

FLORIDA STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL
SWINE SHOW AND SALE MARCH 1 - 3, 2012
PLANT CITY, FLORIDA
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COUNTY SCHOOLS AGRIBUSINESS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

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NAME OF APPLICANT _____

PLEASE READ RULES CAREFULLY

FAILURE TO SUBMIT A COMPLETE APPLICATION MAY RESULT
IN DISQUALIFICATION OF ENTRY.

**REMINDER: APPLICATION DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2012
THERE IS NO GRACE PERIOD**

SUBMIT PAGES 1, 2, 11, 12, 13 & 14 FROM ENTRY FORM

1. _____ CHECKLIST ATTACHED
2. _____ SWINE APPLICATION ATTACHED
3. _____ SIGNED COPY OF CODE OF ETHICS ATTACHED
4. _____ SIGNED COPY OF EXHIBITOR ENTRY STATEMENT ATTACHED
5. _____ SIGNED COPY OF SAFETY RULES ATTACHED
6. _____ OFFICIAL REPORT CARD (OR COPY) ATTACHED

NOTE:

1. READ GRADE POINT AVERAGE REQUIREMENTS VERY CAREFULLY. A COPY OF THE EXHIBITOR'S REPORT CARD MUST BE ATTACHED AT TIME OF INITIAL ENTRY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2011. THE GPA REQUIREMENT IS 2.5 WEIGHTED (**CURRENT PROGRESS REPORT DISTRICT GPA**) FOR THE PRECEDING SEMESTER.
2. PLEASE READ AND ADHERE TO THE ATTACHED CODE OF ETHICS.
3. REVIEW RULE 29 CONCERNING CONDUCT.



ENTRY DEADLINE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2011 at 3:00 p.m.
or POSTMARKED BY 12:00 MIDNIGHT

DATE: _____

EXHIBITOR'S NAME: _____

EXHIBITOR'S DATE OF BIRTH: _____

AGE AS OF MARCH 1, 2012 _____
(Month) (Day) (Year)

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____
(Street) (City) (Zip)

PARENT OR GUARDIAN'S NAME: _____

SCHOOL: _____

GRADE LEVEL (2011-2012): _____

YOUTH AGRICULTURAL ORGANIZATION/FFA ADVISOR'S NAME: _____

DIVISION: (CHECK ONE) YOUTH AGRICULTURAL ORGANIZATION: _____ FFA: _____

NAME OF CLUB OR CHAPTER _____

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE A COPY OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THIS SHOW AND SALE, AND I AM FAMILIAR WITH THEM. I UNDERSTAND THAT ONLY ONE SWINE CAN BE BROUGHT TO THE FINAL WEIGH-IN ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2012.

Signature of: Youth Agricultural Organization/FFA Advisor

Signature of: Exhibitor

Signature of: Parent or Guardian

Anyone participating in this contest by way of entry, hereby agrees and consents to the use of any picture of contestant in any or all publications, TV, publicity brochure, internet, etc., that the Florida Strawberry Festival® may desire.



**FLORIDA STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL®
2012 SWINE SHOW AND SALE**



WED. FEBRUARY 29, THROUGH SAT. MARCH 3, 2012

Swine Chairman: Lane Wetherington, Ph: (813) 833-8550

Swine Co-Chair: Brian Shepherd, Ph: (813) 523-5952

Application deadline: Friday, September 2, 2011, at 3:00 P.M.

Deliver Application to: Florida Strawberry Festival Admin. Office, 303 N. Lemon St., Plant City

Swine Drawing: Monday, September 12, 2011, Expo Building - 7:00 P.M.

Initial Tag-In: Monday, October 24, 2011 Festival Grounds at the Carriage House 3:00 - 6:00 P.M.

Arrival & Final Weigh-In: Wednesday, February 29, 2012, 3:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

Release of Animals: Saturday, March 3, 2012, 6:00 to 7:00 pm

Swine Show: Thursday, March 1, 2012, 7:00 P.M.

Swine Sale: Friday, March 2, 2012, 7:00 P.M.

Competition open to: Hillsborough County Resident Grades 3-12

The Florida Strawberry Festival® Swine Show and Sale has become a vital phase of the FFA/Youth Agricultural Organization Youth Program providing the opportunity to showcase the endeavors of local youth. This program was instituted to encourage interest in agriculture, to provide exposure to leadership, to develop character, and to award youth for their contribution.

2012 RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 1. EXHIBITORS MAY NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE FLORIDA STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL® STEER SHOW & SALE AND THE FLORIDA STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL® SWINE SHOW AND SALE THE SAME YEAR.**
- The Florida Strawberry Festival® and the Swine Committee will not be responsible in any way for sickness or accident of any nature which may occur to exhibitor or animals during activities associated with the Florida Strawberry Festival®, nor will the Florida Strawberry Festival® Management and/or Swine Show Committee be held responsible for loss or theft of animals or implements in the Swine Show and Sale.
- All exhibitors must be Hillsborough County bona-fide FFA or Youth Agricultural Organization members currently enrolled in grades 3-12 and reside in Hillsborough County.
- Physical condition of entrants, which management considers to be a problem for the entrant to participate in the Show and Sale, may result in management not accepting an entry or not allowing an entrant to participate in the Show and Sale.
- Entrant shall conform to the following standards in academics (cumulative grades are not considered):**
INITIAL ENTRY: At the time of initial entry, Sept. 2, 2011, the exhibitor must have received a 2.5 WEIGHTED GRADE POINT AVERAGE (CURRENT PROGRESS REPORT DISTRICT GPA) FOR THE PRECEDING SEMESTER. FAILURE OF TWO (2) OR MORE SUBJECTS DURING THE PRECEDING SEMESTER WILL DISQUALIFY THE EXHIBITOR. SEMESTER EXAMS ARE CONSIDERED IN CALCULATING SEMESTER GRADES.

The preceding semester includes both 3rd & 4th nine weeks' grades. An "Official" report card is acceptable evidence. If a change is made after the official report card is issued, a transcript denoting that such change has been officially recorded must be presented with the entry form. Enrollment in a "make-up" or "forgiveness" class that has not been completed prior to the initial entry **does not** constitute an official grade change. Summer School Grades may not be included.

FINAL ENTRY: At the time of initial entry, February 29, 2012 the exhibitor must have received a 2.5 WEIGHTED GRADE POINT AVERAGE (CURRENT PROGRESS REPORT DISTRICT GPA) FOR THE PRECEDING SEMESTER. FAILURE OF TWO (2) OR MORE SUBJECTS DURING THE PRECEDING SEMESTER WILL DISQUALIFY THE EXHIBITOR. SEMESTER EXAMS ARE CONSIDERED IN CALCULATING SEMESTER GRADES.

The preceding semester includes both 1st & 2nd nine weeks' grades for the school year 2011-12. An "Official" report card is acceptable evidence. If a change is made after the official report card is issued, a transcript denoting that such change has been officially recorded must be presented on the day of final entry. Enrollment in a "make-up" or "forgiveness" class that has not been completed prior to the final entry does not constitute an official grade change.

Note: Rules concerning home-schooled students (as set by the State) will be considered (must present most recent report card and evidence that the student performed at grade level the preceding year).

6. No paraphernalia (other than official placing ribbons or rosettes) will be allowed to decorate swine in the Show and Sale. All exhibitors will be required to wear their youth organization's official dress (no caps, hats, or other paraphernalia allowed during the Show and Sale).
7. Exhibitor must be single, never have been married, and never have borne or fathered a child.
8. A total of seventy-five (75) hogs will be drawn from all entries received. **Do not send by registered or restricted mail. HAND DELIVER or MAIL ENTRIES TO: THE FLORIDA STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, ATTN: SUNNY SMITH, 303 NORTH LEMON STREET, PLANT CITY, FLORIDA 33563.**
9. **ENTRY DEADLINE: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2011 AT 3:00 P.M. OR POST MARKED BY MIDNIGHT, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2011.**
10. All exhibitors must attend Swine Show drawing held **Monday, September 12, 2011, at 7 p.m., in the Expo Building on the Festival grounds. Failure to attend by 7 p.m. will be cause for elimination from the drawing.**
11. All entries must be owned and in possession of the exhibitor on or before tag date of **Monday, October 24, 2011.**
12. Entries may be gilts or barrows. All barrows shall have been castrated and healed before entry date **Monday, October 24, 2011.**
13. Hogs will be tagged on **Monday, October 24, 2011.,** on the Festival grounds at the Carriage House (as in previous years). The hours will be from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Swine will be officially tagged at this time.
14. It is suggested that pigs weigh 25 to 60 pounds at time of tag-in on **Monday, October 24, 2011. We will not weigh the pigs, only tag them.**

15. **Each exhibitor may enter TWO (2) pigs at the tag-in on Monday, October 24, 2011. However, only ONE (1) pig can be brought to the final weigh-in on Wednesday February 29, 2012. Siblings may share a back-up pig with prior committee approval.**
16. **Check-in time** for the Swine Show and Sale will be **Wednesday February 29, 2012, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.** at the Strawberry Festival fairgrounds.
17. **Show Box - You are limited to one SHOW BOX per family. SHOW BOX will not exceed 62” long, 30” high, and 26” wide. SHOW BOX WILL BE MEASURED UPON ARRIVAL. SHARING OF SHOW BOXES IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED.**
- 17A. Anyone (to include exhibitors or their families) will not be allowed to use any cooking devices to include crockpots, etc. for cooking or warming food in the Livestock Tents. Using crockpots, etc., for cooking or warming food is a fire hazard and will, at the discretion of show management or General Manager of the Florida Strawberry Festival®, result in the disqualification of the exhibitor, removal of animal(s) and loss of premiums, award and show privileges.
18. **Health regulations (subject to change): All swine consigned to the show will go directly to a state certified slaughter house.** Swine may be entered for exhibition without official health certificates or movement permit provided such animals are presented at the exhibition area during hours when a state designated representative is on duty. This time will be from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. on **Wednesday, February 29, 2012.**
- 18A. In the event of government or Florida Strawberry Festival® imposed quarantine of animal(s) entered for exhibit or sale of the Florida Strawberry Festival®, the Florida Strawberry Festival® accepts no responsibility for financial, or other, loss by the exhibitor incurred as a result of the inability to exhibit and/or market the animal(s). Government refers to any City, County, State, or Federal Agency with the legal power to impose such quarantine. The preceding statement pertains to the entire time period prior to, during, or after the exhibit days) of the show and/or sale. Financial, or other, loss refers to financial loss due to the inability to market the animal at the Festival and to loss of premiums and awards due to the inability to exhibit the animal.
19. Entries will be sifted at **weigh-in on Wednesday, February 29, 2012, at the discretion of the Sifting Committee, for conditions such as ruptures, tumors, or any diseases, overweight, etc.**
20. **All entries must weigh over 200 pounds. Entries should also make quality grade specifications of at least USDA No. 2 market swine. Any inferior quality swine will be sifted at weigh-in by the Sifting Committee.**
21. **Show date: Thursday, March 1, 2012 at 7 p.m.**
22. **Sale date: Friday, March 2, 2012 at 7 p.m.**
23. Official Record Books will be kept on all animals. **You will be given the official book on Monday, October 24, 2011 at the tag-in. These are to be complete and accurate. Each exhibitor will be responsible for contacting by letter at least five (5) potential buyers one week in advance of the Show. Copies of the letters must be turned in with the record book at the time of check-in.**

24. Exhibitors must furnish feeding and watering implements and care for their animals and pens during the Festival and are responsible for their swine until notified. No feeding implements may be removed until then. Any exhibitor neglecting feed and care of their hog or failure to have someone else care for the animal will be red tagged. First Red Tag will be a warning notice, Second Red Tag will be \$100.00 fine, Third Red Tag will be \$100.00 fine and exhibitor will be disqualified and barred from competition for the following year also.
25. Servicing of animals in the livestock area must be done between the hours of 6 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.
NO VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED ON THE GROUNDS.
26. No knives, clippers or scissors allowed -- all clipping done prior to arrival.
- 26A. No powder or oil may be used in the process of grooming.
27. **A letter of thanks must be sent to the buyer within two (2) weeks after the sale. A copy of this letter will be delivered to Show Management before payment will be made to exhibitor. Exhibitor should send a thank you letter to all add-ons. Mail or hand deliver copy of letter to Swine Show, Florida Strawberry Festival, Attn: Sunny Smith, P.O. Drawer 1869, Plant City, FL 33564-1869.**
28. Up to six per cent (6%) sales fee will be deducted from total monies owed to exhibitors to help defray expenses. The Festival will normally pay the exhibitor by check mailed to the exhibitor when the buyer pays the Festival. This policy also applies to monies received for the resale of swine and add-on monies.
- 28A. Hopefully, all checks will be mailed to the exhibitor no later than Friday, May 4, 2012.
29. Unbecoming conduct on the part of an exhibitor or anyone associated with the exhibitor will at the discretion of management, result in disqualification of the exhibitor and require immediate removal of the swine and the exhibitor from the fairgrounds with the loss of premiums, awards, show privileges, and sale privileges. Presence of an exhibitor in the swine exhibit area during hours when the swine exhibit is closed will be considered unbecoming conduct. Exhibitors will not be allowed to stay overnight on the fair grounds.
30. No swill or garbage fed swine will be accepted.
31. No swine shall sell within ten cents (\$.10) per pound of the Grand Champion.
32. Entries will be divided into classes by weight at time of check-in.
33. Swine must be housed on exhibitors' property, unless otherwise approved by committee.
34. Any questions or protests concerning compliance with the rules and regulations or the eligibility of an exhibitor or his/her animal must be submitted in writing within twenty-four (24) hours of check-in to Swine Show Superintendent. Final interpretation and administration of these rules will be vested in Show Management and the Florida Strawberry Festival® and their decision will be final.
35. **Those selected for competition who fail to appear with their hog at tag-in on Monday, October 24, 2011 will forfeit the privilege of showing the following year.**

- 36. Anyone participating in this contest by way of entry, hereby agrees and consents to the use of any picture of contestant in any or all publications, TV, publicity brochure, internet, etc., that the Florida Strawberry Festival® may desire.**

- 37. Buyer acknowledges that the purchase price of an animal at any Florida Strawberry Festival® livestock sale is for the purchase of the carcass only and the value thereof shall not exceed the wholesale value of the carcass purchased or one of similar quality and grade. Such value is ordinarily determined prior to the sale and generally referred to as the “resale value”.**

GRAND CHAMPION, RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION AND FIRST PLACE IN EACH CLASS SPONSORED BY SUNSHINE STATE FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION

GRAND CHAMPION OF SHOW	\$100, TROPHY, ROSETTE
RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION	\$50, TROPHY, ROSETTE
FIRST PLACE IN EACH CLASS	\$20, RIBBON
SECOND PLACE IN EACH CLASS	\$17, RIBBON
THIRD PLACE IN EACH CLASS	\$15, RIBBON
FOURTH PLACE IN EACH CLASS	\$12, RIBBON
FIFTH THROUGH ALL REMAINING PLACINGS IN EACH CLASS	\$10, RIBBON

PREMIER EXHIBITOR - SPONSORED BY SOUTHSIDE FARM SUPPLY

JUNIOR	\$50, TROPHY
INTERMEDIATE	\$50, TROPHY
SENIOR	\$50, TROPHY

RECORD BOOK CONTEST - SPONSORED BY FARM CREDIT OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

JUNIOR DIVISION:

FIRST PLACE	\$25, PLAQUE
SECOND PLACE	\$15, PLAQUE
THIRD PLACE	\$10, PLAQUE

INTERMEDIATE DIVISION:

FIRST PLACE	\$25, PLAQUE
SECOND PLACE	\$15, PLAQUE
THIRD PLACE	\$10, PLAQUE

SENIOR DIVISION:

FIRST PLACE	\$25, PLAQUE
SECOND PLACE	\$15, PLAQUE
THIRD PLACE	\$10, PLAQUE

SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST - SPONSORED BY HOOF 'N' HORNS SLAUGHTERHOUSE

JUNIOR DIVISION:

FIRST PLACE	\$25, PLAQUE
SECOND PLACE	\$15, PLAQUE
THIRD PLACE	\$10, PLAQUE

INTERMEDIATE DIVISION:

FIRST PLACE \$25, PLAQUE
SECOND PLACE \$15, PLAQUE
THIRD PLACE \$10, PLAQUE

SENIOR DIVISION:

FIRST PLACE \$25, PLAQUE
SECOND PLACE \$15, PLAQUE
THIRD PLACE \$10, PLAQUE

HERDSMAN AWARD - SPONSORED BY HILLSBORO BANK

JUNIOR DIVISION:

FIRST PLACE \$25, PLAQUE
SECOND PLACE \$15, PLAQUE
THIRD PLACE \$10, PLAQUE

INTERMEDIATE DIVISION:

FIRST PLACE \$25, PLAQUE
SECOND PLACE \$15, PLAQUE
THIRD PLACE \$10, PLAQUE

SENIOR DIVISION:

FIRST PLACE \$25, PLAQUE
SECOND PLACE \$15, PLAQUE
THIRD PLACE \$10, PLAQUE

BUYERS' AWARD - SPONSORED BY THE FAMILY OF BILL MCCLELLAND

BUYER OF GRAND CHAMPION SWINE PLAQUE

BUYER OF RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION SWINE PLAQUE

**CHAIRMAN: Lane Wetherington
2091 Wooten Road
Dover, Florida 33527
Phone: 813-833-8550**

2011 Swine Buyers

Alafia River Farms, LLC	Florida Giant Berry Farms
Alan's AC	Forbes Rd. Produce
AMS Shorthorns	Gans, Gans & Associates
Antioch Feed & Farm Supply	Ground Level
Arrowhead Archery	Gulf Coast Produce
Astin & Mathis Investors Group	Highland Corporation, Inc.
Astin Farms	Lands Feed & Farm Supply
Astin Strawberry Exchange	M.F. Burgin, Inc.
Bartow Chevrolet	Magnolia Hills
Big S Farms	Mathis Farms, Inc.
Brandon Farms	Mosaic Fertilizer
Brock Construction Services	MPB Farms
CF Industries	Neil's HoneyBee Farm
C.I.F. Distributing, Inc.	Nuttin Fancy Farms
Central Maintenance & Welding	Patterson Companies
Cesario, Michelle & Rocky	Phillips Development. & Realty
Chemical Dynamics, Inc.	Poppell Insurance
Crown Harvest	Publix
Don Stine Construction	Rocking S Farms
Farm Bureau Insurance	Santa Sweets
Farm Credit	USMI Pallets
Flooring America	West Coast Ent.
Florida First Call Removal	

IAFE (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS)

CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics," fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial and national levels.

All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:

- 1) All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership, and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.
- 2) Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.
- 3) Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.
- 4) Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of violative drug residues. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of, consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event.
If the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the laboratory, to which it is sent, is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise. At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.
- 5) Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.
- 6) The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.
- 7) Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.

8) No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.

9) The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.

10) The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or live stock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Expos and any special notices to members.

11) The act of entering of an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

TO BE INCLUDED ON FAIR ENTRY FORM

EXHIBITOR ENTRY STATEMENT

I have read and understand, and in consideration for being permitted to exhibit at this event, agree and consent to abide by the rules of competition, including the IAFE (International Association of Fairs and Expositions) National Code of Show Ring Ethics as stated in the premium list of this event.

Exhibitor (owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer,
or absolutely responsible person)

Date: _____

Guardian or Parent of the above Signator

Date: _____

**2012 EXHIBITOR ENTRY STATEMENT
TO BE INCLUDED ON SWINE ENTRY FORM**

1. **I understand that no food may be consumed by the exhibitors or family members, or those associated with me during the Swine Show, in the livestock tent and understand that disqualification is the penalty for not complying with this rule. Food or drink products are not permitted in the livestock tents or work areas.**

2. I have read and understand, consent to, and agree to abide by the INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS. (A separate copy is attached to the list of rules.)

3. I have also read and understand Rule 18A, which refers to possible quarantine.

4. I agree and consent to the use of pictures, including but not limited to photographs and video, of me and/or steer in any or all publications, TV, publicity brochure, internet site, or other publicity associated with the Florida Strawberry Festival®. Examples of possible use are, but not limited to, pictures of Grand and Reserve Champion exhibitors for a buyer and sponsor thank you advertisement, pictures and/or video of exhibitors used by the Florida Strawberry Festival® for publicity, and pictures by the news media used to recognize the steer show and/or sale.

5. I agree that the exhibitor is capable of performing the tasks of care and grooming and will adhere to the remainder of this paragraph. The Florida Strawberry Festival® Swine Show & Sale exists for youth as described in this application. Assistance from parents and/or legal guardians is encouraged. Though assistance is encouraged, care and grooming of the animal, especially in the hours just prior to the Show and Sale, is the responsibility of the exhibitor. Assistance of parents, or others, must consist only of aiding in restraining the animal while it is being prepared for show. **Only one person will be allowed to assist on the nights of the show and sale and that person will be a parent, legal guardian, sibling if a parent or legal guardian is physically unable to assist.** If a parent, legal guardian, or sibling is physically unable to assist, the chairman of the steer committee may provide needed assistance. Requests for consideration must be made prior to final entry.

6. **I understand that the use of profanity at any event related to the Florida Strawberry Festival® Steer Show by me may result in disqualification and forfeiture or all premiums.**

7. **CHECK ONE:**

_____ I HAVE ATTENDED A STATE FAIR ETHICS WORKSHOP. ATTENDANCE IS VALID FOR 3 YEARS. THE MONTH AND DATE I ATTENDED WAS: _____

_____ ETHICS CERTIFICATE NUMBER: _____

_____ I HAVE NOT ATTENDED A STATE FAIR ETHICS WORKSHOP, BUT WILL ATTEND, OR HAVE ATTENDED A FLORIDA STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL ETHICS WORKSHOP ON _____ (WORKSHOP DATE).

EXHIBITOR SIGNATURE _____ DATE: _____

PARENT (GUARDIAN) SIGNATURE _____ DATE: _____

SAFETY RULES CONCERNING LIVESTOCK AND PLANT AREAS

The following rules govern all livestock shows including the plant show. It includes all areas in the festival deemed as agricultural and all locations on the Festival grounds where animals are housed.

The rules concern all participants, their families and any visitors to these areas.

These rules are based on The Center for Disease Control Guidelines for the safe operation of livestock shows.

These rules have been made policy by the Board of Directors of the Florida Strawberry Festival® and as such will be strictly enforced to ensure the festival's continued ability to provide livestock exhibitions at the Florida Strawberry Festival® in future years.

1. Know that animals carry germs that can make people sick and have actually done so.
2. Any contact with animals should always be followed by washing of your hands.
3. **There can be absolutely NO FOOD or DRINK in any form in the livestock or youth plant show areas. This includes visitors, family and exhibitors.**
4. It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to educate visitors and report food and drink violations to appropriate parties.
5. No animal can be fed anything but livestock feed in appropriate containers. If an exhibitor is feeding an animal food other than livestock feed, the exhibitor has already violated Rule #3.
6. No one but the exhibitor or his/her duly appointed designee can have direct contact with the animals.
7. All animal areas will be set up so that the general public cannot directly touch the livestock.
8. These rules may change from time to time. It is the exhibitor's and guardian's responsibility to verify the rules prior to entering the show.

Each exhibitor and their legal guardian must sign a copy of these rules agreeing to be bound by them. These rules will be enforced uniformly and without exception. **Any exhibitor not following these guidelines will be disqualified from the livestock or plant show and no one will be permitted to exhibit or sell the disqualified individual's plant(s) or animal(s) at the Florida Strawberry Festival®. If a disqualified individual is exhibiting in more than one event referenced above, the individual will be disqualified from all, from the point the infraction occurs and will forfeit premiums and awards.**

We have read and understand these rules and we agree to the following as stated above.

_____ Exhibitor's Signature	_____ Please Print Name	_____ Date
_____ Parent/Legal Guardian	_____ Please Print Name	_____ Date

Applications to exhibit plants or animals in the 2012 Florida Strawberry Festival® will not be accepted if this statement is not signed and attached to the application to exhibit.