



Welcome 4-H Livestock Families,

Thank you for joining into one of the greatest youth development programs in the nation. This letter is to give families an overview of the opportunities and resources available to help have an incredible experience in our 4-H livestock club. The best way to stay informed throughout the club year is to read the monthly newsletter, join our Facebook page (Baker County 4-H Livestock Club), look out for emails, and stay in contact with the club leaders.

We want to keep 4-H a fun, meaningful experience for everyone and we understand that at times it can seem overwhelming when you're new to 4-H. We meet once a month to help keep everyone involved and use a points system (which we will go over in another packet). It is important that you manage your schedules to be at meetings. Meetings start at 6 o'clock in the evening on the forth Tuesday of the month. If you are going to be late you need to let the leaders know. By 6:15pm you will be considered absent if you have not made contact and will not be allowed to count that meeting. Parents cannot be in attendance for their children, the child must be present to claim attendance. We understand that schedules can be busy, but making a small effort goes a long way. A life skill to be learned is decision making, make the decision whether you want to participate or not.

Keep in mind that Club leaders are ONLY volunteers and have families as well. Your leaders are more than willing to do their part. We want to be there for everyone so that every child has a successful experience. Your club will be able to accomplish so much more if everyone respects one another and shares responsibilities. If you have an issue, please address it with the lead volunteers so we can do our best to resolve it. We are here to answer any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

This year we will be using a new project book which we will go over with each child and parent. We will have a log that each parent and child will be required to sign once the child receives their project book. This project book will be required to be turned in at the end of the child's project and will be worth points. The new project books are age appropriate for each child and will be the child's responsibility to keep up with the book. We ask that parents please oversee the handling of the books.

The local Extension office is always open to help with any additional questions and for information regarding the 4-H program and activities. The Baker County Extension Service's business hours are 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. closed for lunch from 12-1 p.m. and can be reached by phone at 904-259-3520.

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Sincerely,

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