

**YOUTH AUCTION SALE**  
**RULES AND REGULATIONS**  
**SPONSORED BY THE**  
**AUSTIN COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION**

In order to hold the number of sale lots to one that will encourage good prices for all livestock, poultry and rabbits, and will give every 4-H and FFA member a chance to participate in the sale, the Austin County Fair Association has adopted the following rules for the 2021 4-H and FFA Youth Auction Sale:

All entries not sold in the Youth Auction Sale are eligible for sale on the resale truck, if the exhibitor notifies the Committee Chairman by 5:00 p.m., **Thursday, October 14, 2021**. Otherwise, the exhibitor will be responsible for all animals left.

The Youth Auction Sale Committee will determine the total number of sale lots in the Youth Auction Sale.

1. Each 4-H club and FFA member shall be limited to one sale lot. If the exhibitor has more than one entry eligible for the sale, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to let the Species Superintendent know which animal he/she wishes to sell. If the exhibitor does not let the Species Superintendent know which one he/she wishes to sell, the sales committee will select the first one that comes from the following order: 1<sup>st</sup> Steer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Halter Heifer, 3<sup>rd</sup> Horses, 4<sup>th</sup> Pen of Heifers, 5<sup>th</sup> Swine, 6<sup>th</sup> Lamb, 7<sup>th</sup> Goat, 8<sup>th</sup> Broilers, 9<sup>th</sup> Turkey Tom, 10<sup>th</sup> Turkey Hen and 11<sup>th</sup> Rabbits.
2. Only animals passing sifting and subject to other regulations will be sold in the Youth Auction Sale.
3. All sales in the Youth Auction Sale shall be limited to 4-H Club and FFA members. Members must be permanent residents in Austin County or be enrolled in a public, private or home school in Austin County. Exhibitor must be a member in good standing and be in compliance with all rules and guidelines of a 4-H club or FFA chapter in Austin County, and not have graduated high school.
4. If an exhibitor EXHIBITS an animal at any county fair within a calendar year of the Austin County Fair, then he/she is ineligible to show or sell at the Austin County Fair. This does not include major livestock shows.
5. All animals in this sale must have been fed and cared for by the exhibitor.
6. All 4-H club and FFA members who have animals, poultry or rabbits in this sale, shall be responsible for their animals, poultry and rabbits, and their feed, and the care of the same until they have been delivered to the respective buyers by the seller.
7. **All exhibit areas are to be cleaned, and animals, including poultry and rabbits, fed each day. A \$100.00 fee will be deducted from the exhibitor's sale check if the area is not maintained.**
8. There will be a 7% deduction from all sales through the 4-H club and FFA Auction Sale, including the resale animals, donations, and added money which will be used to help defray the expenses of the Youth Auction Sale.
9. All Grand Champions and Reserve Champions in the junior market show must be sold in the Auction Sale unless the sale contradicts rule number one (1) above.

10. **It is absolutely unethical for anyone to ask the buyer of an exhibit to donate or sell back a sale lot to the exhibitor. The Fair Board will not tolerate exhibitors asking for animals to be donated or sold back. The violation of this rule could result in the forfeiture of any monies and/or prizes earned and be subject to other penalties assessed by the Austin County Fair.**

11. **No request to change the destination of the purchased animal(s) may be made by the exhibitor or parent, the buyers written request is final. Once the buyer submits the written form to the sales clerk, the buyer is the only individual allowed to make changes to delivery or destination.**

12. All entries will be exhibited and sold by their owners unless he/she is physically unable to do so or if the exhibitor has more than one entry showing in different divisions at the same time. Exhibits to be shown or sold by someone else other than the owner must be approved in writing by the respective committee chairman. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to obtain and complete the required form. Forms will be available at the Fair Office.

If an exhibitor is academically ineligible to show, the exhibitor AND THEIR PROJECT are ineligible to participate in the Austin County Fair.

13. No Pass Out (PO) will be allowed in any department.

14. When Youth Auction Sale checks are ready, exhibitors will be contacted. In order to receive their check, exhibitors must bring **STAMPED and ADDRESSED HANDWRITTEN** thank you notes to their buyers and add on donors to the Fair Office. Once the Fair Office has checked their thank you notes, exhibitors will seal them and then receive their check.