JUNIOR LIVESTOCK AUCTION

WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO GET THERE?

All Junior Exhibitors must do the following:

- 1. Own their animal for a minimum of 120 days for steers, 60 days for swine, sheep, and goats, 30 days for small animals; as of opening day of the fair.
- 2. Have proof of ownership (bill of sale) available to fair if requested.
- 3. Register their steers, lambs and goats at the mandatory pre-registration days. Keep project records.
- 4. All junior exhibitors, parent or legal guardian and leaders are required to attend a mandatory quality assurance and ethics training at the Sonoma County Fair. Multiple dates will be offered
- 5. Enter their animal in the Fair by the deadline.
- 6. Show your own animal to be judged by a certified judge in the show arena. Animal must be judged "market ready" to be eligible to be sold in the sale.
- 7. Must be enrolled in elementary or high school during the school year.
- 8. Enter no more than two (2) market animals/pens total. They do not have to be of the same specie. (ex. 1 steer and 1 hog, or 1 lamb and 1 rabbit pen)
- 9. Exhibitor can raise or pre-register as many animals as they wish, but they can only enter two into the fair.
- 10. Must write a thank-you note to your buyer(s) in order to pick up the sale check. (checks must be picked up within 15 days of the close of the fair, or exhibitor will forfeit your check)







4-H members must:

- 1. Attend at least 6 hours of project instruction. Youth are encouraged to actively participate in their club as well as attend community meetings per club by-laws.
- 2. Encouraged to market their own animal(s) to possible buyers write letters, invite buyers to the auction. Don't rely solely on auction solicitors and supporters to find a buyer for your animals!
- 3. Submit project report form and Fair entry form to the project leader for signature.

<u>Finally, read the guidebook, especially the Auction Department Rules!</u> Know what is expected of you before you start your project!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

SONOMA COUNTY FAIR at 707-545-4203 During the fair call the livestock office at 545-BARN