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Dear Livestock Show Participant and Parents,

We know you are looking forward to the 4-H Livestock Show on Wednesday, April 17, 2024. There are a few things we need to call to your attention. **Please read this letter very carefully, and if you have any questions, call our office at 796-1581.**

Each exhibitor will need to complete a Livestock Log for each animal shown. These logs will still be judged based on completeness and awarded ribbons at the county level, however they will not be eligible for district and state competition because they were created by Tyrrell and Washington County Extension. If you would like to complete a book for competition, you will need to complete a Project Record Book. **These logs will be completed via Google Doc for Junior and Senior Showmen. Cloverbuds must still print theirs and handwrite them.** *Copies can also be picked up from the Extension Office. If you are a junior or senior and would prefer a printed copy, we can provide that but the final copy must be typed into your Google Doc. We can arrange for you to use a computer at the office if needed.*

**A Google Folder was emailed to the address you used to register your child for the Livestock Show on Thursday, February 1st.** Each family has their own folder with a folder for each participant inside. Each participant's folder includes their Livestock Log, please also use this folder to upload pictures of their animal throughout their project (we would like to use these for advertising purposes). A folder with resources to help with showmanship, important links, and copies of all mailed letters is located in your Family Folder.

We understand this is still a new process and there will be some hiccups along the way but we hope this will make recording their progress through their project easier. Please bear with us as we navigate this new way of doing things and feel free to contact Ms. Lauren with any questions.

**Pen checks** will not be taking place this year. Animal regulations for the show are stated in our rules. If your animal does not meet regulations (tagged, age, weight, etc.) you will be sent home.

**Showmanship clinics** will be held in person and virtually. Senior showmen who have shown for 2 years or more have the option of assisting with a Cloverbud clinic of their same animal species, attending an in-person clinic OR completing the virtual clinic. **All other participants MUST attend an in-person clinic.** Clinic dates will be available by the end of February.



As always, you are responsible for contacting donors. Contacting donors is one of the most important steps in this program. Without the support from donors our show would not be possible. Donors can donate to an individual, all participants or to the program. Contacting donors in-person is the best way to make a good impression on a potential donor. Each participant must contact at least 3 potential donors from our donor list but may contact more beyond that. The list of donors with their addresses is available on our website as well as in your participant folder online. Please use the Sign-Up Sheet linked in your Participant Folder to let us know which donors were contacted.

Please let Ms. Lauren know if you plan to send your animal to market by April 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at 796-1581 prior to the show.

Thank you for your time and dedication to the 4-H Livestock Show.

Looking forward to a great show!

Lauren Nelson, 4-H Agent