

## **BARBERS HILL HIGH SCHOOL AG FARM CONTRACT RULES & REGULATIONS**

The Barbers Hill FFA Ag Barn is provided for High School FFA members raising an animal project that do not have a place of their own to keep livestock. Chambers County Fair projects will be given first priority with pen selection and availability. Projects to be shown elsewhere may or may not be allowed to house within our facilities as space permits.

Failure to abide by the following rules will result in:

**1st Offense** - Verbal warning **\*(Excluding Rule number 2 & 3 listed below-1st offense is EVICTION)** **2nd Offense** - Written warning **3rd Offense** - Eviction of project

1. All BHISD policies will be followed at all times. Parents and volunteers must adhere to all BHISD guidelines while attending or supervising students. Failure to do so may result in the individual being restricted to BH ISD/FFA activities.

2. Cruelty or endangerment to the animals/people will not be tolerated **and is cause for immediate eviction of the offender's animal by the AST (Agriculture Science Teacher)**. This includes but is not limited to: neglect, abusive training, malicious actions, using electronic devices without permission or unapproved drugs to your own animal, another student or another animal.

3. **No alcoholic beverages, tobacco product, or controlled substance will be allowed on any BH ISD facilities. No persons under the influence of alcohol, tobacco or other controlled substances will be allowed on the school grounds at any time.** (Please refer to the BHHS Handbook and BHISD Board Policy for details). **Failure to abide by these rules can result in immediate eviction of the student's animal on the 1st offense – NO WARNINGS.**

4. Cleanliness is a necessity. It is your responsibility to keep your pen area along with other areas you may use neat, clean, and orderly. This includes but is not limited to manure, trash, can drinks, water bottles, bags and old bedding material. A \$50.00 deposit will be kept for pen cleanup fee for students who have not cleaned their project center. This student will have to be approved for re-entry by the Principal and Advisors.

5. No pets will be allowed at the project center. Barn Cats excluded. You will be asked to help with cat feed during the year. This is part of pest control measures.

6. Safety for self and the project is the sole responsibility of the student. Any damage to the facility should be reported to an Ag teacher immediately. The Ag Department or BHISD will not be held liable for injury, loss, or theft to a project or any individual entering the facility. The hold harmless rule in the BH FFA Handbook applies to this contract. You may leave a message on the machine anytime at 576-2221 x 1213.

7. Animal ownership may not change without teacher approval.
8. The project center will open at 5:30 am until 10:00 pm each day. Be aware of the automatic gate and timing to drive through without damages. After driving through the gate entrance it is your responsibility to look back at the gate to make sure it is closed.
9. Teachers will make stall/ pen assignments for each student project. The assignments will not be changed without teacher approval. Advisors will assign and or reassign stalls and tack rooms as needed.
10. NO additions, subtractions, modifications, or construction relating to electricity, carpentry, plumbing or location may be made without approval. The student is responsible for safe use of electricity on the Project Center. The use of electrical devices or extension cords must meet NEC and UL electrical codes. No cords shall lie in the aisle, across the pens or on the ground. Animals can chew on the cord and be electrocuted.
11. Ag facility should not be damaged in anyway; this includes but is not limited to sitting on gates or panels, throwing rocks, and damages caused by automobiles. Any accident or safety hazard is to be reported immediately to Advisor/teacher.
12. Students and parents should be extremely selective of guests. Guests are the responsibility of the student; therefore must follow all project center rules and BHISD rules and regulations. The Ag Farm resident student will be held responsible for any and all actions by individuals brought into the Ag Farm facility.
13. Students, parents or guests are limited to driving on designated areas only. Drivers should drive slowly and with caution both inside and outside fenced areas. DO NOT DRIVE IN PASTURE! Consider roadways, which lead to project center, an extension of center and avoid excessive noise, recklessness, littering, or other disruptive displays whether inside or near project center.
14. Radios shall not be played from the vehicle loudly or while feeding your animals. This facility will not be used for a loitering area or "hang out" for individuals.
15. Students must administer medications or have the animal viewed by a veterinarian when advised by the AST. Failure to do so could affect the health of other student projects.
16. Bedding material will be the responsibility of the student. Shavings will not be provided with this barn fee. Shavings must be kept at a minimum of 6 inches deep in the stall for lambs and goats and a comfortable depth for cattle (no concrete should be visible)
17. Animals must enter the facility only after visual inspection by AST for health reasons.

18. Students with prior in school suspension (ISS) for destruction of school property/vandalism, drugs or alcohol may not be allowed access to the facility for the safety and security of livestock and facilities. The FFA Advisory committee may review an applicant for admittance.

19. Students and family members may not feed, move, water or provide any other care, regardless of the intent, to help other student's projects without permission from the owner. AST cannot access the health and care of the individual animal if others are caring for it. Please do not make it your business to feed or care for another person's animal or to complain about the care of the project. You may not be there when they are or they may come and go at different times than you. The AST will monitor the projects.

20. An application is available for stalls as they fill. The AST's will select applicants as available. Stalls will be limited to one stall per student, unless there are available stalls. In the event of an emergency (pen flooding, sick animal, or birthing calf), AST's may temporarily allow access to another stall. Students evicted or found not to have complied with the rules of the facility may not be allowed access in the future.

21. In the event of a stall flooding: you are responsible for cleaning out the wet shavings and laying new shavings down for your animal. Whether it is your stall or a neighbor that has flooded your stall. You are responsible. It is suggested that if your stall is the stall that has caused the flooding, regardless of cause (broken water line, stuck float or turned on by animal or person) that person should offer to help clean up the mess out of common courtesy. But regardless, each stall is the responsibility of the leaser for any problems. It should be cleaned up within 5 days of the problem.

22. All market animals must be removed from the project center within 2 weeks following the project show. Projects not removed will become property of FFA chapter and sold (excluding approved Breeding projects). If student does not comply with the rules he/she may not be allowed access in the future. After the student submits a picture of the clean tack room and cleaned out stall only then will they be released from their 50.00 deposit. Otherwise the deposit will be forfeited and paid to another student by the Advisors to clean out the stall/tack.

23. All exhibitors must have up to date emergency contact information posted on their barn locker door. In the event of an emergency, please call your veterinarian. Do not administer medication/feed or water to another person's animal.

24. Parents and students must attend a visit with the Advisor prior to moving projects into facility to review rules and regulations. The Ag Farm contract must be signed by both student and parent. All fees must be paid prior to move-in as well.

25. Any evicted project must be removed within three days of notification or the animal will

become the property of the FFA chapter and sold at auction. The evicted student may not be allowed access for future projects.

26. The facility is monitored by video surveillance at all times and viewed by Ag Teachers only.

27. Each student will be responsible for providing personal locks for their individual feed/tack storage rooms and gates to their stalls. You must provide the AST keys for both of these locks prior to move-in or the Advisors may cut the lock if necessary.

28. Barn cleaning weeks will be assigned to students to which they are responsible for cleaning the general areas and bathroom.

29. Individual stalls and feed bunk areas must be kept clean daily. All manure will be placed in the concrete manure location outside. Wheelbarrows must be cleaned out and returned to the storage area. You are responsible for the area in front of your stall and feed bunk as well.

30. You must provide your own manure rake. DO NOT DUMP MANURE AT THE END OF THE BARN. Place manure in the concreted area or out past the concrete block area in the pasture. Do not drop trash only shavings and manure.

31. Feed /hay/water troughs will be provided by the student. Feeders for lambs and goats must be hanging type. Hay bags are not permitted in stalls. Feed must be kept in a closed container for pest control measures.

32. Fans and/or outside panels must be pre-approved by AST. No cords shall be left in the alley for animals to be tangled up with. Fan cords may NOT be left hanging where animals may chew on them. They will and could be electrocuted.

33. If the stall has automatic waterers previously installed they may be used by the student's projects but it is the responsibility of the student to maintain it. Any additional automatic waterers must be pre-approved by advisors. The chapter is not responsible for providing automatic waterers for the stalls or flooded stalls due to waterers.

34. A project fee will be charged prior to move -in. This fee is for the show schedule of the animal. The exhibitor may complete the show life cycle of the project and then release the stall for the incoming exhibitor/project. Breeding cattle will assess a 12 month stall fee. There will be no refunds on stall fees for any reason.

35. All students must be a member in good standing with the Texas FFA and currently enrolled in a BH ISD Agriculture class. All projects kept in the school facility must be entered as FFA projects at all shows. If a student is not enrolled in an Ag class the animal stall will be released and the animal must be removed from the facility within two weeks of notice from Advisors. In the event that the student is applying for barn admission during the summer months he/she

must enroll in the upcoming fall semester. The HS counselor may submit a written notice of the student's enrollment into the upcoming semester.

36. Animals must be attended/fed before and after school hours. Animals must be fed every day.

37. You may purchase outside panels for the animals run. But please have your material approved for stalls.

38. Remember, this facility is a privilege and if the student/parents cannot work cooperatively with BH ISD &/or staff, the student will be given one verbal warning, one written warning and the third incident will result in the eviction of the livestock project. No further stalls shall be rented.

NOTE:

Ag Teachers will assist in the transportation of the animals at sanctioned shows listed in the handbook. Parents/students must stay in contact with advisors as of the needs to weigh, oversee or transport animals for the sanctioned shows. We have a great community of support that offers to help us weigh and transport projects during the year. We can assist you just keep in touch. We have a big program and we are blessed.

**RETURN THIS PAGE SIGNED WITH PAYMENT  
IF YOU WILL BE REQUESTING A STALL SPACE**

**Students Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Stall #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Fee Schedule: Breeding cattle (per 12 months) \$ 250.00**  
**Steers/F1 market heifers (Per head/per feeding period) \$ 200.00**  
**Sheep/Goat (Per head/per feeding period) \$ 100.00**

**YOU WILL TURN IN 2 CHECKS**

- A check for the amount of the stall fee- Made out to **BH FFA**
- A \$50 deposit check (**undated** and made out to **BHYF**)
  - **The deposit check will be destroyed if the animal stall and tack room are cleaned within 10 days after the animals targeted sale date and/or end of contract, whichever comes first. If the stall and locker is not cleaned in the 10-day period, the check will be deposited and you will lose your deposit.**
    - ❖ The Agri-Science Department, Agriculture Science Teachers, FFA chapter, BHISD, or teachers are not responsible for any loss or damage to any person, property, or livestock, which may occur on the project center. **Students and parents assume all risks, and should consider insurance policies which cover animal projects and other property.** ❖ In the event of an emergency/evacuation the owner is responsible for the animal's welfare. ❖ The Ag teachers reserve the right to make decisions concerning the project center rules/projects , assigned stalls & barn in the best interest /residents/livestock at any time. These rules will be accessed, reviewed and amended by the FFA Advisors as needed.
- I have read, understand, and will abide by the Facility Rules.
- I understand I am responsible for the actions of those I allow to enter the facility with me.
- I will maintain the general use areas
- I will maintain a positive and cooperative working attitude with Ag Teachers and other members.
- I understand that at certain times my Advisors will ask me to do a total cleaning of the tack room and stall area as well as a workday if needed around the facility.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact information to be added to BARN REMIND GROUP FOR ALERTS:**

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

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