# Lewisville FFA



# Lewisville ISD Agriculture Science Student Handbook & FFA Guide

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### **Department Policy and Information**

The following policies and guidelines apply to the Lewisville ISD Agricultural Department and Lewisville FFA. As a leadership organization: Students must be in good standing in and out of the school and are subject to dismissal from the organization for problems in any of the following areas: insubordination, truancy, cheating, drinking alcohol, drugs, tobacco (including but not limited to dip, electronic cigarettes, cigarettes, etc.) violations of the LISD student code of conduct or major breaches of the FFA code of ethics.

The Ag Science teachers and/or Career and Technology Administration reserve the right to add to or amend these guidelines and rules as deemed necessary. This document will be kept updated and located on the campus website. It will be the responsibility of teachers, students and parents to utilize the campus website to obtain and/or refer to the most current version of this document.

All Lewisville FFA student activities are an extension of Lewisville ISD; therefore, all rules and regulations found in the LISD Student Handbook, LISD Student Code of Conduct, and LISD School Board Policies apply. In addition, students participating in FFA will be required to adhere to the LISD student co-curricular/extracurricular contract, and the contents of this document.

### FFA Code of Ethics:

- FFA members conduct themselves at all times to be a credit to their organization, chapter, school, community and family.
- Develop my potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success.
- Make a positive difference in the lives of others.
- Dress neatly and appropriately for the occasion.
- Respect the rights of others and their property.
- Be courteous, honest and fair with others.
- Communicate in an appropriate, purposeful and positive manner.
- Demonstrate good sportsmanship by being modest in winning and generous in defeat.
- Make myself aware of FFA programs and activities and be an active participant.
- Conduct and value a Supervised Agricultural Experience program.
- Strive to establish and enhance my skills through Agricultural education in order to enter a successful career.
- Appreciate and promote diversity in our organization.

## **FFA Mission**

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education

### **FFA Motto**

Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve.

# **FFA Creed**

I believe in the future of agriculture, with a faith born not of words but of deeds achievements won by the present and past generations of agriculturists; in the promise of better days through better ways, even as the better things we now enjoy have come to us from the struggles of former years.

I believe that to live and work on a good farm, or to be engaged in other agricultural pursuits, is pleasant as well as challenging; for I know the joys and discomforts of agricultural life and hold an inborn fondness for those associations which, even in hours of discouragement, I cannot deny.

I believe in leadership from ourselves and respect from others. I believe in my own ability to work efficiently and think clearly, with such knowledge and skill as I can secure, and in the ability of progressive agriculturists to serve our own and the public interest in producing and marketing the product of our toil.

I believe in less dependence on begging and more power in bargaining; in the life abundant and enough honest wealth to help make it so--for others as well as myself; in less need for charity and more of it when needed; in being happy myself and playing square with those whose happiness depends upon me.

I believe that American agriculture can and will hold true to the best traditions of our national life and that I can exert an influence in my home and community which will stand solid for my part in that inspiring task.

The creed was written by E. M. Tiffany, and adopted at the 3rd National Convention of the FFA. It was revised at the 38th Convention and the 63rd Convention.

### Agricultural Department and FFA Membership

Lewisville ISD adheres to guidelines and policies by the Texas FFA Association. Texas FFA allows local discretion of the school district to adopt more stringent membership guidelines as deemed necessary.

### Texas FFA Association Policy Handbook Section 1: Active Membership Eligibility 1.1 Operational Premise

(a) Pursuant to Texas Education Code 29.182(b)(3)(D), the FFA Organization is an integral part of agricultural education, a leadership development program for students of agriculture, food and natural resources programs. FFA programs are intended to be applied activities related to the classroom and laboratory instructional programs, individual supervised agricultural experience programs and the leadership, personal and career development component of the agricultural education delivery model. Thus, membership guidelines should reflect this philosophy and support enrollment in agriculture, food and natural resources courses.

**1.2 Constitutional Authority** National FFA Constitution, Section C. To be eligible for active membership in a chartered FFA chapter, a student must be enrolled in a secondary Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources program. To retain membership, a student must:

- 1. Be enrolled in at least one Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources course during the school year and/or follow a planned course of study; either course must include a supervised agricultural experience program, the objective of which is to gain experience in agriculture related careers.
- 2. Show an interest in the affairs of the Association by attending meetings, striving for degrees of membership, and participating in other organized activities of the chapter.
- 3. Pay all current District, Area, State and National dues by the date determined by the chapter.
- 4. Display conduct consistent with the ideals and purposes of the Texas FFA Association/Texas Association of Future Farmers of America.

### **1.3 Membership Eligibility**

(a) A student may establish initial membership by enrolling in an approved agriculture, food and natural resources course. An approved agriculture, food and natural resources course shall be any course in the agriculture food and natural resources cluster; an approved innovative course taught by the agriculture, food and natural resources instructor; or any career and technical education course approved by the State Board of Education to be taught by an agriculture, food and natural resources instructor.

(b) A course not considered part of the agriculture, food or natural resources cluster or one of the courses approved by the State Board of Education for delivery by agriculture, food and natural resources instructors, but part of a recognized agriculture, food and natural resources pathway or program of study shall be considered a qualified course for membership and participation provided that the pathway has been established by the teacher upon the student's entry into the program and declared in the association's approved SAE record-keeping system. Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources pathways or programs of study claimed for membership eligibility must constitute a coherent sequence, be consistent with National Agriculture Food and Natural Resources pathways and include a documented Supervised Agricultural Experience. Pathways or programs of study may be declared retroactively should circumstances, such as changes in school district staffing, warrant such an accommodation and provided that coursework remains consistent with the provisions of this policy. Amendments to existing pathways or pathways claimed retroactively must be approved by the Executive Director. The Texas FFA Association reserves the right to verify or audit any pathway or program of study claimed for membership eligibility purposes.

(c) After completing two consecutive semesters for high school credit, a student may maintain continuous membership for a maximum of one membership year while not enrolled in a course provided they maintain an approved supervised experience program which is documented in an approved agriculture, food and natural resources record book. Pursuant to state and national constitutions, the membership year shall begin September 1 and conclude the following August 31. For the purposes of this policy, two one-semester classes taken concurrently count as two consecutive classes semesters. After re-enrolling and completing one agriculture, food and natural resources course, a student will be eligible to maintain one more year of membership without re-enrollment provided an approved, documented SAE is in place.

(d) Local departments may establish more stringent membership requirements. Districts and areas may also adopt enrollment guidelines applying to officers of those associations.

(e) More rigorous enrollment standards which apply to competitive events supersede this policy and are enumerated in the respective handbooks.

Lewisville ISD will expect students to be enrolled in an Agriculture, Food and Natural Resource Course to participate in FFA Events.

### **Section 2: Junior Membership**

### **2.1 Operational Premises**

(a) The FFA Organization is an integral part of agricultural education, a leadership development program for students of agriculture, food and natural resources instructional programs. FFA programs are intended to be applied activities related to the classroom and laboratory instructional programs. Thus, membership guidelines should reflect this philosophy and support enrollment in agricultural science courses. The organization of a Junior FFA chapter is entirely optional, with the need of such an organization to be determined by the local FFA chapter.

### 2.2 Constitutional Authority

**Texas FFA Constitution, Article V.** Section B.- Junior Membership -- Active chapters of the Texas FFA Association/Texas Association of Future Farmers of America may form

Junior FFA Chapters for the purpose of enhancing and encouraging the education of younger students who are interested in the agricultural industry. Membership in the Texas Junior FFA organization shall consist of students enrolled in public schools or accredited private schools who are in the third grade and eight years old and may continue until they become eligible to enroll in the Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources instructional program. Junior members must be affiliated with a chapter in the school district in which they are enrolled or with a duly chartered chapter in an accredited private school in which they are enrolled as a full-time student unless the school district approves a waiver for out of district students. School superintendents must approve and certify in writing out of district students to participate in the junior FFA program(s) of their district. Such waivers must be submitted annually. Each Junior FFA Chapter shall submit a yearly roster to the State FFA Association that includes the name, date of birth, age, grade, and address. Each local chapter can set and collect dues. State dues in the same amount as active FFA membership dues shall be collected.

### 2.3 Membership Opportunities

(a) The membership year begins September 1 and ends August 31. Students initiate junior membership by participating in whatever location function is designated by the local advisor as a qualifying activity or event to initiate membership. (Examples: attend meetings, validate livestock under auspices of chapter) Local chapters may develop requirements in excess of state requirements for students to remain in good standing with the local chapter. Once a student is eligible to enroll in an agriculture, food and natural resources class of any kind, he or she is not eligible for junior membership. Middle school students enrolled in agriculture, food and natural resources classes must be submitted as active members (Discovery Degree members for local credit classes).

(b) Junior FFA is designed to encourage involvement in agricultural science education. To this end, chapters are encouraged to develop and participate in local activities that promote leadership development and agricultural education for its junior members.

(c) Junior FFA members are not eligible to participate in events in which Texas FFA Association has direct oversight including but not limited to leadership development events, career development events, speaking development events, state FFA rodeo, talent and agriscience fair. Junior membership activities shall include exhibition of livestock and poultry projects. Local, county, regional and statewide shows and other agricultural education partners may include junior members in other events such but not limited to agricultural mechanics shows and judging competitions.

(d) Junior members are not eligible to cast a vote or participate in the discussion related to the official business of the Texas FFA Association or of any district, area association, do not count toward membership totals for delegate allocation and should not be listed on active membership rosters.

### FFA Official Dress

FFA Official Dress is a uniform worn by FFA Members at local, state, and national functions. It Provides identity and gives a distinctive and recognizable image to the organization and its members. Official Dress has been worn with pride by millions of FFA Members since 1933. The Official FFA Jacket was established by the delegates at the 1933 National FFA Convention. Official Dress Standards were created by the delegates at the 1973 national convention and most recently revised by the delegates at the 2016 National FFA Convention and Expo.

### **Female Official Dress**

- Black Skirt. Skirt is to be at least knee length, hemmed evenly across the bottom, with a slit no longer than 2 inches above the knee, excluding the kick pleat.
- Black Slacks may be appropriate for traveling and outdoor activities.
- White collared blouse and Official FFA Blue Scarf.
- Black dress shoes with a closed heel and toe (NO boots, sandals, open-toed shoes, or tennis shoes.) Black Flats are acceptable.
- Black nylon panty hose or tights
- Official FFA Jacket zipped to the top

### Male Official Dress

- Black dress pants. (No Jeans-black or blue, leather, pleather, etc.)
- White dress shirt and official FFA Tie
- Black Dress shoes with a closed heel and toe. Boots are acceptable at the state level as long as they are BLACK.
- Black Socks
- Official FFA jacket zipped to the top.

### How to Wear Awards

- Chapter degree, officer and award metal should be worn beneath the name on the right side of the jacket
- State FFA Degree or American Degree Keys should be worn above the name on the right side of the jacket or attached to a standard key chain
- No more than three medals should be worn on the jacket. These should represent the highest degree earned, highest office held, and the highest award earned

### Proper Use of the FFA Jacket

The blue corduroy jacket is the most recognizable symbol of the organization. As a member, it is one of your responsibilities to ensure its proper use. Specific guidelines are outlined below.

- 1. The jacket is to be worn only by members.
- 2. The jacket should be kept clean and neat.
- 3. The back of the jacket should have only a large official FFA emblem, the name of the

state association and the name of the local chapter, region, district or area. The front of the jacket should have only a small official FFA emblem, the name of the individual, one office or honor and the year of that office or honor.

- 4. The jacket should be worn on official occasions with the zipper fastened to the top. The collar should be turned down and the cuffs buttoned.
- 5. The jacket should be worn by members and officers on all official FFA occasions, as well as other occasions where the chapter or state association is represented. It may be worn to school and other appropriate places.
- 6. The jacket should only be worn to places that are appropriate for members to visit.
- 7. School letters and insignia of other organizations should not be attached to or worn on the jacket.
- 8. When the jacket becomes faded and worn, it should be discarded or the emblems and lettering removed.
- 9. The emblems and lettering should be removed if the jacket is given or sold to a non-member.
- 10. A member should act professionally when wearing the official FFA jacket.
- 11. Members should refrain from use of tobacco and alcohol when underage and at all times when representing FFA. In addition, members should exhibit their leadership qualities when they encounter substances including tobacco and alcohol and serve to discourage others from inappropriate behavior.
- 12. All chapter degrees, officer and award medals should be worn beneath the name on the right side of the jacket, with the exception of a single State FFA Degree charm or American FFA Degree key. These should be worn above the name or attached to a standard degree chain. No more than three medals should be worn on the jacket. These should represent 1.) the highest degree earned, 2.) the highest office held and 3.) the highest award earned by the member

### Chapter Officer Elections, Leadership Development Events, and Career Development Events

### **Chapter Officer Elections:**

Lewisville FFA Chapter has a Chapter Constitution that will be used when selecting Chapter FFA Officers. The Lewisville FFA Chapter will adhere to the constitution set forth by the chapter, to obtain a copy please contact your FFA Chapter.

The Lewisville FFA Chapter will hold their own Chapter Officer elections. Students will complete an application, participate in an interview, take an FFA Quiz, answer thought questions and give a speech at the designated Chapter Meeting where a popular vote will take place.

### Leadership Development Events and Career Development Events

Leadership Development Events and Career Development Events are the connection between

high school and the real world. These events are competitions that teach students current trends in the Agriscience industries as well as critical thinking and communication. It is strongly recommended that students participate in these competitions to get the most out of the AgriScience program.

Leadership Development Events are contests that occur during the fall semester. Career Development Events are contests that occur during the spring semester. The Lewisville ISD FFA Chapter will compete in contests that best fit the needs and interests of their FFA members. In addition, the Chapter member will adhere to the Lewisville ISD compulsory attendance laws when choosing contests to attend.

### Lewisville Independent School District Agriculture Science Ag Barn Facility Rules & Guidelines

The Lewisville ISD Ag Barn facility is the property of Lewisville ISD and is provided for the convenience of Lewisville ISD FFA student members choosing to participate in a Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) Program. Utilizing the Lewisville ISD Ag Science Ag barn Facility is a privilege only for Lewisville ISD enrolled students.

The purpose of the LISD Ag Barn Facility is to provide an extension to classroom instruction, to maximize learning, and to allow FFA members to utilize the complex for their Supervised Agricultural Experience(SAE) Program.

This document outlines the expectations and rules/regulations that must be adhered to in order to create a positive experience in the program for all parties involved. To ensure compliance, Lewisville ISD employees including Agricultural Science Teachers, facility managers, maintenance workers, and administrators will monitor and manage the facility (both physically and via security cameras).

### PROJECT MANAGEMENT

- The Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) project is the student's responsibility. All project management decisions will be made by the student/parent in cooperation with the supervising species Ag Science Teacher(s). The Species Ag Science Teacher will closely monitor all show rules. Ethical treatment of projects is expected at all times and <u>any unethical treatment to an animal will result in immediate removal of the student from the Lewisville ISD FFA program.</u>
- The student's Agricultural Science teacher must approve all projects before purchase including personally owned animals. The instructor must be <u>actively involved</u> in the selection process, or the project will not be eligible for the following:
  - To participate in livestock shows sponsored by Lewisville ISD
  - To be housed at the Lewisville ISD Ag Barn Facility

- Or be affiliated with the Lewisville ISD FFA program.
- Any animal that is raised as a project at the Ag Barn Facility is expected to attend all shows attended by Lewisville ISD. This includes major shows and jackpots.
  - Any additional shows need to be approved by the Ag Science Teacher.
- All animals that are shown under LISD FFA will follow travel guidelines set by the Ag Science Teachers.
- Projects competing at events on the Lewisville ISD Show Schedule must travel with Lewisville ISD Ag Science Instructors or designee approved by administration.
- The species Ag Science Teacher(s) will provide the following for parents and students:
  - Lead the selections & purchasing process for student animal projects.
  - 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.
  - Species Ag Science Teacher(s) will provide tags for animals for state shows in accordance with State Validation Procedures and Regulations. Students are financially responsible for validation tags.
  - Provide transportation for livestock to and from school-sponsored livestock shows decided by species Ag Science Teacher(s) based on LISD approval.

### **GENERAL EXPECTATIONS**

- Access to the Lewisville ISD Ag Barn Facility: To protect the safety and security of LISD students and animal projects, all individuals seeking access to the Ag Barn Facility will be required to complete a Volunteer Application with the Lewisville ISD Central Office Administration. lewisvilleisd.voly.org
- Visitors: Visitors are the responsibility of the student. Students are allowed to bring one guest to the Ag Barn that is not an immediate family member.
- **Open Communication:** Please maintain open communication with your Species Ag Science Teacher regarding your participation in the program. Every effort will be made to ensure consistent communication with everyone in the program.
- Social Media: Please keep a positive image of the Lewisville ISD Ag Science program at all times, including social media presence (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.). Violations will be reported to campus administration and could potentially result in loss of privileges.
- **Conflict Resolution:** Any conflicts are expected to be resolved in a private and professional manner. Please refer to the Chain of Command when needing to address any conflicts that arise:
  - Ag Science Teacher(s)

- Campus Lead Teacher/Department Head
- Campus Administration
- **Respect Lewisville ISD Property and Ag Barn Facilities:** If you choose to keep your animals at the Lewisville ISD Ag Barn Facility or to use Lewisville ISD equipment (clippers, pens, etc.), please assist us in taking care of it. Persons responsible for intentional damage/vandalism to the property or equipment of the facility, district, or other students will be held financially responsible for repair of the damage and subject to disciplinary actions that may include removal from the barn.
- Lewisville ISD Equipment: Any equipment owned by Lewisville ISD is to be used by or under the direct supervision of LISD Ag Science Teachers. Any equipment owned by Lewisville ISD (this may include but is not limited to show boxes, fans, stall setups. blowers, hoses, dividers, pig boards, etc.) is not to leave the Ag Barn facilities without prior approval from the Ag Science Teachers and documented on the Ag Equipment <u>CheckOut Form</u>.
- **Project Care:** The care of the project is the sole responsibility of the student. It is prohibited to go into a pen, feed, or handle a project that does not belong to you, unless prior permission is granted by the owner of the project. Any concerns regarding the care of a project at the barn need to be addressed with the Ag Science Species Teacher.
- Animal Selection: All projects exhibited through Lewisville ISD FFA must be approved by the species Ag Science Teacher(s). If a student wishes to select their own animal they must receive pre-approval from the species Ag Science Teacher(s). If you wish to keep your project outside of the Ag Barn, approval and a signed agreement between the parent/student and the species Ag Science Teacher must be in place. No project will be shown under the Lewisville ISD FFA chapter without the consent of the species Ag Science Teacher.
- Number of Projects at LISD Ag Barn Facility: Students will be limited to a maximum number of animal projects that will be housed at the LISD Ag Barn Facility per approval by the species Ag Science Teacher(s).
  - Everyone will be given the opportunity for at least 1 project.
  - Additional projects will be determined based on species space availability.
  - LISD district attendance policies will be used to determine if students can show multiple projects / species.
  - Students must attend school 90% of the days school is in session in compliance with TEA.
- **Costs:** While showing animals is a positive experience, it can be a costly one. You will incur costs for the animal, feed, entry fees, passes, transportation, hotels, vet bills, etc. Any expenses are to be paid at the time of service or deadline set forth for the event by the species Ag Science Teacher(s). <u>NOTE -- Students are required to pay an annual pen</u> rent fee of \$50 per swine, goat, or lamb project, and \$100 per cattle project to house an

animal at the LISD Ag Barn Facility. The pen rent must be paid prior to the animal entering LISD facilities.

- **Outstanding Debts:** All outstanding debts, i.e., vet bills, feed bills, etc. incurred by the student in the raising of the project must be paid before the end of the show season. Students will not be allowed to participate in the FFA Program until all debts are paid.
- **Species Practice:** It is strongly recommended that students attend species practices with the instructor. Species practice dates will be predetermined by the Ag Science Instructor with the right to change practice dates, and reschedule if needed. Attendance will be taken at all practices. If the student is not able to attend a practice, they must contact their Species Teacher at least 24 hours in advance. If a student does not attend the scheduled practice, they will need to document themselves practicing with their project and submit it to the species teacher.

### FACILITIES USAGE

- Facility usage is to be used for Lewisville ISD actively enrolled agriculture students and/or members of the Lewisville FFA, and in good standing, who own or lease an animal project. All projects housed at the LISD Ag Barn Facility must be owned and cared for by actively enrolled Lewisville ISD students.
- The Ag Barn Facility is to be used only for feeding and caring for the livestock projects. Each student is responsible for the feeding and care of his/her project on his/her own time.
- Students are expected to provide their own transportation to and from the LISD Ag Barn Facility.
- For the safety of students, parents, and guardians, the Ag Barn Facilities hours are from 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. No unauthorized personnel shall feed or be at the Ag Barn Facility for any reason before 5:00 a.m. or after 10:00 p.m. without permission from the Ag Science Teacher(s). Anyone present during closed hours will be considered trespassing. If there are extenuating circumstances please contact your species Ag Science Teacher who will inform LISD CTE Administration.
- The speed limit at the Ag Barn Facility is 10 mph. All parties must drive and park in the designated areas only. Parking in LISDOLA parking is NOT allowed.
- Vehicles not authorized by the instructor or the district, are prohibited from entering the facility.
  - Only authorized trailers or other items will be allowed to be parked/stored at the Lewisville ISD Agriculture Facility.
- Vehicles are not to be left unattended in any fire lane or loading/unloading zone. Vehicles

should utilize the designated parking spaces.

- Vehicles are not permitted to be parked in the Ag Barn Facility overnight unless prior authorization is given by an Ag Science Teacher.
- No pets are allowed on the Ag Barn Facility grounds for any reason, including inside a vehicle. This is for the safety of the pet, species projects, and persons at the Ag Barn Facility.
- All gates should remain shut and locked at all times.
- Absolutely no chemicals, pesticides, sprays, etc. or other forms of pest removal products are allowed at the Ag Barn Facility. If there is a need to remove pests, Ag Science Teachers need to report the issue to LISD CTE Administration.
- Students should report any needed repairs to species Ag Science Teacher(s) immediately so that repairs can be turned into LISD maintenance in a timely manner.
- No additions, subtractions, modifications, or construction relating to electricity, carpentry, plumbing, or location may be made. Use of any electrical devices and extension cords must be approved by species Ag Science Teacher(s).
- The appearance of the Ag Barn Facility is a priority; there will be scheduled "Ag Barn Facility Cleanups", or "Set-Ups/Take-Downs" which are required for students with animal projects housed at the Ag Barn Facility. If a student is unable to attend for any reason they are responsible for finding a suitable replacement. If the student or other representative does not attend, an alternative assignment deemed appropriate by the species Ag Science Teacher(s) will be assigned. Absence from Ag Barn cleanup will be reported to CTE Administration for possible disciplinary action.
- Students housing animals at Lewisville ISD Facilities may be assigned duties or responsibilities for the care and maintenance of the facility as determined by the instructor and/or species Ag Science Teacher(s). Failure to maintain Lewisville ISD Facilities in clean and proper order or complete duties assigned may result in the dismissal of the student and the removal of his/her animal from the facility.
- Temperature control methods (heaters and fans) are provided at the Ag Barn Facility. It is up to the Ag Science Teacher(s) discretion how those are handled. Only Ag Science Teacher(s) are permitted to change the temperature controls, unless there is prior written authorization from an Ag Science Teacher.
  - Any concerns to the temperature control at the Ag Barn should be reported to <u>Agbarn@lisd.net</u>.
- All rules, care of project and feeding procedures apply to holidays, weekends, and any other district closures.

### **CARE OF PROJECT**

- Each animal must be cared for in a proper manner as approved or established by the instructor. The instructor is authorized to determine any necessary practices to ensure proper care of the student's project. This includes, but is not limited to, daily maintenance of pen/facility, feeding, hair care, showing techniques, exercise, medication, vaccinations, etc. Students must adhere to guidelines set forth by the Ag Science Teachers and these guidelines may not be changed. This applies to all projects that are shown under the Lewisville FFA Chapter, including owned animals.
  - Projects without feed or with unsatisfactory pen/area conditions for prolonged periods of time will result in removal of the project from the student and possible disciplinary consequences.
- The student is responsible for proper care of his/her project. This includes adequate nutrition and hydration for proper growth, the development of the project, cleaning the pen and surrounding area. If any project is found to be in need of immediate emergency care, the LISD Ag Science Teachers reserve the right to seek treatment for that project at the owner's expense when owners are unable to be contacted.
  - If treatment is refused, then said project will need to be removed immediately from the Ag Barn Facility until a valid health certificate by a veterinarian is provided to the species Ag Science Teacher(s).
- **PENS:** Wet soil or shavings and feces are to be removed daily. The shavings are an expense of the student/parent.
- SHAVINGS: Shavings are the student's responsibility and an expense you are expected to incur. Species Ag Science Teacher(s) will advise on type of shavings and when they are needed. Sand is only permitted in the cattle barn, no sand can be used in the lamb/goat/swine barn. Shavings are used in stalls, pens, trailers, and at various shows. This will be communicated through the species Ag Science Teacher(s).
- **AISLE:** The aisles are to remain clean and free of trash, shavings, forage, etc.. This is the responsibility of all students. Tack is to be kept in designated areas and stored neatly.
- **TRASH/DUMPING:** When cleaning out your pens it is your responsibility to take the wheelbarrow to the back of the barn and dump it in the very back of the manure pit and NOT anywhere else. Buckets are not allowed to be used for cleaning pens, wheelbarrows only. If not dumped in the right location, feces will attract flies and cause more disease and infections in the barn. The manure pit is under surveillance, so please dump your waste accordingly. If you do see violations, please report it immediately to the species Ag Science Teacher(s) so appropriate actions can be taken. The dumpsters are located at the south side of the parking lot. Please make sure that all of your personal and animal trash is thrown away properly and not left in wheelbarrows or in aisles. Wheelbarrows are to be cleaned thoroughly after each use. **NOTE: The Ag Barn Facility, and**

# surrounding lot, is under surveillance. The dumpsters are NOT to be used for the disposal of your personal bulk trash or items. It is for Ag Barn items disposal only and if you are found, you will be billed by the district for the cost of emptying the dumpsters.

- **FOOD:** Projects are to be fed twice daily on a twelve-hour schedule, or as advised by species Ag Science Teacher(s). Be consistent. It is recommended that feeding should be done before 10:00 a.m. and prior to 10:00 p.m. Animals are creatures of habit. Consistency is necessary even on the weekends, holidays, and any other district closures.
- **WATER:** Fresh, clean water should be supplied daily to your project. Water buckets must be dumped and cleaned outside of the stalling area and not in any aisles.
- **EXERCISE:** Exercise programs will be on a per species basis and will be given to the student/parent from the species Ag Science Teacher(s). Please note these programs can change as needed for the project.
- WEATHER: Students should check the weather each day. Regardless of the weather conditions your animal(s) need to be fed and given fresh water. This includes rain, snow, ice, and cold/hot weather.
  - In the event of extreme weather conditions Lewisville ISD reserves the right to shut off water lines to the Ag Barn Facilities. In the event this occurs students/ parents are responsible for hauling water to the Ag Barn Facility to care for the project.
  - Always seek species Ag Science Teacher(s) advice if there are questions regarding weather conditions and the daily care of your animal.
- EQUIPMENT: Materials used daily by the students will be purchased at the student's expense. Lists provided by the species Ag Science Teacher(s) are subject to change as the need arises. Other materials may be recommended throughout the entirety of the project.
  - Recommended Cattle Species Equipment
    - Feed Trough
    - Feed Scoop
    - Rope Halter
    - Scotch Comb
    - Bathing Brush
    - Show Stick
    - Feed Bucket
    - Bathing Supplies (Shampoo/Conditioner/Scrub Brush)
    - Neck Tie
    - Show Harness For Number
    - Show Halter
    - Large Water Bucket for Pen
    - Barrels for feed/hay storage
    - Hay Rack

- Hay Net
- Various hair products may be required at show
- Wormers
- Recommended Lamb Species Equipment
  - Clip on Feed Trough
  - Water Bucket
  - Lamb Blanket
  - Lamb Tube
  - Rope Halter
  - Mesh Muzzle
  - Feed/Hay Storage Container
  - Feed Scoop
  - Anti-Fungal Shampoo
  - Wormer
- Recommended Goat Species Equipment
  - Clip on Feed Trough
  - Water Bucket
  - Goat Blanket
  - Goat Chain with Rubber Grip
  - Rope Halter
  - Mesh Muzzle
  - Feed/Hay Storage Container
  - Feed Scoop
  - Anti-Fungal Shampoo
  - Peanut brush
  - Dewormer
- Recommended Swine Species Equipment
  - Clip on Feed Trough
  - Pig Whip
  - Bathing supplies (Shampoo/Conditioner/Towels)
  - Soft and Hard Pig Brush
  - Feed Storage Container
  - Feed Scoop
  - Spray Bottle/Water Sprayer
  - Dewormers
- Recommended Equine Species Equipment
  - Bathing supplies (Shampoo, conditioner)
  - Grooming supplies (Brushes, soft brush, curry comb, mane and tail, hoof pick, coat conditioner, fly spray)
  - Spray bottles to refill coat conditioners, fly spray, etc.
  - Feed trough
  - Dewormer
  - Hay bag
  - Water buckets
  - Feed storage container

- Feed scoop
- Halter, Lead rope
- Winter Projects: waterproof turnout blanket, cooler, waterproof turnout sheet

### **MEDICATION TO ANIMALS**

- Teachers, students and parents will follow all major show rules regarding feed and drug residue restrictions. The species Ag Science Teacher(s) will not knowingly recommend any illegal drug or substance. The rules regarding substances change regularly, so do not depend upon what you could or could not do when you were showing previous to the current situation. All medications, substances, or any other treatment must be approved by Ag Science Teacher(s) prior to being administered. Successful programs will be tested, and if an exhibitor is found in violation, a stock show may ban them from future participation. Students and parents will be required to sign an affidavit stating you have not given anything that is not approved by the FDA or USDA for that particular animal.
  - **NO** medication including but not limited to off-label or extra-label vaccines, medications, sprays, feed additives, over the counter medications, and/or vaccinations or other substances will be given internally or externally to any livestock project without approval of the species Ag Science Teacher(s). All established withdrawal times for any administered product must be strictly followed.
  - The Ag Science Teacher(s) will notify students and/or parents if medication must be administered to any animal.
  - The Ag Science Teacher(s) will seek a veterinarian's assistance if he or she has any questions that arise pertaining to medication.
  - In the event an animal tests positive before, during or after a major event, the student and/or parent must inform the species Ag Science Teacher(s) immediately.
  - It is the responsibility of the student to administer, or seek out someone who can administer medication to their animal. Ag Science Teachers will not be responsible for administering medication.
- All animals shown under the Lewisville FFA Chapter must follow these guidelines regardless of owned, leased, or consigned.

### **PEN ASSIGNMENTS**

- The Ag Science Teacher(s) will assign a stall or pen where the project animal will be kept. Animals are not to be moved without permission from the species Ag Science Teacher(s). In the event that more requests for stalls or pens have been made than spaces available, the species Ag Science Teacher(s) will devise an appropriate plan of action to best fit the needs of said species.
- Pens are reserved for Lewisville FFA actively enrolled students, in good standing, only.

- No locks are allowed on any animal pens in case of fire or other emergencies. Failure to comply will result in the lock being cut off and removed.
- No decorations, toys, air freshners, plants, pools, or any other items that are deemed unnecessary by an Ag Science Teacher(s) for the well-being of the project will be removed.
- Heat lamps are not permitted at the LISD Chester Boyd Agriculture Center per LISD Fire Code. Having a heat lamp in your pen may result in potential fines from the Fire Marshall. The fine will be the responsibility of the student. Ag Science Teacher(s) will remove any heat lamps that are found.

### SENIOR STUDENTS

- No senior student may start a project that will not finish before the end of the school year.
- Prior to graduation, all livestock projects and equipment must be removed.
- Graduated seniors will not be allowed to utilize the Lewisville ISD Ag Barn Facility.

### **REMOVAL OF PROJECTS**

- Denton County Livestock Show is the final show of each show season.
  - **Market project** will not return to the Ag Barn following the Denton County Livestock Show. Market projects qualifying for the sale will be sold at the Denton County Livestock Auction. Students with projects not qualifying for the sale will be sold and loaded on the market truck through the DCLA.
  - **Breeding animals** that are not returning the following year are able to return to the Ag Barn following county. The student is to remove all remaining breeding projects from the Ag Barn Facility within 10 days after the last sponsored show of that species Ag Science Teacher(s). If the project is not removed by the 10 day period, the animal will be removed and sold at a local auction barn. Any expenses incurred by the district will be deducted from the sale price of the project.
- Any student that is not allowed on any district property (due to disciplinary action) may have their project removed from the Ag Barn Facility. After notification from the Ag Science Teacher(s) the students will be required to leave within a 5 day period, including cleaning out the stall or pen.
- All students that have housed an animal at the LISD Ag Barn Facility must remove all personal belongings (feed, storage containers, etc.) from the LISD Ag Barn Facility within 10 days from the last LISD sponsored livestock show that the student participates in or the day of final barn cleanup depending on which comes first. Failure to comply will result in the forfeiture of personal belongings to the LISD Ag Barn Facility.

### **PROJECT DEATH**

- If a project dies at the project center, it is the student's/parent's responsibility to contact the species Ag Science Teacher(s) or if he/she cannot be reached, another Ag Science Teacher for Lewisville ISD.
- The Ag Science Teacher(s) will provide information to students/parents about the removal process.
- It is the student's/parent's responsibility to remove the project within twenty-four (24) hours after being notified.
- The removal of a deceased animal is at the expense of the student/parent.

### SCRAMBLE ANIMALS

- Scramble forms and certificates must be signed and approved by the Ag Science Teacher(s) overseeing the species being shown.
  - Students will not scramble at any shows that are not attended or sponsored by the LISD FFA program or Ag Science Teachers.
- Students and parents are responsible for reading and meeting the rules and expectations of the scramble shows. It will also be the responsibility of the student/parent to transport the scramble student to the appropriate show, location, and times as required by the show.
- All general rules and expectations apply to scramble animals. If a student does not meet LISD or the scramble show rules, LISD FFA will drop sponsorship of the scramble animal.

# Lewisville Independent School District Livestock Show Rules and Guidelines

Membership on the Lewisville ISD FFA Show Team is considered a privilege; therefore, the following rules must be followed. Any Lewisville ISD FFA member is expected to follow the guidelines of this handbook, Student Code of Conduct, and the Extracurricular Code of Conduct guidelines. Any FFA event is considered an extension of the Lewisville Independent School District and therefore all participating students must be actively enrolled and in good standing in a LISD school to participate.

Any Ag Science Teacher supervising a species has sole discretion to adjust, amend or add additional expectations as deemed important for the success of his or her project and upon approval from CTE administration.

The stock show experience is fast-paced and requires a lot of hard work on the part of everyone involved. To have a successful, positive experience, everyone must work as a team.

### LEWISVILLE ISD SPONSORED LIVESTOCK SHOWS

- The Ag Science teacher <u>will accompany students to all sponsored LISD livestock</u> <u>events and shows.</u>
- LISD Sponsored Shows for 2021-22 school year are as follows by species:

	<u>Goats</u>	<u>Horses</u>	<u>Heifers</u>	<u>Lambs</u>	<u>Rabbits</u>	<u>Steers</u>	<u>Swine</u>
Denton County	X		X	Х	X		Breeding Market
Fort Worth	X		X	Х			
Houston							Breedin
San Antonio			X				Breedin

- In addition, students must adhere to expectations listed under Lewisville "Jackpot shows"
- In addition, parents/students can attend "Jackpot Shows" on their own but will need to comply with the following if showing under Lewisville ISD FFA Chapter:
  - Gain permission from species Ag Science Teacher at least 1 week in advance.
  - If proper notice is not given, species Ag Science Teacher has the right to refuse.
  - Supply your own means of transportation; truck, trailer, cage, etc.
  - The use of LISD equipment such as fans, blowers, show boxes, drench guns, mats, etc. must have approval from the Ag Science Teacher and the Ag Equipment CheckOut Form has been completed.
- All entry forms for Major Shows and Denton County Livestock Show will be filled out and submitted at the Major Livestock Show Meeting.
  - All entries must be paid for in full the night of the Major Livestock Show Meeting, failure to do so will result in animals not being entered for shows.

- Once the meeting date is set, if the parent and/or student are unable to attend, all forms and monetary costs must be completed and turned in to the species Ag Science Teacher prior to the meeting date.
- All other entry forms regarding Denton County (home economics, ag mechanics, rabbits, etc.) will be sent out by the Ag Science Teachers. Return dates for entries and money will be included in the information sent out.

### STUDENT ELIGIBILITY FOR LIVESTOCK SHOWS

In order to be eligible to participate in any livestock show as a Lewisville ISD FFA member, students must meet the following requirements:

- Be actively enrolled, and in good standing, at a Lewisville ISD school
- High school students must be enrolled in an approved Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources class to participate in the Lewisville ISD FFA chapter.
- If a student is ineligible to show due to UIL ineligibility, the animal is also ineligible to show.
- If a student is considered in loss of credit, the student and animal are considered ineligible until the credit has been made up.
- UIL eligibility guidelines will be followed to determine eligibility to attend livestock shows, including but not limited to weekend jackpot shows, major livestock shows, etc.
  - Species Ag Teacher(s) will conduct grade checks to monitor eligibility.
- Comply with National FFA and Texas FFA membership guidelines.
- Must be in compliance of Lewisville ISD compulsory attendance. (FEA Legal and FM Local)
- Student is in good standing with the Lewisville FFA Chapter.
- Student will be allowed to participate in only those shows approved by the supervising teacher.
- Attend all mandatory livestock meetings and practices for that specific livestock project.
- Have paid entry fees on time and met show requirements.
- Student will be responsible for all personal travel to and from all livestock shows.
- Substitute exhibitors for any animal species must be approved and coordinated by the species Ag Science Teacher in conjunction with livestock show rules.
- Show specific rules will be followed.

### **GENERAL EXPECTATIONS**

- All students are expected to follow the Lewisville ISD Student Code of Conduct and the Extracurricular Code of Conduct guidelines set forth by Lewisville ISD.
- All students showing with the Lewisville ISD FFA are expected to follow the rules and guidelines of the Major Livestock Shows. All shows provide a catalog/ guidelines book via their specific website. Should you violate a rule, you will be subject to the consequences.
- All Lewisville ISD policies regarding travel, transportation, and student behavior

will be enforced.

- Everyone is expected to work as a team to load animals, tear down pens, weigh animals, etc. Lewisville FFA works as a team to encourage and help one another, which means you are expected to watch other student's show, etc. We will travel as a group as much as possible and work together to make it a positive experience for all students. If there are extenuating circumstances where you cannot work with other FFA members, please communicate with sponsoring Ag Science Teacher.
- All contact with projects should be limited to said project's owner. No student, parent, or visitor should enter, feed, or administer medication to another project without prior approval from the owner.
- All Animals must be state validated and all validation rules must be followed. It is the responsibility of the student and/or parents to check the accuracy of the validation.
- All animals will travel together to all livestock shows sponsored by Lewisville FFA.
- All species will stall together at all livestock shows attended by Lewisville FFA.
  - Any animal not being hauled and stalled with the Lewisville FFA Team will not be able to attend the show.
- Animals should be clipped and groomed as much as possible before they leave for the show. Each Species Ag Science Teacher will give instructions for their procedures and sign-up times.
- All families are expected to make their own hotel arrangements.
- Payment for stock show registration is expected at the time of registration. Lewisville FFA will hold a Major Show meeting in the fall for all species, this is mandatory for you to attend. All payment and paperwork is to be completed at this time or the student will not be entered for the show(s).
- All students attending LISD sponsored shows must attend with a parent or guardian.
  - If parent/guardian is not able to attend, 2-week prior notification must be given to the species Ag Science Teacher(s). This notification must include a designated guardian. All guardians must have approved Lewisville ISD volunteer application on file. <u>THIS APPLICATION IS LOCATED AT</u> <u>https://lewisvilleisd.voly.org\_</u>
- If you are not present to assist with loading or unloading, or to show/sell your animal, then your animal will not be shown or sold. <u>The species Ag Science</u> <u>Teacher must approve any exceptions.</u>
- Substitutions for showing animals must follow the guidelines of the Major Stock Show. Any substitutions must have prior approval from species Ag teacher.
- LISD Student Handbook and Student Code of Conduct: The LISD Agriculture Science Ag Barn Facility is an extension of Lewisville ISD; therefore, all rules and regulations found in the LISD Student Handbook, and the Student Code of Conduct apply. This includes during the summer months, holidays, weekends, and any other district closure.
- LISD Student Co-Curricular/Extracurricular Contract: All students and

parents will be required to read and sign this contract as a part of being a LISD FFA Member.

### **OTHER**

- Students are expected to perform duties for the livestock show. This includes but is not limited to set-up, clean-up, etc. as set forth by the species Ag Science teacher.
- Parents/students may be asked to leave any Lewisville FFA sponsored event or the Ag Barn for any behavior misconduct including but not limited to aggressive or disrespectful behavior towards advisors, other parents, students, or any behavior that brings discredit to our organization.
- Students who choose to attend livestock shows outside of the designated school shows must follow all Lewisville FFA, and show team guidelines, as they still represent our organization.
- Any decisions or instructions made by the species Ag Science teacher at a school-sponsored show are final. Any concerns should be addressed through the chain of command prior to leaving for or upon immediate return following an event.

### <u>Liabilities</u>

### **Animal Projects**

- No animal, including but not limited to personally owned animals, consigned or leased animals, will be housed at the Ag Barn facility without a current signed receipt of this document and a signed "LISD student co-curricular / extracurricular contract" on file with the Species Ag Science Teacher and campus Ag Science Teacher. Both required signed documents are located at the back of this manual.
- All animals remain the owner's liability during the duration of the project, including transportation, trailering, during shows and while in the Ag Barn Facility.
- All animal projects must be owned, consigned or leased by Lewisville ISD enrolled students to be housed at the Ag Barn facility.
- The Lewisville ISD, Agriscience Program, Lewisville FFA Parents & Friends Booster Club, District Employees, or volunteers will assume NO responsibility for accidents or injuries to students, parents, visitors, livestock, or personal property resulting from the use of the facilities or equipment, as well as livestock owned by other persons.
  - Should an injury occur to a livestock project during transportation, validation, or other event, the liability remains the responsibility of the student. The Ag Science Teachers will make their best attempt to prevent injuries with projects, but are not to be held liable.
- Insurance for animals kept at the facility is not maintained by the school district, Agriscience Departments or FFA Chapter. It is the responsibility of the student to provide any insurance coverage on his/her animal deemed necessary. The loss of an animal, or expenses incurred as a result of loss, injury, illness, etc., including veterinary bills, is the

sole responsibility of the student and will not be the responsibility of the Lewisville Independent School District, Agriscience Department, Ag Science Teachers, Career and Technical Education Department, or FFA Chapter.

### **Consignment and / OR LEASED Projects**

- All Animals or projects consigned or leased by Lewisville FFA students are under the sole determination, approval, and supervision of the Species Ag Science Teacher.
- Any leased or consigned animal will be under a written contract of the parent/student and owner and/or breeder of that animal, Lewisville Independent School District and/or LISD Ag Science Teacher will not be responsible for leased or consigned agreements. Once a student completes the contracted term, it is the parent and student responsibility to return the animal back to the owner and/or breeder in healthy condition.
- All responsibilities for the maintenance and care of the animal are the responsibility of the student.
- All consignment or leased animals will be kept under the direct supervision of the species Ag Science Teacher and will not leave the Ag Barn Facilities grounds without the species Ag Science Teacher Approval. (REMEMBER these animals are housed at the LISD Ag Facility and must be under the direct supervision of an LISD Ag Teacher.)
  - If a consigned or leased animal needs to leave the Ag Barn Facility, there must be granted permission from the Species Ag Science Teacher prior to departure.

### **Travel for School Activities**

• Before students can travel to any school sponsored activity the teacher attending must have a field trip release form on file, extracurricular medical permission form, and alternative/private transportation form.

### Visitors, including but not limited to breeders

• ANY visitor accompanying a Lewisville FFA student and / or parent and attending a Lewisville ISD sponsored event or activity, must adhere to appropriate conduct outlined in this document as well be an approved volunteer through the LISD approval process at <a href="https://lewisvilleisd.voly.org">https://lewisvilleisd.voly.org</a>.

### **Misconduct**

• Any infraction of district rules, policies or guidelines as set forth in the LISD Student Code of Conduct, LISD Student Co-Curricular / Extracurricular Contract, and / or the LISD FFA Member Handbook will result in disciplinary action and may cause immediate removal from the program. The Ag Science Teacher(s) in collaboration with CTE administration will have the authority to suspend or remove any member for any infractions. All contents of this document is at the discretionary interpretation of CTE administration for determining consequences for inappropriate behavior.

### **Questions and / or Concerns**

Any questions and / or concerns are expected to be addressed in a private and professional manner. Please refer to the Chain of Command when needing to address any conflicts that arise:

- Supervising Ag Science Teacher(s)
- Campus Lead Teacher/Department Head
- Campus Administration at TECC-W

# **Student Compulsory Attendance Laws**

Regular school attendance is essential for a student to make the most of his or her education in order to benefit from teacher-led and school activities, to build each day's learning on the previous day's, and to grow as an individual. Absences from class may result in serious disruption of a student's mastery of the instructional materials; therefore, the student and parent should make every effort to avoid unnecessary absences. There are two state laws dealing with attendance. The first law deals with the required presence of school-aged children in school, e.g., compulsory attendance. The second law covers how a child's attendance affects the awarding of a student's final grade or course credit.

### **Compulsory Attendance**

State law requires that a student between the ages of 6 and 18 attend school, as well as any applicable accelerated instruction program, extended year program, or tutorial session, unless the student is otherwise excused from attendance or legally exempt.

### **Exemptions to Compulsory Attendance**

- Religious holidays
- Required court appearances
- Activities related to obtaining United States citizenship
- Documented health-care appointments or recognized services for the student or a child of the student. (A note from the health-care provider must be submitted upon the student's arrival or return to campus)
- For students in the conservatorship (custody) of the state,
- Mental health or therapy appointments; or
- Court-ordered family visitations or any other court-ordered activity, provided it is not practicable to schedule the student's participation in the activity outside of school hours.

In addition, a junior or senior student's absence of up to two days related to visiting a college or university will be considered an exemption, provided the student receives approval from the campus principal, follows the campus procedures to verify such a visit, and makes-up any work missed.

Absences of up to two days in a school year will also be considered an exemption for a student serving as an early voting clerk, provided the student notifies his or her teachers and receives approval from the principal prior to the absence.

As listed in Section 1 at Accommodations for Children of Military Families, absence of up to five days will be excluded for a student to visit with a parent, stepparent, or legal guardian who has been called to duty for, is on leave from, or immediately returned from certain deployments.

**Extracurricular Activity Absences** allowed during the school year for extracurricular activities shall be limited to: **ten absences not related to post- district competitions, five absences for post-district competition prior to state, and two absences for state competition.** 

Students participating in the LISD FFA programs are only allowed to miss a maximum number of school days. Students must remember this does include participation in other extracurricular activities.

If a student is considered to be in loss of credit, the student will not be allowed to participate in any FFA events until their attendance is considered in good standing with the school district.

# **ELIGIBILITY / GRADE POLICY:**

The AgriScience program shall follow the guidelines and times from the UIL in regards to eligibility. The UIL guidelines will be used as a minimum standard more stringent guidelines based on campus or program expectations may be enforced

- If a student is ineligible or not passing at the time that the UIL grade check is completed, that student and/or animal will not take part in the trip.
- If a student does not have enough days per the 10 days given for School Sponsored Trips to go on a trip for the entire time, then they are not eligible to attend the show.
- If a student is considered in loss of credit due to attendance, the student will be considered ineligible to attend the event until the credit has been made up.

# **Parent Responsibility and Expectations**

Lewisville ISD and CTE administration reserve the right for discretionary interpretation of contents in this guide. Any disciplinary action or violation of this document will be at the sole discretion of Lewisville ISD, following the Chain of Command:

• Parent Responsibilities: The responsibility of the parent is to promote teamwork, good showmanship, and success for students and the Ag Science program. As a parent, assistance to the livestock show team is important and valued.

- Parents are expected to:
  - Review show team guidelines, show rules, and contents of the LISD FFA handbook with your child frequently.
  - Ensure your child accurately completes and turns in all registration paperwork, payment, and other required forms on time.
  - Refrain from the use of tobacco, alcohol, and profanity at all FFA livestock events.
    - Use of alcoholic beverages is forbidden on school property, including the Lewisville ISD Ag Barn Facility. In addition, please remember that stock shows and other FFA events are family experiences and also an extension of school grounds when attending under Lewisville FFA. Adults are not allowed to consume or have in their possession alcoholic beverages in or around the primary/general areas of the livestock show team, including animal pens.
  - Support and respect the decisions and instructions given by FFA advisors, show judges, and other officials at all livestock events.
  - Provide positive support for your child and the entire FFA livestock team.
  - Ensure that your student is on time to ALL required meetings and practices and that they follow all show team contract guidelines.
  - Transportation and accommodations of students at all stock shows.
    - Overnight travel requires parent/guardian supervision. If a parent/guardian is not able to attend, a 2-week prior notification must be given to species Ag Science teacher. This notification must include designated guardian and required LISD forms.
  - All animals must be state validated and all validation rules must be followed. It is the responsibility of the parents to check the accuracy of the validation.
  - Parents/students may be asked to leave any Lewisville FFA sponsored event or the Ag Barn for any behavior misconduct including but not limited to aggressive or disrespectful behavior towards advisors, other parents, students, or any behavior that brings discredit to our organization.
  - Any decisions or instructions made by the species Ag Science teacher at a school-sponsored show are final. Any concerns should be addressed through the chain of command prior to leaving for or upon immediate return following an event.

# Terms, Conditions, and Consequences

Notification of changes will be sent to campus administration and Ag Science Teachers.

Any terms and conditions are subject to change. All contents of this contract are at the sole discretion of CTE administration. This document will be kept updated and located on the TECC-W website. *It will be the responsibility of students and parents to utilize the website to obtain and/or refer to the most current version of this document.* 

The Ag Science Program reserves the right to remove any animal from the facilities if any one of the following conditions exists:

- Animal abuse or neglect in any form
- Diseased or infected animals
- Animals that are unsafe to handle
- Students and/or parents failing to observe rules
- Animals not being fed for show purposes
- Student is no longer involved in the program
- Student expelled or withdrawn from LISD
- Student placed in DAEP (Discipline Alternative Education Program)
- If the student fails to abide by any of the above mentioned rules or guidelines set forth in this document and other Lewisville ISD district policy, actions can be taken to remove the animal and/or ban any future Agriculture facility privileges. The student is subject to disciplinary action for failure to comply with these rules and guidelines.

### RECEIPT OF LEWISVILLE FFA STUDENT HANDBOOK & COVID ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE 2020-2021 LEWISVILLE ISD FFA STUDENT HANDBOOK

Barn Key Card Code: \_\_\_\_\_

My student and I accept responsibility for assessing, reading and following the guidelines in the Lewisville ISD FFA Handbook and the Lewisville ISD FFA Handbook Covid Addendum. My student and I are fully aware the Lewisville ISD FFA Student Handbook located on the Lewisville ISD website is the most current and applicable document.

I understand that the LEWISVILLE ISD FFA HANDBOOK and LEWISVILLE ISD STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT contain information that my student and I may need during the school year. All students will be held accountable for their behavior and will be subject to the disciplinary consequences outlined in both documents. If I have questions regarding the LEWISVILLE ISD FFA STUDENT HANDBOOK, or the STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT I should direct those questions to TECC-W administration.

Student Name	Date
Student Signature	Date
Parent Signature	Date