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February 13, 2024

TO: Sunflower District #6 – 4-H Families

FROM: The Sunflower Extension District #6

RE: Livestock Weigh-in Policy

The Sunflower District adopted a policy on February 7, 2024 on livestock weigh-ins. Below you will find the information for all species for the districtwide policy.

Livestock Weigh-in/ID 2024 (Approved by the Sunflower District Extension Board on 2.7.24.)

1. All members must be enrolled in the specific livestock (beef, sheep, swine, goat) project by the weigh-in/ID date. **Check your 4-H Online Enrollment.**
2. A member does not have to be present with their animals at the weigh-in/ID. Anyone may bring the animals.
 - Members may choose to tag their animals with EID tags at the county weigh-in/ID event. EID tags are not required if the animal is only being shown at the county fair.
3. If, for some reason, a family is not able to bring their animal(s) to the weigh-in/ID event, they must make **prior arrangements** to have their animal(s) tagged **no later than the date of the event.**
 - Animals may be tagged by the superintendent, or the tagging can be observed by Karen, Sherri, Linda, or Melinda.
 - Animals not weighed in at the weigh-in event, do not qualify to participate in the county fair rate of gain contest.
 - Animals not identified/tagged by the county weigh-in/ID DATE, may not be entered in the 4-H division at the county fair.
4. State Fair and KJLS have later ID deadlines (for nomination). Animals not EID tagged at the county event and being nominated for State Fair or KJLS may be tagged by the state nomination due date.
 - If an EID is required – Karen, Sherri, Linda, or Melinda must observe the tagging.
 - Families should give their county office at least a week’s notice for post county event EID tagging.

Livestock Weigh-in dates are as follows:

- Cheyenne County
 - ✓ Beef Weigh-in – March 3, 2024, from 4:00 - 6:00 PM CT
 - ✓ Small Animal Weigh-in – April 24, 2024, from 6:00 - 7:00 PM CT, at the fairgrounds
- Sherman County
 - ✓ Beef Weigh-in - March 2, 2024, from 9:00 – 10:00 AM MT, at the fairgrounds beef barn.
 - ✓ Small Animal Weigh-in – April 22, 2024, from 5:00 – 7:00 PM MT, at the fairgrounds
- Wallace County
 - ✓ Beef Weigh-in – February 18, 2024, from 2:00 – 4:00 PM MT, at the Smokey Valley Ranch

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- ✓ Small Animal Weigh-in - April 28, 2024, from 4:00 – 6:00 PM MT, at the fairgrounds

KS State Fair & KJLS Nominations - <https://www.asi.k-state.edu/extension/youth-programs/nominated-livestock/>

- Market Beef – May 1
- Small Livestock – June 15 – Commercial Heifer, Swine, Sheep, & meat Goat Nominations
- **DNA Envelopes Order Deadline**
 - ✓ Market Beef – April 20
 - ✓ Small Livestock – June 5

Please call your local extension office if you have any questions.

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- Wallace – 785-852-4285