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To: Steer Project Exhibitors
4H Agent, 4H Leaders & FFA Advisors

From: John White, Chairperson - Home 407-436-0475 or Cell 321-286-6287
Matt Walter, Co-Chairperson - 407-709-2275

The application form and rules for the 2011-2012 Osceola County Fair & Livestock Show Market Steer project will be provided to you online. You can access forms by going to the KVLS website at www.osceolacountyfair.com or you can stop by the fair office between 8:00 am and 3:30 pm, Monday-Thursday.

Please read all of the information carefully. Note all dates on your calendar at home. All **COMPLETED** application forms should be turned in the **Fair Office ONLY** on the following. **Monday, August 29 thru Wednesday, August 31, 8:00-3:30 pm or Thursday, September 1, 8:00-6:30 pm.** Every application will receive a confirmation slip. KVLS will not accept any applications in the mail or drop box. **NO EXCEPTIONS!!** The draw (if needed) will be held on Thursday, September 8, 2011 at the fair office. If you are weighing in two animals, you should have submitted **ALL REQUIRED FORMS PRIOR TO THE WEIGH-IN.** Additional forms are available on-line.

The first weigh-in is Saturday, September 17, 2011 from 9:00-11:00 AM at KVLS. A mandatory meeting for exhibitors (parents should attend) will be held Tuesday, September 20, 2011 at 7:00 PM at the KVLS Pavilion. If you are unable to attend, contact the chairman or leave a message on his machine. A representative must sign-in AND sign the name they are representing. Rule changes will be discussed and record books handed out.

If for **ANY** reason you drop out of the steer project please notify any of the chairpersons. Please feel free to call John White, Matt Walter, or if you have any questions about your project.

You will need to make sure you print each of the following forms:

- General Market Animal Rules
- Market Steer Rules
- Market Steer Application Form
- Proof of Ownership Form
- Hold Harmless Agreement/Grade Check Permission Form
- Secondary Market Animal Application (if needed)

TURN THIS FORM IN AT 1ST WEIGH IN

STEER TAG # _____

BEG. WEIGHT _____

OSCEOLA COUNTY FAIR & LIVESTOCK SHOW
2011-2012 KVLS YOUTH STEER SHOW & SALE
"BRED IN OSCEOLA COUNTY"

PROOF OF OWNERSHIP

PLEASE PRINT

NAME OF EXHIBITOR _____

OWNER _____

Individual, Club or Chapter

ADDRESS OF OWNER _____

Street, Route, or PO Box Number

City, State, Zip

BREED OF STEER _____

STEER BIRTH DATE ____/____/____
Month Year

DATE OF PURCHASE ____/____/____
Month Day Year

NAME OF BREEDER _____

ADDRESS OF BREEDER _____

Street, Route, or PO Box Number

City, State, Zip

BREEDER'S SIGNATURE _____

NOTES:

1. Official Proof of Ownership Form must be completed for each animal. All animals will be identified with an ear tag.
2. Your Application is considered incomplete if the Breeders Name and Address are not completely filled out.

Due with completed application form

KISSIMMEE VALLEY LIVESTOCK SHOW & FAIR, INC
RULES & HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT & GRADE CHECK PERMISSION FORM

NAME OF EXHIBITOR _____

{PLEASE PRINT}

I have read the rules regarding the Osceola County Fair & Livestock Show Market Animal Shows & Sales and agree to abide by those rules.

By this consent, we hereby release and discharge Kissimmee Valley Livestock Show & Fair, Inc. from all liabilities, claims, and demands of whatever kind or nature that may arise from or be connected with the above person's participation in any activity sponsored by Kissimmee Valley Livestock Show & Fair, Inc.

Exhibitors Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Leader/Advisor Signature (only if animal is a Club or Chapter animal)

Date

GRADE CHECK PERMISSION FORM

A designated representative of Kissimmee Valley Livestock Show & Fair, Inc. has my permission to obtain the necessary grade information directly from the school or receive the report card with the record book.

ALL school exhibitors must turn in your ORIGINAL report card, folded, when you turn in your record book.

Students Name-Please Print

School

Grade

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

KVLS GENERAL MARKET ANIMAL RULES 2011-2012

SEE THE YOUTH CALENDAR FOR ALL APPROPRIATE DATES AND TIMES

1. **ELIGIBILITY:** Only active Osceola County 4-H or FFA members are invited to participate; and must be residents of Osceola County** or currently enrolled in an Osceola County School. Anyone having graduated from high school, or currently dropped out of school, shall be ineligible to enter, show, or sell their market animals. All entrants must have been active* in the 2010-2011 4-H or FFA Programs.

** An active 4-H/FFA member is defined as: "a youth who has specified at least one project area and followed through by completing and turning in at least one 4-H Record Book, scoring at least 70%, to the 4-H office by the determined date. An active member also needs to attend club meetings regularly, attend more meetings than you miss throughout the 4-H year and attend at least one club meeting after the fair."*

**** CHILD ELIGIBILITY:** Any child who meets the general market rules for eligibility. The child must be an Osceola County resident OR lives/resides on land in a bordering county which the property continues into Osceola County, may participate in the market animal programs provided they abide by all other rules and regulations.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL MARKET ANIMAL EXHIBITORS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. Minimum of 2.0 GPA (Grade Point Average) for the first semester (verified by submitting report card) or minimum of 70 on the Skillathon
2. Report Card to be turned in during the Skillathon
3. Complete Skillathon. Skillathon Test will be administered on February 1, 2012
4. The exhibitor must show its own animal in all Showmanship shows or contests

Incentive: All exhibitors that have at least 3.5 GPA on report card or scores at least 95 on skillathon will receive one (1) free 4-H armband on the scheduled 4-H armband days. Any exhibitor that achieves both the 3.5 GPA and scores at least 95 on skillathon will receive a VIP ride armband good for all 10 days of unlimited rides.

Minimum Exhibitor Age is 8 years old (Ages are prior to September 1, 2011)

Age Divisions:

Junior: 8-10
Intermediate: 11-13
Senior: 14-18

2. **RECORD BOOKS:** Record Books will be graded from 1-100 points. Exhibitors must have a minimum of 70 points to be able to show his/her animal. Record books must be completed and turned in if the animal is to be shown at the fair. Each Record Book must include copies of letters sent to two (2) different buyers. The Record Book must be kept in the exhibitor's own handwriting (no typewritten pages). The only exception to this is the auctioneer's statement, which must be typed. Each age division will complete the required KVLS Market Animal Record Book. Exhibitors not submitting a complete Record Book will be disqualified. Awards will be given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place BLUE RIBBON Record Books. The amounts given will be \$25, \$15, and \$10.
3. **SCHOLARSHIP:** Exhibitor Scholarship rules and application forms may be obtained online. You must be age 14 by September 1, 2011. Completed application forms are due at the same time Record Books are due.
4. **WEIGH-INS:** The market animal may be re-weighed only once. The animal will be led off the scales. The scales will be balanced and the animal led immediately back on the scales without leaving the site of the scale man. There will be only one STANDARD SIZED halter and lead rope allowed per animal. No animal food or water allowed in scale area.

**KVLS GENERAL MARKET ANIMAL RULES
2011-2012**

5. **BEDDING AND CARE ON FAIR GROUNDS:** All animals will be bedded on sawdust. All animals must be fed, cared for and their beds cleaned by the exhibitor for the entire time they are on the Fairgrounds. If this is not done, a \$50 fine will be deducted from the sale of your animal.
6. **DRESS CODE:**

FOR THE SHOW: All exhibitors must wear a white, long-sleeved, collared dress shirt or blouse, tucked in with dark blue or black western trousers or western jeans. Boots or brogans are required. Exhibitors may wear a 4-H or FFA jacket. A 4-H or FFA tie may be worn if the exhibitor desires. No other jackets, vests, or ties will be allowed.

FOR SHOWMANSHIP/SALE: All exhibitors must wear a long-sleeved, collared dress shirt or blouse, tucked in with nice clean jeans or western dress trousers. Boots or brogans are required. Hats, jackets, ties, vests, will be allowed. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS RULE.**
7. **JUDGING:** Grand Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected. Second place animal in the class that produces the Grand Champion will be eligible for Reserve Champion. Exhibitors will receive ribbons; however, since the exhibitor will profit from the sale of their animal, no premium monies will be awarded. Points will be awarded to those competing for the Scholarships. **ALL JUDGE'S DECISIONS WILL BE FINAL.**
8. **SALE:** The order of sale will be Grand Champion, Reserve Champion, followed by all first, second, third, etc. places in each class. Market prices will be pre-established by the packer's bid.
 - a. No riding animals
 - b. No animal will be sold more than once during the sale.
 - c. Add-ons will be announced during the sale.
 - d. Add-ons to be recognized by KVLS must be reported to the Fair Office.
 - e. Buy backs will only go to the pre-approved packer.
9. **BUYER/SALE:** Five (5) percent of sale value will be deducted by KVLS for expenses of the sale. You will also be assessed the current rate for your respective Beef, Lamb, Goat, and Hog Councils (if applicable). Currently, only steers and hogs are being given an ultrasound test. There is a nominal fee for this test and it will be automatically deducted from the exhibitor's check. A \$5.00 fee set by the Buyers committee for the Buyer's Reception will be deducted from the check.
10. **POST SALE:** Each exhibitor shall be responsible for his/her own buyer and is required to mail or personally deliver two (2) buyer letters. Copies of the letters must be put in the back of the Record Book when it is turned in. All exhibitors are encouraged to try and invite new business; there is no limit to the number of letters you may send out. The more buyers who attend, the better the auction.
11. **POST FAIR:** Your buyer thank-you letter must be received in the Fair Office by **5 pm** on Friday, February 24, 2012. It must be in an UNSEALED ENVELOPE, STAMPED, ADDRESSED TO YOUR BUYER(S), AND RETURN ADDRESSED. Failure to turn in your letters(s) in the allotted time will result in a \$100.00 deduction from your check and the check will be held until you do so. All FFA or 4-H Club animals market checks will be issued in the club or chapter's name. It is the club or chapter's decision on what is done with the money. In addition each exhibitor is required to hand deliver (or mail deliver, if the buyer is from out of county) buyer photo (photo supplied by KVLS) and/or plaque to their buyer. The KVLS Office will notify exhibitors when the photos are available for delivery, the exhibitor will hand deliver to the buyer, get the buyers signature and return the form to the KVLS Office to receive their check(mail delivery will require a receipt from the post office). Exhibitors will be required to accomplish this by the determined due date. **PLEASE ALLOW 6 WEEKS FROM FAIR FOR PHOTOS, PLAQUES AND CHECKS TO BECOME AVAILABLE.**
12. Any exhibitor conducting or participating in any illegal activities on the Fairgrounds and any surrounding areas so used during the Fair shall forfeit all rights to show and/or sell at the Fair, and will lose any monies owed by the Fair for sales, premiums, awards, etc.
13. The Board of Directors of the KVLS & Fair will have the final judgment in regard to the interpretation of ALL rules and regulations.
14. By signing the application form, exhibitors and parents certify that they have READ and UNDERSTAND the rules and agree to ABIDE BY THEM!

KVLS YOUTH MARKET STEER SHOW & SALE
2011-2012 RULES

Chairperson.....John White, 407-436-0475
Cell 321-286-6287
Co- Chairperson.....Matt Walter, 407-709-2275

1. **ELIGIBILITY OF ANIMAL:** Proof of ownership must be brought to the first weigh in. It is mandatory for the Proof of Ownership form to be signed by the breeder of the calf or the ranch manager. Each spare steer must have all designated exhibitors at time of registration or first weigh in. Final selection is due with Record Books. There will be a **MANDATORY** meeting on the Tuesday following the weigh in. **THIS MEETING MUST BE ATTENDED BY THE EXHIBITORS;** any questions or problems, you must call the chairperson.
2. No animal will be exhibited in competition that cannot be properly led and handled by the exhibitor. Animals that cannot be handled properly will be disqualified (no nose tongs and/or nose rings will be allowed to lead the steer). The designated time to walk a steer before the Steer Committee will be announced at weigh-in. All grooming **MUST** be done by the exhibitor. (No professional/paid groomers will be allowed.)
3. Showmanship competition for the A. L. Bullis Showmanship Awards. There will be 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each division. There will also be a Fitting & Grooming competition, start with a dry clean animal. You are given 30 minutes to properly groom your animal. You may work as an individual or as a team and only the first place individual or team in each division will be awarded \$100.
4. Market Steers must weigh a minimum of 1000 pounds at final weigh-in. In addition, steers must have a 2 pound minimum daily gain from initial weigh-in in September through Final Weigh-in in February. (153 days x 2 lbs. = 306 lbs. minimum gain.). Steers will be checked to determine age and shall not exceed 24 months of age. Staginess and lightly muscled, thinly fleshed steers or obviously unsatisfactory weight for age will be unacceptable.
5. **All steers must be tied with a lead and neck rope at all times. Steers must be tied out each night after 9:00 PM. Steers must be back in the exhibit area by 10:00 AM the next morning.** The animal must be fed, cared for and their beds cleaned by the exhibitor for the entire time they are on the Fairgrounds. If this is not done, a \$50 fine will be deducted from the sale of your animal. Each exhibitor must assume all liability in case of death or injury to his/her own steer until sold, at which time it becomes the property of the buyer, but the exhibitor must care for the animal until the buyer removes the steer. A \$50.00 fee will be deducted from the sale of the steer if found improperly haltered or not cared for. Halters furnished by KVLS need to stay with the steer.
6. Tampering with any steer entered, such as filling with a foreign substance, etc., is prohibited. Sale will not be honored if tampering is found. Exhibitor may be disqualified and not be paid for the animal. The use of tranquilizers on show animals after arriving at the show will be considered a form of tampering. Health regulations will be outlined in the Premium Book and must meet requirements of the Division of Animal Industry, Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Steers will be checked during final weigh-in for health by an inspector sponsored by KVLS.
7. All animals will be weighed, ear tagged and identified at the first weigh-in. It is required that the animals be de-horned and castrated 10 days prior to this time. **AT THE FINAL WEIGH-IN, ANY HORNS MUST BE BLUNT AND SAFE.**
If your animal is injured AT weigh-in, notify the chairman **BEFORE** you leave the premises. All animals are eligible for Weight Gain Contest. Awards will be given to owners of the top three steers that show the highest daily gain as of the pre-show weigh-in.
8. All animals must be considered for sale and go directly to slaughter from the Fair.
9. In the case of any emergency on either weigh-in date, please call the Fair Office at (321) 697-3050 and notify them of the problem.
10. There will be a Good Neighbor Award given to one exhibitor.
11. The Steer Committee will assign each club an area in the Steer Barn.
12. If any help is needed for locating a steer, please call the chairperson listed above.