

JR FAIR RULES AND GUIDELINES

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1. The Wood County Junior Fair is open to all boys and girls regardless of race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, national origin, and handicap status. All exhibitors must be members in good standing of a Wood County youth organization that meets requirements of the Junior Fair Constitution (4-H, FFA, FCCLA, Scouts, Grange Youth, Farm Bureau Youth, or other organizations of Wood County acceptable to the fair board.)
2. Junior Fair Member Age and Eligibility:
 - a.) 4-H: To compete in fairs or other exhibitions, the following membership statements will apply. 4-H membership is based on a child's age AND grade as of January 1 of the current calendar year. Eligibility for Cloverbud participation begins when a child is age 5 and enrolled in kindergarten. Eligibility for participation in 4-H projects and competitive events begins when a child is age 8 and in third grade. Any youth age 9 or above is eligible for project membership, regardless of grade level. Membership requires enrollment in an authorized Ohio 4-H club or group under the direction of an OSU Extension professional or approved adult leader. A youth's 4-H eligibility ends December 31 the year he/she turns 19. Joining Ohio 4-H is a privilege and responsibility and is subject to the Ohio 4-H Code of Conduct and applicable policies of The Ohio State University.

*** There will be no competition of any kind for Cloverbud members. 4-H members deemed non-competitive due to late enrollment will not be eligible for awards (trophies, rosettes, certificates) at the Wood County Fair. Members may be judged for completion, receive evaluation ribbons, exhibit projects at the fair, and receive a premium, but they are ineligible for any competition. ***
 - b.) FFA: Entries are open to currently enrolled agricultural education students and/or two-year program graduates who may compete in the first fair following their graduation, if not older than 18 as of January 1st of the current year. Exhibits must be a part of or a continuation of the student agricultural program experience.
 - c.) Other Organizations: When a member has passed his or her 19th birthday as of January 1st of the current year, the member is too old to exhibit in the Wood County Junior Fair. The minimum age is set by the participating organization.
3. Junior Fair Project Eligibility: Youth may be members of both 4-H (clubs) and FFA (chapters), or of either group. When a student belongs to both organizations, projects carried, in all cases, must be separate and different (also different animals and/or products) in an effort to broaden the student's experience and learning. The following examples will be considered separate and different projects – dairy herd management (cows in production), dairy heifers not freshened; sheep breeding, market lambs; beef breeding, market beef (steers); swine breeding, market hogs; market goats, breeding goats; horse production, horse riding; laying flock, broilers; market rabbits, show rabbits; agronomic crops such as corn, soybeans, wheat, and specialty crops such as vegetable gardening, strawberries; electricity, woodworking; and other specialty animals and crops which must also be separate and different.
4. No Junior Fair participant may exhibit in more than one Junior Fair unless they are a member of 4-H in one county and FFA in another. In this situation, they must exhibit different projects. (Example: market

beef in one county and market swine in another.) A 4-H member is not allowed to be a member of two county 4-H programs. Youth are expected to affiliate with the youth program in the county of residence. However, in instances where youth live out of county, membership considerations will be given by the 4-H Educator/FFA Advisor only when a positive educational experience will result. An "Across County Lines" Application Form must be on file for 4-H members residing outside of Wood County. Junior Fair participants must successfully meet all requirements of their youth organization before being eligible to exhibit in the Junior Fair.

5. All 4H and FFA Livestock entries must be made through Fair Entry online. Deadline for all entries is June 1st.
6. There will be no entry fee for the Junior Fair, but there will be a \$25 fee assessed per exhibitor for any late entries after the deadline of June 1st and \$100 late entry fee after July 22th.
7. Unless otherwise stated by the individual department, there will be a maximum of two entries in any one class per individual.
8. Any project made for competition or for a grade in any other activity, such as FFA, FHA, Wool Contest, school or similar organizations, cannot be used as 4-H projects. Such projects will be disqualified from judging and fair and be considered incomplete.
9. For each 4-H project entered, there must be a completed project record book turned in by the exhibitor for evaluation. All project books should be checked by the advisor prior to the fair.
10. All 4-H projects will be interview judged before the fair. A judging schedule will be mailed to 4-H Advisors. All FFA Agricultural Projects will be judged in place (no interviews) at 8:00am on the first day of the fair (Monday).
11. Fair Exhibit: Each Junior Fair organization, club, or chapter wishing to display projects in the Junior Fair Building will be assigned a fair booth. Depending on the number of groups, some smaller clubs may have to share a booth.
 - a.) Although reasonable effort will be made to protect exhibits from damage or theft, neither the Wood County Fair Boards nor OSU Extension or 4-H Committee, are responsible for the safety of any Junior Fair exhibit placed on display at the Wood County Fair. All exhibits, including livestock, are placed on display, and each junior fair member is responsible for any damage or injury which their livestock may cause to other individuals or property. Parents, please check your home-owner liability policy to see if it covers your animals on display at the fairgrounds.
 - b.) Entries must be in place by 9 p.m. Saturday before the first day of the fair. Junior Fair Building (booths) will be released on Sunday at 9:00 pm. Check with livestock departments for animal arrival and release times. Violations of this rule will result in a forfeiture of any premiums won by the exhibitor and may cause to be banned from the fair. All exhibits must be removed from the Wood County Fairgrounds by Monday, at 6:00 pm or they will be disposed of.
 - c.) All non-livestock junior fair projects must be exhibited in the Junior Fair Building during the fair to be eligible for premium.
12. Every exhibitor shall hold primary responsibility for their own projects and individually share the care of group exhibits as directed by their leader.
13. Exhibits properly entered in the Ohio State Junior Fair may be released from the Wood County Fair prior to arrival deadline at the Ohio State Fair per chairman of the department. Proof of entry to the State Fair must be made to the department chairman.
14. All Junior Fair livestock projects should be completely and fully owned (as evidenced by bill of sale or registration papers) including all showing rights, and in complete possession and continual care of the

exhibitor. In the case of Equine or Dairy, it may be impossible to gain full ownership of an animal. The Junior Fair members must enter into a lease agreement with the owner for equine and dairy leases, and 4-H members must have complete and exclusive showing rights during the lease/ownership time. A copy of the lease documentation must be on file with the Fair Office by June 1st. Market animals that go through the sale cannot be leased.

a.) Ownership of breeding stock will be interpreted as:

- a. 1.) Owned by Exhibitor
- b. 2.) Owned by way of immediate family farm enterprises (parent)

b.) Registration papers or ownership/lease documents will be checked at the fair.

15. These possession dates for Junior Fair livestock and poultry must be adhered to for eligibility at the Wood County Junior Fair.

Market Steers	December 4 th
Feeder Calves	May 7 th
Market Lambs/Goats	April 19 th
Market Hogs	June 1
Rabbits	June 26 th
Poultry Date varies depending on project (June 1st – 25th)	
Turkeys	May 1
Horses	June 1
Breeding Animals (Dairy, Goats, Beef)	June 1
Breeding Sheep	June 1

16. Livestock Identification: All market livestock exhibited in the Wood County Junior Fair must conform to the county animal identification guidelines. A series of county-wide identification programs will be conducted in accordance with possession requirements and approved techniques.

Market Steers	Hair Sample/Eartags/Weigh-In	December 4 th
Market Hogs	Eartags/Photo & ID Form	June 1
Market Lambs	Eartags/ Tattoo/Weigh-In	April 23 rd
Rabbits	Tattoo and Evaluation	June 26 th
Market Goats	Eartags/Tattoo/Weigh-In	April 23 rd
Horses	Registration/Lease Papers w/ Pict.	June 1
Dairy & Beef Feeders	Eartags/Weigh-In	May 7 th
All Leased Animals	Photo/copy of lease to Fair Office	June 1

17. Project Substitutions: Changes in animals after the possession dates listed will be made at the discretion of the Jr. Fair Coordinator and Sr. Fair Director in charge of that species . Unless identified on the specific ID Day, any animal substituted after the possession dates will be ineligible for championship classes at the Wood County Fair or the Ohio State Fair. Any market animal not participating in a required ID Day, if brought to the fair, will be ineligible for Grand or Reserve Champion. They are eligible for Showmanship. If an animal loses its ear tag following ID Day, take the

tag (if found) to weigh-in at the fair for retagging.

18. All animals exhibited in the barns must be shown. No extra animals are allowed.

19. Policy Governing Drug Testing Livestock and Quality Assurance

Drug Testing:

a.) Project animals will be subject to pre-fair and fair inspection or testing at any time by designated fair officials or their representatives. Refusal to allow such inspection will disqualify the animal from exhibition at any county or state fair.

b.) These animals may be tested following their species show.

- a. Grand and Reserve Champion Market Beef and Market Heifer
- b. Grand and Reserve Champion Market Lamb
- c. Grand and Reserve Champion Market Hog
- d. Grand and Reserve Champion Market Goat
- e. Grand and Reserve Champion Cow (in milk)
- f. Grand and Reserve Champion Meat Chicken
- g. Grand and Reserve Champion Meat Turkey
- h. Grand and Reserve Champion Dairy Goat (in milk)
- i. Grand and Reserve Champion Market Pen and Single Fryer Rabbits
- j. Grand and Reserve Champion Dairy Steer
- k. Grand and Reserve Champion Market Ducks and Geese

Quality Assurance Training:

1. All Junior Fair market livestock, market fowl and market poultry exhibitors, and lactating dairy and goat animal exhibitors must participate in a scheduled Quality Assurance training meeting to be eligible to show at the Wood County Fair. (Livestock exhibitors to include market steer, market heifer, market hog, market lamb, market goat, market turkey, market rabbit, meat chicken (broiler), market ducks, market geese, lactating cows, and lactating goats)
2. DUNF: All Junior Fair Market Lamb, Market Steer, Market Heifer, Market Hog, Dairy Steer, Market Goat, Lactating Cow and Goat, Market Turkey, Market Duck, Market Goose, Market Rabbit/Fryer, and Meat Chicken exhibitors are required to complete and sign the ODA provided Drug Use Notification Form at all Ohio County and Independent Fairs. All Junior Fair market and lactating exhibitors must legibly complete, sign and turn in one Drug Use Notification Form (DUNF) per animal at weigh-in of their respective species at the Wood County Fair. Forms will be reviewed by the department officials assigned to the task before sending to the Ohio Department of Agriculture.
3. The exhibitor and the owner of an animal are jointly and separately responsible for the completing and filing the DUNF in the manner required by law.
4. If at any time after the DUNF is filed the information on the form regarding drug use changes or if a drug is subsequently administered, an updated DUNF shall promptly be filed with the superintendent.
5. When a DUNF submitted by the superintendent is incomplete, illegible or unsigned, neither the exhibitor nor owner shall receive any awards or participate in any shows or sales held subsequent to the time the DUNF was to be filed.
6. The Wood County Quality Assurance (QA) meeting is April 27th at 7pm at the Junior Fair Building. All Junior Fair members must have completed a county or club QA meeting and

turned in a paper by June 10th. If quality assurance is not completed by June 10th the member is ineligible to exhibit at the fair.

7. 4-H member (parent/guardian) are the owner/caretaker of their livestock projects and will need to obtain any VFD (veterinary feed directive) they might need to properly care for their food-producing animals. To obtain a VFD, the owner of food-producing animals must have a veterinarian-client-patient relationship (VCPR). In a VCPR, the 'client' is defined as either the owner or primary caretaker of the animals and is the person responsible for their on-going feeding and care.
20. Livestock entries are subject to the Ohio Livestock Inspection and Health Regulations. For more information visit the Ohio State Fair web site at www.ohioexpocenter.com.
21. Health Regulations: Health regulations for Junior Fair livestock shall conform to open class regulations.
Fair Veterinarian: The Wood County Fair shall contract the services with a qualified veterinarian during the week of the fair. However, if an exhibitor desires to contact a different vet, he/she may do so at their own expense. The fair vet reserves the right to charge an exhibitor for any medical or surgical supplies dispensed.
22. If you plan to send market beef, swine, sheep, or goat for freezer meat it must be designated at weigh in. Each Exhibitor will need to complete a provided Wood County Agricultural Society Slaughter Verification form for each animal and return the form(s) to the Wood County Fair Office in order for the Exhibitor to receive his/her premium check. If an Exhibitor chooses to take a freezer meat animal through the sale ring, he/she will receive a check for premium only (not an additional market price per pound) for that animal. Note: There may be stipulations for cut-off dates for slaughter verification.
23. Exhibitors of all livestock projects and all non-livestock 4-H projects that are judged by interview are expected to be with their project at judging time. Only under special circumstances may this rule be waived. See 4-H Rules on the OSU website or contact the Extension Office for further information on this rule.
24. All exhibits will be judged in the show ring and placed. No project grades will be given at the fair. Exhibitors will receive specific evaluation or grades at pre-fair judging (Superior, Outstanding, Good, Needs Improvement).
25. Premiums:
 - a.) Premium money is paid by the Wood County Fair to exhibitors for project exhibition.
 - b.) The premium disbursed is based upon amounts set for each category or department on an individual or group basis.
 - c.) Premiums will be distributed in October in accordance with the 4-H Spirit Night program. 4-H club advisors or FFA advisors will distribute premiums to members in a timely manner.
26. Stall and Housing: All Junior Fair exhibitors are required to keep individual animals and quarters clean at all times and must assist in the general cleanliness of the barn. Failure to comply with the above rule will constitute a violation and premiums will be withheld.
27. Projects shall be given an appropriate place for display in the barn, building, etc. and remain in that place as directed by the department superintendent. Early dismissal may cause a ban from the fair the following year and premiums withheld.
28. Junior Fair Grand and Reserve Champion animals must exhibit in the Livestock Exhibition Barn within 24 hours of being selected. If the Junior Fair exhibitor chooses not to exhibit in the Livestock Exhibition Barn (within the 24 hour deadline), the exhibitor and animal will forfeit all awards (trophies, ribbons, banners, and signs), all premiums, and lose their privilege to sell in the Junior Fair Livestock Sale. Junior

Fair exhibitors will then move up their animals to fill vacancies until an exhibitor is placed in the barn. The new Junior Fair exhibitor and animal will be given the awards (trophies, ribbons, banners, and signs), all premiums, and the privilege to sell in the Junior Fair Livestock Sale. The following Junior Fair Grand and Reserve Champion animals (but not limited to) must be in the Livestock Exhibition Barn:

Beef – Grand/Reserve: Market Beef; Dairy Steer; Beef Feeder; Dairy Beef Feeder

Swine – Grand/Reserve: Market Hog

Sheep – Grand/Reserve: Market Lamb

Dairy – Grand/Reserve: Dairy Heifer

Rabbit – Grand/Reserve: Pen of Three; Single Fryer

Poultry – Grand/Reserve: Market Chicken; Market Turkey; Market Ducks; Market Geese

Goats – Grand/Reserve: Market Goat

In order for an animal to be named Grand or Reserve Champion the following requirements must have been met:

- a.)** The animal was selected by the species judge. **b.)** The animal was exhibited in the Livestock Exhibition Barn from 10:00am to 10:00pm every day of the Wood County Fair, except the day of the Livestock Sale, within 24 hours following selection by the species judge. An animal may be exempted from this requirement for the following:
- A significant health or performance risk to the animal (includes dairy cows).
 - The animal represents a significant health risk to fair visitors.
- c.)** Exemption is only valid if a written request meets one of the two preceding criteria and is approved by two-thirds of the governing Junior and Senior Committee members.

Failure to meet any of the above requirements will result in a loss of eligibility to be named Grand or Reserve Champion. In such a case, all animals of the species will be moved up a placing to fill the vacancy. The new Grand or Reserve Champion exhibitor and animal will be given the awards (trophies, ribbons, banners, and signs), all premiums, and the privilege to sell in the Junior Fair Livestock Sale in accordance with Rule 29.

All Junior Fair Champion and Reserve Champion livestock must remain on the fairgrounds for the duration of the Fair with the exception of the Grand and Reserve Champion Dairy Cow.

Showmanship Class Specification:

- a.)** All showmanship classes will be determined by an exhibitor's age as of the current year.
- Senior Showmanship – 14-18 years of age
 - Junior Showmanship – 9-13 years of age
- 9-10-year-olds, if possible, will be in a class according to age.
- b.)** Sign-up for all Showmanship Classes will be done through Fair Entry by the June 1st deadline. Late entries may be accepted (see Rule #6 for guidelines). There will be no additional late entries accepted after July 27th.
- c.)** All Showmanship Contest participants must show one of their own project animals which have been entered in the Junior Fair. Other family member owned livestock/birds do not count as one of their own animals.

Every livestock exhibit shall be trained, so the exhibitor has control at all times. Any livestock not trained will be sent home.

Each exhibitor must show his/her own animal at judging time unless they have more than one exhibit to be

shown at the same time or is excused in advance. In such a case another Jr. Fair member from an organized Wood County 4-H Club or FFA chapter may show for them (preferably a Jr Fair member within the family). All exhibitors must show their own animal for showmanship.

Members are responsible for the care and feeding of their livestock until it is released from the fairgrounds. Failure to do will first result in reprimand with a pink slip and if the situation persists, it will result in forfeiture of premium check or future show privileges. Members must furnish all feed and other supplies.

Animal Care by Exhibitors

- a.)** A junior livestock show exhibitor shall be responsible for the continuous care, grooming, and preparation of the livestock entered in the junior livestock show.
- b.)** An exhibitor may receive assistance in the care, grooming, and preparation of the livestock entered in the junior livestock show, provided that the assistance shall be limited to explanation or minimal demonstration provided by the following:
 - (1) Immediate family members of the exhibitor
 - (2) County-approved 4-H advisors in good standing or FFA chapter advisors of the 4-H club or FFA chapter of which the exhibitor is a current member.
 - (3) Veterinarians
 - (4) Members of the 4-H club or FFA chapter of which the exhibitor is a current member.
- c.)** Assistance from those listed above must be limited to guiding and teaching while not doing the actual work.
- d.)** All livestock exhibitors must be present, directly involved, and participating during any grooming of their animal.
- e.)** No person is to coach an exhibitor while the exhibitor is showing or fitting an animal in the show ring.

Code of Conduct: All Junior Fair Participants and Family Members will be expected to abide by the Wood County Junior Fair Code of Conduct. Improper conduct will result in loss of Junior Fair privileges.

In caring for my livestock I will:

- a.)** Provide food, water, fresh bedding and care necessary to protect the health and welfare of my animals.
- b.)** Make timely inspections of my animals to evaluate the health and ensure that all basic requirements are being met.
- c.)** Ensure proper handling techniques are used to eliminate undue stress or injury to my animals.

As a Junior Fair Exhibitor, I will:

- a.)** Be a member in good standing with the youth organization that I represent.
- b.)** Conduct myself in a courteous and respectful manner and exhibit good sportsmanship towards Junior and Senior Fair officials, volunteers, parents and other members.
- c.)** Be responsible for the care and fitting of my animals for the duration of the fair week.
- d.)** Respect and adhere to the rules, policies and guidelines established by the Wood County Fair.
- e.)** Agree to be bound by the decision of the Wood County Junior and/or Senior Fair Boards in case of any dispute arising from the interpretation or application of rules and guidelines set forth by Wood County Fair Officials.
- f.)** Dress for any Junior Fair event or activity must be neat and appropriate and in accordance with the dress code rule.

Dress Code Rule for All Junior Fair Exhibitors:

Livestock Shows, Sales and Interview Judging: Exhibitor must wear a collared polo or buttoned shirt with some sleeve and nice blue jeans (no rips or cut-offs and no tank-tops, t-shirts or sleeveless tops).

Horse/Dairy/Breeding Goat/Rabbit Judging: Exhibitor will follow their current show dress code rules at

fair (show whites or show coats). These exhibitors may choose to follow their show dress code or, otherwise, follow this rule at Livestock Interview judging.

Miscellaneous Judging: Exhibitor must wear interview appropriate attire. This would include: dress shorts or pants/capris/skirt or dress and collared shirt or polo. No tank-tops, sleeveless shirts, t-shirts or short shorts and short skirts will be allowed.

Clothing/Nutrition Judging: Exhibitor must wear their constructed or purchased garment or garments that are interview professional. No tank-tops, sleeveless shirts, t-shirts or short shorts and short skirts will be allowed.

Consequences for not following this rule may include class disqualification or no interview until wardrobe is changed.

g.) All participants, family members, or those acting on behalf of the family must follow the rules as set forth in the Wood County Fair Book.

h.) All exhibitors, spectators, and parents must limit comments to the judge. Only questions that seek constructive critique will be allowed. Any individual whose comments to the judge (before, during, or after the fair) disputes the judge's decision or seeks to discredit the judge in any way is subject to forfeiture of all awards. Offender(s) will be removed from the fairgrounds. The decision of each judge is final and non-disputable.

i.) Sportsmanship Rule: Verbal abuse, physical abuse or harassment toward directors, judges, ring stewards, superintendents, employees, OSU Extension staff, junior fair members, club advisors, or volunteers of the Wood County Fair will not be tolerated. You may be escorted from the fairgrounds; premiums forfeited and upon Wood County Agricultural Society Rules Committee decision, the family members may not be able to exhibit at the Wood County Fair for period of time indicated by the committee based on the severity of the situation.

Tampering and/or Misrepresentation including Grooming Practices:

a.) Tampering and/or misrepresentation as to breeding, age, ownership, custody, and any other irregularity in showing will be considered fraud and deception.

b.) To maintain a high degree of confidence and integrity in the livestock show, the Agricultural Society reserves the right to disqualify any animal fitted in an unethical manner and/or disqualify any exhibitor involved in the unethical practice. The following grooming practices are prohibited:

Any cutting or tearing of the hide or removal of tissue in any attempt to alter the shape or appearance.
Using any substance to enhance or change the color of the livestock, including the livestock's hide or hooves

Adding any substance externally to build up, change or alter the shape or conformation of the livestock, including by way of example but not limited to rope, false hair, graphite, hemp, and powders;

Pigmented grooming aides or materials; and

Slick clipping or body shaving of market hogs except on the ears and tails.

Attempts to disrupt or change normal dental development.

c.) The use of spanking or beating with hand or object or icing to enhance firmness will be considered deception. Applying any electrical, mechanical, or other appliance that enhances, transforms, or changes the true conformation, configuration, or appearance of the livestock, unless prescribed by the exhibition veterinarian:

Plugging of teats;

Sealing of teats using unapproved substances or for longer than eighteen hours using approved substances;

Injecting material into udders or teats for non-medical purposes or otherwise artificially modifying the appearance or conformation of the udder or teat;

Using ice, ice packs, cold packs, or cold compresses internally or externally other than in accordance with paragraph (S) of rule 901-19-12 of the Administrative Code;

Using a stomach tube or pump for any purpose other than for the relief of gas on the day of exhibiting;

Drenching of livestock at an exhibition is prohibited except as permitted under paragraph (Q) of rule 901-19-12 of the Administrative Code

d.) The use of unapproved drugs is prohibited.

e.) All exhibitors, their immediate family and any other parties involved in the unethical fitting and showing of an animal will be barred from exhibiting or showing at this fair and will forfeit all premiums, prize money and awards won in any junior fair and/or open class divisions.

f.) Should fraud or deception, and proof, as determined by the Agricultural Society, be discovered after the animal or animals have been shown and prior to the sale, such animal(s) shall not be permitted to sell. The animals placing next in line at the show shall move up.

g.) Should a violation be discovered after the sale, all sale money shall be returned to the buyer and the animal, carcass or carcass value shall be returned to the exhibitor. All placings in show will stand. NO animals will move up. Any carcass suspected of being tampered with or suspected of containing drugs will be detained until the investigation is complete.

h.) If the carcass is condemned at the packing plant for any reason, it shall be grounds for disqualification in the on-foot and carcass division of the show. Additionally, all premiums and sale money shall be forfeited and the loss of the animal be incurred by the exhibitor.

Protests and Appeals:

a.) Protests must be made in writing within 24 hours after discovering alleged violation, signed by the parties making protests, and filed with the Wood County Agricultural Society Fair Office, accompanied by a protest fee of \$100 which will be retained by the Society if the protest is not sustained. The Rules Committee will hear the protest and announce its decision immediately to the Executive Committee who in turn will make a board presentation if necessary. The final decision shall be released within 30 days of the infraction.

b.) Junior and Senior Fair Board Rules Committee and department heads under protest, maintain the right to use any reasonable means to investigate any allegations, formal or informal, part of or pertaining to Junior or Senior Fair matters. If protest is found invalid, the deposit will not be refunded.

c.) Procedures used to determine a rule violation: (See Procedures for Conducting Administrative Hearings in the Wood County Fair Book.)

Penalties or Disqualifications:

a.) All exhibitors, parents, and public must abide by the rules of the Junior and Senior Fair or will be asked to leave the grounds, forfeit any premiums and awards, and will be subject to further sanctions appropriate to the offending actions.

b.) No exhibitor, their immediate family, or any other party involved in unethical practices shall be permitted to exhibit at the Wood County Fair, having been banned for disciplinary or ethical reasons from other county, independent, or state fairs for a period commensurate with the ban.

c.) Disciplinary action by a sponsor against a person for a violation of sections 901.70 through 901.76, inclusive, or 2925.04 of the Revised Code or chapter 901-19 of the Administrative Code shall be given full faith and credit and shall be honored at all exhibitions.

d.) A person who has been convicted of violating section 901.70 through 901.76, inclusive, or 2925.04 of

the Revised Code or chapter 901-19 of the Administrative Code shall be prohibited from participating in any exhibition for a minimum period of three years.

Horse Safety and Ethics: All first year 4-H horse project members are required to certify for quality assurance by attending the Horse Safety & Ethics meeting on April 30th at 7:00pm at the Junior Fair Building. After April 30th and until July 24th there will be a \$20 fine and written assignment. After July 24th, the member will be ineligible to exhibit a horse at the fair.

Horse Helmet Rule:

- a.)** All youth age 19 and under, participating in any 4-H equestrian activity, are required to wear properly fitted protective headgear which meets or exceeds current ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials) / SEI (Safety Equipment Institute) standards with the chin harness securely fastened at all times while riding or driving an equine. It is the responsibility of the rider, or the parent or guardian of the youth participant, to make sure that the headgear worn complies with appropriate safety standards for protective headgear intended for equestrian use and is properly fitted and in good condition. The Ohio 4-H Horse Program, Show Committees, Officials, Extension Personnel and Volunteer Leaders are not responsible for checking headgear worn for such compliance. The Ohio 4-H Horse Program, Show Committees, Officials, Extension Personnel and Volunteer Leaders make no representation or warranty, expressed or implied, about any protective headgear, and cautions riders that death or serious injury may result despite wearing such headgear, as no helmet can protect against all foreseeable injuries in equestrian activities. The Ohio 4-H Horse Program, Show Committees, Officials, Extension Personnel and Volunteer Leaders may, at his/her discretion, check a participant's protective headgear for proper standards. If the youth is found to be wearing unapproved, defective, or improperly fitted headgear, he/she will not be permitted to participate in riding or driving activities until proper headgear is acquired.
- b.)** Parents are responsible for the purchase, fit and the certification of the helmet. Bike helmets are not permitted. Helmets must be worn during work sessions.

Those Junior Fair Exhibitors who wish to stay overnight on the grounds shall register at the Fair Administration Building. Exhibitor's actions are the responsibility of their parents. The Fair Board or Extension Office assumes no responsibility for persons staying on the grounds.

Each Junior Fair Exhibitor in good standing with their club or chapter will be issued a fair pass at no charge. This pass must be picked by the member at the Fairgrounds office prior to the Fair, kept by the Junior Fair member and must be presented upon request by any fair or law enforcement official. Replacement passes for lost or stolen passes may be purchased at the fair administration building.

Any Junior Fair Exhibitor having part in creating a disturbance or who is removed from the fairgrounds by a law enforcement official for the use of drugs or alcohol or for any other reason or who fails to abide by the regulations and instructions of the leaders will be subject to discipline and premium and award forfeitures.