

**2024 Bakersfield Christian FFA**  
**Kern County Fair Application and Project Designation**  
**Incoming Freshmen**

**APPLICATION DUE May 10, 2024 by 5:00 PM**  
**Please type application**

MANDATORY STUDENT & PARENT MEETING **May 16, 2024** at 6PM in the SSC.  
*Fair packets will be given out at mandatory meeting along with specific details and expectations.*  
Animal Insurance will be available for purchase at mandatory meeting.

*Please note if you show Independent or 4-H, you do NOT need to proceed!*

**Minimum Qualifications Checklist:**

\_\_\_ Must be currently enrolled in Ag Ed for the upcoming year

\_\_\_ Minimum GPA of 2.0

\_\_\_ Must have a letter of recommendation from a middle school teacher or staff member  
(Please attach)

\_\_\_ Submit a copy of unofficial transcripts for middle school (Please attach)

\_\_\_ Completed applications will be submitted electronically by emailing to:  
**bchsffainfo@bakersfieldchristian.com** - no paper applications will be accepted.

Due to the nature and commitment of livestock SAE projects, not all applications will automatically be accepted. Minimal requirements must be met in order to be considered to be a part of any barn show team. Incomplete applications will not be considered. See your advisor if you have any questions regarding this application.

_____	_____	_____
Student Name	Student Email	Student Cell Phone
_____	_____	_____
Parent/Guardian Name	Parent Email	Parent Cell Phone

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**At the fair I would like to show : (Circle and indicate number of animals)**

Horse	Alpaca Llama	Swine	Sheep	Goat	Rabbit	Cavy	Dairy	Poultry	Beef	Heifer
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Beef Heifers, please indicate your plans for Open Heifer or Bred Heifer. \_\_\_\_\_

I plan to show a market breeding animal. Please fill in your species: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you need help finding housing for your animal? \_\_\_\_\_

**Location of Livestock Project/ address:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
*\*\* (If you plan on keeping your animal at a location other than your personal home, please make a copy of agreement and attach to this application)*

Please check which of the following applies to you:

	I would like help in finding my animal
	I will find my own animal

Advisors will contact students and families who would like help purchasing animals.

**Students must have animals and complete/turn in DNA by the following dates:**

- Market Beef: May 21
- Dairy: June 21
- Market Sheep, Goats & Swine: July 22

**Students must have animals and complete/turn in online entries by the following dates:**

- Market Beef & Horses: May 24
- Dairy: June 24
- Market Sheep, Swine, & Goats: July 24
- Beef Replacement, Open Heifers, Breeding Animals, Rabbits, & Poultry

**Project visits will begin July 9, 2024**

Project visits will be made Tuesday's, Wednesday's, Thursday's from 7am-2pm. Your advisor will set a schedule with you.

***Group Showmanship practices will be held every other week Locations to be determined.***

You may not miss more than 3 consecutive practices in a row.

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The following dates are very important for BCHS FFA, will you be able to attend these events in order to support the program and our chapter?

September 14th - Fair Clean up and Club decorations \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

August- September - Caesar's Dinner Ticket Sales \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

**Student/Exhibitor- please fill out the following:**

1. Current year in school:            Incoming Freshmen

2. What Ag Classe(s) are you currently enrolled in?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. What is your highest degree you have earned to date?

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Are you taking summer school? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Unsure

5. Are you playing club/ summer sport? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Unsure

If Yes: Which sport:

6. Do you have any planned vacations, summer commitments that will keep you away from your project? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Unsure

If Yes:

Please explain how your animal will be taken care of while you are away.

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7. If you are eligible, do you plan to obtain your Greenhand Degree? (This is the first degree you earn as a first year member in FFA.) \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
8. Uniform requirements for showing livestock requires: White pants, white button up/collared shirt, belt, FFA jacket, tie or scarf and appropriate footwear. If you don't currently have these items, are you willing to purchase them? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No
1. Do you understand that if you do not own your own FFA Jacket you need to purchase one through shopffa.org before September? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No
9. Please answer the following: " My motivation to exhibit an animal at the Kern County Fair with Bakersfield Christian FFA is .....

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**Parent/Guardian- Please complete this portion of the application.**

Name of Parent or Guardian filling out this application:

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1. As the parent or guardian of this student, are you willing to support your student in this project?     Yes     No
  
2. Please list who will be responsible for providing transportation to practices, the fair and or other livestock shows for this project.

3. Our chapter will need help selling dinner tickets to offset costs for fair shavings, tools and other items as well as clean-up, break down, and decorations in each barn. Are you willing to help?     Yes     No
  
4. Are you willing and do you agree to assist your student in their project by reviewing their plan, purchase of animals, daily supervision of animal welfare, care, transportation and keep an open line of communication with the advisors?     Yes     No
  
5. Are you willing to help your student obtain equipment if needed for this project?  
       Yes     No
  
6. Are you willing to help aid in the marketing of your students' animals for sponsorships, add ons and purchase of their animals before auction?     Yes     No
  
7. Are you willing to help your student either obtain their YQCA certification to show or bring them to school during workshop time to allow them to acquire it under advisor supervision?     Yes     No
  
8. Our Alumni and Supporters Chapter plays a vital role in our program. Are you currently a member?     Yes     No
  
9. If not, would you like more information on how to join and the benefits it provides your student?     Yes     No
  
10. Will you support your student in allowing them to attend the minimum required FFA activities in order to obtain their 4 activities needed per semester which directly relates to their grade?     Yes     No
  
11. There will be a MANDATORY Parent & Student Meeting on May 16th at 6pm will you be in attendance?     Yes     No

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**Code of Ethics**

**Student Behavior:**

- FFA members are expected to respect the authority and direction of all teachers and representatives of all agricultural Department events and activities.
- FFA members are expected to be held accountable for their actions and that communication between advisors and administration will occur when violations are made.
- All FFA exhibitors are expected to conduct themselves in a cooperative and courteous manner while participating and representing the BCHS FFA chapter at FFA sanctioned events, fairs, and shows.

FFA Members, who wish to have the privilege of participating in FFA activities within the BCHS FFA Chapter including but not limited to; all Local, Sectional, Regional, State or National events including all County/State Livestock Expositions, Fairs and Shows, must conduct themselves in accordance with the Conduct Policy. A violation of this code of conduct or code of ethics before, during, or after participation in any recognized FFA event and or activity will result in the removal of the member and the project from the event, activity, and/or fair and show. All violations will be reported to the BCHS Administration for further action under the school's conduct policy and the member/exhibitor understands that his/her future participation in the FFA may be limited and or prohibited for a period of time or for its entirety. A meeting of the member, parent/guardian, advisor, and administration will be held to determine future standing of member eligibility.

**Code of Showing Ethics:**

Student exhibitors represent more than themselves. Both good and bad behavior reflects parents, leaders, schools, and the entire FFA organization. Any student who breaks the code of Ethics or allows another person (adult or peer) to talk them into violating the code of ethics agrees to forfeit all awards on that entry and membership will be in question based on the findings and decision of the site administrators.

- Students and or parents who risk the reputation of the BCHS FFA Chapter and BCHS High School before, during and or after an event, shall be held accountable for their actions by possible removal from the FFA Chapter and the Agriculture Program.
- All food animals raised and shown by BCHS FFA students shall be safe for consumers, and shall have met all withdrawal times for all medications, and be free of drug residue. Any animal found to have been changed in appearance, and or performance, shall be in violation of the BCHS FFA Code of Ethics. Student exhibitors and or parents will be subject to removal from the FFA program or face consequences for such actions as assessed by FFA advisors and school administration.
- By entering an exhibit in any fair or show you accept any disciplinary action taken for any violation of this Code of Ethics and any other rules of the competition of the fair without recourse against management including advisors, school administration, and fair officials.
- Students are not to be involved in any illegal activities while participating in FFA events, including but not limited to alcohol, tobacco, drug or firearm use.
- Students who cannot exhibit/show their entry for any reason will notify the advisor immediately and make arrangements for a substitute showman if applicable.
- Any protest consideration presented by any parent or student representing the BCHS FFA Chapter must be approved by the advisor of the chapter and or advisor of the project. All protests are subject to administration approval.

I agree to conduct myself in an honest, ethical, and upstanding manner. I understand that disciplinary actions will result if these rules are violated. I understand that I am expected to represent the program in a positive manner. I have read and understand this Code of Ethics and any other rules of competition.

Student Name- Printed \_\_\_\_\_ Student Name- Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Name - Printed \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Name- Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_