Excellent:** For dog and handler with Rally Advanced Title, dogs receiving a score of 100 in Advanced Rally, or dogs and handler ready to move up. In accordance with AKC Rally Excellent rules exercises will be chosen from the AKC signs 1-50 with 15-20 stations with no more than 7 stationary exercises, two jumps and Honor.
- Rules can be found online for the American Kennel Club at: <http://www.akc.org/dis/events/obedience/rally/cfm>.

Educational Exhibits Department

NOTE: Educational Exhibits should be informative and interesting. Exhibitors are encouraged to include examples that show or illustrate the topic as a part of the exhibit. Posters should be used to "tell" what the example(s) "show". Educational Exhibits projects are non-perishable entries and are due Tuesday, January 19, 2010. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's, teacher/leader's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, parent/guardian and teacher/leader and that all understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations. Entry form and exhibit is to be turned in on Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at non-perishable check-in.

- Educational exhibits should be related to a 4-H or school project. A complete and appropriate Project Summary form (not a 4-H record book) **is required**, and must be included with the exhibit. It is recommended that these forms be submitted in a folder properly labeled with exhibitor name and name of exhibit. Project Summary forms are available from the Youth Fair office.
- Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a Family and Consumer Sciences entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00. This entry fee **must** accompany the entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit need only to pay the entry fee one time. This one time entry fee will be valid for all entries in the Family & Consumer Sciences department for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**
- Each exhibitor will be allowed to exhibit one educational exhibit.
- Purpose: Educational exhibits will be judged on the following criteria:
 - The appropriateness of the theme as a learning experience for the student
 - How well the exhibit communicates a message to the general public
 - Attractiveness and neatness of the exhibit
 - Quality of the Project Summary form (appropriate, neat, complete).
- Standard 48" x 36" Science Fair boards required. Minimum letter size ½".
- Each exhibit must have a clearly stated theme or title. Each part of the exhibit must relate to that central theme.
- Exhibitors should complete a Youth Fair entry form as follows: Educational category - Educational Display - 1401 - Florida Environment. The title of the exhibit should be written under "Description".
- Each exhibit will be screened at the time of check-in for the following:
 - Completed Project Summary form
 - Neatness and attractiveness
 - Fulfilling the requirements of an Educational Display

Categories:

1401 - Florida Environment: To inform the general public about an environmental concern. (Examples: endangered wildlife, water use and quality, mined-land reclamation, Asian cockroach, etc.).

1402 - General: To inform and create interest among the general public on a selected theme. (Examples: home safety, insect pests in the home garden, poisonous plants, etc.).

1403 - How-To: To show the general public an aspect or process related to making something or participating in a hobby. (Examples: collecting insects, making an object (syrup, lamp, sandals, etc.), mastering "close-up" photography, etc.).

1404 - Scientific Experiments: Must state very briefly what is being measured, method, summary of results and importance of experiment. This must be done through specimens and visuals, not in report form. Supplementary materials may be included in the project summary form.

NOTE: If an educational display includes a live animal, the student is responsible for the care and safety of the animal. Valuable collections, such as coins, should not be entered because the Youth Fair cannot guarantee against theft.

Photography Department

1. Exhibitors may enter no more than four categories. **Only one exhibit per category.** Photography exhibits are non-perishable entries and are due Tuesday, January 19, 2010. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's, teacher/leader's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, parent/guardian and teacher/leader and that all understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.

2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a Family & Consumer Sciences entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00. This entry fee **must** accompany the entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit in the Family and Consumer Sciences department need only to pay the entry fee one time. This entry fee will be valid for all entries in the Family & Consumer Sciences departments for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

3. All photographs must be mounted, matted and/or framed. All photographs must be ready to hang. **All photographs should be appropriate for a youth competition.**

4. All photographs within a series should be of the same size, no smaller than 4" x 6" and no larger than 5" x 7", and be either all in color or all in black and white. Each series needs to be attractively mounted together on a flat surface, such as cardboard covered with fabric or mat board. The mounting surface should not be any larger than 16" x 24".

5. All mounting and photographic work, except developing, must be the exhibitor's effort.

6. All labels should be on front of exhibit.

7. Awards will be given for Best Single Enlargement and Best Series.

8. Categories are defined as :

Photographer's Choice: A series of five photographs chosen by photographer. Photos do not have to be related. The photographs must be displayed as a group. Photographs will be judged as a group. If taken with a SLR 35mm camera **each** photograph is to be individually labeled underneath with *f/stop* and *shutter speed* or if taken with automatic-semi automatic 35mm camera or digital camera **each** photograph is to be individually labeled underneath stating **AUTOMATIC** or **DIGITAL**. Titles are optional.

Practice Series: A series of five photographs containing one each of the following:

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| 1. An interesting building | 3. A person or portrait |
| 2. An unusual tree or landscape | 4. A flower or flowering plant |
| | 5. An animal |

All photographs must be displayed as a group. Photographs will be judged as a group. **Each** photograph is to be individually labeled underneath with **title**. If taken with a manual SLR 35mm camera then the *f/stop* and *shutter speed* is also to be stated on **each** label or if taken with automatic-semi automatic 35mm camera or digital camera then **AUTOMATIC** or **DIGITAL** is to be stated on **each** label.

Story Series: A series of five photographs that tell a **story in sequence**. All photographs must be displayed as a group. All photographs will be judged as a group. **Each** photograph is to be labeled underneath with *f/stop* and *shutter speed* if taken with a manual SLR 35mm camera or **AUTOMATIC** or **DIGITAL** if taken with an automatic-semi automatic 35mm camera or digital camera.

Single Enlargement: Photographs must be enlarged to 8" x 10" or 11" x 14". This does not include matting size. Manual SLR and Automatic and Semi Automatic entries must be enlarged from a negative. Photographs enlarged on digital devices will be judged as digital enlargements. Photographs must be of fine quality, attractively matted and/or framed. Photographs must be labeled with **title** and if taken with a manual SLR 35mm camera must state *f/stop* and *shutter speed* or if taken with automatic-semi automatic 35mm camera or digital camera must state **AUTOMATIC** or **DIGITAL**.

Special Effects: Includes such things as major alterations (anything more than 10% of original print), super imposing, etc. with digital camera. Photograph must be enlarged to 8" x 10" or 11" x 14". This does not include matting size. Photographs must be of fine quality, attractively matted and/or framed. An original photograph before alterations must be mounted on back of entry and can be 4" x 6" to 8" x 10". Photograph must be labeled with **title** and stated **SPECIAL EFFECTS**.

Categories:

Digital Cameras

1501. Photographer's Choice
1502. Practice Series
1503. Story Series
1504. Single Enlargement
1505. Special Effects

Manual Single Lens Reflex Cameras 35 mm

1510. Practice Series (as described above)
1511. Story Series (as described above)
1512. Photographers choice (as described above)
1513. Single enlargement (as described above)

Automatic - Semi Automatic Cameras 35mm

1506. Photographers Choice
1507. Practice Series
1508. Story Series
1509. Single Enlargement

Woodworking Department

1. A complete Project Summary (not a 4-H record book) **is required** in this department and is to be included with the entry. Project summary forms are available from the Youth Fair office. Woodworking exhibits are non-perishable entries and are due Tuesday, January 19, 2010. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's, teacher/leader's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, parent/guardian and teacher/leader and that all understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations. Entry form and exhibits are due Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at non-perishable check-in.

2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a Family & Consumer sciences entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00. This entry fee **must** accompany the entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit in the Family & Consumer Sciences department need only to pay the entry fee one time. This one time entry fee will be valid for all entries in the Family & Consumer Sciences department for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**
3. Exhibits entered must be cut, assembled, sanded, finished (if applicable) by the exhibitor and ready for use.
4. Each exhibitor is eligible to submit five entries, but only one made from kit. Duplicate entries are not allowed (i.e. only one bird house).
5. Plans and directions must be attached to the exhibit. It is recommended that these forms be submitted in a folder properly labeled with exhibitor name and name of exhibit.
6. Articles entered must have been constructed since the 2009 Youth Fair.
7. **No computer assisted woodworking.**

Categories:

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| 1601. Cut or constructed from kit | 1604. Item not made from kit |
| 1602. Item not made from kit | 1605. Item not made from kit |
| 1603. Item not made from kit | 1606. Item not made from kit |

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES DIVISION

General Rules

1. Only categories listed are eligible for exhibit.
2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a Family & Consumer Sciences entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00. This entry fee **must** accompany the entry form for the Family & Consumer Sciences department in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit need only to pay the entry fee one time. This entry fee will be valid for all entries in Family & Consumer Sciences department for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**
3. **Only one exhibit per category is allowed. One item or exhibit may not be entered in more than one category.**
4. Categories must be listed on a Youth Fair General Entry Form using the terms in classification listed below. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.
5. Entries must have been completed by the exhibitor since the 2009 Youth Fair and evaluated in a 4-H, FCCLA or FFA activity.
6. All forms including exhibit tags, recipe forms, etc. that are required to be submitted with exhibit must be attached to each exhibit. All forms except exhibit tags may be obtained online at: polk-fl.net/polkkffa/home/home.shtml/ or polk.ifas.ufl.edu. Exhibit tags will be available prior to the fair.
7. Exhibits not conforming to directions will be lowered one ribbon place.
8. Judges may reject or disqualify entries that they deem unworthy. **The Youth Fair encourages quality not quantity.**
9. Tri-color rosettes may be awarded for outstanding (Best of Show) exhibits in any department by the judges and approved by the Department Superintendent. **Tri-Color winners and cake auction winners from a previous year may not enter an item made exactly like their winning entry (Example: may not use same recipe, pattern, etc.).**
10. **Check-in:** Refer to page 1.
11. Each participating school or 4-H group will be asked to assist with various pre-Fair or Fair activities.
12. If there is only one entry in a category of event, it will not necessarily be awarded a first place ribbon.
13. All winners of the Tri-Color, Best of Show and Family and Consumer Sciences Competitions will be awarded at the Tri-Color Awards ceremony, Friday, January 29, 2010, from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., in the Stuart Center..
14. **ALL PROJECTS MUST BE COMPLETED UPON ARRIVAL. ALL paper work must be completed by 6:30 p.m..**
15. Exhibits judged as a white ribbon will not receive premium points. This rules applies for all Woodworking, Educational Display, Photography and Family and Consumer Sciences departments.

Child Development Department

1. Child Development Department projects are non-perishable entries and are due Tuesday, January 19, 2010. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's, teacher/leader's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, parent/guardian and teacher/leader and that all understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.
1. Only categories listed are eligible for exhibit.
 2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a Family & Consumer Sciences entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00. This entry fee **must** accompany the entry form for the Family & Consumer Sciences department in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit need only to pay the entry fee one time. This entry fee will be valid for all entries in Family & Consumer Sciences department for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**
 3. No models accepted (Example: boats, cars, airplanes, etc.). Items made from kits need to be labeled "KIT".
 4. **A descriptive paragraph must accompany each project stating age level, explaining the intended use, how it addresses development, and when necessary how the product works. This statement must be stapled to the project.**
 5. Items must be safe for children to play with or use. Safety of product is important.

Categories:

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| 1801. Babysitting kits or accessories (include one handmade item and list of contents with intended purpose) | 1805. Toy for infant (birth to one) |
| 1802. Child's book | 1806. Toy for toddler (one to three) |
| 1803. Game suitable for child | 1807. Toy for preschooler (three to five) |
| 1804. Storytelling aids (Example: puppets, flannel board) | 1808. Child Care Educational Exhibit |
| Story must accompany exhibit. Copies are acceptable. Mark if story is original. | 1809. Teaching Portfolio |
| | 1810. Teaching Aide |

Clothing Department

1. Clothing projects are non-perishable entries and are due **Tuesday, January 19, 2010**. Exhibitor's signature, parent/guardian's signature and teacher/leader's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, parent/guardian, teacher/leader and that all understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.
2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a Family & Consumer Sciences entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00. This entry fee **must** accompany the entry form for the Family & Consumer Sciences department in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit need only to pay the entry fee one time. This entry

fee will be valid for all entries in Family & Consumer Sciences department for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

3. **Exhibits must be clean, pressed, and ready to wear. All garments must be on hangers.** Failure to comply will result in the lowering of 1 ribbon placing.

4. Pattern guide sheet may be included if an unusual technique is indicated. (Print name of exhibitor on guide sheet and attach it to the garment).

Categories:

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| 1901. Apron (half, bibtop, pinafore) | 1915. Clothing for infant or preschoolers |
| 1902. Athletic shirt(T-shirt or sweat shirt sewn) | 1916. Coat |
| 1903. Clothing accessory (belt, tie, scarf, hat) | 1917. Coordinated skirt and blouse |
| 1904. Crocheted or knitted accessory. | 1918. Dress |
| X 1905. Decorated garments using appliques, embroidery, fabric painting, bead/rhinestone work (garment will not be judged only the technique) | 1919. Ensemble (3 or more pieces) |
| 1906. Fabric accessory from pet project (Example: Dog or Horse Blanket) | 1920. Garment made from novelty fiber(fake fur, suede, etc.) |
| 1907. Fabric bag (handbag, tote bag or purse) | 1921. Jacket - girls or boys |
| 1908. Lingerie | 1922. Knitted garment or wearing apparel(label if knitting machine used) |
| 1909. Pants (shorts or slacks or culottes) | 1923. One piece sport outfit (Gaucho, jumpsuit or tennis dress) |
| 1910. Re-cycled article (must be accompanied by description of article before it was re-cycled and explanation of what was done) | 1924. Pants suit |
| 1911. Skirt | 1925. Slacks - mens or boys |
| 1912. Sleeveless top (blouse or vest) | 1926. Sleep or lounge wear |
| 1913. Top with set-in sleeves (blouse or shirt) | 1927. Swimwear - boys or girls |
| 1914. After 5 wear (long or short) | 1928. Two-piece outfit |
| | 1929. Handmade Jewelry |
| | X 1930. Costumes (example: Historical, Halloween) |
| | 1931. Other(not a duplicate of any other category) |

Food Preservation Department

1. Food Preservation exhibits are non-perishable entries and are due **Tuesday, January 19, 2010**. Exhibitor's signature, parent/guardian's signature, teacher/leader's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, parent/guardian, teacher/leader and that all understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations..

2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a Family & Consumer Sciences entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00. This entry fee **must** accompany the ntry form for the Family & Consumer Sciences department in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit need only to pay the entry fee one time. This entry fee will be valid for all entries in Family & Consumer Sciences department for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

3. Categories 2001-2014 must be in sealed standard clear glass canning jars. Other categories must be displayed appropriately. Paraffin on jellies and jams is not permitted. Decorated lids are unnecessary.

4. All entries must be labeled on the front with the name of the exhibitor, product name, date of preserving and whether water bath or pressure canned. Labels must be affixed on front of jars. All non-acidic products must be pressure canned for safety.

5. Include recipes with unusual products (Example: jalapeno pepper relish, chili sauce, syrups, etc.). Recipes are not needed for commonly canned products such as tomatoes, peaches, etc. Jars must be filled ½" from the top(jellies, juices, syrup, flavored vinegars and flavored oils can be filled to ¼ from the top)

6. Judges have the option of opening the exhibit for tasting.

7. Exhibitor may enter only one entry per category.

8. Batches of preserved foods may not be shared by individual exhibitors.

9. Dirty jars will be lowered 1 ribbon placing.

Categories:

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| 2001. Berries | 2009. Tomato juice | Dehydrated foods(recipe must be included. Entry must consist of ½ cup or 12 slices) |
| 2002. Fruit or juice | 2010. Tomato sauce, puree or ketchup | 2017. Dehydrated meats |
| 2003. Jams | 2011. Tomatoes(whole or cut up) | 2018. Dehydrated fruit for snacks |
| 2004. Jellies | 2012. Tomatoes, other products (barbeque sauce, salsa, etc.) | 2019. Dehydrated vegetables |
| 2005. Butters | 2013. Vegetables (any kind) | 2020. Pressure canned meal(soup, stews, etc.) |
| 2006. Marmalades, Preserves or Conserves | 2014. Syrup (recipe must be included) | 2021. Desserts in jar |
| 2007. Pickles (any kind) | 2015. Flavored Vinegars | |
| 2008. Relishes or chutneys (any kind) | 2016. Flavored Oils | |

Foods Department

X 1. Food exhibits are perishable entries and are due **Friday, January 22, 2010**. Exhibitor's signature , parent/guardian's, and teacher/leader's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, parent/guardian, teacher/leader and that all understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.

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X 4. No canned, fresh fruit, or vegetables **may** be used as decoration(examples: strawberry, pineapple, mandarin oranges, peppers, broccoli, fresh coconut, cherries). No item requiring refrigeration, warming or additional cooking will be accepted. Examples of items requiring refrigeration include cheesecakes, meringue, custard, pudding, whipped cream, cool whip and all pies. Any entry containing any item needing refrigeration will be disqualified. Cream cheese icings are permissible.

- X 5. Disposable containers are **REQUIRED**. These containers should be no more than 2" larger than exhibit. Container may not be larger than 19"x 19" x 19". Items should be securely wrapped and visible through clear plastic or ziploc bag. Items not in or on a disposable container will not be accepted. **Container must fit and be securely closed.**
6. All cakes should be in a disposable container. Cake containers will be for sale at non-perishable check-in for \$2.00. Decorated cakes should be in a disposable container also, but does not have to be a round container.
7. Only one entry per category. This includes perishable entries as well as cake auction entries.
8. Exhibits must contain exact number of items specified in category.
9. After judging the Fair reserves the right to use appropriate containers to display tri-color entries.
10. A recipe form provided by the Youth Fair **MUST** be attached to each exhibit.
11. Cakes made from a mix must be labeled "**MADE FROM A MIX**" on the recipe form and must include directions used to make the product. The level of difficulty of the purchased mix will also be evaluated.
12. **No cakes will be accepted in pans they were baked in.**
13. Tri-Color winners and cake auction winners from a previous year may not enter an item made exactly like their winning entry (Example: may not use same recipe, pattern, etc.).
14. The Fair reserves the right to discard food items which deteriorate and become unattractive for display. **No foods will be returned to exhibitors.** The Fair will dispose of all foods at the close of the Fair for health and safety reasons.
- X 15. No bread machine, canned, frozen or packaged bread products may be used. This includes no Bisquick.
16. All loaves of bread must be standard size. No mini loaves will be accepted.

Categories:**Number of item(s) needed for exhibit**

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| 2101. Loaf, muffins without yeast | 1 loaf/12 muffins |
| 2102. Coffee Cake without yeast | 1 |
| 2103. Biscuits or cornbread without yeast | 12 |
| 2104. Loaf or rolls with yeast | 1 loaf/12 rolls |
| 2105. Specialty bread - such as braids with yeast | 1 |
| 2106. Cookies - (No purchased mixes or cereal treats accepted. Bar cookies accepted) | 12 |
| 2107. Cakes - made from a mix 10" or less(uncut brownies are not accepted) | 1 |
| 2108. Cakes made from scratch 10" or less(uncut brownies are not accepted) | 1 |
| 2109. Cupcakes from scratch | 12 |
| 2110. Cakes - pound | 1 |
| X 2111. Decorated cake (mix - not to exceed 19")(must be labeled made from MIX or SCRATCH)
pan size cannot be larger than 19"x19"x19") | 1 |
| 2112. Candy - any kind (cereal treats not accepted) | 12 |
| 2113. Microwave bread, cake, etc. | 1 |
| 2114. Microwave candy or cookies | 12 |
| 2115. Bread, cake using 1/4 cup or more of citrus | 1 |
| 2116. Cupcakes, muffins, rolls using 1/4 cup or more of citrus | 12 |
| 2117. Candy using 1/4 cup or more of citrus | 12 |
| 2118. Cookies using 1/4 cup or more of citrus | 12 |
| 2119. Bread, cake using 1/4 cup or more of honey | 1 |
| 2120. Cupcakes, muffins, rolls using 1/4 cup or more of honey | 12 |
| 2121. Candy using 1/4 cup or more of honey | 12 |
| 2122. Cookies using 1/4 cup or more of honey | 12 |
| 2123. Bread, cake using 1/4 cup or more of blueberries | 1 |
| 2124. Cupcakes, muffins, rolls using 1/4 cup or more of blueberries | 12 |
| 2125. Candy using 1/4 cup or more of blueberries | 12 |
| 2126. Cookies using 1/4 cup or more of blueberries | 12 |
| 2127. Creative Edible Decoration/Decorative food - judged on creative, artistic value
(Instructions for making entry must be included).
Examples: popcorn cake, purchased cookies decorated as bunnies with purchased grass, miniature hamburgers, chocolate leaves | 1 cake/6-12 items |
| X 2128. Other (pumpkin rolls, petite fours, etc.) | 1 roll/12 items |
| X 2129. Citrus Gift Box | 1 |
| X 2130. Fresh Citrus Centerpiece | 1 |
| X 2131. Fresh Citrus Arrangement | 1 |
- X Citrus fruit, leaves and blossoms to be displayed in or on appropriate container. Polk County Youth Fair will not be responsible for display container. **NO CUT OR PIERCED FRUIT ALLOWED.**

Cake Auction

- X 1. Exhibitors entering a cake to be considered for auction must **pre-register on Tuesday, January 19, 2010**, between 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. at the Stuart Center during the non-perishable check-in. A Polk County Youth Fair Recipe Form must be submitted with pre-registration cake auction entry form on Tuesday, January 19, 2010. The recipe must match cake entered on pre-registration entry form. At that time exhibitors may purchase a cardboard display disk and plastic cover for \$2.00. All cakes considered for auction must be displayed on these disks with these covers. Cakes will not be transferred to these disks at check-in. Failure to follow this rule will disqualify cake. Exhibitor's signature, parent/guardian's signature, teacher/leader's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, parent/guardian, teacher/leader and that all understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations. **NO CAKES REQUIRING REFRIGERATION WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
2. **Entry Fees:** Each exhibitor must submit a Family & Consumer Sciences entry fee for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair in the amount of \$5.00. This entry fee **must** accompany the entry form for the Family & Consumer Sciences department in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit need only to pay the entry fee one time. This entry fee will be valid for all entries in Family & Consumer Sciences department for the 2010 Polk County Youth Fair. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**
3. Cakes to be entered will be checked in at the Agricultural Center in the Valencia Room on **Tuesday, January 26, 2010** between

2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. A completed entry tag must be submitted at check-in. The cake that is entered on January 26, 2010 must match pre-registration entry form and recipe form that was submitted January 19, 2010 or cake will be disqualified. At that time the exhibitor must sign in and designate a telephone number where they can be contacted that evening after the judging is completed should their cake be chosen for auction.

X 4. **NO CAKES FROM A MIX WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

5. **No** canned, fresh fruit, or vegetables may be used as decoration (example: strawberry, pineapple, mandarin oranges, peppers, broccoli, fresh coconut, cherries). No item requiring refrigeration include cheesecakes, meringue, custard, pudding, whipped cream, cool whip.

X 6. Cakes must fit entirely in the **preurchased closed container** will be considered for auction:

Category 2132: Cakes for auction

7. A maximum of ten (10) cakes will be selected to be auctioned.

8. Exhibitor may not enter more than one cake to be considered for auction. Exhibitor must be present to auction their own cake. If exhibitor is not present for the cake auction, cake will not be sold.

9. Exhibitor will be notified approximately 9:00 p.m. as soon as cakes are judged.

10. All exhibitors entering a cake for auction are required to contact at least two **different** potential buyers. Copies of at least two letters which are legible with potential buyers names (one letter with two potential buyers names is not acceptable) to potential buyers are due in the Youth Fair office by **5:00 P.M. Friday, January 8, 2010** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date and should be marked **Attn: Cake Auction Committee**. If one letter is sent to a potential buyer and is used for several different projects(hog, citrus, plant or steer buyer letter), a separate copy must be sent to the Youth Fair office addressed **Attn: Cake Auction Committee**. Exhibitors **not** submitting copies of two letters to potential buyers to the Youth Fair office by **5:00**

P.M. Friday, January 8, 2010 will be fined \$50.00 to be deducted from sale check. No buyer letters will be accepted after Friday, January 8, 2010. Postmarked by the United States Postal Service(not metered mail or fax) by the deadline is acceptable.

10. Exhibitors **are required to write a thank you note** to the buyer of their cake. A copy of the thank you note must be submitted to the Youth Fair office for exhibitor to receive sale check. **Exhibitors not submitting copies of thank you letter to buyer to the Youth Fair within 90 days following the sale will forfeit all sale money.** A 5% sale fee will be deducted from sale of cake and all add-ons received.

11. Exhibitors who enter a cake for auction or exhibitors who auction their cakes will not receive additional premiums, plates, or tri-color award, but will be awarded a special blue ribbon and will be invited to attend the awards ceremony.

Home Furnishings Department

1. Home Furnishing exhibits are non-perishable entries and are due **Tuesday, January 19, 2010**. Exhibitor's signature, parent/guardian's signature and teacher/leader's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, parent/guardian and teacher/leader and that all understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.

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3. All exhibits must be completed and ready to use or hang. Hangers must be attached when appropriate. **Quality home furnishing projects are not necessarily the same as craft projects.**

4. Exhibits made from kits must be labeled "KIT" on the exhibit tag.

5. No art work accepted (ie. Pen and ink, painting, charcoal drawing, etc.)

Categories:

Home Accessories:

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| X 2201. Door decoration (other than wreaths) | 2221. Outdoor wood craft (not judged for woodworking skills) |
| 2202. Eco friendly Project (example: reusable shopping bag) | 2222. Pillow |
| 2203. Fabric covered book | 2223. Purchased home furnishing item with machine embroidery, decorative painting, hand stitching, etc. |
| 2204. Fabric closet accessories (shoe bag, garment bag, purse caddy, etc.) | 2224. Recycled article (must be accompanied by description of article before it was re-cycled and explanation of what was done) |
| 2205. Fabric furnishings/bath (shower curtain, toilet seat cover, etc.) | X2225. Recycled article(must be accompanied by description of article before it was re-cycled and explanation of what was done) Article must be completely different than 2224. Example: not two purses, but may be a purse and a lamp. |
| 2206. Fabric furnishings/bed (bedspread, dust ruffle, coverlet. etc. twin or larger in size, no throws accepted) | 2226. Rug |
| 2207. Fabric furnishings/kitchen (pot holders or mitts (minimum of 2) small appliance cover, dish towels, etc.) | 2227. Scrapbooking Project (must be a book with a minimum of 5 pages completed by an individual, appropriate pictures only) |
| 2208. Fabric furnishings/table(tablecloth,napkins) napkins (minimum of 4), placemats (minimum of 4) | 2228. Table centerpiece - no taller than 15 inches |
| X 2209. Fabric lined or fabric covered basket | 2229. Three Holiday Ornaments (can be different) |
| 2210. Floral Arrangement | 2230. Throw - crocheted, knitted, fleece |
| 2211. Framed needlework (needlework will be judged) | 2231. Quilt - any size; must be pieced, tied, hand or machine |
| 2212. Furniture - refinished (only finish will be judged) | 2232. Tree Skirt |
| 2213. Furniture - upholstered (only upholstery will be judged) | X2233. Wall decoration (not art work)(must have a hanger) |
| 2214. Gift basket(must include something handmade and be labeled as such) Include list of contents, price list and total cost | 2234. Window treatment |
| X 2215. Holiday Home Furnishings Item(No ornaments) | 2235. Woven basket |
| 2216. Home furnishing accessory using creative photography (with the photography being used to create a unique project) | X2236. Wreath(must have a hanger) |
| 2217. Homemade Dolls - including mop dolls, rag dolls and stuffed animals (no kits) | 2237. Other home furnishing item (not a duplicate of any other category) |
| 2218. Hoop hanging(ready to hang) | |
| 2219. Lamp - not purchased | |
| X 2220. Lamp shade(shade must be handmade not purchased) (Lampshade form may be used) | |

Metal Works Department

1. Metal works exhibits are non-perishable entries and are due **Tuesday, January 19, 2010**. Exhibitor's signature, parent/guardian's signature and teacher/leader's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, parent/guardian and teacher/leader and that all understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.
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 3. All exhibits must be free standing, no larger than 5 feet in any direction.
 4. No group projects are allowed.
 5. Committee reserves the right to not accept any project if deemed hazardous (example: too many sharp points or edges)
- Categories:
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| Utility: | Artistic: |
| 2300 - welding with use of stick | 2303 - welding with use of stick |
| 2301 - welding with use of wire | 2304 - welding with use of wire |
| 2302 - other | 2305 - other |

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

CHILI COOK-OFF

- X Entries Due in Youth Fair office by 5:00 p.m. Friday, January 8, 2010. **NO faxed or e-mailed** Chili Cook Off entry forms allowed.
Chosen teams will be notified by January 12, 2010.
Activity Scheduled: Wednesday, January 27, 2010 in Stuart Center
Who May Enter: Teams of 4 students
How To Enter: Only one team may be entered from each FFA or FCCLA/FCS class or 4-H Club. From these entries, 16 will be drawn and results will be posted. Leaders and teachers will be contacted.
- 1. Each team must pre-register by Friday, January 8, 2010.
- 2. A team will be composed of 4 members. Teams may come from 4-H, FFA, or FCCLA. Only registered members of the team may in the booth during the entire time.
- X 3. All team members must be present at 12:45 for check-in. Those teams not present at this time will be disqualified.
- 4. Tables will be assigned at 1:00 p.m. in the Stuart Center on Wednesday, January 27, 2010. At that time teams may begin to decorate and set up their booth. A 2.5' x 12' table and 4 chairs will be provided. Any other table or props for storage or supplies or decoration must be provided by the team. When decorating booth be sure to bear in mind any safety hazards. Costumes for team members will be considered part of the booth decoration. (Be sure to include your team name on your booth).
- X 5. No spectators will be allowed in Stuart Center until notified by committee.
- 6. No canned or premade chili allowed. No ingredient may be pre-cooked or treated in any way prior to the starting time which will begin at 1:15 p.m. Meat may be pre-cut or ground, but not treated in any way. All other ingredients must be chopped or prepared during the preparation period.
- 7. Set up, preparation and cooking will be for a maximum of 2 hours from start time. Cooking during the entire cooking period is at the sole discretion of the team.
- 8. Teams are responsible for supplying their own utensils, small appliances, etc. The Stuart Center kitchen facilities may not be used. Please bring refrigerated items in a cooler. No gas or open flames are allowed. Only one electric appliance (i.e. crock pot, fry pan, food processor, etc.) may be operating and plugged in at one time. No multiple outlets are allowed. Extension cords and surge protectors must be provided by each team.
- 9. Members of teams must have their hair pulled back and must wear gloves when preparing food.
- 10. Each team must cook a minimum of two quarts of chili.
- 11. Each team will be assigned a team number by the director and will be given a container in which their chili will be collected at the time of the official judging. A copy of the team's recipe must be submitted with the sample. After the official judges have collected their sample for judging, the spectators will be given the opportunity to purchase a bowl and spoon in order to sample the chili. They will also be given a ticket with which to vote for their favorite chili.
- 12. Prizes will be given in the following categories: Judges' Choice, Peoples Choice, Best Decorated Booth. Winners will announced at 5:00 p.m.
- 13. Each team will be responsible for cleaning their area after winners are announced. Teams may recruit others to help in this task. Each team must bring their own cleaning supplies - don't forget the floor!
- X 14. **No coaching** is allowed. Teams will be disqualified.
- 15. Chili Cook Off participants may not have cell phones during contest in the Stuart Center.
- 16. Teams are encouraged to bring recipes to share.
- 17. If club or organization selected for this event is a "NO SHOW" they will be ineligible for this event the following year.

X DEMONSTRATIONS**Entries Due:** Tuesday, January 19, 2010**Activity Scheduled:** Thursday, January 28, 2010 between 9:00 A.M. and 12:00 P.M. in the Stuart Center (sign up for time at non-perishable check-in)**Who May Enter:** Individuals or two person team (NO GROUPS)**X Junior Division - grades 3 - 8, Senior Division - grades 9 - 12****How To Enter:** Teachers/Leaders should review and approve presentation. Submit a Demonstration Entry form on non-perishable check-in day.**Time Limits:** Juniors: 5 to 10 minutes Seniors: 7 to 12 minutes**X A demonstration** as in practical showing or telling how to do something (actually making an end product) or showing (demonstrating) how a product works that has already been made. A product is involved.

Presentations involving food preparation require hairnets, hats, or tie backs and the use of gloves. Sanitation standards should be followed. Items which need to be measured should be done so with appropriate equipment and correct techniques. This event will be judged and ribbons awarded. Please see page 4 for Special Contest Sponsorship.

X ILLUSTRATED TALKS CONTEST**Entries Due:** Tuesday, January 19, 2010**Activity Scheduled:** Thursday, January 28, 2010 between 9:00 A.M. and 12:00 P.M. in the Stuart Center (sign up for time at non-perishable check-in)**Who May Enter:** Individuals or two person team (NO GROUPS)**X Junior Division - grades 3 - 8, Senior Division - grades 9 - 12****How To Enter:** Teachers/Leaders should review and approve presentation. Submit a Demonstration Entry form on non-perishable check-in day.**Time Limits:** Juniors - 5 to 10 minutes Seniors - 7 to 12 minutesAn **illustrated talk** is an oral presentation with talking to convey information by using a variety of visual aids such as charts, pictures, models, posters, etc.

This event will be judged and ribbons awarded. Please see page 4 for Special Contest Sponsorship.

MANNEQUIN MODELING**NOTE:** Specific time will be scheduled.**Purpose/Description:** Young people select appropriate outfits incorporating a theme and pose as if they are a "store mannequin". Models will pose for 10 minutes.**How To Enter: No pre-entry.** Entry forms will be distributed at non-perishable check-in, **Tuesday, January 19, 2010.****Required attendance** at check-in, **Tuesday, January 19, 2010.** Participants may enter between the hours of 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. There will be a brief orientation as to what is involved in this event given during these times. During this time participants will complete entry forms, choose modeling theme, schedule times to model, etc.**NOTE: Any type of weapon or any form of violence is strictly prohibited. No references to alcohol or tobacco products. Displays should reflect positive and appropriate values. Youth Fair board members reserve the right to eliminate inappropriate entries.****Participants should provide all supplies and props needed for their presentation and should be appropriately dressed.****SCRAP- OFF****Entries Due: Friday, January 8, 2010****X Activity Scheduled:** Thursday, January 28, 2010, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Stuart Center

Junior Division - grades 3 - 8, Senior Division - grades 9 - 12

Purpose/Description - Individuals will be designing and completing a double page layout on 12 x 12 pages that will be given out at time of contest as well as a bag of supplies (papers and embellishments) every one being identical for fairness.

Participants may bring any and all tools they have as well as providing their own adhesives.

Project will be judged on:

a. Workmanship

b. Creativity

c. Appearance of completed pages

X A sign no larger than 11" x 14" is to be affixed to the front of the table with exhibitor name and organization on it. The sign should be decorated nicely.

Participants should be properly dressed.

Participants should use school appropriate pictures.

The sign and finished pages will be on display until the close of the fair.

X SEW-OFF CONTEST**Entries due: Tuesday, January 19, 2010** (at non-perishable check-in)**Activity Scheduled:** Tuesday, January 26, 2010, 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Junior Division - grades 3-8 Senior Division - (grades 9-12)

Purpose/Description: Teams of two will construct a nine patch pillow from scratch to be stuffed or fitted on a pillow form.

They may use the fabric of their choice to construct a pillow of any size. They must bring their equipment, including sewing machines, irons, ironing board, scissors, all heavy duty extension cords, surge protector, etc.

Participants may practice as much as they want before the day of the Sew-Off.

Projects will be judged on:

a. Workmanship

b. Creativity

c. Appearance of completed pillow

- X Participants must have a sign no larger than 11" x 14" which includes exhibitor names and club or chapter. Participants will set up at 3:30 p.m. The contest will be from 4-6 pm. Participants should be appropriately dressed. The poster and finished products will be on display until the close of the Fair.

STORYTELLING CONTEST

Entries due: Tuesday, January 19, 2010 (at non-perishable check-in).

Activity Scheduled: Wednesday, January 27, 2010, 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 noon **exhibitors are to report in at 9:00 a.m.**

How To Enter: Submit a Storytelling entry form at non-perishable check-in.

Junior Division - Grades 3 - 8 Senior Division - Grades 9 - 12

Purpose/Description: Participants demonstrate knowledge of the sensory and intellectual development of 3, 4, or 5 year old children by selecting an appropriate story for one of the three age groups or combination of age groups and presenting it with appropriate visual aids.

Time Limit: Up to but not more than 10 minutes

The story can be original or commercially published. Handmade visuals should be suitable to the story. Visuals may be puppets, toys, flannel boards, pictures, flip charts, and any other suitable materials or objects. **No visual aids using a fire or flame may be used.** Visuals will be used as an integral part of the presentation, however, the emphasis is on storytelling. **Participants will not read the story from a book but will tell the story as if a group of children were present.**

Storytellers will be seated at children's level.

Set up is to be done by exhibitor only.

Observers and listeners: Parents, teachers, leaders, participants and members of the public may observe if space is available. Participants may bring small children if desired.

Judging will be based on introduction, verbal presentation, facial expression, and visuals. The introduction should gain the attention of the children and build up an anticipation for the story. The introduction may be a finger play, song, visit from a puppet, or conversation about the story theme. Plan a conclusion for the story, to let the children know the story is finished. The conclusion may include a review or clarification of ideas.

On the day of the event, participants should report to the contest location at the appropriate time with a copy of the story or book and all supplies and visuals needed for the presentation.

TABLE SETTING & MENU PLANNING CONTEST

Entries due: Tuesday, January 19, 2010(at nonperishable check-in).

Activity Scheduled: Monday, January 25, 2010 in the Stuart Center

Purpose/Description: The purpose of this contest is to encourage students to enjoy the art of table setting, to learn proper placement of dinnerware, flatware, etc., and to be creative in coordinating a **nutritious menu** and table setting.

Who May Enter: No limit on number from club or school, but entries should be screened at local level to assure quality exhibit. Individual entries only, no team entries.

How To Enter: Submit Tablesetting & Menu Planning entry form at nonperishable check-in.

Theme: The table set with two place settings should have a theme (Examples: Mother's Day, breakfast or dinner to celebrate friends; grandfather's lunch to say "I Love You").

MENU: Each contestant should plan a nutritious menu appropriate for the occasion. One recipe from the meal should be written on a 3 x 5 card. No actual food should be displayed. The menu theme should be printed on a 9 x 12 surface and should be included as part of the exhibit. Reference to alcoholic beverages in menu prohibited. Use sparkling juices, etc.

TABLE SETTING: Each contestant will be assigned a 6 x 6 area and will supply their own table and chairs or alternate display. This should be set in keeping with the theme selected. It can be as simple as or elaborate as they wish. It should include eating utensils, glasses, dishes, cloth, napkins, and centerpiece. Materials may be handmade or purchased.

Dress: The contestant should wear an outfit that would be appropriate for the theme selected.

A Stand up Place Card to Match Theme Is to Be Placed on Table. The Place Card Must Include Your Name And Club/chapter And Is to Remain on Table at All Times.

If parents or small children interfere with the proceedings of contest, they will be asked to leave.

Display:

Division:	Set-up Time	Contest Time
Seniors(grades 9-12)	8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Junior (grades 6-8)	10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Elementary(grades 3-5)	1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

ONLY contestant will be allowed in the exhibit area during set-up of the tables (no teachers, leaders or parents, please). **No coaching is allowed by spectators.** Students may be disqualified. Each contestant will sit at the table during the judging and a break will be announced during the contest.

NOTE: Every precaution will be taken to protect exhibits, but the Youth Fair will assume no responsibility for breakage and/or theft. We advise against using sterling silver. Winning entries will remain on display until checkout on Friday evening.

Judging: All contestants will receive participation premium points. Judges will select the best in each division from the following categories:

Best Informal Outdoor Entry	Best Informal Indoor entry
Most Creative Entry	Best Holiday or Celebration Entry
Best Formal Entry	Judges Choice

Note - The Judges Choice category is used at the judge's discretion, if an entry does not fit into a more appropriate category or is deserving of special recognition).A copy of the judge's sheet is available from the Youth Fair office or may be picked up at check-in.

TOP RANCH HAND CONTEST

No pre-entry: Sign up to participate at beginning of contest
Activity Scheduled: Monday, January 25, 2010, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

WHIP POPPING CONTEST

Entries due: Tuesday, January 19, 2010. Entries may be hand delivered or postmarked by the entry deadline.

Activity Scheduled: Wednesday, January 27, 2010, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the arena

1. The Whip Popping Contest will be divided into three divisions. Age will be calculated as of September 1, 2009:
Junior Division - 8 to 10 years old Intermediate Division - 11 -13 years old Senior Division - 14 years and older
2. Exhibitor Conduct: Any unbecoming behavior of exhibitor will disqualify them and all awards and premiums will be forfeited. Also refer to Exhibitor Conduct rule, rule 16, page 4. Exhibitors must be appropriately dressed.
3. A warm up session outside with a committee member present will be held between 6:35 p.m. and 6:45 p.m.
4. Each contestant will have forty five (45) seconds to perform their whip popping ability.
5. Whips can be at lengths from 8 to 14 feet.
6. In case of a tie, there will be a Pop-off to determine the winner.
7. Contestant will be disqualified from the contest if found popping at any time before or after they enter the arena or during the entire fair.
8. Judges will score on the 1 to 10 scale with 10 being the highest score. Contestants will be judged on the most original, sharpness, loudness and best overall performance.

WORKING BOOTHS

Entries due: Tuesday, January 19, 2010

Activity Scheduled: Tuesday or Friday of Fair week (indicate time preference on entry form).

Who May Enter: Any chapter/club. There must be at least three participants with no more than ten (10) participants during the 2 hour period.

How To Enter: Teacher or leader submits entry form due at nonperishable check-in.

Purpose/Description: The purpose of a working booth is to show "youth in action". Following the consecutive steps of a project or process from beginning to end. Topics should represent things taught in clubs/classes in Family & Consumer Sciences, Agriculture and 4-H. The audience will be walking by and stop to watch for a short time. It will not be necessary to talk continuously, but participants should be prepared to explain steps and answer questions for the viewers. This is an educational activity and nothing may be sold. Printed handouts should contain school/club name and be of high quality.

»» Participants must wear a name tag.

»» Participants must be ready and prepared to start on time and the event in each working booth must last two hours or more.

»» Adults may not help with the working booths, other than to give assistance when problems occur or in the initial set up or take down.

»» The participants need to be doing something at all times.

»» All participants must stay at the working booth for the entire two hour period or more.

»» The working booth needs to be a continuing process of showing how to complete a project, "Showing Students in Action".

»» A handout showing directions/steps and or a recipe must be turned in with activity form.

»» Have A poster or banner showing the name of the school or club and the names of the participants.

»» If food is being used in the working booth, you must follow health and safety standards.

»» No eating or drinking is allowed while you are working.

»» Participants are responsible for cleaning up after completion of their working booth, **especially the kitchen.**

»» A copy of thank you note to the sponsor of Working Booths from participants is required to be turned in to the Youth Fair office before club check will be disbursed.

JUDGING CONTESTS

1. All judging contests are open to any 4-H, FFA, FCCLA member regardless of whether they are an exhibitor in the Fair. Pre-entries are not required.
2. FFA members will participate on a team basis only and 4-H and other individuals will judge on an individual basis only.
3. Contestants may enter contest(s) representing only one organization (Example: The same individual may not judge as both a 4-H and a FFA student).
4. Participants will judge in one of the following classes for the horticultural, livestock and poultry and egg, rabbits:

Vo-Ag participants: Juniors/grades 6 -9	Seniors/grades 10 - 12
4-H participants: Juniors/ages 8 - 12	Seniors - ages 13 - 18

HORTICULTURE JUDGING CONTEST

1. **Contest Scheduled For:** Friday, January 29, 2010 - 9:00 A.M. - 9:45 A.M.

2. **Time required:** Approximately 45 minutes.

3. **Purpose:** To teach young people the identity of various horticultural specimens including vegetables, ornamentals, and fruit.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

1. **Contest Scheduled For:** Friday, January 29, 2010 - 10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

2. **Time Required:** Approximately one hour.

3. **Purpose:** To teach young people the selection of the most desirable types of hogs and beef animals.

POULTRY AND EGG JUDGING CONTEST

1. **Contest Scheduled For:** Thursday, January 28, 2010 - 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon.

2. **Time Required:** Approximately one hour.

3. **Purpose:** To teach young people the proper selection of dressed birds, production layers, exterior shell egg quality, interior egg grading and broken out eggs. The contest will be based on the current USDA standards for the various classes.

RABBIT JUDGING CONTEST

1. **Contest Scheduled For:** Thursday, January 28, 2010 - 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon.

2. **Time required** - Approximately one hour.

3. The Rabbit Judging Competition will consist of a Scantron multiple choice test. The test will be based on the General Knowledge and Health Management of Rabbits from the Florida State Fair Skilathon.

