

## **Maypearl FFA Project Center Agreement**

Below are the general rules and regulations of the Maypearl FFA Project Center. Students, parents, and guardians are expected to read the agreement thoroughly, sign the appropriate page(s) and turn the signed agreement into the supervising AST's before moving any animals into the facility. The Maypearl FFA Project Center will uphold all MISD policies stated in their student handbook and district code of conduct.

Hours of operation: M-F 5:30am-7:30am & 3:30pm-8:30pm

Gate Codes will be utilized on the weekends

- The Maypearl FFA Project Center is only for students who are dues paying, FFA members. Junior FFA members must be in at least 3rd grade & 8 years old to be eligible. Students in 8th-12th grade must be enrolled in at least 1 agricultural science class to obtain FFA membership. All members must pay their annual dues (details regarding this will be discussed at the 1st FFA meeting).
- If you are a dues paying FFA member in good standing, the facility is available for you to use whether you keep your animal at home or at the school farm. You are welcome to use the wash rack, scales, trim chute etc.
- All animals kept at this facility must be validated and entered for shows under the Maypearl FFA chapter. In the event that animals are entered/validated under another organization, the student will have 7 days to remove the animal and all tack.
- Gate Codes are for the use of students with animals at the barn. Under no circumstances should the gate code be given out to students without animals or other persons. Penalty for passing the code around will be on the three strike system.
- Guests MUST sign into the main office of the high school when visiting the barn during school hours. Guests are to include family members. No extraneous guests will be allowed. Exceptions can be made by the supervising ag. teacher.
- Due to limited space and a fast-growing program, each student may house no more than 2 animals of the same species at this facility. If pen space allows, the supervising AST will adjust this rule. NO additional animals will be kept at this facility without the supervising AST approval.
- Stall assignments will be given by the supervising AST to each student once the agreement and stall fee is turned in to the AST. Students may not change or swap their pen assignments.
- Students are required to attend every barn clean up that is scheduled by the AST. If a student cannot attend, they must notify the AST prior to the scheduled day of barn clean up.
- The swine, lamb/goat and cattle exhibitors will have a cleaning schedule posted by the supervising AST that must be followed. Students are responsible for helping maintain the cleanliness of this facility. All alleyways, aisles, and in and around the pens will be swept morning and evening. ( This is called taking care of the little things)
- Students are responsible for providing all necessary tack, equipment, feed, supplements, medication, and pen bedding for their projects.

- **Supervising AST's will not feed animals at the barn for absences of students being out of town. It is the student's responsibility to provide someone to feed and tend to animals in this event (includes cleaning pens and area). The student must inform AST's of absences from feeding and cleaning duties and who is responsible for the animal during this absence.**

Some wheelbarrows, shovels, manure forks and water hoses will be provided by the chapter.

- **Supervising AST's will have some medication on hand in the event of a sick animal. Supervising AST's will help assist in giving medication, such as wormer or antibiotics, if needed.**
- **All pigs will be watered using automatic cup waterers. During freezing conditions students are expected to water either in a feeder or in a pipe waterer. All water will be shut off at night during inclement weather.**
- **Once heifers reach 2 years of age, they are ineligible for show. When this occurs, the student has 7 days to remove the animal from the school farm.**
- **Cattle exhibitors are required to store their water troughs at the back of the stalls. No water troughs will be kept in the front of stalls by the main aisle. This is to avoid flooding other stalls if a hose is left on or a calf tips the trough over.**
- **All tack, feed hay etc. will be kept in areas designated by the supervising AST.**
- **All feed sacks, hay string, and hay wire will be dispensed of properly.**
- **All feed and supplements will be kept in a container with a lid. ( rodent, bird, and varmint prevention)**
- **All poop will be picked morning and evening for all species.**
- **Absolutely NO renovations to anything in the barn will be permitted unless approved in writing by the supervising AST, school maintenance lead and school administrators.**

**Never, under any circumstances, are the following to happen:(animal safety)**

- **Utilizing pig wash pens as a holding pen while you clean your stall**
- **No cattle will be permitted to stand tied in the arena, main aisle, trim chute, or wash rack (unless washing/working hair). Cattle need to utilize the paneling outside by the turn out to tie up or tie up in your individual stall.**
- **Leaving lambs/goats unsupervised on a stand**
- **Letting pigs wander throughout the barn unsupervised while you clean stalls or chit chat with friends**
- **The student will be expected to follow the three strike rule on these.**
- **The wash rack, trim chute and scales need to be cleaned up after each use. Along with cleaning the wash rack all water hoses will be rolled up and put in a place designated by the Ag Teachers. Nothing is to be left on or at the wash rack when not in use.**

- Cattle exhibitors need to be aware that turning out during the day may cause sunburn as there is little to no cover in the turn out. NO cattle will be permitted to be housed permanently in the turn out.
- No round bales will be allowed in the turn out UNLESS permission is granted by the supervising AST.
- When cleaning stalls, students must dump the wheelbarrow in the school provided receptacle.
- No pets will be allowed at the Maypearl FFA Project Center under any circumstances.
- No livestock will be permitted on grounds until a Maypearl FFA Project Center Agreement form is filled out and on file with the supervising AST.
- Stall fees will be collected before any livestock will be permitted on grounds. Stall fees are charged to help with the purchase of medications, tack, equipment etc. that will be moderated by the supervising AST and is available for use by all exhibitors. Stall fees will be \$30.00 per animal.
- ALL students entering a project in the Ellis County Youth Livestock Show are REQUIRED to participate in the pen set up (typically the weekend before county show begins), sale ring/buyers luncheon set up (Friday before the sale), and the pen tear down/county clean up (Monday after the conclusion of the show) at the expo center. Failure to do so will result in the hold of county sale checks and add on money by the supervising AST until those community service hours are completed by the student by cleaning at the Maypearl FFA Project Center.

Students, parents, and guardians, please note that you are responsible for the well-being of your animal(s) and for the cleanliness of this facility. If a veterinarian needs to be called, please notify the supervising AST so we can help determine if a veterinarian needs to be called out or if we have the means to treat the problem at hand. Students are responsible for paying their vet bills. **If for any reason an animal dies in the barn it is the student and parents responsibility to remove the animal immediately from the barn and dispose of the animal in the proper way. Teachers can provide assistance to the student and parent. But are not responsible for removing the animal or disposal. Ag teachers and Maypearl ISD will not be held responsible for the death of any animal in the barn**

Below are veterinarians we have used in the past:

Dr. Ryan Camp (936)-222-0753

Dr. Henderson King (903)-519-9568

**Animal Husbandry Clause: If a student is unable to provide proper nutrition, clean water, clean bedding, proper care (i.e. wound care, overall well being of the animal) the student will be notified by the supervising AST. After being notified, if the supervising AST does not see a change within 48 hours, the supervising AST will make the administrative decision to take proper action. We will use a three strike rule for animal husbandry and care. The student will follow the above 48 hour rule for 1st and second offenses. The student has two opportunities and the third time the supervising ag teacher will ask the student to remove said animal from the barn. The student will have 24 hours to remove the animal or**

**animals from the premises. ( If at any time feeding and daily care becomes a financial burden , talk with an ag teacher.)**

**Any equipment or tack left in the barn after the final clean up becomes the property of Maypearl FFA.**

**All students will sweep in front of their animals area morning and evening.**

Maypearl FFA  
Barn Contract  
Strike sheet  
2022-2023

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_

Species \_\_\_\_\_

Cleanliness of pen and area:

1st strike \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd strike \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd strike \_\_\_\_\_

Leaving animal unattended:

1st strike \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Strike \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd Strike \_\_\_\_\_

Leaving wash rack dirty, trim chute/goat stand and or scales dirty:

1st strike \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Strike \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd strike \_\_\_\_\_

Leaving feed and or supplements in an unsealed container:

1st strike \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd strike \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd strike \_\_\_\_\_

Not disposing of bags, shavings/poop, hay string or haywire properly:

1st strike \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd strike \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd strike \_\_\_\_\_

Leaving animal with no feed or water:

1st strike \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd strike \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd strike \_\_\_\_\_

Giving out the gate code:

1st strike \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Strike \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd Strike \_\_\_\_\_

If at any time the student has three strikes in any category the student will be asked to find another home for their animal. 48hrs ( 24hrs animal husbandry clause : see contract) will be the maximum time for removal after the 48 hour period the animal becomes the property of Maypearl FFA/ISD.

**Maypearl FFA Project Center Agreement**

My student and I have read the above rules and regulations put forth by the supervising AST's and agree to always abide by them. We have been given a copy of these rules and regulations and understand that all issues with the Maypearl FFA Project Center will be communicated with the supervising AST's. We understand that ONLY Maypearl FFA members in good standing can house a maximum of 2 animals per student at this facility, unless otherwise approved by the supervising AST's. We understand that violation of any of these rules will result in a 3-strike system before privileges are revoked. If privileges are revoked, we understand that we have 2 days to remove all animals and tack (with the exception of animal husbandry and care (no feed or no water) which the animal will be removed in 24 hours.

Student Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Student Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Type (circle all that apply):  
Steer      Heifer      Swine      Lamb      Goat  
Supervising AST Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Stall Fee Collected: \_\_\_\_\_  
Yes   No   AST Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**This form must be filled out before an animal can be housed at the facility!!!!!!!**

