

James Madison Goat Barn Newsletter

October 11, 2016

We have one more prospect show before the Fall Challenge.

-Judson FFA Alumni Prospect Show, Saturday, October 15, 2016, loading @ 6:15AM, leaving @ 6:30AM

-Fall Challenge Show, Saturday, October 29, 2016

Varsity Exhibitors:

Showmanship Shootout, Friday, December 16, 2016

When students are going to a show they

MUST:

- Be there to load their animal themselves.
- Find a ride.
- Stay the duration of the show.
- Get their goat ready for the show ring.
- Dress appropriately in or out of the show ring.
- “BEHAVE” on the show grounds.
- Bring \$ or their own food/snacks for the timeframe of the show.
- Be at school to unload their goat when we have returned from a show. (if you miss your show time because you decide to walk around the fairgrounds, that is nobody’s fault but your own.)

Clipping/Shearing

Shearing takes place on Thursday the week of the show.

Date to sign up for each show/clipping:

-Judson– Oct. 12, Clip, Oct. 13

-Fall Challenge– Oct. 26, Clip, Oct. 27

Deworming is done every two weeks, at meetings. If you miss a meeting, you also miss deworming your goat. If you miss a meeting, it is your responsibility to communicate with me, and to set up a time to deworm your goat.

If your goat gets sick, you need to communicate with me that something is wrong.

Fall Challenge/AG Fair

Fall Challenge/Ag Fair is Saturday, October 29, 2016 here at the AMP. All JV exhibitors, should begin planning now to be here that day to exhibit your animal. If there is a conflict, then we NEED to get this worked out immediately. Help will be needed for Ag Fair, please look for sign up sheets. Please attend any other mandatory school events before you make Ag Fair Volunteering an obligation.

Varsity Exhibitors: Bexar County/Major Show Validation

Bexar County and Major Show validation, will take place this Friday, October 14, 2016. **This is a MANDATORY meeting for all Varsity Exhibitors and Parents.** It is very important that both parent and student are there at Validation. Validation will take place from 3:00PM-6:00PM. We will need some parent help, if your parents would like to help, please have them contact me by Thursday, October 13, 2016. Questions please speak to me before Friday.

Attention JV Exhibitors:

A part of the JV Goat program is testing, on Tuesday, October 18 and Thursday, October 20 at 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM each day there will be a review for the JV Goat Test. The test will be given on Monday, October 24, 2016. You will have two time slots to take the test, beginning at 8:00 AM and also beginning at 4:30 PM. All JV exhibitors must test during one of those times. A sign up sheet will be posted outside my door beginning Monday, Oct. 17. If you have questions, please see Mr. Blair, ASAP!!

Grades, Grades, Grades.....

If you were ineligible on Friday, October 7, 2016 then you are ineligible until Friday, October 21, 2016. You should be working on maintaining passing grades at all times. Even if you had a failing grade in one class when eligibility was checked on October 7, 2016 and you are failing another course on October 21, you are still ineligible. If you have questions about eligibility, please see me ASAP.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact me.

Remember to be turning in feed logs on a bi-weekly basis, the binder is in my classroom by the white board. It is important to be spending time with your goat, this includes: feeding, washing, exercising, cleaning of your stall. I highly recommend that you spend at least 60 minutes a day with your goat. My saying is "TLC60, Tender Loving Care for 60 minutes a day." This will benefit you and your goat. You should be working on your AET record book along the way, if you have questions about AET speak to me asap. Barn cleanliness should be addressed daily, working with your stall mate to help keep your stall clean benefits everyone. Also, please be working together to help keep the entire barn clean, this includes the aisles around the barn, the trash, the areas behind and in front of your stall, the area around the feeding stall and outside the barn.