



**Jefferson County Fair**  
**4-H/FFA Emergency, Releases, Conduct/Ethics Codes, and Chaperone Policy**  
**MUST be completed by/for EACH 4-H/FFA Youth Exhibitor**



Please check one  4-H  FFA

Youth's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Exhibit Area(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Youth and/or Family Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Club/Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Leader/Chapter Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Best Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Fair Chaperone Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Chaperone Best Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Contact Best Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be camping on the Fairgrounds during the Jefferson County Fair? (circle one) Yes No Not Sure

Doctor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Dentist Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Insurance Carrier: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Subscriber Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Health Information: Below, please list any health conditions such as diabetes, heart condition, seizures/epilepsy, allergies (bee stings or peanuts), asthma, eye or ear problems or any chronic conditions. Please also list medications. Please describe the condition and give details for care during the Fair. \_\_\_Check here if child has no health problems.

*Parents/Guardians or 4-H/FFA members, 18 years or older: please read and sign below.*

#### **4-H/FFA Assumption of Risk and Release Statements**

**Assumption of Risk for Current 4-H Year:** I understand that there are risks in participating in Jefferson County Fair, FFA, and 4-H Youth Development Events and activities associated with Washington State University (WSU). In consideration for and as a condition of being allowed to participate in this voluntary activity, I agree to take full responsibility for any and all risks that exist, including the risk of death or injury to my child or self or loss or damage to my property. I understand that there may be risks that Jefferson County Fair, FFA, 4-H, and WSU cannot predict or foresee, and I also assume full responsibility for those risks.

**Emergency Medical Release:** In an emergency requiring medical attention or a situation reasonably believed to be an emergency by WSU-authorized agents including enrolled 4-H volunteers or event staff (including Jefferson County 4-H, Jefferson County Fair, and WA State 4-H Youth Development Programs) and FFA-authorized agents, I authorize WSU, FFA, and their authorized agents to obtain emergency medical care for me/my child. I will be responsible for any expenses incurred in so doing including, but not limited to, care by health care professionals, hospital care, and ambulance or other services. In addition, the health care provider has permission to obtain a copy of my/my child's health record from providers who treat me/my child and these providers may talk with the program's staff about my health status. I hold harmless and agree to indemnify WSU, FFA, and their authorized agents, and employees from decisions to seek emergency treatment.

**Release of Claims & Liability:** I, my heirs and assigns, hereby release, the state of Washington, FFA, 4-H, the Jefferson County Fair, the Regents of WSU, WSU, any subdivision of WSU, its officers, employees/volunteers, and agents, from any and all liability claims, costs, expenses, injuries, and/or losses to person or property, which I/my child may sustain and/or sustain as a result of death or injury, as a result of or connected with participation in this program and/or event. If any part or portion of this Release of Liability is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining parts or portions shall be enforceable. This release and all matters related to my activities involving WSU, FFA, 4-H, and/or Jefferson County Fair shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with Washington law. I have carefully read this statement, and understand its contents and am fully informed about this program and circumstances. I am aware that this document is a contract with WSU, Jefferson County Fair, 4-H, and/or FFA and the program sponsors. In enter this contract freely and voluntarily.

**I have read, understand, and consent to the foregoing Assumption of Risk and Release statements:**

4-H/FFA Exhibitor Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature (if Exhibitor is under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

*All 4-H/FFA exhibitors, parents/guardians, and 4-H Leaders/FFA Advisor: please read and sign below.*

#### **4-H/FFA Exhibitor Code of Ethics during Jefferson County Fair**

**(1) Commitment to Quality Animal Care** - This is an agreement between 4-H/FFA animal project exhibitors and the management of the Jefferson County Fair. Its purpose is to ensure: ethical decisions and activities by 4-H/ FFA youth; overall well-being of all 4-H/ FFA animals exhibited; use of commonly accepted practices in preparing and exhibiting animals for show; a safe and wholesome food supply; and the intent and integrity of animal competitions and displays for future generations.

**(2) 4-H/FFA Quality Animal Care Pledge** - The purpose of my participation in the Jefferson County Fair is to strengthen my own knowledge, ability and skill as a feeder, manager, trainer, caregiver and exhibitor of animals and to develop my sense of responsibility and good character. If my project includes food production animals, my goal is to produce safe and wholesome food.

- I will do my own project work to the best of my ability.
- I will not use or allow abusive, fraudulent or illegal practices or products in the feeding, care, fitting, training and showing of my animals.
- I will not misrepresent my animals or myself in any way.
- I will read, understand and follow the rules, without exception, of animal shows in which I am a participant and expect that my parents and 4-H Leader/FFA Advisor do the same.
- My animal project is an example of how to accept what life has to offer, both good and bad, how to live with outcome. I will treat other people's animals with the same respect and care I give to my own animals.

- I realize that I am responsible for the proper care and safe humane treatment of my animals. I realize that I am responsible for demonstrating strong moral fiber and good character as an example to others.
- I will voice my objections to events related to my participation by using the protest policy described in the premium book. I will not directly interfere with the judge, show management or other exhibitors before, during and after the event.
- I accept that failure to uphold this commitment could result in forfeiture of my right to participate in the 4-H/FFA program.

#### 4-H/FFA Code of Conduct during Jefferson County Fair

As a participant in 4-H/FFA events, you individually represent all 4-H/FFA members to the public. Therefore, you are expected to behave in a manner that reflects well on yourself, your club/chapter, and the broader 4-H/FFA organizations.

##### General Rules to Follow

- Duties: Perform all required activities for your project. This includes attending orientation meetings, building/barn duty, herdsmanship, and building/barn clean up before leaving the Fair.
- Dress: Dress should be appropriate, clean, and modest.
- Manners: Be respectful and display good manners at all times. Use appropriate and respectful language at all times – no swearing.
- Property: Be respectful of community property, as well as personal property of others. This includes other’s work, displays, animals, show equipment, and feed. Fireworks and firearms are not allowed.
- Wristbands: Once participants have turned in all required forms, they will receive a 4-H/FFA wristband. The wristbands will be installed upon arrival at the fairgrounds and must be worn at all times. Wearing the wristband will not affect judging of the 4-H/FFA members. Cost for wristband is deducted from premiums earned.
- Curfew: If you are staying on the fairgrounds during the Fair, observe the curfew (stated in the Chaperone Policy below). No 4-H/FFA members may leave the area without their chaperones.
- Drugs/Alcohol: Participants – including on-duty, adult chaperones – must not possess, use, or distribute tobacco, alcohol, and/or drugs (except those prescribed by their doctor) on Fair grounds. In addition, WSU Extension 4-H Youth Development Program does not permit any form of advertising of tobacco, marijuana, or spirit or beer products, including clothing, at any 4-H related event involving youth.
- Touching: Participants must refrain from public displays of affection. Kissing and other physical displays distract from the group and are not appropriate behavior during the Fair.

##### Consequences for Rule Breaking

1. Participants who break the rules will have the opportunity to explain their actions to the staff in charge. Staff will take appropriate action based on the issues raised.
2. Rules violations may result in dismissal and the offender being sent home.
3. If you are sent home during the Fair for breaking the rules, this may result in forfeiture of all premiums.
4. Violations related to property or drugs/alcohol will result in the offender being sent home immediately. These violations could also result in criminal charges.

**I have read and understand the above Code of Ethics and Code of Conduct:**

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4-H/FFA Exhibitor Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

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Club Leader/Chapter Advisor

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#### Jefferson County 4-H/FFA Fair Chaperone Policy

1. 4-H/FFA participants at County Fair must have a chaperone, who is at least 20 years old. Chaperones can be a 4-H Leader/FFA Advisor, parent, and/or other adult who bears responsibility for the general safety and well-being of 4-H/FFA youth under the age of 18. Chaperones with independent, overnight supervision of a 4-H member must be (1) at least 21 years of age and (2) enrolled and certified 4-H volunteers who have successfully completed the screening policy. (Source: WSU 4-H Policy and Procedure Handbook, 8.2)
2. 4-H/FFA members camping at the fairgrounds during the Fair must stay in the same campsite as their chaperone.
3. 4-H/FFA members camping at the fairgrounds only will be allowed to leave the grounds with their chaperone. They must be back to the fairgrounds before 10pm.
4. 4-H/FFA members will not be allowed to leave the fairgrounds after 10pm with the exception of a medical emergency. Chaperones must be notified of all emergencies.
5. All persons NOT camping at the fairgrounds are expected to leave when the Fair closes at 8pm.

4-H Leaders/FFA Advisors, Parents/Guardians, Chaperones, Fair Management and Security Staff will enforce the above rules.

4-H/FFA members who break these rules will be subject to:

1. Warning and parental notification.
2. Removal from the Fair and possible suspension from future Fairs.
3. Loss of premium monies and awards.

**I have read, understand, and agree to the above rules; I will share a copy of this Policy with our Fair Chaperone:**

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4-H/FFA Exhibitor Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

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Fair Chaperone Name (printed)

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Chaperone Best Phone#

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Chaperone’s Primary Location at Fair