

*Polk County Youth Fair*  
**Fair Dates - January 26-February 1, 2013**

(863) 519-8677, ext. 116

All exhibits must be entered on a 2013 entry form and submitted to the Polk County Youth Fair Office 1702 Highway 17 South, Bartow FL 33830 or **mailed to** P O BOX 9005, Drawer HS03, Bartow, FL 33831-9005. Entries postmarked(not metered mail or fax) on the entry deadline date will be accepted. Entry forms are available on line at: [www.pcyf.net](http://www.pcyf.net). Your signature on the entry form you are entering your project on signifies that you have read and understand the rules and regulations and agree to abide by said rules and regulations. Please read specific department rules for other deadlines and penalties related to market animals and plants for auction.

<b><i>Date:</i></b>	<b><i>What's Due:</i></b>
March 30, 2012	Commercial Market Steer Show Entry Form Due
June 16, 2012 8:00 am	Commercial Market Steer Selection Day
July 13, 2012	Open Show Market Steer entry forms due
July 20, 2012	Late entries for Open Show Market Steers due
July 28, 2012 6:00 am - 9:00 am	Mandatory Market Steer Initial Weigh in/Tagging Day(Open and commercial)
August 18, 2012 8:00 am - noon	Mandatory Livestock Field Day and Market Steer Exhibitor Rules Meeting
September 20, 2012 7:00 pm	Mandatory meeting for all Market Hog Exhibitors, 4-H Leaders and Teachers
September 21, 2012	Blueberry, Citrus, Peach, Ornamental Plant Entry Forms(Horticulture) due
September 22, 2012 9:00 am	Mandatory meeting for all Market Hog Exhibitors, 4-H Leaders and Teachers
September 24, 2012	Market Hog entry forms due
September 25-28, 2012	Late entries for Market Hogs due
September 27, 2012 6:30 pm	Horticulture Workshop
September 28, 2012	Late entries for Blueberry, Citrus, Peach and Ornamental Plant Entry Forms(Horticulture)
October 1, 2012	Horses must be owned/leased or cared for by this date
October 6, 2012 6:30 am - 10:00 am	Market Hog Tagging Day
October 12, 2012	Archery Competition Entry Forms due
October 19, 2012	Late entries for Archery Competition due
October 20, 2012 8:00 am - 2:00 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> of 2 Mandatory Archery Safety and Training Session/Fun Shoot and Turkey Shoot
November 2, 2012	Beef Breeding, Commercial Heifer, Horse, Poultry and Rabbit entry forms due
November 16, 2012	Late entries for rabbits due
November 17, 2012 8:00 am - 9:30 am	2 <sup>nd</sup> of 2 Mandatory Archery Safety and Training Session/Fun Shoot and Turkey Shoot
November 30, 2012	Chili Cook Off Contest, Vegetable entry forms due. Beef Breeding, Commercial Heifer, Horse late entry forms due. Bedding Plants, Hanging Baskets ownership deadline.
December 7, 2012	Dog Entry and Dog Class entry forms due, Vegetable late entry forms due
December 14, 2012	Late entries for Dog Entry and Dog Class due
January 4, 2013	Scrap Off entry forms due, Whip Popping entry forms due, Copies of letters to potential buyers for all auction entries due.
January 14, 2013	Copies of letters to potential buyers for horticulture late letter deadline
January 22, 2013 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Non-perishable entry forms and exhibit check in. Entry forms and Recipe forms for Cake Auction, Demonstrations, Illustrated Talks, Mannequin Modeling, Sew Off Contest, Storytelling Contest, Tablesetting & Menu Planning, Working Booth entry forms due.
January 25, 2013 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Perishable entry forms and exhibits check in and Food Preservation Exhibits Check in
January 28, 2013 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Cakes for auction check in



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## 2013 Rules and Regulations

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## ***Exhibit Check In/Check Out***

<b>TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2013</b> 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Check in for All Family & Consumer Sciences Nonperishable exhibits, Cake Auction entry form and Recipe form, Demonstrations, Illustrated Talks, Mannequin Modeling, Sew Off Contest Entry Form, Storytelling Entry Form, Tablesetting and Menu Planning Entry Form, Working Booths Entry Form.
<b>FRIDAY, JANUARY 25, 2013</b> 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm	All Family & Consumer Sciences Perishable exhibits Check In. Food Preservation Exhibits Check In
<b>SATURDAY, JANUARY 26, 2013</b> 12:00 am - 7:00 am 7:30 am 8:00 am - 12:00 pm	Market Hogs Check In Horses Check In Rabbits Check In
<b>SUNDAY, JANUARY 27, 2013</b> 7:00 am - 11:00 am	Commercial Heifer Check In
<b>MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2013</b> 8:30 am 10:00 am - 4:00 pm 11:00 am 1:30 pm 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm 9:00 pm	Archery Competition Juniors check in/safety inspection Horticulture Check in Archery Competition Intermediate check in/safety inspection Archery Competition Seniors check in/safety inspection Cakes for auction Check In Judging of Cakes for Auction Notification of Cake Auction Winners
<b>TUESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2013</b> 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Rabbits Check Out
<b>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2013</b> 6:00 am - 9:00 am 11:00 am - 5:00 pm 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Beef Breeding and Market Steers Check in(Open and Commercial) Poultry and Eggs Check in Dogs for Showmanship Check in
<b>THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 2013</b> 8:00 am	Dogs for Agility, Test, Obedience and Rally Check in
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<b>SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2013</b> 9:00 am - 10:00 am 9:00 am - 11:00 am	Poultry - Check Out Stuart Center Exhibits Check Out
<b>MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2013</b> 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Stuart Center Exhibits Check Out

Removal of Exhibits - See Exhibit Check in/Check Out Schedule. No exhibits may be removed except during the hours and dates specified. Removal of exhibits without permission of the Fair Management will result in the forfeiture of all premiums and awards. All exhibits not removed from the Fair Grounds by 4:30 P.M., Monday, February 4, 2013 will become the property of the Fair and exhibitor will forfeit all premiums unless other arrangements have been made in advance with the Fair Management. All check-out of exhibits must be cleared through the appropriate Department Superintendent or his or her representative.

### *Schedule of Events*

Buildings open to public each day at 8:30 am and close after last event of the evening

<p><b>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2013</b> 9:00 am</p>	<p>Judging of Non Perishable Exhibits</p>
<p><b>THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 2013</b> 10:00 am</p>	<p>Tri Color Judging of Non Perishable Exhibits</p>
<p><b>SATURDAY, JANUARY 26, 2013</b> 8:30 am 9:00 am</p>	<p>Horse Show Judging of Perishables/Tri-Color Judging</p>
<p><b>SUNDAY, JANUARY 27, 2013</b> 10:00 am (first half) 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm 2:30 pm (second half)</p>	<p>Market Hog Show <i>Intermission of Market Hog Show</i> Market Hog Show</p>
<p><b>MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2013</b> 8:30 am - 4:00 pm 9:00 am - 3:30 pm 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm 6:00 pm</p>	<p>Archery Competition Tablesetting &amp; Menu Planning Contest(See rules for details) Top Ranch Hand Contest Market Hog Showmanship Contest</p>
<p><b>TUESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2013</b> 9:00 am 10:00 am - 12:00 pm 10:00 am (approximately) 1:00 pm 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm 4:00 pm</p>	<p>Market Hog Sale Sew Off Contest - Individual(pajama pant) Cake Auction Mannequin Modeling Working Booths Sew Off Contest - Team(pillow) Commercial Heifer Show/Showmanship</p>
<p><b>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2013</b> 9:00 am - noon 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Storytelling Contest Chili Cook Off Contest Stuart Center open to Public Dog Showmanship Class Poultry Show/Showmanship Whip Popping Contest</p>
<p><b>THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 2013</b> 8:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 9:00 am - noon 10:00 am - 4:00 pm 2:00 pm 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm 7:00 pm</p>	<p>Dog Show Demonstrations Illustrated Talks Poultry, Egg and Rabbit Judging Contests Beef Breeding Show/Showmanship Scrap Off Contest Mannequin Modeling Working Booths Market Steer Show/Showmanship(Open and Commercial)</p>
<p><b>FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2013</b> 9:00 am - 9:45 am 10:00 am - noon 10:00 am - noon 10:30 am - noon 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm 6:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm</p>	<p>Horticulture Judging Contest Working Booths Mannequin Modeling Livestock Judging Contest Blueberry, Citrus, Peach &amp; Ornamental Plant Sale Tri-Color Presentation Parade of Champions Commercial Heifer Sale Market Steer Sale</p>

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**JANUARY 26 - FEBRUARY 1, 2013**  
**2013 GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**NOTE: YOU MAY BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THE YOUTH FAIR IF YOU FAIL TO FOLLOW ANY OF THE YOUTH FAIR RULES.**

**Exhibitors:**

✗ a. Any bonafide member of 4-H, FFA, FCCLA on date of entry. Exhibitors must declare organization affiliation at time of entry of exhibit and may not change affiliation between entry time and Fair. Each exhibitor must also be a bonafide full time student in the Polk County school system(12th grade or below). All exhibitors must be a resident of Polk County including those who are home schooled in their own home. **Minimum age of exhibitors is 8 years old as of September 1, 2012.** No adult school students or students over the age of 22 will be eligible. An exception may be made for exhibitors attending a special needs school outside of Polk County if the exhibitor notifies the Polk County Youth Fair in advance for consideration of entering an exhibit in the Fair.

b. **Exceptional Students:** The Fair encourages parents, leaders and teachers of exceptional students to study the exhibit categories and select those that are reasonably within the abilities of the individual youngster. The Fair Management, if contacted in advance will make all reasonable efforts to permit alternatives to be used in such a way to allow the youngster an opportunity to participate.

c. **All exhibitors are required to wear organizational dress as defined below for all shows and all sales.**

**Exhibitors not in organizational dress will be fined a \$50.00 fee for each show and sale in which they are not properly attired. Polk County Youth Fair Official Guidelines are as follows:**

**FFA:** FFA jacket zipped to the top. White collared shirt with FFA scarf or tie - solid black or navy tie/scarf. Black pants. Black, dark brown or gray boots/shoes.

**4-H:** A white shirt with green scarf, green ribbon or green tie and dark pants.

No soft shoes such as tennis shoes allowed.

**FCCLA:** White dress shirt and dark skirt or dress pants. No open toe shoes.

d. **Showmanship, Competitions, Special Activities and Judging Contests:**

Age of exhibitors to compete in shows, showmanship classes, special activities and judging contests will be divided into three divisions and will be based on the exhibitor's age as of **September 1, 2012:**

Junior - 8 to 10 years old

Intermediate - 11 - 13 years old

Senior - 14 to 18 years old

✗ Showmanship Contests - Exhibitors in the showmanship contest may be allowed to show another exhibitor's animal that is entered in the same department, if the committee of the department in which they are entered determines an exhibitor's animal shows signs of having health issues and cannot be shown at the time of the showmanship contest.

e. **Exhibitor Conduct:** Exhibitors are required to conduct themselves as ladies and gentlemen. Appropriate dress is required at all times. No radios are allowed to be played in the building including the inside of the barn. **NO SNUFF OR CHEWING TOBACCO IS ALLOWED DURING AN EVENT. The use of alcoholic beverages, drugs and related substances is forbidden on the Fair Grounds.** Violators will be referred to the appropriate law enforcement agency for prosecution. **Unbecoming conduct such as the use of profanity, on the part of the exhibitor or anyone associated with the exhibitor will, at the discretion of the Fair Management, result in the disqualification of the exhibitor and requires the immediate removal of the exhibitor and his/her exhibits from the Fair Grounds with forfeiture of all premiums and awards.**

f. **School Attendance:** School attendance is important, but exhibitors should take care of their own exhibits during the Fair and make prior arrangements with teachers to make up work missed while at the Fair.

**Entry & Exhibits:**

Exhibits are to be the result of a planned learning experience -- made, grown, raised, trained, and/or completed by the exhibitor since the last Fair. The exhibitor must be involved on a continuing basis to provide a meaningful educational and personal development experience. Please refer to the rules of each department for specific requirements in regards to entry deadlines, ownership deadlines, etc. Preparation of any exhibit **should** be done by the exhibitor.

**Entry Forms: Exhibitors who knowingly state false information on entry forms will be subject to disqualification from the Fair.** Exhibitor's signature, parent/guardian's signature and teacher/leader's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, parent/guardian, teacher/leader and that all understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations. A physical address where market animals will be raised is required to be listed on the entry form submitted. Specific committee members will spot check market animals from

initial entry deadline until final date of check-in at fair time. Entry forms and additional copies of the Rules and Regulations are available from the Youth Fair Office, located at 1702 Highway 17 South, Bartow, Florida 33830 **or** online at [www.pcyf.net](http://www.pcyf.net)

**Number of Exhibits** - The number of exhibits allowed will vary with each department. See specific rules for the Department under which the exhibit will be entered for details.

**Exhibit Tags** - A completed exhibit tag available from the Youth Fair office is required for all Family & Consumer Sciences projects, rabbits, poultry, and horticulture.

### **ENTRY AND TAGGING FEES**

**Entry Fees:** A \$5.00 entry fee will be in effect for the following departments: Archery Competition, Family & Consumer Sciences, Dog Show, Egg, Poultry & Rabbit(counted together as one division), Horticulture. Each exhibitor must submit a \$5.00 entry fee per division for the 2013 Polk County Youth Fair. This entry fee **must** accompany entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit in a division need only pay the entry fee one time for the division they are entering. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

**Entry Fees for large animals:** A \$10.00 entry fee will be in effect for the following divisions: Purebred Beef Breeding, Commercial Heifer, Horse, Market Hog, Market Steer. Each exhibitor must submit a \$10.00 entry fee for the 2013 Polk County Youth Fair for the division they are entering. This entry fee **must** accompany entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. Those exhibitors entering more than one exhibit in a division need only pay the entry fee one time for the division they are entering. **Entry forms received without entry fee being paid will not be accepted. Entry fees are nonrefundable.**

**Market Steer Carcass Contest Fee:** A carcass contest fee in the amount of \$10.00 per animal entered will need to be submitted with entry form. All steers accepted at the final weigh-in for the Polk County Youth Fair Steer Show and Sale will be measured for the carcass contest.

### **LATE ENTRY FEES:**

Beef, Commercial Heifer, Market Steer - \$100.00  
Archery Competition - \$10.00  
Dog - \$10.00  
Horse - \$25.00  
Horticulture - \$10.00  
Market Hog - \$50.00  
Rabbit - \$10.00

Late fees in addition to the entry fee for the proper amount **must** accompany entry form in order for entry to be considered valid. **Entry forms received without late entry fee will not be accepted. All late fees are nonrefundable.**

**Tagging Identification Fee:** Exhibitors entering the Market Hog and Market Steer department will need to submit a \$10.00 identification fee per animal entered. This fee must accompany the entry form for entry to be considered valid. Entry forms received without tagging identification fee being paid will not be accepted. **Tagging identification fees are nonrefundable.**

### **Overall Fair Rules:**

**Protests:** Protests of any ruling or incident arising will be considered **only** if submitted in writing within 6 hours of the occurrence. **Protests of any judge's decision will not be considered.** Protests must be submitted in writing to the Protest Committee accompanied by a \$25 protest fee payable in cash. Within 24 hours of filing the protest, the Protest Committee will assemble a quorum to rule on the matter. Protestor will be afforded the opportunity to address the committee for a brief statement, no longer than 10 minutes, on the protest if they desire before a ruling is made. Upon rendering their ruling, all parties involved or affected will be notified of the outcome by the Protest Committee or their designated representative. Once a ruling is made, the matter will be considered closed; no further action will be considered by the Protest Committee. If the ruling goes in favor of the protestor, the \$25.00 will be returned; otherwise, the protestor forfeits same.

**Liability** - Exhibitors, by entering the Polk County Youth Fair, assume all responsibility for their exhibits. The Polk County Youth Fair, Inc. will not assume any responsibility for loss or damage to an exhibit or any liability caused by an exhibit or exhibitor. The Fair will make every reasonable effort to protect property or exhibits from loss or damage.

**Sale or Advertisement of items other than exhibits** - No posting of advertisements for sale of property, exhibits or any other items allowed on the Fair Grounds without prior approval of Fair Management.

**Judging** - The Danish System of judging will be used and the decision of the judges will be final. Exhibits may be screened at the time of check-in for quality, appropriateness, and conformity to the rules and regulations prior to being placed on exhibit. Excellent (blue), Good (red), Worthy (white) and other appropriate awards will be given to each entry based on the judges



decision. Should an exhibit not meet the minimum standards, in the opinion of the judges, a **No Award** may be given and the entry will not be exhibited.

**Parade of Champions** - Notification to participate will be attached to exhibitor's award. Eligible winners should report to the Stuart Center at 5:30 p.m. in FCCLA, FFA or 4-H dress with all received awards.

**Record Books:** Exhibitors are required to present either an approved up to date record FFA or 4-H record book at check in for the following departments: Beef, Commercial Heifer, Horse, Market Hog and Market Steers. Record books will be returned to exhibitors after review by the committee.

**Penalties for not turning in an up to date record book are as follows:**

Purebred Beef, Commercial Heifer and Horse exhibitors will not be allowed to participate. **No** exceptions will be made. Market Hog and Market Steer exhibitors: \$25.00 to be deducted from sale check.

**Buyer Letters for Livestock Projects and Cake Auction Projects**

Copies of at least two letters which are legible with potential buyers names (one letter with two potential buyers names is not acceptable) to potential buyers are due in the Youth Fair office by **5:00 P.M. Friday, January 4, 2013** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date and should be marked to the attention of the committee for the department they are selling. If one letter is sent to a potential buyer and is used for several different projects(hog, cake, blueberry plant, citrus tree, peach tree or plant buyer letter), a separate copy must be sent to the Youth Fair office addressed **to each committee**. Exhibitors not submitting copies of two letters to potential buyers to the Youth Fair office by **5:00 P.M. Friday, January 4, 2013 will be fined \$50.00 to be deducted from sale check.** No buyer letters will be accepted after Friday, January 4, 2013. Postmarked by the deadline is acceptable.

**Buyer Letters For Horticulture Projects**

Copies of at least two which are legible with potential buyers names (one letter with two potential buyers names is not acceptable) are due in the Youth Fair office by **5:00 P.M. Friday, January 4, 2013** or postmarked on that date. Exhibitors submitting copies of letters after **5:00 P.M., January 4** and prior to **5:00 p.m. January 11, 2013** will be assessed a nonrefundable late fee of \$10.00. Late fee is due with copies of letters. Exhibitors not submitting copies of letters to potential buyers by **January 11, 2013** will not be included in the 2013 Blueberry Plant, Citrus Tree, Peach Tree, Ornamental Plant Auction. If one letter is sent to a potential buyer and is used for several different projects(blueberry, citrus, peach tree plant buyer letter and hog or steer buyer letter), a separate copy must be sent to the Youth Fair office addressed **Attn: Horticulture Committee. Letters inviting potential buyers to the Horticulture Auction must mention Blueberry, Citrus Tree, Peach Tree and Ornamentals Plants, if the exhibitors has entries in these areas.**

**No costumes or decorations of any kind will be allowed on any livestock animal during the show or sale which includes but not limited to hats, bandanas, ornaments, etc.**

At time of sale, no additional incentives can be added to sale of any sale project which includes but not limited to fishing trips, hunting trips, vacations, etc.

**Sale of Projects**

Only live animals, blueberry plants, citrus trees, peach trees, ornamental plants, cakes for auction and gift baskets for auction will be auctioned. **NO** medically unsound or dead animals will be auctioned.

**Commercial Heifers:** The top five placing exhibitors in either division will be given the opportunity to sell. If any of the top five placing exhibitors in either division choose not to participate in the sale, the next placed exhibitor will be offered the chance to sell their animal. Exhibitors must own their animals should they choose to participate in the sale. **Health certificates on sale heifers must be available to buyers.**

**Sale Fee:** Each exhibitor participating in an auction will be assessed a 5% fee to be deducted from the sale of their project.

**Market Hogs:** In addition to the 5% fee, a pork referendum fee of \$.0040 per total of sale will be deducted.

**Cattle:** In addition to the 5% fee, a beef check off fee of \$1.00 per head will be deducted.

**Add-ons:** A 5% fee will be deducted from all add-ons received. Add-ons will be included with sale check provided they have been paid for by the donor. Other add-ons received after sale check has been written will be paid separately.

**XChecks From Sale Projects**

Monies from the sale of blueberry plants, citrus trees, peach trees, cakes, commercial heifers, market hogs, ornamental plants and market steers, will be mailed to exhibitors as soon as money is received from the buyer and resale and copies of thank you letters(not metered mail or fax) are received from exhibitor. **Exhibitors not submitting copies of thank you letter to buyer to the Youth Fair within 90 days following the sale will be fined 50% of all sale money. Add-on check will be mailed separately if not paid by the time money from sale has been received.**

**Special Contests:** Awarding of special contests is subject to funding from sponsors and will not be awarded unless sponsor provides funding before fair time.

**Premium checks** will be distributed to 4-H Clubs, FFA Chapters, FCCLA Chapters as soon as possible after the closing of the Fair.

### **CAMPGROUND RULES:**

**Registration for camping must be received by November 30, 2012.** Contact the Youth Fair Office for full details. Youth Fair exhibitors and their families planning to park travel trailers or other equipment on the Fair Grounds must pre-register with the Youth Fair office.

People other than Fair exhibitors and families will not be permitted to camp on the Fair Grounds.

Campers must camp in designated areas only.

**Cancellation of camping space must be done prior to December 14, 2012, otherwise camping fee will be forfeited.**

All exhibitors remaining on the grounds after Fair closing time must be accompanied by a responsible adult **at all times**. Campers may not plug into the Agriculture Center's electrical system because of the shock hazard and danger of overloading electrical circuits.

A permit will be issued to each camper and permit must be displayed visually from roadway. **See complete rules for camping attached to camping registration form.**

#### **Camping Fees:**

Main Campground - 12 spaces as available - \$150.00 per week.

Dry camping - 10 spaces as available - \$75.00 per week

Club/Chapter Tent Site (20' x 20') 10 spaces as available - \$25.00 per week.

### **FAIRGROUND RULES:**

**No** golf carts, ATV's or any other off road vehicles other than used by Fair Officials will be allowed on fairgrounds at any time unless prior approval is made with Fair Officials.

After the Horse Show, ALL livestock trailers, regardless of size, **MUST** be parked in a designated area of the horse arena. Any livestock trailer parked in any other location is subject to impoundment by Security.

The only dogs (other than dogs in service to the disabled or dogs on leashed in campgrounds) allowed on the Fair grounds are those participating in the Dog Show on the day of the Dog Show. **No other animals of any kind other than those entered are allowed on the fairgrounds at any time.**

## **LIVESTOCK DIVISION**

### **General Rules**

**NO CHAPTER ANIMALS ARE ALLOWED TO BE ENTERED IN ANY LIVESTOCK DEPARTMENT.**

All market animals presented at check in will be refused entry should animal appear to be medically unsound or exhibit any condition that would affect the market value.

Each exhibitor will be allowed to show either one market hog or one market steer only. Exhibitor must show and sell his/her own animal.

Youth not present to show animal will be disqualified and must remove animal from premises immediately. Animals belonging to youth who are not present to take their animal into the sale ring at designated time as per the sale order will be sold at packer price and forfeit all premiums and awards.

No Livestock (except horses) will be allowed in the Horse Arena at any time during the Youth Fair for any purpose. Violation of this rule will subject exhibitors to disqualification from the Fair and forfeiture of all awards and premiums.

**Fire Safety:** All animals will be bedded on sand provided by the Fair. The use of straw, hay or other combustible materials to bed animals is prohibited. It is suggested that exhibitors use hay bags to feed animals. Hay and show boxes will be placed in designated areas of the barn to minimize the fire hazard and provide more access through the alleys for the exhibitors and spectators. **SMOKING** is strictly **prohibited** in the barn.

**Handling of Animals:** Failure of the exhibitor to be able to handle his/her animal **at all times**, may result in disqualification. All animals (except market hogs) must be halter broken. No animals will be accepted that cannot be handled properly by the exhibitor. All large animals must use halters only, except for bulls which must use nose rings in conjunction with the regular halter. Each exhibitor must show and sell his/her own animal (unless prior approval is received from fair management. All beef cattle including market steers, must be double tied at all times with halter and neck rope furnished by the exhibitor.

**Tampering of Animals:** The use of drugs, not in compliance with manufacturers' label instructions or Youth Fair regulations is prohibited. The use of any medication **must have prior approval from fair management** for any medications given. Any form of tampering (filling with water, tranquilizing, etc.) is prohibited. Animals will be subject to examination at any time and violators will automatically be disqualified with forfeiture of **all premiums, awards, and all rights to exhibit in future Youth Fairs.** Market steer and market hog exhibitors and their parent(s) are required to sign and turn in a Drug Certification Slip **prior to unloading** the animal at final check-in.

**Removal of Horns:** No animal will be allowed to show with dangerous horns. Animals with spurs, nubs or tipped horns, and certain registered horned breeding animals, may be allowed to show, if in the opinion of the Department Superintendent they are not dangerous to the exhibitors or spectators. Questions concerning horns **must be resolved prior to entry.**

**Grooming and Fitting Assistance:** Preparation of any exhibit for showing **should** be done by the exhibitor. Hand clippers, scissors, etc. are permitted. Electric service is not adequate to support the use of electric grooming aids. No grooming chutes, stalls, etc. will be allowed except in designated areas. Fair management will designate a specific area for the use of this type of equipment. A fenced grooming area will be designated by Fair Management for exhibitors to groom their animals at fair time. Grooming chutes are to be kept at least six feet inside fenced area. No animals will be tied to chain link fence.

### **Exhibit Space:**

**Market Hogs:** Exhibitors will be assigned a specific pen. No show boxes or decoration of pens is allowed.

**Large Animals:** Each commercial heifer, market steer and purebred beef exhibitor will be assigned an exhibit space and be expected to arrange his or her own exhibit. Each exhibitor will be required to furnish feed and care of his/her exhibit(s) with the exception of poultry and rabbits. Show boxes and other show equipment must be placed as to maintain a minimum alley width of six feet. Show boxes should not exceed eighteen (18) inches in width, thirty (30) inches in length and eighteen (18) inches in height - show boxes larger than this will be placed in a designated area rather than exhibit space. Retainer boards not to exceed six inches in height will be allowed. Carpet, ornamental plants, and other decorative material will not be allowed in the exhibit area of the barn.

Exhibitors will be responsible for maintaining a clean tie space. Exhibitors are also required to leave beds completely clean at check out. Exhibitors who fail to clean assigned stall areas will forfeit all premium money.

All animals must be housed inside the barn **AT ALL TIMES** except when showing, exercising or during washing or grooming times. Exhibitors shall keep animals on display in their assigned areas. Exercising, walking, etc. of large animals will be limited to designated areas only. Failure to do so will result in disqualification from the Fair.

**Herdsman Contest:** Each exhibitor will automatically be entered in the Individual Herdsman Award Contest. In order to qualify for the individual award, the exhibitor must do all work in maintaining the exhibit and exhibit area. Failure to maintain minimum standards may result in disqualification of the exhibit and forfeiture of premiums and awards. Individual Herdsman Awards will be given for first place in Beef, Commercial Heifer, Market Hog, and Market Steer Departments. Those individuals who choose to compete within a club or chapter will not be eligible for individual competition. Club or Chapter Herdsman Awards will be given for first place in the Beef and Commercial Heifer Departments. There will be no club or chapter competition in the Market Hog Department and Market Steer Department.

**Eagle Award Contest:** Each exhibitor will automatically be entered in the Individual Eagle Award Contest. In order to qualify for the individual award, the exhibitor must do all work in maintaining the exhibit and exhibit area. Failure to maintain minimum standards may result in disqualification of the exhibit and forfeiture of premiums and awards. Individual Eagle Awards will be given for first place in Beef, Commercial Heifer, Market Hog, and Market Steer Departments. Those individuals who choose to compete within a club or chapter will not be eligible for individual competition.

### **TRAILERS FOR TRANSPORTING ANIMALS**

A. Vehicles - Trucks & Trailers (Beef, Commercial Heifer, Market Hog, and Market Steer)

1. Commercial vehicles and trailers must be cleaned and disinfected under the supervision of an accredited veterinarian with a statement to this effect indicated on the Health Certificate..
2. Non-Commercial (Owner's) vehicles and trailers may be cleaned and disinfected by the owner. A Vehicle Disinfectant form for each animal must be turned in prior to animal being unloaded. Proper cleaning means that all dried manure, bedding and other materials must be removed prior to disinfecting. Vehicle Disinfectant Forms are available from the Youth Fair Office.
3. The cleaning and vehicle disinfectant form is valid for thirty (30) days provided no livestock, other than those qualified for exhibition are hauled.
4. Any of the acresylic disinfectants are acceptable. Examples are Lysol or other commercial acresylic compounds.

### **Livestock Health Regulations**

B. The following guidelines for health regulations "STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, DIVISION OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY RULES AND REGULATIONS, ADMISSION OF ANIMALS FOR EXHIBITION, CHAPTER 5C-4" will be in effect for all animals. All cattle(including market steers) must have an Official Health Certificate issued by an accredited veterinarian. No fax copies of health certificates will be accepted - only certified copies, this includes Coggins tests for horses.

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ADMISSION OF ANIMALS FOR EXHIBITION

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**5C-4.001 General Requirements and Limitations.**

- (1) Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) Required. All animals for exhibition in Florida, unless specifically exempted, must be accompanied by an OCVI issued by a veterinarian accredited in the state of origin.
  - (a) The OCVI must be complete including the breed, name and registration number, and permanent identification such as tattoo, ear tag number, microchip number, or brand.
  - (b) Results of a specific test requirement or herd certification or validation number for each animal must be recorded on the OCVI with the date of the test or herd certification or validation.
- (2) For exhibition purposes only, an OCVI is valid for 90 days from the date of issue; or until the expiration date of any required tests, whichever is the earliest date. For importation into the State, the OCVI is valid for 30 days pursuant to Rule 5C-3.002(1)(c).
- (3) Exemption to Required OCVI. An OCVI is not required for animals originating in the State of Florida and entered in market classes provided the animals are segregated from other animals and the pens are occupied only by the animals in a market class. Pens used for market classes must not be reused until after cleaning and disinfecting.
- (4) Prior to acceptance at an exhibition, all animals presented for exhibition must be visually inspected by a veterinarian licensed in the state of Florida, or by a Department representative for:
  - (a) The required identification of the animal;
  - (b) Clinical signs of disease; and
  - (c) Evidence of compliance with test requirements
- (5) Any animal which has clinical signs of contagious or infectious disease on visual inspection or any animal which is known to be exposed must be:
  - (a) Withdrawn from exhibition and returned to the place of origin, or
  - (b) Examined at the owner's expense within 24 hours by a veterinarian licensed in the State of Florida who certifies by a signed written statement that the animal is free of contagious or infectious disease. *Specific Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History - 7-1-77, 8-7-77, 9-30-80, Formerly 5C-4.01, Amended 4-17-89, 1-19-95, 6-4-95.*

**5C-4.0015 Definitions. For the purposes of this Chapter the following definitions shall apply:**

- (1) Accredited Veterinarian. A licensed veterinarian who has been approved to perform certain functions of the federal and cooperative federal-state programs by the Deputy Administrator, United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Veterinary Services, in accordance with the provision of 9 CFR 161 (1993).
- (2) Animal(s). This term shall include:
  - (a) Livestock including grazing animals, such as cattle, horses, sheep, swine, goats, and other hoofed animals;
  - (b) Ratites, limited to ostriches, emus, and rheas;
  - (c) Domesticated fowl which are propagated or maintained for commercial, exhibition, or breeding purposes, or as pets; and
  - (d) Wild or game animals which may threaten the agricultural interests of the state.
- (3) Department Representative. An employee of the Department who is authorized to perform animal health regulatory activities regarding the prevention, control, and eradication of certain infectious or communicable diseases of animals.
- (4) Exhibition. An assembly of animals for the purpose of competition or public presentation including but not limited to fairs, shows, and rodeo events.
- (5) Group. One or more animals maintained on the same premises or in contact.
- (6) Horse. Any horse, mule, ass, zebra or other equidae.
- (7) Isolation. Separation of individual animals by a physical barrier in a manner that assures one animal does not have access to the body, excrement, or discharges of another animal; does not share a building with a common ventilation system; and is not within ten feet of another animal.
- (8) Market Class. An exhibition class consisting of finished fed animals where all animals in the class go directly to slaughter immediately following the exhibition.
- (9) Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection(OCVI). An official form approved by the senior animal health official of the state of origin or an equivalent form from the USDA, which is a complete and legible certificate issued by a veterinarian who is licensed and accredited in the state of origin.
- (10) Official test. A test conducted by a method approved by Department rules for the specific disease and animal species.
- (11) Segregated. The maintenance of one group of animals so as to prevent physical contact with another group of animals.
- (12) Materials. Title 9 C.F.R. § 161 (1994) is hereby incorporated by reference. Copies may be obtained from the United States Government Printing Office, Superintendent of Documents, Mail Stop SSOP, Washington, D.C. 20402-9328. *Specific Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2), 585.145(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History-New 1-19-95, Amended 6-4-95.*

**5C-4.002 Cattle.**

- (1) OCVI Required. Cattle for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI dated not more than 90 days prior to presentation and must be accompanied by evidence of completion of the test requirements or certifications listed in 5C-4.002(2).

**Also see specific department rules.**

- (2) Test of Certification Required.

**(a) Tuberculosis.**

1. Cattle may be entered for exhibition without a tuberculin test provided the OCVI identifies the cattle as originating from a Tuberculosis-Free State as defined in rule 5C-7.016(3), Florida Administrative Code, an Accredited Tuberculosis-Free Herd, as defined in rule 5C-7.016(1), Florida Administrative Code, or a herd not under quarantine in a Modified Accredited Tuberculosis State, as defined in rule 5C-7.016(23), Florida Administrative Code. When accredited, the herd accreditation number must be recorded on the OCVI.
2. Other cattle may be entered for exhibition provided the cattle originate from a herd not under quarantine and have a negative tuberculin test within 30 days prior to the date of the exhibition.
3. A positive test on any animal in a designated group, disqualifies all animals of the group from exhibition. *Specific Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1),(2)FS. History - Amended 7-25-66, 11-15-67, 7- 1-71, 9-1-72, 8-7-77, 8-8-79, 9-30-80, 6-26-83, Formerly 5C-4.02, Amended 4-17-89, 1-19-95.*

**(b) Brucellosis.**

**Effective June 13, 2001, USDA, APHIS, VS, recognized Florida as a Cattle Brucellosis Class “Free” State. Cattle for exhibition must be accompanied by an Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI) dated not more than 90 days prior to presentation.**

**Note on Dairy Cattle: Prior to issuance of OCVI, dairy cattle that have not been vaccinated against Brucellosis must have proof of negative Brucellosis test within 30 days. The test and OCVI will remain valid, for exhibition, for 90 days.**

**5C-4.003 Swine.**

- (1) OCVI Required. All **breeding** swine for exhibition must be accompanied by an OCVI dated not more than 90 days prior to presentation and must be accompanied by evidence of completion of the test requirements or certifications listed in 5C-4.003(2). The following are required:
  - (2) Test or Certification Required. Breeding swine over 6 months of age, excluding barrows and gilts in market classes, must originate from a Validated Brucellosis-Free Herd, as defined in rule 5C-6.008, Florida Administrative Code, or must be recorded negative to a brucellosis test within 30 days of presentation. If from a validated herd, the herd number must be recorded on the OCVI.
- (b) Pseudorabies. Breeding swine over six months of age entered for exhibition, excluding barrows and gilts in market classes, must originate from a Qualified Pseudorabies-Free Herd, as defined in rule 5C-21.005(2), Florida Administrative Code, or be negative to a pseudorabies test within 30 days of the day of exhibition. If from a qualified herd, the qualified herd number must be recorded on the OCVI.
- (3) Isolation. Swine returning to the farm from exhibitions must be isolated from other swine at least 30 days before being returned to the herd. Breeding swine for exhibition must be maintained in isolation between exhibitions or move directly between exhibitions. *Specific Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History - Amended 3-21-64, 6-20-68, 1-1-71, 3-1-72, Formerly 5C-4.03, Amended 4-17-89, 1-19-95. Also see Market Hog Department rules.*

**5C-4.004 Poultry, Domestic Fowl and Ratites. - Also see Poultry Rules.**

- (1) OCVI Required. An OCVI is required for domestic fowl and ratites for movement into Florida, but not specifically for exhibition. However, poultry, domestic fowl and ratites presented for exhibition without an OCVI, must be tested on site as provided in 5C-4.001(4).
- (2) Test or Certification Required. Poultry, domestic fowl and ratites entered for exhibition must originate from Pullorum-Typhoid Clean flocks or hatcheries, as defined in rule 5C-16.008, Florida Administrative Code, or have a negative pullorum-typhoid test within 90 days prior to exhibition. *Specific Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. History Amended 4-20-67, 4-18-84, 4-4-85, Formerly 5C-4.04, Amended 6-21-87, 4-17-89, 1-19-95, 6-4-95.*

**5C-4.008 Equine.**

Georgia, and Alabama have mutually agreed to recognize such extensions by the two other states; and

2. (1) OCVI Required. An OCVI is required for all equine for movement into Florida, but not specifically for exhibition.
- (2) Test or Certification Required. All horses presented for exhibition must be accompanied by evidence of a negative official test for equine infectious anemia (EIA), conducted within 12 months prior to exhibition.
  - (a) Exemption to Test Requirement. A foal under six months of age accompanied by its dam which has met the EIA test requirement is not required to have an EIA test.
  - (b) The EIA test must be reported on VS Form 10-11 (Apr 90) and must be:
    1. An original copy of the official test record; or
    2. A copy of the original test record, certified by the laboratory which conducted the test; or
    3. A notarized copy of the original test record.
  - (c) A horse not accompanied by an EIA test record as required by 5C-4.008(2) or which does not correspond to the description on VS Form 10-11 (Apr 90) will be prohibited from exhibition.
- (3) Equine Event Extension. An OCVI is required for equine moving interstate to equine
 

Upon written request to the Division, the expiration of a Florida Equine OCVI will be extended for up to six months provided that:

  - (a) The purpose is to allow routine movement to equine events such as horse shows or meets, races, trail rides, or fox hunts in the states of Georgia and Alabama; and

1. Florida The Equine OCVI is complete; and
2. The new expiration date will not be later than the expiration date of the EIA test.
- (b) This Equine Event Extension does not supersede or replace the requirements of any given event.
- (c) A new Equine Event Extension will not be issued for an owner, owner's agent, or horse which has been the subject of an Equine Event Extension which the Department has canceled.
- (d) Forms. VS Form 10-11 (April 90) is hereby incorporated by reference. Copies may be obtained from the United States Government Printing Office, Superintendent of Documents, Mail Stop SSOP, Washington, D.C. 20402-9328. *Specific Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(3), 585.145 FS. History - New 1-19-95, Amended 6-4-95.*

**5C-4.009 Other Species.**

*Specific Authority 585.002(4), 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(1), (2) FS. Law Implemented 585.08(2)(a), 585.145(2) FS. History - New 1-19-95, Repealed 6-4-95.*

**5C-4.010 Penalties for Violations.**

*Specific Authority 585.002(4) FS. Law Implemented 585.007, 585.145(3) FS. History - New 1-19-95, Repealed 6-4-95.*

**Beef Breeding Department**

<i>Important Dates</i>	<i>Event</i>
September 1, 2012	Exhibitor must be 8 years old
November 2, 2012 5:00 pm	Ownership/Entry Deadline
November 30, 2012 5:00 pm	Late entry deadline
January 30, 2013 6:00 am - 9:00 am	Check in of animals
January 31, 2013 10:00 am - 4:00 pm	Beef Show/Showmanship
February 1, 2013 9:00 pm	Check out of animals

**All beef breeding animals must be registered**

**All beef breeding animals must be registered.** The exhibitor must list on the entry form the breed, sex, birth date, registration numbers, ear tattoo numbers or brand. At the time of check-in, the exhibitor must show either registration papers or a letter from the Breed Association showing the registration to be pending to the Department Superintendent. No Grade animals will be allowed to show in the Beef Breeding Department.

**EACH EXHIBITOR IS ALLOWED TO ENTER SIX ANIMALS BUT CAN SHOW ONLY FOUR, WITH ONLY ONE ENTRY PER CLASS.**

Maximum age of beef animals is three years of age as of **January 1, 2013**. Beef cattle born prior to **January 1, 2010** will not be eligible to show.

Calves born after **September 15, 2012** will not be allowed to show as a single entry.

**Nose rings must be used for all bulls.**

**Classes for the 2013 Youth Fair Beef Breeding Show:**

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| <p><b>Class 1</b> - Calves born May 1, 2012 and after</p> <p><b>Class 2</b> - Calves born April 1 to April 30, 2012</p> <p><b>Class 3</b> - Calves born March 1 to March 31, 2012</p> <p><b>Class 4</b> - Calves born January 1 to February 28, 2012</p> <p><b>Class 5</b> - Calves born November 1 to December 31, 2011</p> <p><b>Class 6</b> - Calves born September 1 to October 31, 2011</p> <p><b>Class 7</b> - Calves born July 1 to August 31, 2011</p> | <p><b>Class 8</b> - Calves born May 1 to June 30, 2011</p> <p><b>Class 9</b> - Calves born April 1 to April 30, 2011</p> <p><b>Class 10</b> - Calves born March 1 to March 31, 2011</p> <p><b>Class 11</b> - Calves born January 1 to February 28, 2011</p> <p><b>Class 12</b> - Calves born September 1 to December 31, 2010</p> <p><b>Class 13</b> - Calves born May 1 to August 31, 2010</p> <p><b>Class 14</b> - Calves born January 1 to April 30, 2010</p> |
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All beef breeding animals must be handled by the exhibitor only from the trailer to tie space at fair check-in. Exhibitors who cannot handle their cattle will have two hours after the end of check-in to demonstrate handling ability or be disqualified. During the show any unruly cattle deemed a safety hazard by the beef committee will be removed from the arena, placed last in class and receive a white ribbon.

Each exhibitor must show his/her own animal in the class which they are entered. No adult assistance in the show ring will be allowed.

## Commercial Heifer Department

<i>Important Dates</i>	<i>Event</i>
September 1, 2012	Exhibitor must be 8 years old
November 2, 2012 5:00 pm	Entry deadline
November 30, 2012 5:00 pm	Late entry deadline
January 27, 2013 7:00 am - 11:00 am	Check in of animals
January 29, 2013 4:00 pm	Commercial Heifer Show/Showmanship
January 29, 2013 10:00 pm	Check out of animals not selling
February 1, 2013 9:00 pm	Check out of animals

There will be two divisions for commercial heifers - Brahman influence and European influence. The divisions will show separately. Both divisions will consist of the yearling, two year old and three year old classes meeting the same criteria and class dates. At check in a panel that consists of a representative of the Brahman influence, a representative of the European influence, and the Commercial Heifer Committee Chairman to view each heifer to verify their placement in the correct division. The Panel of Representatives judgement is final.

All commercial heifers must be handled by the exhibitor only from the trailer to tie space at fair check-in. Exhibitors who cannot handle their cattle will have two hours after the end of check-in to demonstrate handling ability or be disqualified. During the show any unruly cattle deemed a safety hazard by the beef committee will be removed from the arena, placed last in class and receive a white ribbon.

**Each exhibitor must show his/her own animal in the class which they are entered. No adult assistance in the show ring will be allowed.**

**Animal Requirements:** EACH EXHIBITOR IS ALLOWED TO ENTER SIX ANIMALS, BUT CAN SHOW ONLY FOUR, WITH ONLY ONE ANIMAL PER CLASS. THE FAIR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO FURTHER LIMIT ENTRIES BELOW FOUR IF SPACE BECOMES LIMITED.

ALL HEIFERS/COWS MUST HAVE A FORM OF PERMANENT IDENTIFICATION. TATTOOS, BRANDS AND CALFHOOD VACCINATION TAGS WILL BE ACCEPTABLE AS VALID ID (NO PLASTIC HERD EAR TAGS WILL BE ACCEPTED). ID MUST BE INCLUDED ON THE ENTRY FORM AND HEALTH CERTIFICATE.

There are no minimum or maximum weight requirements. However, the following minimum target weights are recommended:

- Calves should weigh at least 450 pounds at weaning (45% of mature weight).
- Yearlings should weigh at least 650 pounds at breeding (65% of mature weight)
- Two year olds should weigh at least 850 pounds at calving (85% of mature weight)

All heifers must be polled, dehorned or tipped to a 1" diameter end.

**Classes for the 2013 Youth Fair Commercial Heifer Show(Brahman Influence and European Influence):**

**Yearling Division:**

Fall Heifers born October 1, 2011 - December 31, 2011 **or** Winter Heifers born January 1, 2012 - March 31, 2012

Remember -most commercial ranches do not keep birth date records. Exhibitors need a signed lease or contract agreement or bill of sale from breeder estimating the month in which the heifer was born. If necessary, classes could be further divided to prevent overly large classes.

**Two Year Old Division:**

Fall Heifers born October 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010 **or** Winter Heifers born January 1, 2011 - March 31, 2011  
**ALL HEIFERS IN THE TWO YEAR OLD DIVISION ARE REQUIRED TO BE PALPATED BY A LICENSED VETERINARIAN AND STATE OF PREGNANCY SHOULD BE NOTED ON HEALTH CERTIFICATE.** (These cattle raised with high nutrition levels for show are encouraged to be bred to calve at two years of age. Heifers with calf at side may be awarded higher class placement over bred and open heifers due to actual proof of fertility and productivity).

**Three Year Old Division:**

Fall Heifers born October 1, 2009 - December 31, 2009 **or** Winter Heifers born January 1, 2010 - March 31, 2010

**ALL ENTRIES IN THE THREE YEAR OLD DIVISION MUST HAVE CALF AT SIDE - NO EXCEPTIONS.**

## Horse Department

<i>Important Dates</i>	<i>Event</i>
September 1, 2012	Exhibitor must be 8 years old
October 1, 2012	Ownership/Lease deadline
November 2, 2012 5:00 pm	Entry deadline
November 30, 2012 5:00 pm	Late entry deadline
January 26, 2013 7:30 am	Check in of animals/Horse Show

**Number of Entries:** Each exhibitor will be allowed to enter two horses. Exhibitors can participate only once in each event. No substitute riders will be allowed.

Exhibitors must provide a negative Coggins for their horse(s) at check in.

**Required Classes:** All exhibitors are required to participate in the quiz class and one and only one Showmanship class. Material for the Quiz will be taken from the "4-H Horse Project Manual". Copies of the manual are available through the 4-H office at the Polk County Extension Office. Failure to participate in the required quiz class or showmanship class will result in forfeiture of all premiums and awards earned in the Horsemanship Contest. A student with a horse project but without a horse entered in the Fair, may enter the Quiz category only. Horses used in classes 0409-0428 must enter class 0403 thru 0406. Horses used in classes 0429-0436 must enter in class 0407 or 0408.

**Walk Trot Class:** This class is for beginners only(Novice). Beginner exhibitors may enter this class, but will be prohibited from entering any other class that requires cantering or loping.

All classes will be divided into junior, intermediate and senior divisions if there are three or more entries in each class.

<b>0401</b>	Jr. Quiz for English/Western/Speed Class Exhibitors <b>(Mandatory)</b>	<b>0415</b>	Sr. Grooming & Conditioning
<b>0402</b>	Intermediate Quiz for English/Western/speed Class Exhibitors <b>(Mandatory)</b>		<b>*No adding of classes after Class 0415**</b>
<b>0403</b>	Sr. Quiz for English/Western/Speed Class Exhibitors <b>(Mandatory)</b>	<b>0416</b>	Jr. Walt Trot (Novice Only)
<b>0404</b>	Jr. English Showmanship	<b>0417</b>	Intermediate Walk Trot (Novice Only)
<b>0405</b>	Intermediate English Showmanship	<b>0418</b>	Sr. Walk Trot (Novice Only)
<b>0406</b>	Sr. English Showmanship	<b>0419</b>	Jr. English Pleasure
<b>0407</b>	Jr. Western Showmanship	<b>0420</b>	Intermediate English Pleasure
<b>0408</b>	Intermediate Western Showmanship	<b>0421</b>	Sr. English Pleasure
<b>0409</b>	Sr. Western Showmanship	<b>0422</b>	Jr. English Equitation
<b>0410</b>	Jr. Speed Showmanship	<b>0423</b>	Intermediate English Equitation
<b>0411</b>	Intermediate Speed Showmanship	<b>0424</b>	Sr. English Equitation
<b>0412</b>	Sr. Speed Showmanship	<b>0425</b>	Jr. Western Pleasure
<b>0413</b>	Jr. Grooming & Conditioning	<b>0426</b>	Intermediate Western Pleasure
<b>0414</b>	Intermediate Grooming & Conditioning	<b>0427</b>	Sr. Western Pleasure



0428	Jr. Western Horsemanship	0442	Sr. Costume
0429	Intermediate Western Horsemanship	0443	Jr. Flags
0430	Sr. Western Horsemanship	0444	Intermediate Flags
0431	Jr. Horse Therapy	0445	Sr. Flags
0432	Intermediate Horse Therapy	0446	Jr. Hollow Log
0433	Sr. Horse Therapy	0447	Intermediate Hollow Log
0434	Jr. Horse Therapy Barrels	0448	Sr. Hollow Log
0435	Intermediate Horse Therapy Barrels	0449	Jr. Poles
0436	Sr. Horse Therapy Barrels	0450	Intermediate Poles
0437	Jr. Trail	0451	Sr. Poles
0438	Intermediate Trail	0452	Jr. Barrel Race
0439	Sr. Trail	0453	Intermediate Barrel Race
0440	Jr. Costume	0454	Sr. Barrel Race
0441	Intermediate Costume		

**Only horse exhibitors are allowed to work their horses while on the show grounds. NO COACHING ALLOWED ON THE FAIR GROUNDS. Failure to comply may result in disqualification. No parental or professional grooming, "tuning up" or assistance from outside the ring will be allowed. If there are any questions referring to assisting participants, rule compliance, or conduct at the show, please contact one of the committee members.**

Show management reserves the right to refuse an exhibitor entry into any class or event if they deem that entry unsafe for the exhibitor and/or other exhibitors or animals. With the exhibitor's safety in mind, any activity or situation deemed unsafe can be stopped by show management and may result in disqualification from that class.

An official of the show may check the appointments of any horse/rider combination throughout the duration of the show. It is the responsibility of the contestant to comply with all rules and regulations. The judge at his/her discretion may disqualify an exhibitor for inappropriate clothing or equipment.

Management reserves the right to cancel all or part of the show based on weather conditions.

### SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES

Personal appearance of the exhibitor: neat, clean, well groomed, attentive, courteous, and in appropriate attire. SEI or ASTM approved safety helmet, with fastened chin harness, is required.

Equipment:

a) **English:** Clean, adjusted bridle or halter. No crops, bats or whips are permitted.

b) **Western:** Clean adjusted halter to fit the horse. Fancy halters shall not be given preference over good working halters. No whips or bats permitted.

● Showmanship classes will be judged strictly on the ability of the exhibitor to fit and show a horse in a halter class.

### ENGLISH DIVISION

**Appropriate Attire:** All exhibitors are to wear a SEI or SEI/ASTM approved equestrian safety helmet with fastened chin harness in every class. Clothing must be clean, neat and appropriate for English classes. **Riders must wear coat with breeches, and boots.** Spurs of the unroweled type, gloves, crops or bats are optional. Gloves are preferred in the equitation class.

**Tack:** Clean English forward, hunting or dressage type saddles. Saddles may have suede seat and/or suede inserts on the skirts. Snaffle, pelham, kimberwick or full bridles (Weymouth) are permitted. A cavesson noseband is required. Pelham bridles must have 2 sets of reins attached. (Pelham connectors are not allowed). Breast plates are optional. Martingales are not allowed in any under saddle flat classes. Draw reins and hackamore are not permitted.

### WESTERN DIVISION

**Appropriate Attire:** Clothing must be clean and neat. **Riders shall wear western boots (No tennis shoes or sport shoes are acceptable) and western dress pants or jeans. Shirts with a collar and long sleeves are required.** Spurs, chaps and similar equipment are optional. All exhibitors are required to wear an SEI or SEI/ASTM approved equestrian helmet with fastened chin harness in every class.

\* Denotes Changes from 2012 Rules & Regulations

**Tack:** Horse shall be shown with a stock saddle; silver equipment will not count over a good working outfit. Martingales, tie-downs, nose bands or draw reins are prohibited except in speed events. Absolutely no metal will be permitted under the jaws, regardless of how taped or padded, and no chin strap narrower than one-half inch will be permitted. Chain curbs are permissible, but must be of the standard flat variety with no twist and must meet the approval of the judge. A bosal may be used any class. Mechanical hackamore is prohibited except in timed events. The judge shall have the authority to require the removal or adjustment of any piece of equipment, which in his opinion would give a horse an unfair advantage or constitute excessive harshness or cruelty.

**Horse Therapy Class & Horse Therapy Barrels - Rules for these classes will be given at a later time. If interested in classes, please contact the Horse Committee.**

#### **OPEN TRAIL**

**Appropriate Attire:** Exhibitors will be attired appropriately with English or Western clothing.

**Tack:** Tack (bridle and saddle) must be acceptable for use in Western Pleasure, English Pleasure, Flat Saddle Pleasure or Hunter Type Pleasure Horse or Pony. No tie downs, martingales or mechanical hackamores.

#### **SPEED EVENTS**

**Appropriate Attire:** Clothing must be clean and neat. **Western dress pants or jeans and boots are required. Shirts with long sleeves and collar are required.** All riders are required to wear an SEI or SEI/ASTM approved equestrian safety helmet with fastened chin harness.

**Tack: Western-type saddles must be used.** A mechanical hackamore or other type bridles can be used. Use of two hands on the reins is allowed in speed events. The judge or appointed equipment official may prohibit the use of bits or equipment deemed too severe. Use of martingales, tie-downs and nosebands is permitted in these classes. Draw reins are not allowed in speed events.

- Striking a horse with anything other than the open hand in front of cinch is an automatic disqualification. Striking the horse with anything, including hand, in front of the throatlatch is an automatic disqualification.
- No string, rubber bands or other material to tie feet or legs in stirrups is allowed.
- Protective leg equipment will be permitted in classes 0429-0436.
- The Horse Committee Members reserve the right to change specified classes for safety reasons or to cancel classes for insufficient entries. Any class times quoted by show staff are approximate.

**Concession Stand will be available day of the Horse Show. No horses will be allowed in the concession stand area.**

## **Market Hog Department**

### **Important Dates**

<i>Important Dates</i>	<i>Event</i>
September 1, 2012	<b>Exhibitor must be 8 years of age</b>
September 20, 2012 7:00 pm	<b>Mandatory meeting for exhibitors</b>
September 22, 2012 9:00 am	<b>Mandatory meeting for exhibitors</b>
September 24, 2012 5:00 pm	<b>Ownership/Entry deadline</b>
September 28, 2012 5:00 pm	<b>Late Entry Deadline</b>
October 6, 2012 6:30 - 10:00 am	<b>Tagging Day</b>
January 4, 2013 5:00 pm	<b>Buyer Letters Due</b>
January 26, 2013 12:00 am - 7:00 am	<b>Final Weigh in</b>
January 27, 2013 10:00 am	<b>Market Hog Show</b>
January 28, 2013 6:00 pm	<b>Market Hog Showmanship</b>
January 29, 2013 9:00 am	<b>Market Hog Sale</b>

\* These dates are a quick reference guide only. See corresponding rules for complete information concerning the dates.

**Eligible Animals:** Projects are limited to market barrow or open gilts (boars and stags will not be permitted). Each exhibitor will be allowed to show and sell only one market hog. In the event exhibitor has two market hogs entered, he/she must decide which market hog they want weighed in at final weigh-in in January. **Only in the event of the first market hog being eliminated will the second market hog be allowed to unload and weigh-in.**

**Important Dates:**

**Mandatory Meeting:** A mandatory meeting for all market hog exhibitors, parents/guardians, 4-H leaders and teachers will be Thursday, September 20, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. or Saturday, September 22, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. to review rules and questions concerning market hog show and sale. This meeting will be held at the Agricultural Center in Bartow. Exhibitors failing to attend this mandatory meeting will be fined \$35.00 for non attendance. This fine will be deducted from exhibitor's sale check.

**Mandatory Tagging Date:** All market hogs entered will be permanently ear tagged on Saturday, October 6, 2012 from 6:30 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. at the Agricultural Center in Bartow. Ear tag with Youth Fair symbol/number and plastic ear tag must correspond with each other.

**Exhibitors must notify the Polk County Youth Fair office of an incorrect ear tag number placed in hog's ear at initial tagging day by Monday, October 10, 2011.** If the incorrect ear tag number is not reported, the ear tag placed in hog's ear will remain as is. In the event of loss of these ear tags, exhibitor is required to notify the Youth Fair within 48 hours after loss so market hog can be retagged.

**XCONTEST: Gain-in Weight Contest:** Those wishing to enter the market hog gain in weight contest will have the opportunity to weigh in their market hogs on the mandatory tagging date scheduled for October 6, 2012. Weight recorded on certified scales at weigh-in site will be official weight. There is a \$25.00 gain in weight contest fee that is to be paid in cash on October 6, 2012. This contest fee is nonrefundable. The gain in weight contest will be based on:  
1-25 hogs entering - 1<sup>st</sup> place will be awarded, 26-50 hogs entering - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place will be awarded, 51 or greater hogs entering - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> places will be awarded. This will be an approximate 50% pay back with prize amounts to be determined by the Market Hog Committee.

**OTHER:**

**Weigh-in Procedures:** If an exhibitor questions the accuracy of weight, he may request a reweigh of his/her pig immediately. At that point pig will be removed from scales for recalibrating and pig reweighed. This request must occur before pig leaves the scale area and before another pig is weighed. Pigs will not be reweighed under any other circumstances. This rule applies to both the October and January weigh-ins. **EXHIBITORS ENTERING TWO PIGS MUST HAVE BOTH ON VEHICLE AT WEIGH-IN IN OCTOBER AND JANUARY IN ORDER TO EXERCISE THE SECOND PIG OPTION. EXHIBITORS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO RETURN TO SCALE WITH A PIG AFTER HAVING LEFT THE SCALE AREA.**

**Clipped/Shaved Hogs:** If an exhibitor's hog that has been entered for the 2013 Polk County Youth Fair is found with hair that is less than 3/4" long at any time during the 2013 Polk County Youth Fair, exhibitors must remove hog from fairgrounds immediately.

**Penning:** All market hogs will be penned by classes beginning with Class 1 (light weight) on concrete moving through the weight classes with the heavier classes being penned on dirt. Exhibitors are responsible for providing water for their hog. The management reserves the right to determine the number and size of classes to insure the maximum efficiency in conducting the show.

**Washing of animals:** Sponging off in assigned pens with water in buckets only will be allowed for both ends. NO OILS, GLITTER, SOAP OR POWDERS TO BE USED ON MARKET HOGS.

**Daily Sign In:** Exhibitors or a designee for the exhibitor must sign in daily at a registration table to show that they are caring for their animal. Exhibitors failing to sign in will have their market hog pen red tagged. Exhibitors receiving two red tags will be required to remove their animal and forfeit all premiums and awards.

NO SIGNS OR BANNERS OF ANY KIND ARE ALLOWED IN THE HOG BARN OR ASSIGNED PEN OTHER THAN THOSE PROVIDED BY YOUTH FAIR.

**Health Regulations:** All hogs presented at check-in or **any time during the fair** will be disqualified should animal exhibit symptoms of communicable disease, hernias or any condition deemed unsatisfactory by the market hog committee. Also see livestock health regulations on pages 6-9.

**Final weight requirements:** All market hogs will be weighed in on Saturday, January 26, 2013. At the final weigh-in hogs must weigh in **between 240 and 300 pounds.**

**Sale:** Order of sale will be Grand Champion, Reserve Champion, First Place Junior Showmanship winner, First Place Intermediate winner, First Place Senior Showmanship winner, class winners in each class with all other hogs being sold at random as penned in the barn. Market price will be established by packer bids. **At time of sale, no additional incentives can be added to sale of hog which includes but not limited to fishing trips, hunting trips, vacations, etc.**

Each exhibitor will be allowed to show either one market hog or one market steer only. Exhibitor must show and sell his/her own animal. Youth not present to show animal will be disqualified and must remove animal from premises immediately. Animals belonging to youth who are not present to take the hog into the sale ring at designated time as per the sale order will be sold at packer price and forfeit all premiums and awards. Exhibitors Removing ear tag from market hog after sale will be charged a fee of \$100.00 to be deducted from sale check. This rule will be strictly enforced.

**ALL MARKET HOGS MUST SELL AND GO TO SLAUGHTER.**

**Load out time for market hogs is Tuesday, January 29, 2013 immediately following barn reconciliation and Wednesday, January 30, 2013, 7:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.**

## XMarket Steer Department

<i>Important Dates</i>	<i>Event</i>
March 30, 2012	<b>Commercial Market Steer Entry Form Due</b>
September 1, 2012	<b>Exhibitor must be 8 years of age</b>
June 16, 2012 8:00 am	<b>Commercial Market Steer Selection Day</b>
July 13, 2012	<b>Open Show Market Steer Ownership deadline</b>
July 13, 2012 5:00 pm	<b>Open Show Market Steer Entry form due</b>
July 20, 2012	<b>Late Entry Deadline For Open Show Market Steers</b>
July 28, 2012 6:00 am - 9:00 am	<b>Mandatory Initial weigh-in and Tagging day(Open and Commercial)</b>
August 18, 2012 8:00 am	<b>Livestock Field Day/Mandatory Rules meeting</b>
January 4, 2013 5:00 pm	<b>Buyer Letters Due(Open and Commercial)</b>
January 30, 2013 6:00 am - 9:00 am	<b>Check In/Final Weigh in(Open and Commercial)</b>
January 31, 2013 7:00 pm	<b>Market Steer Show(Open and Commercial)</b>
February 1, 2013 7:30 pm	<b>Market Steer Sale(Open and Commercial)</b>

\* These dates are a quick reference guide only. See corresponding rules for complete information concerning the dates.

### **Exhibitor Rules**

**Age of Exhibitors:** Exhibitors must be 8 years old as of September 1, 2012.

**Field Day and Rules Meeting:** All market steer exhibitors are required to attend the Livestock Field Day to be held August 18, 2012 beginning at 8:00 a.m. The Field Day will include a rules meeting and any questions concerning the 2013 market steer show and sale. These meetings will be held at the Agricultural Center in Bartow. Market Steer exhibitors failing to attend the mandatory field day/rules meeting will be fined \$100.00 for non attendance. This fine will be deducted from exhibitor's sale check.

### **Animal Rules**

**Eligible Animals:** Each exhibitor will be allowed enter two market steers but allowed to show and sell only one market steer. In the event exhibitor has two market steers entered, he/she must decide which market steer they want weighed in at final weigh-in in January. **Only in the event of the first market steer being eliminated will the second market steer be allowed to unload and weigh-in.**

Steers will be grouped into two separate shows. One show will be composed of commercial steers and all of the other steers will be in the open steer show. The steer show will start with the commercial show where all steers will be placed and a Grand and Reserve Champion Commercial steer will be selected. After this show is completed the open class will begin. A Grand and Reserve Champion Open Steer will be selected from this group. The classes will not compete against each other. An exhibitor will only be allowed to show and sell one market steer in either the open or commercial class.

**Open Market Steer Show**

All steers entered in the open steer show are those not participating in the commercial steer show.

**Commercial Steer Show**

All steers entered in the commercial steer class must be purchased from an approved commercial producer on the selection day.

**Commercial Steer Selection Day Procedures**

On the day of steer selection, exhibitors will select their steer based upon a random order. Exhibitors may select up to two (2) steers based upon the availability of animals. If the exhibitor chooses to select two (2) steers, the second steer may only be chosen after all other exhibitors have chosen their first steer. All calves will be ear tagged with corresponding numbers and tattooed on the selection day. The sale of the animals will be between the producer and the exhibitor. All sales are final and payment is due on the day of selection. Immediate family members (children and grandchildren) of the approved commercial producer will be offered first choice of steer selection from the producer's group of steers, present on selection day. The selection must be made on the official selection day and must be of similar type/quality steers. All steers must also be brought to the initial weigh-in on Saturday, July 28, 2012. Any steer missing the official PCYF ear tags at the initial weigh-in will be disqualified from the commercial steer show.

**Mandatory Weigh-in Dates and Weight Requirements:** All market steers entered will be weighed in, ear tagged with corresponding numbers at the initial weigh-in on **Saturday, July 28, 2012**. Market steers should weigh a minimum of 550 lbs.(550 lbs. or more) at the initial weigh-in on July 28, 2012. This is a suggested weight, however, there is no minimum weight at the initial weigh-in. Weigh-in will be from 6:00 A.M. until 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, July 28, 2012. All market steers will be weighed in at the Agricultural Center in Bartow. **Market steers must weigh a minimum of 1,000 pounds(1,000 pounds or more) at the final weigh-in on January 30, 2013.**

**Bull Calves:** No bull calves will be accepted at the July 28, 2012 weigh-in. The neutering process must be sufficiently healed before the weigh-in. We recommend the neutering be done as early as possible.

**Animal Identification:** As a condition for participation in the Polk County Youth Fair Market Steer Show and Sale, exhibitor hereby agrees to submit to unique animal identification of any and all animals entered by exhibitor for purposes of identification. The Polk County Youth Fair requires that the animal exhibited at the Polk County Youth Fair be the same as the animal entered at the initial weigh-in on July 28, 2012. If the animal's identity is found to differ from initial weigh-in exhibitor will forfeit any prize money and/or sale proceeds, any add-ons and may forfeit all rights and privileges to exhibit in the future at the Polk County Youth Fair. An identification tag fee in the amount of \$10.00 per animal entered will need to be submitted with entry form. The Polk County Youth Fair office must be notified within forty-eight(48) hours of a hanging tag or electronic tag that is lost, missing, or is no longer attached to the steer. Failure to notify the Youth Fair office within forty eight (48) hours will result in disqualification from the fair.

**Owner Responsibility:** It is the responsibility of the owner to verify ear tag and unique individual identification match from the initial weigh-in in July, 2012. At time of sale, halter will be supplied for each steer. This halter is the property of the Fair and must remain with the market steer after the sale. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in a \$10.00 service fee assessed to the exhibitor. Market steers must be double tied with a halter lead and neck rope, each tied to a separate ring.

**Tag Removal:** Exhibitors removing ear tag from market steer after sale will be charged a fee of \$100.00 to be deducted from sale check. This rule will be strictly enforced.

**Certified Age Certificate and/or Mouthing**

No market steer will be accepted whose known age is more than 24 months. A signed statement from the breeder certifying age will be accepted. The management reserves the right to determine age by mouthing in cases where the physiological age differs greatly from the certified chronological age.

**Animal Handling:** At final weigh-in market steers must be handled by exhibitor only from scale to tie space. Any exhibitor who cannot handle their steer at final weigh-in will have until 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 30, 2013 to demonstrate handling requirement or be disqualified at that time. During the 2013 Market Steer Show any market steers deemed a safety hazard will be removed from the show and receive a no award and will be sold at the end of the sale. Any market steers removed from the show by the market steer committee after being judged will also be sold at the end of the sale.

**Grooming and Clipping:** Only exhibitors may groom or clip their steer on fairgrounds. If assistance is needed with grooming and/or clipping, prior approval must be obtained from a Steer Committee member. Failure to follow this rule will result in disqualification from the fair.

**Carcass Contest:** A carcass contest, held in conjunction with the Polk County Youth Fair, emphasizes the end product of the beef industry and provides a valuable educational compliment to the Steer Show. A comprehensive report is prepared following

the judging of the carcass qualities using ultrasound. The ultrasound report measurements will include FOE (fat over the ribeye at the 13<sup>th</sup> rib), ribeye area, and marbling score, which is a measurement of intramuscular-fat. These measurements will be used to calculate yield grade and estimate carcass quality. All steers accepted at the final weigh-in for the Polk County Youth Fair Steer Show and Sale will be measured for the carcass contest. **A carcass contest fee in the amount of \$10.00 per animal entered must be submitted with entry form.**

**Show Classes:** Market steers will be placed in classes based on weight regardless of age. The management reserves the right to determine the number and size of classes to insure the maximum efficiency in conducting the show.

**Sale:**

Order of sale will be set by Fair Management. Market price will be established by packer bids.

All exhibitors are required to sign a "Polk County Youth Fair Market Steer Ethics Policy and Statement of Understanding" and must be turned in with entry form July 13, 2012. This ethics policy must be signed by the exhibitor, parent/guardian and teacher or 4-H leader. Exhibitors, parent/guardian, teacher or leader must be present at the weigh-in. Parents/guardians not present for the initial weigh-in must sign and turn in a "2013 Polk County Youth Fair Waiver and Hold Harmless Agreement" prior to the initial weigh-in in July 28, 2012. Each exhibitor will be allowed to show and sell either one market steer or one market hog only. Exhibitor must show and sell their own animal.

**ALL MARKET STEERS MUST SELL AND GO TO SLAUGHTER. Load out time for market steers is Friday, February 1, 2013 immediately following barn reconciliation and Saturday, February 2, 2013, 7:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.**

### Poultry Department

<i>Important Dates</i>	<i>Event</i>
September 1, 2012	Exhibitor must be 8 years old
November 2, 2012 5:00 pm	Ownership/Entry Deadline
January 30, 2013 11:00 am - 5:00 pm	Check in of birds
January 31, 2013 8:30 am - 12:00 pm (or until judge is finished)	Judging of Poultry & Egg Exhibits (barn will be closed during this time)
January 31, 2013 5:00 pm	Poultry Showmanship
February 1, 2013 9:00 am	Poultry & Egg Judging Contest for exhibitors
February 1, 2013 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Poultry Check Out
February 2, 2013 9:00 am - 10:00 am	Poultry Check Out - <b>Advance notice must be given to Committee</b>

**A. XEntry Requirements:** Each exhibitor may enter a maximum of **two entries** which exhibitor must have possession by **Friday, November 2, 2011**. Each exhibitor is limited to **two entries** in show. Poultry **must be** six months old at show time.

**NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED** after the November 2, 2012 entry deadline. Entry forms that are **NOT PROPERLY COMPLETED** with the **BREED, VARIETY, WHETHER THE BIRD IS A COCK, COCKEREL, PULLET OR HEN**, will be returned to exhibitor and entry will be denied. **This rule will be strictly enforced.**

**No substitute entries** will be accepted at check-in. Exhibitors may enter up to two birds on the same Poultry Entry Form.

**X**Birds will be checked for lice and mites. Birds found to have lice or mites **any time** during the fair must be removed immediately. Also see state health regulations.

**Eligible Breeds:** **No male commercial birds will be accepted.** Eligible commercial birds: Female Leghorns, Female Rhode Island Reds, Female Plymouth Rocks, Female Barred Plymouth Rocks, Female Sex Links. Eligible breeds are those that are recognized by the American Poultry Association "**Standard of Perfection for Poultry**" and "**American Bantam Association Standard**".

**NO PHEASANTS, QUAIL OR WATER FOWL WILL BE ACCEPTED. ONLY THOSE POULTRY LISTED IN THE CLASSES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

Class #'s and Accepted Breeds		Class #	Accepted Breeds
0803	Commercial	0806	Turkey
0804	Bantam Male or Female Chicken	0807	Poultry Showmanship
0805	Standard Male or Female Chicken		

Poultry may be banded for identification purposes, but is not required. It is recommended that roosters have spurs removed or nubbed, unless the breed standard states otherwise.

Trophies will be given for Champion Commercial Hen, Champion male and Champion female bantam, Champion Male and Champion Female Standard, Champion Turkey. An overall Grand Champion will be chosen from the six champion fowl.

All poultry must be in the possession of the exhibitor by November 2, 2012.

**B. XPOULTRY SHOWMANSHIP CLASS:** Poultry Showmanship will be held Thursday, January 31, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. Exhibitors who wish to participate in the Showmanship may only use birds that have been properly checked in and shown in the 2013 Fair. Preregistration is required for exhibitors that have entered poultry. Classes will be divided into three divisions and will be based on the exhibitors age as of **September 1, 2012:**  
**Junior Division -8 to 10 years old Intermediate Division -11 to 13 years old Senior Division - 14 years old and older**

### Egg Department

**Entry deadline: Wednesday, January 30, 2013, 11:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. during the check in of poultry.** Eggs are to be entered using a 2013 Youth Fair Family & Consumer Sciences General Entry Form and must accompany egg exhibits at time of check-in. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, and parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.

All eggs shown must be chicken eggs selected by the exhibitor. They need not be produced by the exhibitor's flock. Eggs should not be purchased from a grocery store. There should not be identification marks on the eggs. Eggs entered **should be cleaned** and displayed in **clean egg cartons**. Exhibitors need not have birds entered in the Poultry Show to be eligible to participate in the Egg Show. No eggs other than **brown or white** will be accepted.

**Exhibitors may not enter more than 2 dozen eggs total. All eggs must be entered in single dozens.** A separate exhibit card must be filled out for each dozen and attached to the carton. **THERE WILL BE TWO CLASSES - EXTRA LARGE AND LARGE FOR BOTH WHITE AND BROWN EGGS.**

Large eggs shall weigh from 24 to 26 ounces per dozen and extra large eggs shall weigh from 27 to 29 ounces per dozen. A dozen eggs of minimum weight for the class shall receive as many points, other things being equal, as a dozen eggs of maximum weight for the class.

Eggs will be judged on interior as well as exterior quality.

Except for the Best Dozen Brown Eggs, the Best Dozen White Eggs, all other eggs will be disposed of after judging. Only the best of each category will be displayed.

### Rabbit Department

#### Exhibitor Rules:

<i>Important Dates</i>	<i>Event</i>
September 1, 2012	Exhibitor must be 8 years old
November 2, 2012 5:00 pm	Ownership/Entry Deadline
November 16, 2012	Late Entry Deadline
January 26, 2013 8:00 am - 12:00 pm	Check in of Rabbits
January 27, 2013 8:30 am - 12:00 pm (or until judge is finished)	Judging of Rabbits(barn will be closed during judging)
January 29, 2013 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Rabbit Check Out

Each exhibitor may enter a maximum of **two entries** which exhibitor must have possession by **Friday, November 2, 2012**. Each exhibitor is limited to two entries in show. Each exhibitor may enter up to two bucks, two does, (**or any combination totaling two**) which exhibitor must have possession of by Friday, November 2, 2012.

**Acceptable Breeds: Only purebred rabbits will be permitted to show.** Breed of each rabbit must be identified on the entry form. Any rabbits not portraying the characteristics of a purebred will be disqualified by the Judge.

**All rabbits must have a permanent, legible tattoo at the time of check-in. This is important for the identification of your rabbit. Tattooing must be done prior to check-in on Saturday, January 26, 2013 and any excess ink must be wiped out of ear prior to check-in. Rabbits will not be tattooed at the Fair.**

Exhibitors will need to provide a water bottle for each rabbit they are entering. Exhibitor must fill water bottle before leaving check-in. Once rabbits are checked in, exhibitors may not remove rabbits from cage until check-out time: 2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 29, 2013.

No one will be allowed in the barn during time of judging. Exhibitors do not need to be present day of judging.

No toys allowed in cages.

## HORTICULTURE DIVISION

**General Rules - applies to the following Blueberry, Citrus, Peach, Ornamental Plants and Vegetables**

<i>Important Dates</i>	<i>Event</i>
September 1, 2012	Exhibitor must be 8 years old
September 21, 2012 5:00 pm	Ownership/Entry Deadline
September 27, 2012 6:30 pm	Horticulture Workshop
September 28, 2012 5:00 pm	Late Entry Deadline
November 30, 2012 5:00 pm	Vegetable Ownership/Entry Deadline
January 4, 2013 5:00 pm	Buyer Letters Due
January 5-11, 2013	Late Buyer Letters Due
January 28, 2013 10:00 am - 4:00 pm	Check in
January 29, 2013	Blueberry, Citrus, Peach and Ornamental Plants judged
February 1, 2013 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Blueberry, Citrus, Peach and Ornamental Plant Auction
February 1, 2013 4:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Check Out
February 2, 2013 9:00 am - 10:00 am	Check Out

**Bedding Plants and Hanging Baskets:** Bedding plants or hanging baskets that were entered September 21, 2012 must be in the possession of the student by **Friday, November 30, 2012**. Plants must have been pre-entered no later than **5:00 P.M., Friday, September 21, 2012** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date. Exhibitors owning or intending to enter plants by entry deadline, but fail to properly submit entries by entry deadline, may enter upon payment of a \$10.00 late entry fee by the late entry deadline of **5:00 P.M., Friday, September 28, 2012** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax). Late entry fee and entry fee must be submitted with entry form. No plants will be accepted after the late entry deadline of **Friday, September 28, 2012**.

**Vegetables:** Vegetables must be in the possession of the student by **Friday, November 30, 2012**. Vegetables must be pre-entered no later than **5:00 P.M., Friday, November 30, 2012** or postmarked on that date. Late entries will be accepted until **5:00 P.M. on Friday, December 7, 2012** or postmarked (not metered mail or fax) on that date with a \$10.00 nonrefundable late entry fee. Late entry fee must be submitted with entry form.

**Horticulture Project Summary:** Horticulture Project Summary Sheets must be presented at time of check-in. Project Summary will be checked and returned to exhibitor immediately. **A Horticulture Project Summary is required for all entries. A single Project Summary may be used for all entries. Exhibitors may choose to use the regular 4-H Horticulture Record Book or the FFA Record Book.**



Plants may be grown at home or personally cared for in the school nursery. Entries will be subject to a spot check by the Horticulture Committee.

The committee has the right to reject entries of inferior quality or diseased plants. If any doubt exists as to whether an exhibitor raised the plants entered, the committee can request an interview with the exhibitor to question the exhibitor as to his/her knowledge in growing the plants entered.

Criteria for the Premier Horticulture Exhibitor Award will be based on Judge's placing of exhibits and exhibitor's level of participation in horticulture related activities such as:

1. A completed up to date set of Horticulture Project Summary sheet or Record Book.
2. Entries of ornamental plants, plants grown for auction, plants for display, blueberry, citrus tree, peach tree
3. Participate in the Horticulture Judging Contest.
4. Enter vegetables.
5. Be present for sale of project.
6. Submit copies of buyer's letters

## Blueberry, Citrus and Peach

### Class:

- 1001. Blueberry
- 1002. Citrus Tree
- 1003. Peach Tree

Each exhibitor will be allowed to show and sell only **one** blueberry plant, only **one** citrus tree, only **one** peach tree. Exhibitors may not show and sell both blueberry plants, citrus trees or peach trees. This is a contest organized solely for the purpose of recognizing participants' skills in growing containerized blueberry plants, citrus trees or peach trees and rewarding participants by providing a blueberry plant auction, citrus tree auction and peach tree auction.

Blueberry plants, citrus trees and peach trees entered **must** have been purchased in March, 2012 from the Polk County Citrus Advisory Blueberry Plant/Citrus Tree/Peach Tree Sale.

Growing instructions for participants interested in competing for the 2013 Contest is listed in the "Care of Blueberry Plants" "Care of Citrus Trees" "Care of Peach Trees" fact sheet available from the Polk County Citrus Advisory Committee.

**All blueberry plants must be grown and exhibited in a standard 5 gallon container.**

**All citrus trees must be grown and exhibited in a standard 10 gallon container.**

**All peach trees must be grown and exhibited in a standard 10 gallon container.**

**If an exhibitor uses their own container, it may not be any larger than the containers available at time of purchasing the plants, soil and containers.**

Entries entered in competition will be judged according to Florida Department of Agriculture Grades and Standards. All plants/trees must be judged Florida #3 or better to be exhibited.

All plants/trees graded Florida #1 and judged blue ribbon or better will be sold at the blueberry, citrus tree, peach tree and ornamental plant auction.

Participants in the blueberry plant, citrus tree, peach tree auction **must be** present during the sale of their project.

Exhibitors should remove their plant from the sale arena and return it to the exhibit area after it is sold.

## Ornamentals Department Plants Grown For Auction, Bedding Plants and Hanging Baskets .

Each student is eligible to pre-enter eight (8) entries, but may show only four at the Youth Fair. Participants may show a maximum of two exhibits in any one of the four categories.

Plants in a single exhibit must be of the same species or variety and grown in containers of the same size. No substitute plants will be accepted at check-in in January. **NOTE - Maximum container size: 10 gallon.** All exhibitors must be able to move and handle their own plants regardless of container size.

Purchased plants must be transplanted to a larger container size and a dated receipt must be stapled to the record book, indicating proof of purchase. If plants are propagated by cuttings, indicate type of cuttings, when taken, etc., in the record book. **Plants kept by the exhibitor for the next project year must also be transplanted to a larger container size and indicated in record book.**

The Horticulture Committee may make changes necessary to correct the entry of plants listed in the different categories listed below. Exhibitors may contact the Horticulture Committee to determine the proper section in which to enter different plants.

Plants **MUST be** grown in standard plastic production pots, flats or trade baskets.

All entries (not individual plants) shall be labeled with common and/or variety of cultivar. Patented plants must be identified with the proper patent tag.

All plants will be judged according to Florida Department of Agriculture Grades and Standards.

All plant entries judged blue ribbon or better will be sold at the horticulture auction. Entries may not be split and auctioned as separate lots.

Plants ineligible for the plant auction will not be sold through the Youth Fair office.

Exhibitors should remove their plants from the sale arena and return them to the exhibit area after they are sold.

**NOTE: Maximum of 2 entries in each of these classes:**

### **Class 1101: Bedding Plants**

An entry in each class shall consist of one flat containing **18** or more plants grown in cell-packs or 2 1/4" pots; or one flat containing 10 plants grown in 4" pots.

**All bedding plants shall be grown from seed or starter plugs by the exhibitor.**

Examples of bedding plants which may be used include the following:

<b>Class 1101 Examples of Bedding Plants</b>			
Begonia	Coleus	Gerbera	Marigold
Petunia	Salvia	Snapdragon	Vegetables

Other bedding plants may also be used, but must be listed by name.

### **Class 1102: Foliage Plants**

An entry shall consist of 3 plants of the same species, grown in identical pots (6" pots or larger containers for each entry. The maximum container size is 10 gallons.

All exhibitors must be able to move and handle their own plants regardless of container size.

Examples of foliage plants which may be used include the following:

<b>Class 1102 Examples of Foliage Plants</b>		
Dieffenbachia	Dracaena	Ficus
Peace Lily	Pothos	Schefflera

Other foliage plants may also be used, but must be listed by name. Plants which may be listed as either foliage or landscape ornamentals must meet the container size and number of plants in entry requirements for the class under which they are entered.

### **Class 1103: Landscape Ornamentals**

An entry in each category shall consist of one flat of rooted liners with at least 32 liners in the flat or 10 plants in one gallon containers, or 5 plants in two gallon containers, or 3 plants in three gallon or larger containers. Maximum container size: 10 gallon.

All exhibitors must be able to move and handle their own plants regardless of container size.

Examples of Landscape Ornamentals which may be used include the following:

<b>Class 1103 Examples of Landscape Ornamentals</b>			
Asparagus Fern	Azalea	Blue Daze	Boxwood
Confederate Jasmine	Croton	Daylilies	Heather

<b>Class 1103 Examples of Landscape Ornamentals</b>			
Hibiscus	Juniper	Ligustrum	Lorapetalum
Palms(outdoor)	Pittosporum	Plumbago	Podocarpus
Pyracantha	Split Leaf Philodendron	Viburnum	Xanadu Philodendron

Other landscape ornamentals may be used, but must be listed by name). Plants which may be listed as either landscape ornamentals or foliage must meet the container size and number of plants in entry requirements for the class under which they are entered.

**Miscellaneous** Plants - Plants that do not fit any of the above sections may be used, but must be listed by name.

An entry in each class shall consist of 3 plants of the same species, grown in identical pots (6" pot or larger containers for each entry. Maximum container size is 10 gallons.

All exhibitors must be able to move and handle their own plants regardless of container size.

<b>Class 1104 Examples of Miscellaneous Plants - name of plant must be included</b>		
African Violet	Flowering House Plants	Hanging Baskets (trade baskets only)

### Plants For Display - Not To Be Auctioned

This class allows the students to exhibit plants which they do not wish to sell in the plant auction. This also allows the student the possibility to earn additional points in competition for the Premier Horticulture Exhibitor Award.

Exhibitors are allowed to have one entry in up to four classes from the following list

<b>Class 1105 Plants For Display</b>		
Bedding Plants	Bromiliads	Dish Garden
Flowering House Plants	Foliage Plants	Hanging Basket
Landscape Plants	Orchid	

Plants in a single exhibit must be of the same species or variety and grown in containers of the same size except dish gardens. **No substitute plants will be accepted at check-in on January 28, 2013.**

Plants (except dish gardens) **MUST** be grown in standard plastic production pots, flats or trade baskets.

An entry shall consist of 3 plants of the same species, each grown in an individual 6 inch or larger container.

One dish garden constitutes an entry and one flat of (18 or more) bedding plants constitutes one entry.

Maximum size of a hanging basket is 12".

### Vegetables Department

Following are the acceptable varieties and the amount or quantity of specimens necessary to constitute an entry.

Exhibitors are limited to 10 different entries only in the Vegetable Department.

**VEGETABLES MUST BE CLEANED FROM ALL DIRT BEFORE CHECK-IN AT FAIR TIME.**

<b>Vegetable:</b>	<b>Quantity:</b>	<b>Vegetable:</b>	<b>Quantity:</b>
Beans - snap or pole	1 quart	Lettuce - leaf	1 bunch
Beets - bunched	3 - tightly tied	Mint - bunched	1 -1" at tie

<b>Vegetable:</b>	<b>Quantity:</b>	<b>Vegetable:</b>	<b>Quantity:</b>
Beets - topped	3	Mustard - bunched	3
Broccoli	3 heads	Onion - cured	3
Cabbage	3 heads	Onion - green - bunched	6
Cabbage - Chinese	3 heads	Parsley - bunched	1 - 1" at tie
Carrots - bunched	6 - tied	Peas - English	1 pint
Carrots - topped	6	Peppers	3 or 1 pint
Cauliflower	3 heads	Potatoes - Irish	6
Chives - bunched	12	Radishes - bunched	1
Collards - bunched	3	Rutabaga	3
Cucumber	3	Spinach - bunched	1 - 3" at tie
Endive	3	Strawberries	1 pint
Escarole	3	Swiss Chard - bunched	1 - 2" at tie
Kale	1 bunch	Tomatoes	5 or 1 pint
Kohlrabi	3	Turnips - bunched	3
Lettuce - head	3 heads	Turnips - topped	3

### **X Archery Competition**

<b><i>Important Dates</i></b>	<b><i>Event</i></b>
October 12, 2012 5:00 pm	Entry Deadline
October 19, 2012 5:00 pm	Late Entry Deadline
October 20, 2012 8:00 am - 9:30 am	1 <sup>st</sup> of 2 Mandatory Safety & Training Session Fun Shoot & Turkey Shoot
November 17, 2012 8:00 am - 9:30 am	2 <sup>nd</sup> of 2 Mandatory Safety & Training Session Fun Shoot & Turkey Shoot
January 28, 2013 8:30 am - 4:00 pm Juniors 8:30 am - 11:00 am Intermediate 11:00 am - 1:30 pm Seniors - 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Competition

Participants must attend one of the two scheduled **mandatory** safety and training session prior to the competition. Participants not attending one of the mandatory meetings will not be allowed to compete at the Youth fair in January, 2013.

All archery equipment will only be allowed at the range and nowhere else on fairgrounds. Equipment must be kept in competitor's vehicle until time for their division's check-in. Participants will not handle bows or arrows until receiving permission from the Range Officer. Those who fail to meet this criteria will be disqualified. This requirement is necessary to maintain a safe and fun atmosphere.

Range will be maintained by certified 4-H archery instructors or those certified by "Archery in the School".

Participants can enter **only one** of the following divisions:

<i>Division Number</i>	<i>Description</i>
1	Junior Instinctive Long or Recurve Bow
2	Junior Sighted Long or Recurve Bow
3	Junior Instinctive Compound
4	Junior Sighted Compound
5	Intermediate Instinctive Long or Recurve Bow
6	Intermediate Sighted Long or Recurve Bow
7	Intermediate Instinctive Compound
8	Intermediate Sighted Compound
9	Senior Instinctive Long or Recurve Bow
10	Senior Sighted Long or Recurve Bow
11	Senior Instinctive Compound
12	Senior Sighted Compound

Participants will use their own archery equipment which includes bow, arrows, arm guard, finger glove or tab, and quiver. All of these are required. Quivers can be clip on hip quivers, back quivers, or ground quivers. Hand carrying of arrows will not be permitted. The Youth Fair will not provide any equipment.

Each archer must provide an adequate number of arrows to compete. That would mean a minimum of five arrows with at least two extras in case of damage or loss.

✗ Each participant is responsible for the safe condition of his/her equipment. The Archery Committee reserves the right to safety inspect any equipment and pull it from the competition if found unsafe. If equipment is found to be over weight limit the participant will not be allowed to compete.

Maximum bow weight allowed in any division is 50 pounds. This can be checked anytime before or during the match. If equipment is found to be over 50 pounds at anytime the competitor will not be allowed to participate or complete the competition and all previous scores will be thrown out.

A nocking point indicator is required to position the nock of an arrow on the string. The nocking point indicator may be of any conventional design, including materials that may be crimped, wound or heat shrunk to the center serving.

An arrow must be released off of an arrow shelf or an arrow rest. The use of an overdraw arrow shelf or rest is prohibited.

Arrows consist of a shaft with a target or practice point, nock, fletching and personal identification markings. Arrows must be sound and spined for the bow.

At full draw, arrows must extend a minimum of 1" beyond the back of the bow.

Release aids may be used only by compound shooters. Competence with the equipment must be demonstrated before the release aid may be used.

Commands for shooting will be done by the whistle method and are as follows:

- 2 blasts - go to shooting line
- 1 blast - shoot designated amount of arrows
- 3 blasts - retrieve arrows

***Quick multiple blast - cease fire***

40 centimeter FITA targets will be used for the competition. The distance from the shooting line to the target will be:

- Juniors - 30 feet
- Intermediate - 30 feet
- Seniors - 45 feet

Course of fire will consist of 3 ends of 5 arrows each. Five practice arrows will be allowed. Time limit for each arrow end will be five minutes.

Scoring is as such:

- Gold - 9 and 10 point rings
- Smallest center ring is 10 points for compound bows.
- Red - 7 and 8 point rings
- Blue - 5 and 6 point rings
- Black - 3 and 4 point rings
- White - 1 and 2 point rings

Any shaft that fails to remain in the target, such as pass throughs or bounce outs, may be scored by the mark on the target face.

✗In case of a tied score the winner will be determined by the most number of 10's scored. If still tied then determination will continue with number of 9's, then 8's, and so on. If still tied then a winner will be determined by the "Number Game". There will be a clear cut winner.

Awards will be given to the top six scores in each division.

### **Dog Show Department**

<i>Important Dates</i>	<i>Event</i>
December 7, 2012 5:00 pm	Entry Deadline
December 14, 2012 5:00 pm	Late Entry Deadline
January 30, 2013 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Showmanship Classes
January 31, 2013 8:00 am	Test, Obedience, Rally and Agility Classes

Exhibitors may enter and show only two dogs. No substitute dogs will be allowed at check in time. This does not include Assistance dogs.

A Class Entry Form for each dog is to be submitted with entry form.

Exhibitors are allowed to show only one dog in showmanship.

#### **Record Book:**

Failure to present a record book will result in forfeiture of all premiums and awards earned in the Polk County Youth Fair Dog Show. The preferred book will be the FSF Dog Project Record Book available on the Florida State Fair Agribusiness website at [www.floridastatefairag.com](http://www.floridastatefairag.com). Records books must be up to date and presented at time of check-in. Record books will be checked and returned to exhibitor immediately.

#### **Attire:**

All exhibitors will be required to be clean and neat. Exhibitors are encouraged to dress in black pants and a green shirt, with or without a 4-H or FFA logo for performance events. Showmanship dress is to be business attire in accordance with established nationally recognized dog organization Junior Showmanship rules or FFA showmanship attire.

### **REQUIREMENTS:**

#### **Eligibility:**

Exhibitors must be enrolled in the Dog Project or a structured training venue for the current year and manage at least one dog of any age. The dog(s) must be owned or leased by October 1, 2012. A copy of the lease must be included with the entry form due on December 7, 2012. Purebred and mixed breed dogs will be allowed to compete..

#### **EXHIBITOR EXPECTATIONS:**

A dog may be shown by one person only in each area(Showmanship, Obedience, Rally or Agility). No sharing of dogs except in Brace.

Exhibitors are allowed to show only one dog in showmanship.

While on show grounds only the exhibitor may handle, train, work or groom his/her dog. Violation of this rule will result in disqualification.

Dogs must be on a leash, except during performances requiring unrestricted movement. Dogs must be kept in Dog Show Area only. Dogs must be removed from the grounds immediately following show.

No pinch collars or gentle leader collars are allowed on show grounds.

#### **DOG HYGIENE:**

Dogs should be bathed, combed, and nails clipped.

Each exhibitor is responsible for picking up after his/her dog. There will be a designated exercise area available for use.

### **SAFETY:**

No dogs are to be left unattended in cars.

Crates are required for all dogs enter in show and will be assigned to a designated area.

### **MINIMUM DOG AGE REQUIREMENTS:**

Assistance Dog puppies must be at least four months of age. All other dogs must be at least six months as of the date of the show. Dogs must be at least six months old to compete in obedience. **Dogs must be fifteen months of age at the time of Youth Fair to compete in Agility.**

### **VACCINATIONS:**

All dogs are required to have all up-to-date rabies, parvo and distemper vaccinations. **Proof of vaccinations must be on file with the 4-H Club's Leader, Agriscience teacher or Family & Consumer Sciences teacher.** Vaccinations must be given by a licensed veterinarian. Proof of Rabies vaccination is a county registration paper, a receipt, or a signed vaccination certificate from the issuing veterinarian including the dog's description. **If vaccination papers expire between entry deadline and day of show, new vaccination papers are required no later than two weeks prior to show REGARDLESS of old shots expiring in this two week period.**

### **EXCLUSIONS:**

Each exhibitor is liable and responsible for his/her dog's behavior. **ANY DOG EXHIBITING ACTS OF AGGRESSION WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM PARTICIPATION.** This decision will be made by the Dog Show Committee representatives.

Female dogs in season will not be allowed on fair grounds.

No animals other than dogs entered in the competition will be allowed on show grounds.

### **PERFORMANCE CLASSES:**

Each performance class competition shall be judged according to the age level and skill level of the participants. Age levels shall be designated as Junior, Intermediate and Senior.

Performance classes may be combined or divided **if** the number of entries warrant at the committee's discretion. Whenever performance classes are combined for exhibition purposes, the preferred method is to combine Junior, Intermediate or Senior classes into the appropriate competitive skill levels.

Combined performance may be judged simultaneously and scored separately.

### **Quiz Class:**

All exhibitors are required to participate in the Quiz class. Failure to participate in the Quiz class will result in forfeiture of all premiums and awards earned in the Youth Fair Dog Show. The Quiz Class will begin at 8:30 a.m. the day of the show. Material for the QUIZ will be taken from the Florida State Fair Skillathon subject for the current year.

Tie breakers will be given in the form of additional questions.

### **Showmanship Classes:**

Showmanship classes will be held Wednesday, January 30, 2013 from 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm Handlers are judged on preparation and presentation of their dog in grooming, posing, and gaiting. Exhibitors shall be allowed to show only one dog in Showmanship.

### **COMPETITIONS:**

**Basic Showmanship** - First year handlers only.

**Novice Showmanship** - Handlers who have shown for one or more years with beginning dog or beginning handlers with experienced dog.

**Open Showmanship**- Handlers who have the skill level or have won first place in Novice Class at a previous year's 4-H Dog Show.

**Advanced Showmanship** - Handlers who have won in Junior Showmanship competition at 2 or more nationally (AKC, UKC, CKC, or breed speciality) recognized dog organization Dog Shows.

### **Assistance Dog Class**

Only Assistance Dogs may enter the Assistance Dog Class.

This class is for evaluation and recognition of exhibitors training service dogs in conjunction with a recognized service dog organization.

Contestants will be given participation ribbons only. Basic evaluation will be judged according to the age of the dog. Scores earned in this class will not be counted toward youth fair dog show high point.

### **Assistance Dog Evaluation Class Scoring:**

Exercises are judged: E = Excellent, G = Good, P = Practicing, NE = Needs Exposure.

**Assistance Dog Obedience Exercises:**

Sit, Down, Come, Sit-Stay, Down-Stay, Forward, Come and Recall.

**Assistance Dog Obedience Expectations:**

Some exercises performed as in the basic obedience class. Judged the same except for the following differences:

- **HEEL:** Service dogs may heel on either the right or left of the handler. The dog's nose should be at the handler's knee. Guide dogs do not heel. The dog should put slight tension on the leash as if gently pulling the handler. The dog's shoulder should be slightly in front of the handler's knee.
- When the handler stops while heeling the dog is not required to sit.
- **RECALL:** The dog should go to come front position then to side or heel position by the handler as commanded, not crossing behind the handler.
- Other requirements based on assistance dog standards.

**Assistance Dog Practice and Exposure:**

Greeting people, noise exposure, food distraction, garbage can, garbage bag, hat/sunglasses, sitting at table, item retrieving, umbrella, leave food (age appropriate - at discretion of judge), load and unload in car.

**NOTE:** Evaluator may make special comments.

**Obedience Performance Classes:**

Obedience exercises are to be performed according to AKC rules and regulations as modified by 4-H. A six foot leash is required for Basic and Sub-Novice A and B classes.

Obedience Tiebreakers: Any scoring ties will be broken *first* by the best sits & down score, *secondly* (if needed) by the best heeling score.

**Basic and Sub-Novice Competitions:**

**Individual Exercises:** Heeling on lead, figure 8 on lead, recall on lead, stand for examination on lead.

**Group Exercises:** One minute sit on lead, three minute down on lead.

**SKILL LEVEL:**

**Basic:** First year dog and first year handler. You may be in this class for a period of one year starting from your first dog show anywhere and have not completed Novice class work or have a CD title.

**Sub-Novice A** - Experienced handler with beginning dog or beginning handler with experienced dog. Handlers who have shown two or more years. Dogs may be in Sub-Novice A for one year and will advance to Sub-Novice B or Novice A according to the dog's ability.

**Sub-Novice B** - Handlers who have shown other dogs in obedience competition at nationally recognized dog organization obedience trials, have won First Place in Sub-Novice at a previous 4-H Dog Show.

**Novice Competitions:**

**Individual Exercises:** Heeling on lead, figure 8 on lead, recall off lead, stand for examination off lead.

**Group Exercises:** One minute sit off lead, three minute down off lead.

**SKILL LEVEL:**

**Novice A** - For handlers and dogs ready to compete in novice exercises except dogs with obedience titles or handlers and dogs who have won first place in Novice A at a previous 4-H Dog Show.

**Novice B** - Handlers showing dog with obedience title other than Rally. For handlers and dogs who have shown in obedience competition at nationally recognized dog organization obedience trials or have won first place in Novice A at a previous 4-H Dog Show. Also includes handlers who have trained and showed at a Novice level at any nationally recognized dog organization dog show other than a Fun Show.

**Graduate Novice** - For dogs and handlers who have completed Novice work and are training for Open, but are not ready to compete in Open exercises.

Open Competition:

**Individual Exercises:** Heeling on lead, figure 8 off lead, drop on recall, retrieve on flat, retrieve over high jump, broad jump.

**Group Exercises:** Three minute sit off lead, Five minute down with handler out of sight.

**SKILL LEVEL:**

**Open** - For dogs and handlers ready to compete at this level.

**Utility Competition:**

**Individual:** Signal exercise, scent discrimination of leather & metal articles, directed retrieve moving stand and examination, directed jumping

**SKILL LEVEL:**

**Utility** - For dogs and handlers ready to compete at this level.

**Brace Competition** - Dogs do not have to be the same breed, but should be similar in size. Dogs may have different owners. Class will be judged using the Novice exercises.

**Individual Exercises:** Heeling on lead, figure 8 on lead, recall off lead, stand for examination off lead.

**Group Exercises:** One minute sit off lead, three minute down off lead.

**Four Member Team Competition:**

The team consists of four handlers with four dogs who work simultaneously. Class will be judged using Novice exercises - stand for exam, recall, finish, long sits and downs will be off lead exercises. Handlers may respond to judge's or team captain's



commands. Figure 8 is done simultaneously using 5 posts. For the recall, handlers leave dogs in unison, call dogs one at a time, finish in unison.

Four Member Team Exercises:

**One Team at a time:** Heeling on lead, figure 8 on lead, recall off lead, stand for examination off lead.

**All teams together:** One minute sit off lead, three minute down off lead.

If a member of a team is unable to complete any of the off lead exercises, that member will be given no more than 50% of the total possible score for any exercise not performed off lead.

## Agility Classes

CAG Agility Course Standards:(AKC standards)

Dog Height	Jump Height	Table Height	Long Jump
Under 8"	4"	4"	8"
Over 8" under 11"	8"	8"	16"
Over 10" under 14"	12"	8"	24"
Over 14" under 18"	16"	16"	32"
Over 18" under 22"	20"	16"	40"
Over 22"	24"	16"	48"

A handler may show two dogs in agility.

Dogs may wear nylon, leather or fabric leashes and collars with a flat buckle. No tags, no pinch collars or choke chains will be allowed. Off lead dogs may wear a flat buckle collar, rolled leather collar **or no collar**.

The agility rules, heights and regulations are all from the American Kennel Club as modified by 4-H. However, in the Basic class, dogs measuring over 22" will jump 20".

A dog's jump height is determined by measuring the dog's standing height from the withers (at the base of the neck) to the floor.

### CLASSES:

**BASIC - ON LEAD:- For beginner handler and beginning dog in their first year of showing.** Simple course with 10 obstacles which may include any of the following: A-Frame (apex at 4'11"), Dog Walk (3' 0" tall), Tunnel, Chute, Pause Table (**Sit or down** position at judge's discretion for 5 cumulative seconds), jumps without wings.

**Sub Novice - ON LEAD: - For experienced handler with beginning dog or beginning handler with experienced dog (2<sup>nd</sup> or more year of showing).** Simple course with 10 obstacles including any of the following: A-Frame (apex at 4'11 "), Dog Walk 3'0"tall), Tunnel, Chute, Pause Table (**Sit or down** position at judge's discretion for 5 cumulative seconds), jumps without wings.

**Novice - OFF LEAD - Simple** course with 10 to 15 obstacles including all previous plus teeter, **Tire Jump, 6 weave poles**, and jumps including single, **2 winged, panel, broad and double**.

**Advanced - OFF LEAD:** Course design **may be** more complex with 18-20 obstacles **including** all previous plus triple jumps and 12 weave poles.

**ALL EXHIBITORS WITH A SCORE OF 200 MUST ADVANCE TO THE NEXT LEVEL.**

### Rally Obedience Classes

To be held Thursday - January 31, 2013 along with regular obedience classes.

Class will be divided Junior, Intermediate and Senior. All exercises are to be performed on leash with a flat or training collar. In the Rally Basic class leash needs only to be long enough to provide adequate slack. Scoring will be based on AKC standards for Rally as modified by 4-H.

### XBeginner Novice Competitions:

**Individual Exercises:** Heeling on lead, figure 8 on lead, sit for examination, sit stay, and recall.

**Rally Signs for Class:** Right Turn - #5, Left Turn - #6, About Turn - #7, Slow Pace - #17, Fast Pace - #18, Normal Pace - #19 and Halt/Sit - #3

### XSKILL LEVEL

**Beginner Novice A** - Experienced handler with beginning dog or beginning handler with experienced dog. Handlers who have shown two or more years. Dogs may be in Beginner Novice A for one year and will advance to Beginner Novice B or Novice A according to the dog's ability.

**Beginner Novice B** - Handlers who have shown other dogs in obedience competition at nationally recognized dog organization obedience trials, have won First Place in Beginner Novice at a previous 4-H Dog Show.

**✕Rally Basic:** For beginner handler and beginning dog in their first year of showing in accordance with AKC RALLY Novice. The course exercises will be chosen from the first 36 AKC Rules list of exercises with the course consisting of 10 - 15 stations with no more than 5 stationary exercises.

**✕Rally Novice A:** For handler and dog ready to perform in AKC Rally Novice A. The course exercises will be chosen from the first 36 AKC Rules list of exercises with the course consisting of 10 - 15 stations with no more than 5 stationary exercises.

**✕Rally Novice B:** For handlers who have shown other dogs in rally competition at nationally recognized dog organization rally trials, have won First Place in previous rally trials, who have shown other dogs in rally competition at nationally recognized dog organization rally trials, have won First Place in previous 4-H Dog Show. The course exercises will be chosen from the first 36 AKC Rules list of exercises with the course consisting of 10-15 stations with no more than 5 stationary exercises.

**✕Rally Advanced:** For dog and handler who are ready to show off lead, have a Rally Novice title, dogs receiving a perfect score in Rally Novice, or dog and handler ready to move up. In accordance with AKC Rally Advance rules, exercises will be chosen from the AKC Signs 1-36 with 12-17 stations with no more than 7 stationary exercises and one jump.

**✕Rally Excellent:** For dog and handler with Rally Advanced Title, dogs receiving a perfect score in Advanced Rally, or dogs and handler ready to move up. In accordance with AKC Rally Excellent rules exercises will be chosen from all of the AKC signs with 15-20 stations with no more than 7 stationary exercises, two jumps and Honor.

Rules can be found online for the American Kennel Club at: <http://www.akc.org/dis/events/obedience/rally/cfm>.

## FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES DEPARTMENT General Rules

<i>Important Dates</i>	<i>Event</i>
September 1, 2012	Exhibitor must be 8 years old
January 4, 2013 - 5:00 pm	Cake Auction Buyer Letters Due
January 22, 2013 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Non Perishable Entry Forms/Exhibits Due
January 25, 2013 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Food Entry Forms/Exhibits Due Food Preservation Entry Forms/Exhibits Due
January 28, 2013 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Cakes For Auction Check-in

Classes must be listed on a Polk County Youth Fair Family and Consumer Sciences entry form using the terms in classifications listed. Exhibitor's signature and parent/guardian's signature on the entry form that is submitted for a project signifies the rules and regulations have been read by the exhibitor, the parent/guardian and that both understand and agree to abide by rules and regulations.

**Only classes listed are eligible for exhibit and only one exhibit per class is allowed.**

**✕**Entries must have been completed by an individual(not group project) since the 2012 Youth Fair and evaluated in a 4-H, FCCLA or FFA activity.

All forms including exhibit tags, recipe forms, etc. that are required to be submitted with exhibit must be attached to each exhibit. All forms **except exhibit tags** may be obtained online at: [www.pcyf.net](http://www.pcyf.net) Exhibit tags will be available prior to the fair.

Exhibits not conforming to directions will be lowered one ribbon place.

Judges may reject or disqualify entries that they deem unworthy. **The Youth Fair encourages quality not quantity.**

**ALL PROJECTS MUST BE COMPLETED UPON ARRIVAL. ALL paper work must be completed by 7:00 p.m..**

Tri-color rosettes may be awarded for outstanding (Best of Show) exhibits in any department by the judges and approved by the Department Superintendent. **Tri-Color winners and cake auction winners from a previous year may not enter an item made exactly like their winning entry (Example: may not use same recipe, pattern, etc.).**

All winners of the Tri-Color, Best of Show and Family and Consumer Sciences Competitions will be awarded at the Tri-Color Awards ceremony, Friday, January 25, 2013, from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., in the Stuart Center.

Exhibits judged as a white ribbon will not receive premium points. This rules applies for all Family and Consumer Sciences Department exhibits.

### Child Development Department

A descriptive paragraph must accompany each project stating age level, explaining the intended use, how it addresses development, and when necessary how the product works. This statement must be stapled to the project.

Items made from kits need to be labeled "KIT".

Items must be safe for children to play with or use. Safety of product is important.

**Class Number and Description:**

1801	Babysitting kits or accessories (include one handmade item and list of contents with intended purpose)	1806	Toy for toddler (one to three)
1802	Child's Book	1807	Toy for preschooler (three to five)
1803	Game suitable for child	1808	Teaching Portfolio
1804	Storytelling aids (Example: puppets, flannel board) Story must accompany exhibit. Copies are acceptable. Mark if story is original.	1809	Teaching Aide
1805	Toy for infant (birth to one)	1810	Other (not to duplicate previous categories)

**Clothing Exhibits**

**Exhibits must be clean, pressed, and ready to wear. All garments must be on hangers.** Failure to comply will result in the lowering of 1 ribbon placing.

Pattern guide sheet may be included if an unusual technique is indicated. (Print name of exhibitor on guide sheet and attach it to the garment).

Only class #1921 Decorated garment may have a purchased item that has been embellished.

✗Recycled articles in class #1908 and class #1909 cannot resemble original use. Must be new use for old item.

**Class Numbers and Description:**

1901	Apron (half, bibtop, pinafore)	1913	Clothing for infant or preschoolers
1902	Clothing accessory (belt, tie, scarf, hat, wallet)	1914	After 5 wear (long or short)
1903	Crocheted or knitted accessory	1915	Dress
1904	Crocheted or knitted garment (label if knitting machine used)	1916	One piece sport outfit (Gaucho, jumpsuit or tennis dress)
1905	Fabric bag (handbag, tote bag or purse)	1917	Ensemble (2 or more pieces that match)
1906	Lingerie	1918	Sleep or lounge wear
1907	Pants (shorts, slacks or skorts)	1919	Swimwear
1908	✗Recycled article (must be accompanied by description of article before it was recycled and explanation of what was done)	1920	Handmade jewelry
1909	✗Recycled article (must be different from 1908)	1921	Decorated garment using appliques, embroidery, fabric painting, bead/rhinestone work (garment will not be judged only the technique)
1910	Skirt	1922	Coat or jacket
1911	Shirt	1923	Costumes (examples: Historical or Halloween)
1912	Shirt (different pattern used for 1911)	1924	Other (not a duplicate of any other item)

**Educational Exhibits**

Educational Exhibits should be informative and interesting. Exhibitors are encouraged to include examples that show or illustrate the topic as a part of the exhibit. Posters should be used to "tell" what the example(s) "show".

Educational exhibits should be related to a 4-H or school project.

A complete and appropriate Project Summary form (not a 4-H record book) **is required**, and must be included with the exhibit.

It is recommended that these forms be submitted in a folder properly labeled with exhibitor name and name of exhibit.

Project Summary forms are available from the Youth Fair office.

Each exhibitor will be allowed to exhibit one educational exhibit.

Purpose: Educational exhibits will be judged on the following criteria:

- A. The appropriateness of the theme as a learning experience for the student

- B. How well the exhibit communicates a message to the general public
- C. Attractiveness and neatness of the exhibit
- D. Quality of the Project Summary form (appropriate, neat, complete).

Standard 48" x 36" Science Fair boards required. Minimum letter size ½". Each exhibit must have a clearly stated theme or title. Each part of the exhibit must relate to that central theme.

Exhibitors should complete a Youth Fair entry form as follows: Educational exhibit - Educational Display - 1401 - Florida Environment. The title of the exhibit should be written under "Description".

Each exhibit will be screened at the time of check-in for the following:

1. Completed Project Summary form
2. Neatness and attractiveness
3. Fulfilling the requirements of an Educational Display

If an educational display includes a live animal, the student is responsible for the care and safety of the animal. Valuable collections, such as coins, should not be entered because the Youth Fair cannot guarantee against theft.

#### **Class Numbers and Descriptions:**

1401	<b>Florida Environment:</b> To inform the general public about an environmental concern. (Examples: endangered wildlife, water use and quality, mined-land reclamation, Asian cockroach, etc.).
1402	<b>General:</b> To inform and create interest among the general public on a selected theme. (Examples: home safety, insect pests in the home garden, poisonous plants, etc.).
1403	<b>How-To:</b> To show the general public an aspect or process related to making something or participating in a hobby. (Examples: collecting insects, making an object (syrup, lamp, sandals, etc.), mastering "close-up" photography, etc.).
1404	<b>Scientific Experiments:</b> Must state very briefly what is being measured, method, summary of results and importance of experiment. This must be done through specimens and visuals, not in report form. Supplementary materials may be included in the project summary form.

#### **XFood Preservation Exhibits - due at Perishable Check in)**

Categories 2001-2014 must be in sealed standard clear glass canning jars. Other categories must be displayed appropriately. Paraffin on jellies and jams is not permitted. Decorated lids are unnecessary.

All entries must include a label with the name of the exhibitor, product name, date of preserving and method of preservation. Labels must be affixed to the jars. Exhibitors should follow the USDA guidelines for food preservation.

XRecipes must be included. Jars must be filled ½" from the top(jellies, juices, syrup, flavored vinegars and flavored oils can be filled to ¼" from the top)

Judges have the option of opening the exhibit for tasting.

Exhibitors may not share batches of preserved food.

Dirty jars will be lowered 1 ribbon placing.

#### **Class Numbers:**

2001	Berries	2007	Pickles (any kind)
2002	Fruit or juice	2008	Relishes or chutneys (any kind)
2003	Jams	2009	Tomato juice
2004	Jellies	2010	Tomato sauce, puree or ketchup
2005	Butters	2011	Tomatoes (whole or cut up)
2006	Marmalades, Preserves or Conserves	2012	Tomatoes, other products(barbeque sauce, salsa, etc.)

2013	Vegetables (any kind)	2017	Dehydrated meats ½ cup or 12 slices
2014	Syrup (recipe must be included)	2018	Dehydrated fruit for snacks ½ cup or 12 slices
2015	Flavored Vinegars	2019	Dehydrated vegetables ½ cup or 12 slices
2016	Flavored Oils	2020	Pressure canned meal (soups, stews, etc.)

### Foods Exhibits

✗A recipe form provided by the Youth Fair **MUST** be attached to each exhibit, including class #2129.

Exhibits must contain exact number of items specified in class.

The Fair reserves the right to discard food items which deteriorate and become unattractive for display. **No foods will be returned to exhibitors.** The Fair will dispose of all foods at the close of the Fair for health and safety reasons.

Tri-Color winners and cake auction winners from a previous year may not enter an item made exactly like their winning entry (Example: may not use same recipe, pattern, etc.).

Disposable containers are **REQUIRED**. These containers should be no more than 2" larger than exhibit. Container may not be larger than 19"x 19" x 19". Items should be securely wrapped and visible through clear plastic or ziploc bag. Items not in or on a disposable container will not be accepted. **Container must fit and be securely closed.**

Cake containers will be for sale at non-perishable check in for \$2.00. Decorated cakes should be in a disposable container also, but does not have to be a round container.

**No** canned, fresh fruit, or vegetables **may** be used as decoration(examples: strawberry, pineapple, mandarin oranges, peppers, broccoli, fresh coconut, cherries, etc.).

No item requiring refrigeration, warming or additional cooking will be accepted. Examples of items requiring refrigeration include cheesecakes, meringue, custard, pudding, whipped cream, cool whip and all pies. Any entry containing any item needing refrigeration will be disqualified. Cream cheese icings are permissible.

After judging the Fair reserves the right to use appropriate containers to display tri-color entries.

**No cakes will be accepted in pans they were baked in.**

Class #2107 - Recipe must include a mix and additional ingredients. Those ingredients must be in addition to those required on the box.

No bread machine, canned, frozen or packaged bread products may be used. This includes no Bisquick except in Class 2107.

✗No store bought items can be entered except in Class #2127. A recipe must be included for any items made by the exhibitor.

All loaves of bread must be standard size. No mini loaves will be accepted.

Class #	Description of Food	Quantity
2101	Loaf, muffins without yeast	1 loaf or 12 muffins
2102	Coffee Cake without yeast	1
2103	Biscuits or cornbread without yeast	12
2104	Loaf or rolls with yeast	1 loaf or 12 muffins
2105	Specialty bread - such as braids with yeast	1
2106	Cookies (No purchased mixes or cereal treats accepted. Bar cookies are accepted)	12
2107	Product with mix as an ingredient	1loaf or 1 cake/12 cookies or 12 muffins

<b>Class #</b>	<b>Description of Food</b>	<b>Quantity</b>
2108	Cakes made from scratch 10" or less(uncut brownies are not accepted)	1
2109	Cupcakes from scratch	12
2110	Cakes - Pound	1
2111	Decorated cake (must be labeled made from MIX or SCRATCH)	1
2112	Candy - any kind (cereal treats not accepted)	12
2113	Microwave bread, cake, etc.	1
2114	Microwave candy or cookies	12
2115	Bread or Cake using 1/4 cup or more of citrus	1
2116	Cupcakes, muffins, rolls using 1/4 cup or more of citrus	12
2117	Candy using 1/4 cup or more of citrus	12
2118	Cookies using 1/4 cup or more of citrus	12
2119	Bread or Cake using 1/4 cup or more of honey	1
2120	Cupcakes, muffins, rolls using 1/4 cup or more of honey	1
2121	Candy using 1/4 cup or more of honey	12
2122	Cookies using 1/4 cup or more of honey	12
2123	Bread or Cake using 1/4 cup or more of blueberries	1
2124	Cupcakes, muffins, rolls using 1/4 cup or more of blueberries	12
2125	Candy using 1/4 cup or more of blueberries	12
2126	Cookies using 1/4 cup or more of blueberries	12
2127	✕Creative Edible Decoration/Decorative food - judged on creative, artistic value(does not require covering)	1 cake/6-12 items
2128	Other (pumpkins rolls, petite fours, etc.)	1 roll/12 items
2129	✕Desserts in jar(include ingredients with a recipe)	1
2130	Citrus Gift Box (no cut or pierced fruit allowed)	1
2131	Fresh Citrus Centerpiece (no cut or pierced fruit allowed)	1
2132	Fresh Citrus Arrangement - Citrus fruit, leaves, and blossoms to be displayed in or on appropriate container. Polk County Youth Fair will not be responsible for display container.	1

### Cake Auction

#### Class 2133: Cakes for Auction

<i>Important Dates</i>	<i>Event</i>
September 1, 2012	Exhibitor must be 8 years old
January 4, 2013 5:00 pm	Buyer's letters due

January 22, 2013 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Pre-Registration and Recipe Form due\Purchase Cake disks/covers - \$2.00
January 28, 2013 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Check in of Cakes for Auction
January 29, 2013 10:00 am (approximate time)	Cake Auction

**NO CAKES FROM A MIX WILL BE ACCEPTED.  
NO CAKES REQUIRING REFRIGERATION WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

No canned, fresh fruit, or vegetables may be used as decoration (example: strawberry, pineapple, mandarin oranges, peppers, broccoli, fresh coconut, cherries). No item requiring refrigeration include cheesecakes, meringue, custard, pudding, whipped cream, cool whip.

Exhibitors entering a cake to be considered for auction must **pre-register on Tuesday, January 22, 2013**, between 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the Stuart Center during the non-perishable check-in. A Polk County Youth Fair Recipe Form must be submitted with pre-registration cake auction entry form on Tuesday, January 22, 2013. At that time exhibitors may purchase a cardboard display disk and plastic cover for \$2.00. All cakes considered for auction must be displayed on these disks with these covers. Cakes will not be transferred to these disks at check-in. Failure to follow this rule will disqualify cake. A completed exhibit tag must be submitted at check-in. The cake that is entered on January 28, 2013 must match pre-registration entry form and recipe form that was submitted January 22, 2013 or cake will be disqualified.

The exhibitor must sign in and designate a telephone number where they can be contacted that evening after the judging is completed should their cake be chosen for auction. Exhibitor will be notified approximately 9:00 p.m. as soon as cakes are judged.

A maximum of ten (10) cakes will be selected to be auctioned.

Exhibitor may not enter more than one cake to be considered for auction. Exhibitor must be present to auction their own cake. If exhibitor is not present for the cake auction, cake will not be sold.

Exhibitors who enter a cake for auction or exhibitors who auction their cakes will not receive additional premiums, plates, or tri-color award, but will be awarded a special blue ribbon and will be invited to attend the awards ceremony.

### **Home Furnishings Exhibits**

All exhibits must be completed and ready to use or hang. Hangers must be attached when appropriate.

Exhibits made from kits must be labeled "KIT" on the exhibit tag.

No art work accepted (ie. Pen and ink, painting, charcoal drawing, ceramics)

No purchased items will be accepted with the exception of category #2223

#### **✕Gift Baskets for Auction:**

Five baskets entered in class #2218 that are judged the best will be placed in a silent auction.

By entering a gift basket for auction class, exhibitors agree to sell the basket.

Gift baskets entered for the silent auction will not receive premium points

Bidding will begin at \$25.00 for all baskets chosen for the auction.

Each exhibitor participating in the gift basket auction will be assessed a 5% fee to be deducted from the sale of their gift basket.

<b>Class #</b>	<b>Description</b>
2201	Door Decoration
2202	Eco Friendly Project example: reusable shopping bag
2203	Fabric Covered Book
2204	✕Fabric accessories (shoe bag, garment bag, purse caddy, sewing kit, etc.)
2205	Fabric furnishings/bath (shower curtain, toilet seat cover, etc.)
2206	Fabric furnishings/bed (bedspread, dust ruffle, coverlet, etc. twin or larger in size, no throws accepted)
2207	Fabric furnishings/kitchen (minimum of 2; pot holders, mitts, small appliance cover, dish towels)

Class #	Description
2208	Fabric furnishings/table (tablecloth, napkins) napkins - minimum of 4, placemats - minimum of 4
2209	Fabric lined or fabric covered Basket
2210	Floral Arrangement
2211	Table centerpiece - no taller than 15 inches
2212	Wall decoration (not art work) - must have a hanger
2213	Wreath - must have a hanger
2214	Framed needlework - needlework will be judged
2215	Furniture - refinished (only finish will be judged)
2216	Furniture - upholstered (only upholstery will be judged)
2217	Gift basket - (must include something handmade and be labeled as such). Include list of contents, price list and total cost on <i>outside of the basket</i> . Difficulty of hand made item will be taken in to consideration.
2218	<b>XGift Basket for Silent Auction</b> - (must include something handmade and be labeled as such). Include list of contents, price list and total cost on <i>outside of the basket</i> . Difficulty of hand made item will be taken in to consideration
2219	Holiday Home Furnishings Item (no ornaments)
2220	Home furnishing accessory using creative photography (with the photography being used to create a unique project)
2221	Homemade Dolls - including mop dolls, rag dolls, and stuffed animals ( <b>no kits</b> )
2222	Hoop hanging (ready to hang)
2223	Lamp - not purchased
2224	Lamp shade (shade must be handmade not purchased) (Lamp shade form may be used)
2225	Outdoor wood craft (not judged for woodworking skills)
2226	Pillow
2227	Purchased home furnishing item with machine embroidery, decorative painting, hand stitching, etc.
2228	Recycled article (must be accompanied by description of article before it was recycled and explanation of what was done)
2229	Recycled article (must be accompanied by description of article before it was recycled and explanation what was done) Article must be completely different than 2227. Example: not two purses, but may be a purse and a lamp
2230	Rug
2231	Scrapbooking Project (must be a book with a minimum of 5 pages completed by an individual, appropriate pictures <b>only</b> )
2232	Three Holiday Ornaments (can be different)
2233	Quilt - any size; must be pieced, tied, hand or machine quilted
2234	<b>X</b> Blanket or Throw - can be crocheted, knitted or fleece
2235	Tree Skirt



Class #	Description
2236	Window treatment
2237	Woven basket
2238	Other home furnishing item (not a duplicate of any other category)
2239	✗Braiding, Plaiting, Weaving and Knot Tying (useful and or decorative items made from string, rope, cord strips of leather or strips of synthetic material. Examples: animal halters, horse tack, whips, belts, survival bracelets, mats, and macrame' plant hangers.

### Metal Works Exhibits

All exhibits must be free standing, no larger than 5 feet in any direction.

No group projects are allowed.

Committee reserves the right to not accept any project if deemed hazardous (example: too many sharp points or edges)

Utility:		Artistic:	
2300	Welding with use of stick	2303	Welding with use of stick
2301	Welding with use of wire	2304	Welding with use of wire
2302	Other	2305	Other

### Photography Exhibits

Exhibitors may enter no more than four categories. **Only one exhibit per category.** Photography exhibits are non-perishable entries and are due Tuesday, January 22, 2013.

All photographs must be mounted, matted and/or framed. All photographs must be ready to hang. **All photographs should be appropriate for a youth competition.**

All photographs within a series should be of the same size, no smaller than 4" x 6" and no larger than 5" x 7", and be either all in color or all in black and white. Each series needs to be attractively mounted together on a flat surface, such as cardboard covered with fabric or mat board. The mounting surface should not be any larger than 16" x 24".

All mounting and photographic work, except developing, must be the exhibitor's effort.

All labels should be on front of exhibit.

Awards will be given for Best Single Enlargement and Best Series.

8. Categories are defined as :

**Photographer's Choice:** A series of five photographs chosen by photographer. Photos do not have to be related. The photographs must be displayed as a group. Photographs will be judged as a group. If taken with a SLR 33mm camera **each** photograph is to be individually labeled underneath with *f/stop* and *shutter speed* or if taken with automatic-semi automatic 35mm camera or digital camera **each** photograph is to be individually labeled underneath stating **AUTOMATIC** or **DIGITAL**. Titles are optional.

**Practice Series:** A series of five photographs containing one each of the following:

1. An interesting building
2. An unusual tree or landscape
3. A person or portrait
4. A flower or flowering plant
5. An animal

**Story Series:** A series of five photographs that tell a *story in sequence*. All photographs must be displayed as a group. All photographs will be judged as a group. **Each** photograph is to be labeled underneath with *f/stop* and *shutter speed* if taken with a manual SLR 35mm camera or **AUTOMATIC** or **DIGITAL** if taken with an automatic-semi automatic 35mm camera or digital camera.

**Single Enlargement:** Photographs must be enlarged to 8" x 10" or 11" x 14". This does not include matting size. Manual SLR and Automatic and Semi Automatic entries must be enlarged from a negative. Photographs enlarged on digital devices will be judged as digital enlargements. Photographs must be of fine quality, attractively matted and/or framed. Photographs must be labeled with *title* and if taken with a manual SLR 35mm camera must state *f/stop* and *shutter speed* or if taken with automatic-semi automatic 35mm camera or digital camera must state *AUTOMATIC* or *DIGITAL*.

**Special Effects:** Includes such things as major alterations (anything more than 10% of original print), super imposing, etc. with digital camera. Photograph must be enlarged to 8" x 10" or 11" x 14". This does not include matting size. Photographs must be of fine quality, attractively matted and/or framed. An original photograph before alterations must be mounted on back of entry and can be 4" x 6" to 8" x 10". Photograph must be labeled with *title* and stated *SPECIAL EFFECTS*.

Classes:

Digital Cameras	Automatic-Semi Automatic Camera 35mm	Manual Single Lens Reflex Camera 35mm
1501 Photographer's Choice	1506 Photographer's Choice	1511 Story Series
1502 Practice series	1507 Practice Series	1512 Photographer's Choice
1503 Story Series	1508 Story Series	1513 Single Enlargement
1504 Single Enlargement	1509 Single Enlargement	
1505 Special Effects	1510 Practice Series	

### Woodworking Exhibits

A completed Project Summary (not a 4-H record book) is required. Plans and directions are to be attached to the entry.

It is recommended that the Project Summary, plans and directions be submitted in a folder properly labeled with exhibitor name and name of exhibit. Project summary forms are available from the Youth Fair office.

Exhibits entered must be cut, assembled, sanded, finished (if applicable) by the exhibitor and ready for use.

Each exhibitor is eligible to submit five entries, but only one made from kit. Duplicate entries are not allowed (i.e. only one bird house).

No computer assisted woodworking.

Classes:

1601 Cut or constructed from Kit	1604 Item not made from a kit
1602 Item not made from a kit	1605 Item not made from a kit
1603 Item not made from a kit	1606 Item not made from a kit

### SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Important Dates	Event
September 1, 2012	Exhibitor must be 8 years old
November 30, 2013 - 5:00 pm	Chili Cook Off Contest Entry Forms Due
December 14, 2012	Chili Cook Off Teams will be notified by this date
January 4, 2013	Scrap Off Entry Forms Due
January 22, 2013 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Entry Forms Due for Demonstrations, Illustrated Talks, Mannequin Modeling, Sew Off Contest, Storytelling Contest, Tablesetting & Menu Planning Contest, Working Booth

Special Activities - Judges reserve the right to award ribbons according to quality of product. For example, a blue ribbon is not guaranteed for a single entry.

### **XCHILI COOK-OFF CONTEST**

The Chili Cook Off will consist of a maximum of 32 teams. Each 4-H Club, FFA Chapter or FCCLA Chapter will be allowed to enter up to two teams (an A team and a B team). Once the A teams have been selected, any remaining slots will be chosen by Lottery Draw from the B Teams. Chosen teams will be notified by Friday, December 14, 2012.

Team members cannot swap teams if one team member is a no show. Teachers/Leaders must designate A or B on Entry Form.

Each team will be composed of 3 members. Teams may come from 4-H, FFA, or FCCLA. Only registered members of the team may be in the booth during the entire time. All team members must be present at 12:45 for check-in. Those teams not present at this time will be disqualified.

Tables will be assigned at 1:00 p.m. in the Stuart Center on Wednesday, January 30, 2013. At that time teams may begin to decorate and set up their booth. A 2.5' x 6' table and 3 chairs will be provided. Any other table or props for storage or supplies or decoration must be provided by the team. When decorating booth be sure to bear in mind any safety hazards. Costumes for team members will be considered part of the booth decoration. (Be sure to include your team name on your booth). Any work table cannot be larger than 2.5' x 6'.

No spectators will be allowed in Stuart Center until notified by committee.

No canned or premade chili allowed. No ingredient may be pre-cooked or treated in any way prior to the starting time which will begin at 1:15 p.m. Meat may be pre-cut or ground, but not treated in any way. All other ingredients must be chopped or prepared during the preparation period.

Set up, preparation and cooking will be for a maximum of 2 hours from start time. Cooking during the entire cooking period is at the sole discretion of the team.

Teams are responsible for supplying their own utensils, small appliances, etc. The Stuart Center kitchen facilities may not be used. Please bring refrigerated items in a cooler. No gas or open flames are allowed. Only one electric appliance **under 1,000 watts** (i.e. crock pot, fry pan, food processor, etc.) may be operating and plugged in at one time. No multiple outlets are allowed. Extension cords and surge protectors must be provided by each team.

Teams must use a cutting board.

Members of teams must have their hair pulled back and must wear gloves when preparing food.

Each team must cook a minimum of two quarts of chili.

Teams are encouraged to bring recipes to share.

Each team will be assigned a team number by the director and will be given a container in which their chili will be collected at the time of the official judging. A copy of the team's recipe must be submitted with the sample. After the official judges have collected their sample for judging, the spectators will be given the opportunity to purchase a bowl and spoon in order to sample the chili. They will also be given a ticket with which to vote for their favorite chili. Only 2 members of the team will be allowed in the Stuart Center during this time. The third member and alternate may return for announcement of awards.

Awards will be given in the following categories: Judges' Choice, Peoples Choice, Best Decorated Booth. Winners will be announced at 5:00 p.m.

Each team will be responsible for cleaning their area after winners are announced. Teams may recruit others to help in this task. Each team must bring their own cleaning supplies - don't forget the floor!

**No coaching** is allowed. Teams will be disqualified.

Chili Cook Off participants may not have cell phones during contest in the Stuart Center.

If club or organization selected for this event is a "NO SHOW" they will be ineligible for this event the following year.

**X**Doors open to public at 3:00 pm

## DEMONSTRATIONS

Activity scheduled for Thursday, January 31, 2013 beginning at 9:00 am

A **demonstration**, as in practical showing or telling how to do something (actually making an end product) or showing (demonstrating) how a product works that has already been made. A product is involved. This event will be judged and ribbons awarded.

Presentations involving food preparation require hairnets, hats, or tie backs and the use of gloves. Sanitation standards should be followed. Items which need to be measured should be done so with appropriate equipment and correct techniques.

Individuals or a two person team (NO GROUPS) in each division may enter this event.

Both team members should be actively involved by speaking and demonstrating.

**All contestants are to arrive by 9:00 a.m.**

Teachers/Leaders should review and approve presentation.

Submit a Demonstration Entry form on non-perishable check-in day.

Participants should be appropriately dressed.

**Time Limits:** Juniors: 5 to 10 minutes    Intermediate: 5 to 12 minutes    Seniors: 7 to 12 minutes

## ILLUSTRATED TALKS CONTEST

Activity scheduled for Thursday, January 31, 2013 beginning at 10:30 am

An **illustrated talk** is an oral presentation with talking to convey information by using a variety of visual aids such as charts, pictures, models, posters, etc. This event will be judged and ribbons awarded.

Individuals or a two person team (NO GROUPS) in each division may enter this event.

Both team members should be actively involved in speaking.

**All contestants are to arrive by 10:30 a.m.**

Teachers/Leaders should review and approve presentation.

Submit an Illustrated Talk Entry form on non-perishable check-in day.

**Time Limits:** Juniors - 5 to 10 minutes    Intermediate: 5 to 12 minutes    Seniors - 7 to 12 minutes

## MANNEQUIN MODELING

Young people select appropriate outfits incorporating a theme and pose as if they are a "store mannequin". Models will pose for 10 minutes.

Entry forms will be due at non-perishable check-in, **Tuesday, January 22, 2013**. Required attendance at check-in, **Tuesday, January 22, 2013**. Participants may enter between the hours of 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. There will be a brief orientation as to what is involved in this event given during these times. During this time participants will complete entry forms, choose modeling theme, schedule times to model, etc. **NOTE:** Specific time will be scheduled.

Any type of weapon or any form of violence is strictly prohibited. No references to alcohol or tobacco products. Displays should reflect positive and appropriate values. Youth Fair board members reserve the right to eliminate inappropriate entries.

Participants should provide all supplies and props needed for their presentation and should be appropriately dressed.

## SCRAP- OFF

Activity scheduled for Thursday, January 31, 2013, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Set up at 1:45 pm

Individuals will be designing and completing a double page layout on 12 x 12 pages that will be given out at time of contest as well as a bag of supplies (papers and embellishments) every one being identical for fairness. Participants may bring any and all tools they have as well as providing their own adhesives.

Project will be judged on:

- a. Workmanship
- b. Creativity
- c. Appearance of completed pages. Proper use of space and proportion. Title should be included.

A sign no larger than 11" x 14" is to be affixed to the front of the table with exhibitor name and organization on it. The sign should be decorated nicely.

Participants should be properly dressed.

Participants should use school appropriate pictures.

Exhibitor's sign and finished pages will be on display until the close of the fair.

## SEW OFF CONTESTS

**Activity for individuals scheduled for Tuesday, January 29, 2013, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm**

**X**Individuals will construct a pajama pant using Simplicity Pattern 2290 and a fabric of their choice. Fabric may be prepressed but not precut. They must bring their equipment, including sewing machines, irons, ironing board, scissors, all heavy duty extension cords, surge protector, pattern guide sheet, etc. Participants may practice as much as they want before the day of the Sew-Off. Pajama pants may be embellished.

Projects will be judged on:

- a. Workmanship
- b. Creativity
- c. Appearance of completed pant

Participants must have a sign no larger than 11" x 14" which includes exhibitor names and club or chapter.

**X**Participants will set up at 9:30 a.m.

**X**The contest will be from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Participants should be appropriately dressed.

The poster and finished products will be on display until the close of the Fair.

**Activity for Sew Off teams scheduled for Tuesday, January 29, 2013, 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm**

**Teams** of two will construct a nine patch pillow from scratch to be stuffed or fitted on a pillow form. They may use the fabric of their choice to construct a pillow of any size. They must bring their equipment, including sewing machines, irons, ironing board, scissors, all heavy duty extension cords, surge protector, etc. Participants may practice as much as they want before the day of the Sew-Off.

Projects will be judged on:

- a. Workmanship
- b. Creativity
- c. Appearance of completed pillow

Participants must have a sign no larger than 11" x 14" which includes exhibitor names and club or chapter.

Participants will set up at 3:30 p.m.

The contest will be from 4:00 pm -6:00 pm.

Participants should be appropriately dressed.

The poster and finished products will be on display until the close of the Fair.

## STORYTELLING CONTEST

Activity scheduled for Wednesday, January 30, 2013, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

**X**This is an individual event

Participants demonstrate knowledge of the sensory and intellectual development of 3, 4, or 5 year old children by selecting an appropriate story for one of the three age groups or combination of age groups and presenting it with appropriate visual aids.

**Observers and listeners:** Parents, teachers, leaders, participants and members of the public may observe if space is available.

Participants may bring small children if desired.

**All exhibitors are to arrive by 9:00 a.m.** with a copy of the story or book and all supplies and visuals needed for the presentation.

Time Limit: Up to but not more than 10 minutes

Participants will not read the story from a book but will tell the story as if a group of children were present.

Storytellers will be seated at children's level.

Visuals will be used as an integral part of the presentation; however, the emphasis is on storytelling.

**No visual aids using a fire or flame may be used.**

The story can be original or commercially published. Handmade visuals should be suitable to the story. Visuals may be puppets, toys, flannel boards, pictures, flip charts, and any other suitable materials or objects.

**Set up is to be done by exhibitor only.**

Judging will be based on introduction, verbal presentation, facial expression, and visuals. The introduction should gain the attention of the children and build up an anticipation for the story. The introduction may be a finger play, song, visit from a puppet, or conversation about the story theme. Plan a conclusion for the story, to let the children know the story is finished.

The conclusion may include a review or clarification of ideas.

## TABLE SETTING & MENU PLANNING CONTEST

Activity scheduled for Monday, January 28, 2013, 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

Seniors - set up time 8:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m. Judging of event - 9:00 a.m.- 10:30 a.m.

Intermediate - set up time 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. Judging of event 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

**Lunch break 12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

Juniors - set up time 1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Judging of event 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

No limit on number from club or school, but entries should be screened at local level to assure quality exhibits.

Individual entries only, no team entries.

The table set with two place settings should have a theme (Examples: Mother's Day, breakfast or dinner to celebrate friends; grandfather's lunch to say "I Love You")

Each contestant should plan a nutritious menu appropriate for the occasion. No actual food should be displayed.

Reference to alcoholic beverages in menu prohibited. Use sparkling juices, etc.

A place card showing the theme, contestant's name and club must be displayed. The menu and recipe should be printed and included on the table.

Each contestant will be assigned a 6 x 6 area and will supply their own table and chairs or alternate display. This should be set in keeping with the theme selected. It can be as simple as or elaborate as they wish. It should include eating utensils, glasses, dishes, cloth, napkins, and centerpiece. Materials may be handmade or purchased.

The contestant should wear an outfit that would be appropriate for the theme selected.

If parents or small children interfere with the proceedings of contest, they will be asked to leave.

**ONLY** contestant will be allowed in the exhibit area during set-up of the tables (no teachers, leaders or parents, please). **No coaching is allowed by spectators.** Students may be disqualified. Each contestant will sit at the table during the judging and a break will be announced during the contest.

Every precaution will be taken to protect exhibits, but the Youth Fair will assume no responsibility for breakage and/or theft. We advise against using sterling silver. Winning entries will remain on display until checkout on Saturday morning.

### Categories:

Best Informal Outdoor Entry

Best Informal Indoor Entry

Most Creative Entry

Best Formal Entry

Best Holiday or Celebration Entry

Judges Choice

## WORKING BOOTHS

The purpose of a working booth is to show "youth in action". Following the consecutive steps of a project or process from beginning to end. Topics should represent things taught in clubs/classes in Family & Consumer Sciences, Agriculture and 4-H. The audience will be walking by and stop to watch for a short time. It will not be necessary to talk continuously, but participants should be prepared to explain steps and answer questions for the viewers.

Any chapter/club may enter. There must be at least three participants with no more than ten (10) participants during the 2 hour period.

Teacher or leader submits entry form due at nonperishable check-in.

This is an educational activity and nothing may be sold. Printed handouts should contain school/club name and be of high quality.

Participants must wear a name tag.

Participants must be ready and prepared to start on time and the event in each working booth must last two hours or more.

Adults may not help with the working booths, other than to give assistance when problems occur or in the initial set up or take down.

The participants need to be doing something at all times.

All participants must stay at the working booth for the entire two hour period or more.

The working booth needs to be a continuing process of showing how to complete a project, "Showing Students in Action".

A handout showing directions/steps and or a recipe must be turned in with activity form.

Have A poster or banner showing the name of the school or club and the names of the participants.

If food is being used in the working booth, you must follow health and safety standards.

No eating or drinking is allowed while you are working.

Participants are responsible for cleaning up after completion of their working booth, **especially the kitchen.**

**A copy of thank you note to the sponsor of Working Booths from participants is required to be turned in to the Youth Fair office before club check will be disbursed.**

## TOP RANCH HAND CONTEST

No pre-entry: Sign up to participate at beginning of contest

Activity Scheduled: Monday, January 28, 2013, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

## WHIP POPPING CONTEST

**Entries due: Friday, January 4, 2013. Entries may be hand delivered or postmarked by the entry deadline.**

**Activity Scheduled:** Wednesday, January 30, 2013, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the arena



