



RIGHETTI FFA LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR GUIDELINES AND CONTRACT

MEMBERSHIP ON THE RIGHETTI FFA LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR TEAM IS CONSIDERED A PRIVILEGE; THEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING RULES MUST BE FOLLOWED.

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RULES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Student Expectations: As members of the Righetti FFA Livestock Show Team, students will conduct themselves in a way that brings pride to our team:

- Gain prior approval on all purchases of projects prior to purchase
- Treat animals ethically at all times
- Attend a minimum of 3 FFA monthly meetings per semester and attend the FFA Awards Banquet in May.
- Attend all monthly livestock meetings set forth by your livestock species Advisor.
- Attend FFA scheduled weight and health checks for your animal as scheduled
- Submit DNA and entry forms for the Santa Barbara County Fair Livestock show by due date
- Read and follow all show rules and regulations for the Santa Barbara County Fair Livestock show
- Follow all school student rules at all FFA livestock team events including anytime the student exhibits their animal as a representative of Righetti FFA
- Work with fellow livestock team members and advisors to maintain cleanliness in the livestock trailers, barns, and other work areas
- Students must be present for the entire week of fair, including set-up and break-down days.
- Attend all required barn duty times
- While at the Santa Barbara County Fair Jr. Livestock show, arrive on time to scheduled feedings, barn duties and team meetings set forth by your Advisor, remain in the areas designated by the Advisors, and leave only when dismissed by the Advisor
- Follow all instructions from any FFA advisor, Santa Barbara County Fair Livestock employee, or judge
- Refrain from cursing, arguing, and horseplay in the barns and show ring
- Wear appropriate clothing at all times while representing Righetti FFA at livestock events
- Wear appropriate show clothing during shows including: FFA official dress, white jeans pressed and in good condition, white collared shirt, and boots or leather shoes (no tennis shoes)
- Assist fellow livestock team members before, during, and after show
- Remain eligible with school to participate in extracurricular activities (attendance, grades, discipline)
- Obtain supplies necessary to show your animal (see Supplies)
- Display a positive attitude and good sportsmanship any time you represent Righetti FFA

Parent Responsibilities: To help promote teamwork, good showmanship, and success, your assistance as a parent of the livestock show team is very important and valued. Please help us by following these guidelines:

- Review livestock exhibitor guidelines, requirements, and contract with your child.
- Ensure your child accurately completes and turns in all registration paperwork and other required forms on time to Righetti FFA and the SBCF Livestock office.
- Refrain from the use of tobacco, alcohol, and profanity at all FFA-related events.
- Support the decisions and instructions given by FFA advisors, show judges, and other officials at all FFA and livestock events.
- Provide positive support of your child and the entire FFA livestock team.
- Ensure that your student is on time to all required meetings & that they follow all show team contract guidelines.

Advisor expectations: As your advisors, we are dedicated to your success, the success of the livestock team, and the welfare of the animals that represent our team. As your advisors, we will:

- Lead the selection & purchasing process for student animal projects
- Prior approval of all show projects prior to purchasing is required
- Provide advice on feeding, grooming, equipment, and other necessary purchases
- Provide instruction and recommendations to help students properly groom animals for show, train their animals prior to show, learn animal anatomy and facts necessary for showmanship, and exhibit their animals successfully in the show ring
- Provide students with entry forms for all school sponsored livestock shows
- Provide transportation for livestock to and from fair when needed.
- Ensure that all students who are competing have followed the rules and guidelines set forth in this contract
- The Righetti FFA Advisors reserve the right to refuse to sign fair entries if fair requirements are not met.
- The Righetti FFA Advisors also reserve the right to dismiss any student from the Livestock Show team based on eligibility, behavior, or improper care of animal.

Other Key Rules/Responsibilities for students:

1. Students are responsible for caring for and monitoring their show animals on a daily basis. Advisors have the right to deny student's participation in FFA livestock shows if their animal is obviously underweight, underfed, in poor health, or in poor physical or mental condition that diminishes their show appeal, threatens the health of other animals, threatens their animal's health, or brings discredit to our organization. As managers of the Righetti FFA livestock exhibitors, it is the Righetti Ag advisors' responsibility to make decisions that ensure the overall health of everyone's projects.
2. Parents/Students may be asked to leave school or any FFA related event for misconduct, aggressive or disrespectful behavior towards advisors, parents, or students, or any behavior that brings discredit to our organization.
3. Students will be expected to attend mandatory monthly species meetings as well as any mandatory fair planning, barn set-up, and clean ups that are established by the Advisor.
4. Any student who loses eligibility for two 6-week grading periods will lose their privilege to show with the Righetti FFA livestock exhibitor team.
5. Students who choose to attend livestock shows outside of the designated school shows must follow all school, FFA, and livestock exhibitor guidelines as they still represent our organization.
6. In order to ensure quality across our Righetti FFA Show Team, all students will have their animals clipped during times scheduled by the Ag Advisor. If you are unable to clip during these times, you must make arrangements with an advisor to schedule another time. Students will not be allowed to clip unsupervised without prior permission from an Advisor. This allows us to supervise, advise, and ensure all animals look top notch before the show.
7. During fair, no buckets (feed or water) will be left in pens during non-feeding times unless directed by Advisor.
8. Be on time to any meeting times and barn duty.
9. During show days, no students are allowed to leave the show barns without permission of an advisor.
10. Advisors will dismiss the exhibitors at the end of each day. Individual circumstances need to be addressed prior to departure.
11. **ANY DECISIONS OR INSTRUCTIONS MADE BY THE RIGHETTI FFA ADVISORS ARE FINAL.** Failure to comply or any arguments against the Advisor from an exhibitor and/or parent may result in the dismissal or disqualification of the exhibitor privileges.
12. A livestock exhibitor contract shall be signed by each individual student, parent and advisor each year.
13. Failure to follow any stated rule above at any time will revoke show and or sale privileges with the Righetti FFA.

By working together as a **team**, caring for the health and welfare of your animals, and dedicating your **time** to practicing, studying, and grooming for fair, the Righetti FFA Livestock Show Team is sure to have a smooth and successful year!

SPECIFIC SHEEP & GOAT SHOW TEAM SUPPLIES:

- Each student will be recommended to obtain one 5 gallon bucket with lid to use to hold supplies & feed at shows. (labeled with name)
- Feed for correct number of days
- Shavings
- Show chain (Goats only)
- Rope halter
- Clean slinky & coat (labeled with name)
- Shampoo/waterless shampoo/towels

SPECIFIC SWINE SHOW TEAM SUPPLIES:

- Each student will be recommended to obtain a 5 gallon bucket with lid to use to hold supplies & feed at fair. (labeled with name)
- Feed for correct number of days
- Feed pan with adequate clips (some can be provided by FFA)
- Shavings
- Shampoo/skin product (no oil)/towels
- Brush
- Whip
- No Water buckets- we will be packing a few to take and share

SPECIFIC CATTLE SHOW TEAM SUPPLIES:

- Feed for correct number of days (please think about how much this will be so not to over pack on feed)
- Show stick
- Original Papers
- Transportation Papers
- Feed pan
- Hay, Straw & Shavings
- Show halter
- Neck Tie
- Scotch comb
- Shampoo/scrub brush
- Water buckets

CONSEQUENCES FOR BREAKING LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR CONTRACT RULES

Failure to comply with the livestock exhibitor rules at any time will result in a Righetti Show Team Demerit for each offense. An accumulation of 3 or more demerits in a year will result in a student losing the privilege to show at the next fair (could be current fair if applicable). Student will also be responsible for completing an assigned task by an advisor to regain their privilege to be a part of the Righetti FFA Show Team. If the problem persists, removal from the facilities can be enforced pending a conference with FFA Advisors and Righetti High School Administration.



RIGHETTI FFA LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR REQUIREMENTS

AET Online Recordbooks

- Current Members: Current and previous year's AET Recordbook SAE's must be up-to-date and current.
- New Members: AET Record book SAE must be created and kept up-to-date.
- AET Recordbooks will be checked on a monthly basis during the livestock meetings

Buyers Letters

- Members must write a letter to at least two (2) potential buyers. These letters must be submitted for review to your agriculture teacher by June 1, 2020.
- Completed letters must be submitted in addressed, unsealed envelopes. They will be mailed from RHS.

Academics:

- In order to be eligible to exhibit the member must maintain a minimum 2.0 grade point average in all courses.
- Eligibility will be checked prior to the fair. Member must have a passing grade in their agriculture class.

Banquet Attendance

The Annual Awards Banquet is prepared by the current year FFA Officer Team. The purpose is to recognize the outstanding efforts of our members for their involvement throughout the year. It is an enjoyable evening! ALL LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND AND BE IN OFFICIAL FFA UNIFORM. Mark your calendar for **Wednesday May 13, 2020 AT 5:30pm in the RHS GYM.**

Animal Care

These are student projects and it is expected that the student will be solely responsible for the care of the project. During the fair the student will clean the pen a minimum of once per day, and feed the animal twice per day according to feeding times set forth in the premium book. Failure to do so will result in the animal being removed from the fair and forfeiture of the privilege to exhibit at the fair in future years.

The Righetti FFA Advisors reserve the right to refuse to sign fair entries if fair requirements are not met.

Fair Checks

Fair checks will be available in early September 2020. AET Recordbook must be updated and completed upon the return to school in August. All thank you cards must be submitted to the SBCF Office the last day of fair in order to receive your Fair check.

FFA Participation

Participation in any FFA activity is encouraged. Ideally, we would like to see every student participate in every event. A student exhibiting a market animal at the fair will benefit from the hands-on, practical learning experiences. Students will be able to apply classroom instruction in a real-world situation involving record keeping, animal health and nutrition, fitting and showing, and marketing techniques. Students have the ability to receive some financial gain from this project. The Righetti FFA sees this opportunity to exhibit a market animal as a privilege.

***Keep the guidelines and requirements forms for your records.
Sign and return the contract to your livestock advisor. ***

Righetti FFA Fair Livestock Show Team Contract 2019-2020

Full contract details can be found on www.righettiffa.org

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____ Yrs Shown: _____

Livestock Species requesting to show for SBCF 2020: _____

Where do you plan to keep your project? (provide the address)

Course/Period	Instructor	Current Grade

The student listed on this contract has maintained equal to or greater than a 2.0 GPA (Non-weighted) requirements.

Counselor Signature: _____ GPA: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Portion:

- Name of Parent/Guardian completing contract: _____
- Contact Phone number: _____ Email: _____
- As a parent or guardian of this applicant, will you support this project? ____ yes ____ no
- Who will be responsible for the applicant's travel arrangements to the farm, to practices, to fairs and shows?

- The parent or guardian shall describe on the lines below how they plan to assist the applicant, such as reviewing the plan for purchase, daily supervision of animal care, transportation support, animal welfare and care, communication with advisors, academic support, and marketing of the project for sale.

The following items must be completed on your AET Online Recordbook by January 31, 2020.

- Completed and signed business agreement for all species listed above.
- Completed budgets for all species listed above.

I have read, understood, and agree to all of the rules in the Righetti FFA Livestock Requirements document. Failure to meet one or more of these requirements will result in being ineligible to exhibit/sell a market animal at the Santa Barbara County Fair for the current year, and possibly subsequent years. Advisors reserve the right to hold fair checks for students that fail to comply to rules.

Student Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Sign and return this page to your Livestock Advisor by Friday December 6, 2019.