# Ben Bolt – Palito Blanco FFA

## Reminder of Student eligibility requirements for livestock shows

In order to be eligible to participate in any livestock show as an FFA or Jr. FFA student, students must meet the following requirements:

- Have approval of Agriculture Teacher/FFA Advisor.
- Be a member in good standing of the BB-PB FFA Chapter. (no past due balances)
- Be an Active FFA member by attaining an average of 70% FFA participation scoring during the first quarterly events
  - o Meeting Dates: August 20th, September 9th, or October 14th @6:00PM
    - Members must be present at two (2) FFA monthly meetings prior to the show
    - <u>Jr. FFA</u> members (3<sup>rd</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> graders) must be present at <u>one</u> (1) FFA monthly meeting prior to the show
- Have completed online Quality Counts course with a passing score.
- Be passing ALL subjects at the time that eligibility is determined per UIL guidelines.
  - If a student is ineligible to show due to grades, the animal is ineligible to show unless eligibility is defined differently at that show.
- Have paid entry fees on time and meet show requirements.
- Meet minimum weight requirement two (2) weeks prior to official show weigh-in date.
  - All livestock must have weight checked and verified by Ag. Teacher during the week of Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>
- Participate in one (1) Co. Fair Workday: October 12<sup>th</sup> or October 19<sup>th</sup>

# Ben Bolt – Palito Blanco FFA Fair Thank You Note Policy & SAE Recordbook Policy

In order for exhibitor to receive their fair check, <u>every</u> exhibitor must make sure to have completed the following requirements:

- Every exhibitor must complete a thank you note for the buyer(s) of their project and any donors of awards.
- Be an Active FFA member by attaining an average of 70% FFA participation scoring during the second quarterly events
  - <u>All members must be present at one (1) FFA monthly meeting after the show</u>
  - Must participate in the current semester fundraiser (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders only)
- ALL High School FFA members (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) are <u>required</u> to complete an SAE record book (the AET) in order to receive their fair check.
  - Jr. FFA members (3<sup>rd</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> grade) have the <u>option</u> of submitting a paper recordbook to gualify for awards at the end of the year FFA banquet
- Be a member in good standing of the BB-PB FFA Chapter. (no past due balances)

The Jim Wells County Fair rule book states that "The checks for all sales and/or premiums will be given to the teacher or sponsor in charge and will be invalid after 60 days." The BB-PB FFA, Ag Teachers, or Administration will NOT be responsible for checks not picked up or exhibitors not meeting the approved requirements. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor and his/her parents/guardians to take care of these responsibilities and picking up the check. Checks will not be mailed or delivered to the exhibitor, their parents, or any other location

\*\*If an exhibitor is not eligible to show or does not qualify to receive a check, they must still complete the Active membership requirement, Recordbook requirement, and be a member in good standing in order to be allowed to have a livestock SAE project in the future. \*\*

# Every exhibitor must complete a thank you note for the buyer(s) of their project and any donors of awards.

- It is up to the exhibitor and their parent/guardian to contact the FFA Advisors for this information.
   A list of buyers is sent to the Ag building and is usually available by the week after the fair. It may be picked up at the High School Ag building, or you may also email Mrs. Soto for this information. The buyer information will not be mailed to you.
- The thank you note needs to be a high quality note. The notes must be <u>handwritten</u>, placed in an <u>addressed</u> envelope for mailing, and properly <u>stamped</u>. The notes must be taken to the Ag building and received by Mrs. Soto to be mailed.
- The Ag teachers will not have stamps for sale!
- THIS POLICY IS FOR <u>EVERY</u> BEN BOLT PALITO BLANCO FFA MEMBER AND <u>EVERY</u> JR. FFA MEMBER WITH NO EXCEPTIONS.
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  - Gift baskets or thanking in person does not exempt an exhibitor from a thank you note. It still
    must be turned in to Mrs. Soto, so we have record that it was completed. If we do not have
    notification, it is considered late.
  - Thank you notes---due date is December 1<sup>st</sup>. If you turn them in after this date but before checks are released, you will not be able to pick up your check until a week after the checks are received by the Ag Dept. If you still haven't turned in thank you notes and it is after checks were received by the Ag dept., then your check will be held for a week after you DO turn in thank you notes. If you gave your buyer some type of gift basket or thanked them in person, this DOES NOT exempt you from thank you notes. If we do not have notification, you are still considered LATE. According to the Jim Wells County Fair rule book, "Checks will be issued beginning December 16, 2019." Therefore, we expect to have the checks to hand out to exhibitors that day or shortly thereafter

# Be an Active FFA member by attaining an average of 70% FFA participation scoring during the second quarterly events

- Members must be present at one (1) FFA monthly meeting after the show
   Meeting Dates: November 11<sup>th</sup> or December 9<sup>th</sup> @6:00PM
- Must participate in the current semester fundraiser (9th–12th graders)
  - Football Concession stand on October 25<sup>th</sup> (donate items or volunteer your time)
  - Fall Semester Major Fundraiser TBD (or make a \$30 donation instead of selling item)

## ALL High School FFA members (9th-12th grade) are REQUIRED to complete an SAE record book (the AET) in order to receive their fair check.

- Recordbooks are an integral component of the Agriculture Program and will be discussed and utilized frequently during class time. Journal entries will be completed and graded throughout the school year. For the purpose of completing the Livestock SAE requirements the following sections must be completed online (www.TheAET.com): Plan, Expenses, and Income.
- o "SAE Plan":
  - Must be written using complete sentences and correct grammar.
  - Description: a summary of your SAE
  - Time Investment: a plan for the time you are likely to invest in your project
  - Financial Investment: planned expenses, projected income, and use of items
  - Learning Objectives: learning experiences you feel you may gain from your project

- Entrepreneurship Expenses:
  - Gather <u>ALL</u> of your receipts from the show season. If you do NOT have these receipts or you lost them, I recommend you check with the company you purchased from and see if they can make you copies. If not, then you need to sit down and figure out what was purchased, how much it cost, and how much you purchased.
  - Make sure you include animals purchased, pen fees, feed, supplies, vet expenses, JWCF entry fees and JWCF commission (8% of the amount you sold for)
  - Put all receipts and information in DATE order. For many people the first item they have is when they purchased their animals, but it may be from items you used to repair your pens.
  - Begin entering the information on the AET record book under the finances section.
  - Feed is considered Cash Operating (feed), animals are Inventory Purchased for Resale, supplies and vet expenses are Cash Operating (other).
  - Immediately after purchasing your animals should be an entry for pen rent. Whether or not you
    pay pen rent, you include it on your record book. This entails you paid for upkeep of the
    facilities.
  - JWCF entry fees were collected from August 20<sup>th</sup> through September 9<sup>th</sup> (no late entries).
  - If you have any more expenses after entries, continue entering those.
  - Your last expense entry will be the day of the JWCF Sale/Auction for JWCF commission. (Multiply the amount you sold for by .08 to get this amount).
- Entrepreneurship Income:
  - You will document what happened to ALL of the animals you purchased on (if you purchased 4 pigs, you will account for all 4 pigs).
  - Your first entry should be the animal you sold at the Jim Wells County Fair. It was a cash sale and you list how much it sold for AT THE FAIR.
  - The next entries should be for what became of the other animals.
    - If an animal died, put on there "# (specie of animal) died".
    - If you gave an animal back to the breeder, put on there "Gave # (specie of animal) back to breeder.
    - If you kept the animals, put on there "kept # (specie of animal)".
    - Animals that died or you kept have the totals also placed under "Value of Product Used at Home". This is the amount you PURCHASED the animal for FROM the breeder at the beginning of the season.
    - Animals that went back to the breeder may be marked under "Cash Sale" if they paid you for them, or "Value of Production Transferred or Bartered" if you will get another animal as payment. If they gave you money, enter how much. If they will give you another animal, give an estimate of how much that animal will be worth.

## • Jr. FFA members have the OPTION of submitting a paper recordbook to qualify for awards at the end of the year FFA banquet

- Printed copies of the paper recordbook will be made available at the August and September Meetings, or can be accessed on the Chapter Website: www.benbolt.ffanow.org
- Jr. FFA members that submit paper recordbooks will qualify for different categories of award recognitions at the end of the year FFA banquet.
- Paper Recordbooks are <u>optional</u> only for Jr. FFA members, they will be required next school year for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders.

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### THE FOLLOWING FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED BY EACH EXHIBITOR SHOWING AS A MEMBER OF THE BEN BOLT - PALITO BLANCO FFA OR JR. FFA CHAPTERS.

#### IT IS DUE ON THE SAME DATE THAT FAIR ENTRIES ARE DUE TO THE ADVISORS.

#### SEPTEMBER 9, 2019 BY 7:00PM.

#### ENTRIES ARE NOT COMPLETE UNLESS THIS IS SIGNED AND RETURNED!!

#### NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Keep the first two pages for your records and submit the last page only.

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I understand my responsibility concerning the Student eligibility requirements, the Fair Thank You Note Policy, and the SAE Recordbook Policy set forth by the advisors of the Ben Bolt - Palito Blanco FFA. I understand my responsibility of meeting the requirements for eligibility to exhibit, receiving fair checks, and eligibility to have a Livestock SAE in the future.

SIGNED BY:

PARENT	DATE
EXHIBITOR 1	DATE
EXHIBITOR 2	DATE
EXHIBITOR 3	DATE
EXHIBITOR 4	DATE
EXHIBITOR 5	DATE

Sign and Return this page only by: September 9, 2019 No later than 7:00PM