

TO: Livestock Exhibitors
FROM: Lee Brimmage, 4-H Extension Agent
SUBJECT: 2020 Hyde County 4-H Livestock Show and Sale (Virtual Event)
DATE: March 24, 2020

Virtual Livestock Show and Sale

Due to extenuating circumstances with the Covid-19 pandemic, we have been required to cancel the 2020 Hyde County 4-H Livestock Show and Sale. However, we have planned to host a virtual event on our Hyde County 4-H Facebook page to help accommodate the needs of our youth and showcase their hard work on this years' livestock project. We have sent out letters to potential buyers to sponsor our show and the funds raised will be added to the general funds for this years' show. Once all payments are collected, we will evenly distribute the funds amongst all livestock show exhibitors.

Our plan is to have each 4-H livestock participant take one photo with their animal and one short video clip (about 10 seconds) of them working with their animal. Please have all photos and videos taken in landscape orientation (horizontal). Please submit all photos and videos via email to lee_brimmage@ncsu.edu by **April 13, 2020**. We will then compile all of the video clips/photos into one large video to show on our **Hyde County 4-H Facebook page** on **Wednesday, April 22, 2020**. Please be sure to tune in and share with your friends and family. We want to recognize the hard work you have continued to put in for your Livestock Project during these difficult times.

Little Caesars Fundraiser

In regards to the Little Caesars Fundraising, please continue to sell your pizza kits. The requirement is to still sell three (3) pizza kits per child. We will be postponing the fundraiser until the Fall and orders will be due on **October 5, 2020**. The fundraiser ID remains the same: **381708**.

Livestock Letters | Project Record Books

We will only require each exhibitor to send two (2) handwritten letters to potential buyers just this year, as well as thank you letters when that time arrives. You will not need to bring the letters to our Extension Office, but you will need to send them in via email to: lee_brimmage@ncsu.edu. In your email please attach a copy of the two letters in photo or PDF form with the Name, Address, and Contact Information (phone/email) of your potential buyers/organizations in the body of the email. In the subject line of the email please write: **Exhibitors Name (First, Last) – Type of Animal – Tag Number. Example: John Apple – Hog – #24**. The handwritten letters are required to be emailed to me and mailed directly from you to the buyers by **April 3, 2020**. The thank you letters are required to be emailed to me and mailed directly from you to the buyers as well by **May 8, 2020**. We will call each exhibitor with buyers' information for the thank you letters the week after the virtual show. Please, in good faith, continue to work on completing your project record books. They will not be required to be turned in this year, but you can voluntarily submit them with completed financial summaries by **May 8, 2020** for a chance to win a **\$100 Go-Getter cash prize**. Please mail all project books to: **Hyde County 4-H PO Box 219 Swan Quarter, NC 27885**.

New Livestock Video Contest

We will be offering a new contest this year for our Livestock Show! This video contest is completely voluntary and is not required for your Livestock Project. We are asking exhibitors to submit one video clip (minimum of 1 minute and Maximum of 3 minutes-landscape orientation) of "A Day in the Life of a Livestock Exhibitor". Please get very creative and let us know unique things about your animal, how much fun you've had doing this project, how you take care of your animal, and what 4-H means to you, etc. The winner will receive a **\$200 cash prize**. Please submit all videos to lee_brimmage@ncsu.edu by **April 13, 2020**. In the subject line of the email please write: **Exhibitors Name (First, Last) – A Day in the Life Video – Animal Name. Example: Jane Apple – A Day in the Life Video – Lucky**.

Thank you all for your patience! I am looking forward to our virtual Livestock Show and hoping to see lots of creative videos to share with our community. If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact our office at (252) 926-4487. Please take care and be safe!

Regards,

Lee Brimmage