

# Pen of Meat



## 2021 Rules and Regulations for the Hernando County Fair Youth Livestock Show and Sale

### Virtual Sign-up ONLY:

Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup> through Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Online registration open January 18<sup>th</sup> through January 25<sup>th</sup> 2021, forms available via Fair Website [www.hernandofairgrounds.com](http://www.hernandofairgrounds.com). Registration forms will need to be emailed to the Livestock Committee [hcfalivestockcommittee1@gmail.com](mailto:hcfalivestockcommittee1@gmail.com).

Payments will go through Paypal. To use paypal, go to paypal and use the email [info@hernandofairgrounds.com](mailto:info@hernandofairgrounds.com) to complete the payment. Any questions email the Livestock Committee.

**Entry Deadline:** Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021.  
(Limited to 10 lottery entries)

**Pick-up:** Exhibitors will be contacted with the date of pick-up.

**Fair Arrival:** Thursday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021, 5:00 – 7:00 pm.

**Judging:** Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Show at 11 am showmanship will follow.

**Sale:** Tuesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021, starting at 6:30 pm.


**Entry Fee:** \$25 (includes 6 chicks only. You MUST have a brooder setup and ready to go before you receive the chicks.)

**Removal:** Wednesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021, after the sale. For more info, talk with Livestock Committee after Sale.

### Rules and Regulations

1. This project competition is only open to those exhibitors **NOT** showing a swine or steer project at the 2021 Hernando County Fair.
2. NO NEW OUT OF COUNTY EXHIBITORS.
3. **Poultry Pen of Meat consists of three chickens of the same breed and variety.** Recommended weight at fair check-in; 6 to 8 pounds. **Note: if you leave feed in your chickens' pen 24 hours a day, your chickens, may exceed the recommended weight.**
4. **Exhibitors will receive six (6) chicks – (Only chicks provided to you from the Hernando County Fair Association may be entered).**
5. **CHECK-IN:** April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. bring your three (3) best birds with you to the fairgrounds, as there will be no back up or substitution birds allowed. Chicken weights will be certified. Exhibitors registering animals **MUST** be present at check-in. all animals will be inspected: No sick, diseases, or animals with mites will be accepted.

**USE APPROPRIATE CONTAINERS FOR TRANSPORTING CHICKENS**

- **MANDATORY MEETING:** April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 with Exhibitors and Parents, as soon as last animal has been checked in.
6. Exhibitors may not compete against themselves. (Only one entry per exhibitor/club/chapter).
  7. The HCFAYLC would like to emphasize, general care, grooming, cleaning of stalls/pens, and feeding of animals. This will be the Responsibility of the Exhibitor, with assistance only from FFA Advisor, 4-H Leader, Livestock Committee, Parent/Guardian, or fellow exhibitor. Care and Feeding includes providing feed and water.
    - **All** Poultry Exhibitors - Feeding of animals should be done at least once a day, and **MUST** be completed by 9:00 p.m. each day or one (1) hour after a show.
    - There will be no feeding, watering, or bathing of animals during any livestock show.
    - These are market projects, you have to clean pens daily.
    - Additional care may be provided, at the discretion of the HCFAYLC.
    - Failure to clean pens after removal will result in a \$25.00 FINE.
  8. **SHOWMANSHIP:** Poultry Showmanship will be held on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021, after the show. Showmanship is MANDATORY for all exhibitors except CLOVER BUDS (it is optional). If cloverbuds choose to participate the showmanship will start at 5:00 p.m. **Exhibitors who do not participate in the Mandatory Showmanship will have the following penalties invoked: Market Animals-** Animals will be sold at Buyback price.
  9. **JUDGING:** Poultry judging will take place on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 all chickens will be judged in their pens. All pens must be unlocked by 10:00 a.m. that morning.
  10. **PEN OF MEAT POULTRY EXHIBITOR AUCTION:** Exhibitor awards will begin on Tuesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Auction begins at 6:30 p.m. Buyer's dinner begins at 7:00 p.m. **Exhibitors MUST provide an appropriate container for transportation of chickens from fair to buyer.**
    - Each exhibitor is asked to bring one dessert; Two or more exhibitors are asked to bring one dessert per family. *Dessert drop off time will be after 10:00 a.m. in the auditorium.*
    - Buyers gifts are highly recommended for your projects. These gifts do not have to be expensive it's the thought that counts. Examples: Plants, BBQ supplies, Gift Cards, Gift Baskets of anything you feel your buyer will love.
  11.  Unbecoming conduct on the part of an exhibitor will at the discretion of the Hernando County Fair Association, (HCFA), result in disqualification of the exhibitor and require immediate removal of the animal/s and the exhibitor from the Fairgrounds - with the loss of awards, premiums, show and/or sale privilege and across the board add-ons. Profanity at any event with the Fair will result in disqualification.
    - **Unbecoming conduct with ANY individual associated with the exhibitor on the Fairgrounds will result in removal of that person/persons from the grounds.**
  12. Thank you Letters for Buyers and/or Belt Buckles are due on Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 between 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. – All Thank You Letters must be handwritten in pen (Cloverbud can use pencil) by the exhibitor. Reminder: Exhibitors will be charged \$50.00 per buyer, add-on, and/or belt buckle for each appropriate thank you letter not received by the deadline. Youth are encouraged to turn letters in early so they can be reviewed and replaced if necessary.
  13. The HCFAYLC sponsors a Herdsman Award
  14. **BELT BUCKLE THANK YOU LETTERS APPLIES TO ALL LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS WINNING BELT BUCKLES.**  
**All Thank You letters for Belt Buckle Sponsors and Buyers are due Sunday April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 between 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.**

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Letters **MUST** be handwritten in pen by the exhibitor.
  - Use a 5"x7" envelope for the pictures provided by HCFAYLC.
  - Get your Buyer's and/or Belt Buckle Sponsor Addresses.
  - Address envelope provided by HCFAYLC, and place a stamp on it - **DO NOT SEAL ENVELOPE.**
  - Turn in your Thank You Letter/s. **BRING YOUR OWN STAMP - STAMPS ARE NOT PROVIDED**
15. Exhibitors Add-on list will be ready for pick-up **Monday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021** between 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. or **Tuesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021** from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Should the Fair Office receive any Add-on's for an exhibitor, after they have picked up their Add-on List, then the exhibitor will be contacted. Thank You letters for this add-on must be turned in before sales checks are received.
16. Appropriate and proper (handwritten in pen by the exhibitor) thank you letters for all add-ons must be turned in to the Fair Office either on May 17th, 2021 from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. or the last day May 18th, 2021 from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. All thank-you letters must be in an unsealed, stamped, and addressed envelope.
17. Any questions or protest concerning compliance with the rules and regulations or the eligibility of an exhibitor or his/her animal must be submitted in writing to the Livestock Committee Chairman within 24 hours after the discovery of the infraction along with a fine of \$50.The HCFAYLC and/or Fair Board may investigate possible infractions of rules at any time. No protest will be accepted after an award is given.
18. Exhibitors will be assigned stall/pen space by the HCFAYLC. Exhibitors are responsible for keeping their area clean and neat during the fair. The HCFAYLC will be using a Yellow and Red Tag Penalty System for making sure all animals are cared for and that the area in and around your stalls/pens are maintained. If a member of the HCFAYLC observes that your animal, or your stall/pen is being neglected you will receive a Yellow Tag (which is a warning), with the reason for it written on the tag. If the HCFAYLC notices your project/stall/pen is being neglected in any manner again, you will be given a Red Tag and fined \$50.00.
19. If the 2021 Hernando County Youth and Livestock Show and Sale is cancelled for any reason, all Pen of Meat Poultry will be sold via virtual auction. Any exhibitor failing to participate in the virtual auction will fined \$25 and will not be eligible for any across the board add-ons.
20. All rules are subject to change based on CDC Guidelines or current Government rules, regulations, or restrictions.

**OFFICE USE ONLY**

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment: \_\_\_\_\_

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Status: \_\_\_\_\_



**2021 Pen of Meat Poultry Entry Form  
Hernando County Fair Youth Livestock Show & Sale**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Residential Address, if different: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home#: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell#: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

**Age as of September 1, 2020 - CIRCLE ONE** Clover Bud: (5-7) Junior: (8 - 10) Intermediate: (11 - 13) Senior: (14 & Older)

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ **County of Residence** \_\_\_\_\_

Contact #: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H or FFA Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Club/Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Leader/Advisor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Leader/FFA Advisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Agent signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**I HEREBY AFFIRM THAT I HAVE COMPLETE KNOWLEDGE OF THIS ENTRY, AND THAT I AUTHORIZE MY CHILD TO ENTER THIS ANIMAL IN THE HERNANDO COUNTY FAIR YOUTH LIVESTOCK SHOW & SALE. WE BOTH AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS.**

Exhibitors Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**T-Shirt Size**

*Circle Appropriate Size*

Child Small      Adult Medium

Child Medium    Adult Large

Child Large      Adult X -Large

Adult Small      Adult XX - Large

If for any reason fair is cancelled: **(Please choose one of the following)**

I Plan to attend the Virtual Auction.

I do not plan to attend the Virtual Auction and I will agree to pay \$25 fine and to the loss of all the across the board add-ons.