Defiance County Junior Fair
2017 Recommendation for Changes

General Junior Fair

- **New Rule:** All animals must remain in assigned pens. Exhibitors may not relocate animals or change the design of the pen in any matter without PRIOR approval from the Barn Supervisor.
- Update FFA eligibility to include 8th grade students: **New Rule:** Defiance County FFA – Entries are open to regularly enrolled junior high and high school agricultural students and enrolled in their school FFA chapter of the same year in which an entry is made.

Livestock Sale: Effective 2017 the Livestock Sale will begin at 9:00 am. Registration at 8:00 am.

Barn Meetings: (Attendance mandatory)

Effective 2017 the exhibitors/or representative of animals listed below will be required to attend a ten minute barn meeting prior to the beginning of weigh-in. The exhibitor or representative must check in at the barn meeting to receive weigh-in paperwork in order to be eligible to participate in the Junior Fair show and livestock sale. Weigh in will beginning immediately following the meeting.

| Barn Meetings & Weigh In | Swine: 7:30 am | Cattle: 8:00 am | Sheep: 10:00 am (Sheep Barn) | Goats: 10:30 am (Goat Barn) |

Livestock Departments

Horses

- Three Vaccines Required for 2017: The following vaccines are required for the 2017 Junior Fair. Proof of vaccination (vet paper or proof of purchase in 2017) is due with Horse ID by June 1st.
  - **Required Vaccinations:** 5-way, West Nile, Strangles
- Champion of Champion Contest Award: Do a run off class of all 1st place classes. The run off class will be rotated each year. (Barrels, Pole Bending, Keyhole Race, Stakes Race

Poultry

- The Overall Champion Poultry Exhibit will consist of first place winners from the non-market classes.

Rabbits

- Rabbit Show has been moved to 1:00 pm on Sunday.
- Showmanship will be first.

Sheep

- DUNF Form: Scrapie number is required on DUNF Form
- Showmanship will be first.
Goat

- Market classes may consist of a Doe or Wether. Market Does must be de-horned.
- Show has been moved to 8:00 am on Sunday.
- DUNF Form: Scrapie number is required on DUNF Form

Dog

- Before showing at the Defiance County Fair, Dog Matches or State Fair Competition, the dog and handler must attend a MINIMUM OF FIVE (5) Dog Committee training sessions or be observed and approved by a Dog Committee Member.
  1. Lessons, instruction and advice for the exhibitor are encouraged. As long as the exhibitor is present in the learning situation, and handles or trains the dog the majority of the time present, such assistance can include occasional handling or training by another person
- **Entry is limited to two dogs.** 4-H members may exhibit more than one dog as long as they only exhibit one dog in each level (Example Pre Novice A & B are one level). They are permitted to exhibit the same dog in an obedience class, a rally class, agility, and a showmanship class. Exception to this is brace class (see Brace Rule) and agility and Rally. They may show more than one dog in the same agility class and Rally Class.
- **Livestock Quality Assurance Requirement:** In place of Livestock Quality Assurance, Dog exhibitors are required to participate in one outside educational/awareness event. Examples include but are not limited to:
  - Dog Demonstration at the annual 4-H Mall Show (March)
  - Dog Demonstration at the Summer Ball Fest (July)
  - Dog Demonstration at the Defiance College Autism Community Outreach Event (April)
  - Dog Demonstration/Fundraiser at TSC Clover Day Fundraiser (May/October)
  - * Other events as approved by the Dog Committee
- **First Year/Beginner Class** In this class, there will be no numerical scores. Exhibitors will receive a grade of A, B, or C. There will be no placements in this class. The judge's comments are very important in this class, as the following year the 4-H’er will hopefully be moving up to a regular obedience or grooming and handling class. This class is designed for the 4-H’er who has never taken a dog project. This is meant to be an introduction to the dog project that the 4-H’er can build on the following year. They are to display basic dog care knowledge and basic control needed for the family pet. They are not required to perform the exercises with the perfection needed in the Obedience classes. All exercises will be performed on an individual basis. If the exhibitor chooses to take the First Year Beginners Class, they are not eligible to participate in any other competitive classes such as obedience, showmanship or rally.
- **Premier Exhibitor Award** (Replaces High Score Obedience/Showmanship Award)
  This award will be tabulated by the following formula. Highest total point earned by an exhibitor showing the same dog in the following classes.

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