



2019 Beef & Sheep Educational Award Trip

Attached are the eligibility requirements and other details on the beef & sheep educational award trip available to 4-H Club & FFA members that participate in the beef or sheep project. In addition to the general eligibility requirements are specific requirements for market steers, breeding heifers, market sheep, and breeding sheep; including the selection process to be followed. The following trips are available:

<u>Award Trip</u>	<u>Trip Dates</u>	<u>Place of Selection</u>
Beef	November 13 – 18, 2019	State Fair of Louisiana – Shreveport
Sheep	November 13 – 18, 2019	State Fair of Louisiana – Shreveport

This award trip will be funded based on the funding appropriated for the Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service programs. If reduced funding is encountered, the number of exhibitors selected to participate will be reduced accordingly.

Exhibitor -- General Eligibility Rules for the Beef & Sheep Educational Award Trip

1. **FEE: Each participating 4-H Club or FFA member will be charged a fee of \$150.** This fee must be submitted with entry documents completed after animal selection.
2. 4-H and FFA Club members competing for the **2019 Beef & Sheep Educational Award Trip** must be between the ages of **12 and 18 years inclusive on January 1, 2019.**
3. Any boy or girl enrolled in college, regardless of date of enrollment **will not** be eligible to compete for trips with beef, sheep, goat, swine or horses.
4. Any boy or girl working and/or living away from home **will not** be eligible to compete for any of these trips.
5. Only **one animal** per club member will be eligible to make the trip (Beef and Sheep Trip).
6. Club members can participate in **four** educational trips with **market animal** projects and/or **breeding animal projects** during their club career (i.e. four market trips or four breeding trips; or any combination of the two projects). Beef project members will be eligible to compete for a **fifth** educational trip with a **bred and owned animal (dam must have been shown by the exhibitor).**

7. A club member can participate in **only one** Livestock Educational Award Trip in any given year.
8. If a club member is **selected to go** on an educational award trip at the designated selection show **and then declines to go on the trip** (backs out after the selection process) then the selection will count toward their total number of educational award trips he or she can participate in during their club career. **The same rule will be in effect for alternates that are offered the trip** due to cancellations. If they decline to go on the trip then it will count toward their total number of trips they can participate in during their club career. The only exceptions to this rule will be personal injury or a death in the family.

**2019 Beef Educational Award Trip
North American International Livestock Exposition
(NAILE)
Louisville, Kentucky**

General Rules and Regulations

1. The North American International Livestock Exposition will be held **November 5 - 21, 2019**.
2. Beef Selection Contest (Market Steers and Breeding Heifers) will be held at the State Fair of Louisiana (**October 24 – November 3, 2019**) in Shreveport, Louisiana. Only animals entered in State Fair of Louisiana are eligible to try for this award trip.
3. All potential contestants for the Beef Educational Award Trip must submit participation forms prior to the selection contest. These may be obtained from Mr. Jason Holmes during the State Fair.
 - a. **For steers** the participation form **must be turned in at the scales** so that the animal can be mouthed for eligibility.
 - b. **For breeding animals** participation forms must be submitted and **original registration papers** checked before the selection contest which occurs for each breed immediately after the selection of Grand Champion Female.
 - c. Club members (4-H and FFA) shall indicate prior to selection that they definitely plan to attend the show in Louisville, if selected. If they decide not to attend the show after their animal is selected, it will still count as one of their trips.
4. **Original Registration Papers** on breeding heifers must be checked prior to the selection contest. Heifers must be considered pure bred in their respective breed association and so stated on registration papers. Registration papers must be transferred to exhibitor **prior to September 1, 2019**.

5. Market steers and breeding heifers selected to participate in the educational trip to the NAILE must be brought to the **DeWitt Livestock Facility in Alexandria** on a date designated at selection time.
6. Transportation, lodging and educational activities will be provided for all exhibitors selected to attend the NAILE in Louisville, Kentucky.
7. Transportation, grooming equipment, feed and bedding for market steers and breeding heifers that will be exhibited at the NAILE will be provided by the Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service. Transportation is provided for the return of the heifers and market steers to Alexandria.
8. Club members will be under the supervision of Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service chaperons, and will be expected to conduct their actions fitting to 4-H and FFA principles.
9. Club members selected to participate will be given detailed information about the trip at time of selection.
10. Provided quality is adequate and the number of cattle being shown is sufficient, up to 24 exhibitors with market steers and breeding heifers will be selected to represent Louisiana at the NAILE. A combination of steers and heifers will be selected for a total of 24 exhibitors to represent Louisiana.
11. Exhibitors may compete in the market and breeding division of the selection contest, but can qualify to exhibit only **one** animal on the educational trip to NAILE. **The first animal selected will qualify an exhibitor for the trip.**
12. Exhibitors must be present to show their entries at the selection show (State Fair) and NAILE.
13. Entry forms required for the NAILE must be completed by the club member and their County Agent, FFA instructor or family member immediately following selection, and all forms turned in to Mr. Jason Holmes before leaving the State Fair of Louisiana.

Market Steers

General Rules and Regulations

NEW FOR 2019: All Beef Cattle will be required to have a USDA 840 EID Tag. All Cattle will be required to have a BVD negative test.

1. **Ownership.** Market steers must be owned by and in possession of the exhibitor prior to **May 10, 2019** (No joint ownerships).
2. Steers must weigh a **Minimum weight of 1000 pounds** in order to be eligible to compete for the educational trip.
3. A club member may enter more than one steer in the selection contest to compete for the educational trip, but only **one** of the exhibitor's steers can be selected for exhibit at the NAILE.

5. The selection contest for steers will be held on **Sunday, October 27, 2019** immediately following the judging of Junior Market Steers at the State Fair of Louisiana.
6. Steers selected to be exhibited at the NAILE **will** be allowed to sell in the ALTAC Junior Livestock Sale.
7. The Market Steer Show at the NAILE is no longer a terminal show; therefore, any market steer exhibited at the NAILE **will** be eligible to show in subsequent shows in Louisiana (unless sold in the ALTAC Junior Livestock Sale).
8. Market Steers will be shown at the NAILE on **Sunday, November 17, 2019**.
9. Market steers will return to Alexandria with heifers on Monday afternoon **November 18, 2019**.

Breeding Heifers

General Rules and Regulations

NEW FOR 2019: All Beef Cattle will be required to have a USDA 840 EID Tag. All Cattle will be required to have a BVD negative test.

1. **Ownership:** Must have possession by **August 1, 2019**. All animals must be registered with their respective breed registry in the exhibitor's name **prior to September 1, 2019 (No joint ownerships)**.
2. Entries for the Breeding Cattle Selection Show will be limited to **heifers only**. Bulls are not eligible to show.
3. The selection contest for beef breeding animals will take place for each breed immediately after the selection of Grand Champion Female.
4. Breeding heifers may be selected from the following **Breed Classifications:**

a) Angus	h) Hereford-Polled Hereford
b) Beefmaster	i) Maine-Anjou
c) Braford	j) Santa Gertrudis
d) Braford Base	k) Simmental
e) Gray Brahman	l) Simmental Percentage
f) Red Brahman	m) AOB - Brahman
g) Brangus	n) AOB – Non-Brahman
5. Definition of **ages and classes** are as follows: All heifers must have been born from September 1, 2017 to April 30, 2019.

6. **Original Registration papers** must be checked prior to selection show and if selected, original papers must be brought to Alexandria along with health papers at time designated.
7. Exhibitors are responsible for an official **Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI)** for their breeding heifers and market steers. This health certificate must be delivered to Alexandria with the heifer and/or steer. The health certificate, to be valid, must have been obtained within 30 days of showing at the NAILE, and must indicate destination as North American International Livestock Expo in Louisville, KY. Therefore, the certificates must be dated after October 6, 2019. The CVI must be signed by an accredited veterinarian.
8. Breeding heifers selected for the educational trip will be shown on **Saturday and Sunday, November 16 & 17, 2019** at the NAILE in Louisville, Kentucky.
9. Breeding heifers shown at the NAILE will be returned to Alexandria on Monday afternoon **November 18, 2019**.
10. Beef cattle entering the state of Kentucky for exhibition purposes:
 - USDA 840 EID Tag
 - BVD negative test
 - Individual official ID required (i.e. metal tag, registration tattoo with papers)
 - Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued by an accredited veterinarian within 30 days prior to entry
 - For more information visit <http://www.kyagr.com/statevet/animal-movement.html>

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2019 Sheep Educational Award Trip
North American International Livestock Exposition
(NAILE)
Louisville, Kentucky

General Rules and Regulations

1. The North American International Livestock Exposition will be held **November 5 - 21, 2019**.
2. Selection Contest (Market Lambs and Breeding Ewes) will be held at the State Fair of Louisiana (**October 24 & 25, 2019**) in Shreveport, Louisiana. Only Market Lambs and Breeding Ewes entered and shown at the State Fair of Louisiana will be eligible for the selection contests.
3. All potential contestants for the Sheep Educational Award Trip must submit participation forms at the selection contest. These may be obtained from Mr. Rodney Johnson at the Rapides Extension Office. Copies will also be available from Mr. Johnson at the State Fair.
 - a. For market lambs the participation form must be turned in at the selection contest.
 - b. For breeding animals participation forms must be submitted and **original registration papers** checked at the selection contest which occurs for each breed immediately after the selection of Grand Champion Female.
 - c. Club members (4-H and FFA) shall indicate prior to selection that they definitely plan to attend the show in Louisville, if selected. If they decide not to attend the show after their animal is selected, it will still count as one of their trips.
4. **All Market Lambs and Breeding Ewes** entered for competition in the selection process must have an **official Federal Scrapie Tag** in their ear at the time of selection.
5. **Original Registration Papers** on breeding ewes must be available at the selection contest.
6. Market lambs and breeding ewes selected to participate in the educational trip to the NAILE must be brought to the **DeWitt Livestock Facility in Alexandria** on a date designated at selection time.
7. Transportation, lodging and educational activities will be provided for all exhibitors selected to attend the NAILE in Louisville, Kentucky.
8. Transportation, grooming equipment, feed and bedding for market lambs and breeding ewes that will be exhibited at the NAILE will be provided by the Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service.
9. Club members will be under the supervision of Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service chaperons, and will be expected to conduct their actions fitting to 4-H and FFA principles.
10. Club members selected to participate will be provided detailed information about the trip at the time of selection.

11. Provided quality is adequate and the number of sheep being shown is sufficient, up to 15 exhibitors with market lambs and 5 exhibitors with breeding ewes will be selected to represent Louisiana at the NAILE. If there are less than those numbers of animals in either group (market or breeding), additional sheep may be selected from the other group to make a total of 20 exhibitors selected to represent Louisiana.
12. Exhibitors must be present to show their entries at the selection show (State Fair) and NAILE.
13. Entry forms required for the NAILE must be completed by the club member and their County Agent, FFA Instructor or family member immediately following the selection process at the State Fair of Louisiana, and all forms turned in to Mr. Rodney Johnson before leaving the State Fair of Louisiana.

Market Lambs

General Rules and Regulations

1. **Ownership.** Lambs must be owned and in possession of the exhibitor prior to **July 10, 2019.** (No joint ownerships).
2. All market lambs must have **lamb teeth** at the time of selection.
3. **Wether lambs only** may be exhibited (purebred or cross).
4. Lambs must weigh a **minimum of 90 pounds** (at time of selection). There is **no maximum weight.**
5. A club member may enter more than one market lamb in the selection contest to compete for the educational trip, but only **one** of the exhibitor's lambs can be selected for exhibit at the North American Expo in Louisville (NAILE).
6. Market lambs must be ear tagged for identification. Exhibitors must use the State Fair of Louisiana tag as entry number for the selection contest.
7. The selection contest for market lambs will be held on **Friday, October 25, 2019,** immediately following the judging of market lambs at the State Fair of Louisiana. Only Market Lambs entered and shown at the State Fair of Louisiana are eligible for the selection contest.
8. Market lambs selected for the educational trip will be shown on **Saturday and Sunday, November 16 & 17, 2019,** at 8:00 a.m. at the NAILE in Louisville, Kentucky. There will not be a sale for market lambs at the NAILE in Louisville (Champions will sell).
9. Market lambs shown will be returned to Louisiana (Alexandria). These lambs will be eligible to be shown at subsequent shows in Louisiana (LSU Junior Livestock Show, etc.) unless sold in the ALTAC Junior Livestock Sale. The market lambs will be returned to Alexandria on Monday afternoon **November 18, 2019.**

10. Exhibitors are responsible for official **Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI)** on their market lambs. This health certificate must be delivered to Alexandria with the market lamb. The health certificate must be signed by an accredited veterinarian. All market lambs must have a valid **scrapie tag in their ear** to be eligible to compete for the awards trip.

Breeding Ewes

General Rules and Regulations

1. **Ownership**: Must have possession by **July 10, 2019**. All animal must be registered in the Flock Books of their respective breed in the exhibitor's name **prior to August 1, 2019**. (No joint ownerships).
2. Entries for the Breeding Sheep Selection Show will be limited to **Ewes only**. Rams are not eligible to show. Only Breeding Ewes entered and shown at the State Fair of Louisiana will be eligible for the selection contest.
3. Breeding ewes must have the **official association ear tag** (or recognized I.D. ear tag) at time of selection at the State Fair. Entries must have the correct association ear tag for each breeding ewe.
4. The selection contest for breeding sheep will take place at the State Fair of Louisiana. Selection will take place for each breed immediately following the selection of Grand Champion female. The breeding sheep show will be held **Thursday, October 24, 2019** at the State Fair of Louisiana.
5. Breeding ewes may be selected from the following **breed classifications**:

a) Suffolk	d) Southdown
b) Hampshire	e) Other Pure Breeds (OPB)
c) Dorset	
6. Definition of **Ages and Classes** is as follows:

April and after Ewe Lamb — April 1, 2019 & After
March Ewe Lamb — Mar. 1- Mar. 31, 2019
February Ewe Lamb — Feb. 1-Feb 29, 2019
January Ewe Lamb — Jan 1-Jan 31, 2019
Fall Ewe Lamb – Sept. 1 – Dec. 31, 2018
Yearling Ewe Lamb – 1 year old but under 2, Sept. 2018 and before
7. **Original Registration papers** must be checked at the selection contest and, if selected, original papers must be brought to Alexandria along with **health papers** at the time designated.

8. Exhibitors are responsible for official **Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI)** on their breeding sheep. This health certificate must be delivered to Alexandria with the ewes. The health certificate must be signed by an accredited veterinarian. All Breeding sheep must have a **valid scrapie tag** in their ear to be eligible to compete for the awards trip.
9. Breeding sheep selected for the educational trip will be shown on **Saturday and Sunday, November 16 & 17, 2019**, at the NAILE in Louisville, KY.
10. Breeding ewes shown at the NAILE will be returned to Alexandria on Monday afternoon **November 18, 2019**. These ewes will be eligible to compete at subsequent shows in Louisiana.
11. Breeding ewes entering the state of Kentucky for exhibition purposes:
 - Individual ID required (i.e. Scrapie tag)
 - Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) issued by an accredited veterinarian within 30 days prior to entry
 - For more information visit <http://www.kyagr.com/statevet/animal-movement.html>

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