

# *Paris FFA*

## *Agricultural Science*

### *Department*

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for **premier leadership, personal growth, and career success** through agricultural education.

~ FFA Mission Statement

## **Student Handbook 2020-2021**



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# Paris FFA

Dear Students and Parents,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year and the Paris FFA Chapter. We are excited to see all of our returning students and want to extend a warm welcome to all new students in our program. We hope that you will take advantage of every opportunity this program has to offer you during your high school career.

Agricultural science courses and the FFA organization go hand-in-hand to create a complete learning experience for every student. As the FFA motto states, "Learning to do, Doing to learn, Earning to live, and Living to serve," knowledge gained in ag science classes is demonstrated by FFA members.

As a member of the Paris FFA Chapter you are also a part of one of the largest youth organizations in the United States, the National FFA Organization. FFA is not only a club, but a part of your agricultural education experience.

There are numerous opportunities to appeal to FFA members with a variety of interests. It is our hope that you will become an active member of Paris FFA and continue to be involved in the ag program during your high school years.

We have a full slate of activities to participate in and look forward to seeing you and your family often. If you have any questions please call, e-mail, or come by the ag department. We would love to visit with you and explore your interests in our program.

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### 2020-2021 Paris FFA Chapter Officer Team

President.....	Aliyah Smith
Vice President.....	Savana Sandor
Secretary.....	Amanda Blouin
Treasurer.....	Tranase Bizzell
Reporter.....	Kylie Miller
Sentinel.....	Demetric Howard
Student Advisor.....	Makenzi Piper
Historian.....	
Chaplin.....	
Parliamentarian.....	

Officers are expected to attend all chapter functions and officer meetings as set by the advisors and officer team. Officers are expected to purchase official FFA dress. They are to serve as role models and leaders for the chapter. Officers are also expected to participate in all FFA fundraisers and activities.

### Chapter Officers and Responsibilities

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There will be a minimum of seven chapter officers for the school and the possibility of three others, as decided upon by the nominating committee. Election results for the Paris FFA Chapter Officer team will be presented at the first official club meeting following the interview process.

#### **President** (Chapter FFA Degree Required, Junior or Senior)

- Preside over meeting according to accepted rules of parliamentary procedure.
- Appoint committees and serve on them as an ex-officio (non-voting) member.
- Coordinate the activities of the chapter and evaluate the progress of each division of the Program of Activities (POA).
- Represent the chapter in public relations and official functions.

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- Provide monthly reports of chapter activities and recognitions to the board of school directors.

#### **Vice President** (Chapter FFA Degree Required)

- Assume all duties of the president if necessary.
- Develop the Program of Activities (POA) and serve as an ex-officio (non-voting) member of the POA committees.
- Coordinate all committee work.
- Work closely with the president and advisors to assess progress towards meeting chapter goals.
- Establish and maintain a chapter resource file.

#### **Secretary**

- Prepare and post the agenda for each chapter meeting.
- Prepare and post the minutes of each chapter meeting.
- Place all committee reports in the designated area in the FFA chapter books.
- Be responsible for Chapter correspondence.
- Maintain attendance and activity records and issue membership cards.
- Have on hand for each meeting:
  - The Secretary's Notebook
    - Chapter Operations
    - POA, including all committees - Standing and Special
    - Official FFA Manual and the Official FFA Handbook
    - Chapter Constitution and Bylaws
- Chair Recruitment Committee

#### **Treasurer**

- Receive, record and deposit FFA funds and issue receipts.
- Present monthly treasurer's reports at chapter officer meetings.
- Collect dues.
- Prepare and submit the membership roster and dues to the Texas FFA Association.
- Chair the Finance Committee

#### **Reporter**

- Release news and information to local and regional news media.
- Assist in the publication of a chapter newsletter and chapter scrapbook.
- Send local stories to area, district and state reporters.
- Serve as the chapter photographer.
- Publish a chapter newsletter twice a year
- Chair the Public Relations Committee
- Availability to attend 90% of activities in order to publicize events and take photos and make sure 100% of activities are attended by the Reporter or an assistant officer should you choose to have one

#### **Sentinel**

- Assist the president in maintaining order.

- Keep the meeting room, chapter equipment and supplies in proper condition.
- Welcome guests and visitors.
- Keep the meeting room comfortable and have it set up 30 minutes prior to the meeting.
- Take charge of candidates for degree ceremonies.
- Assist with special programs and refreshments
- Chair the Recreation Committee

#### **Student Advisor (Chapter Degree, Senior)**

- Assist the advisors in the supervision and organization of chapter events.
- Assist the vice president(s) in managing progress of the POA.
- Set deadlines for the accomplishment of committee tasks.
- Follow up on progress of specific committee tasks.
- Present POA reports to the general membership or chapter officers.
- Provide advice
- Chair the Community Service Committee

#### **FFA Advisors (Sponsors)**

- Supervise chapter activities year-round.
- Inform prospective students and parents about the FFA.
- Instruct students in leadership and personal development.
- Build school and community support for the program.
- Encourage involvement of all chapter members in activities.
- Prepare students for involvement in contests and awards programs.

#### **Other Elected Offices (if desired by the nominating committee)**

##### **Chaplain**

- Present the invocation at banquets and other functions.
- Coordinate FFA participation at local area churches during National FFA Week.
- Conduct reflection services at chapter conferences and workshops.

##### **Parliamentarian**

- Be proficient with parliamentary procedure.
- Rule on all questions of parliamentary conduct at chapter and chapter officer meetings.
- Conduct parliamentary procedure workshops at the chapter level.

##### **Historian**

- Develop and maintain a scrapbook of memorabilia in which to record the chapter's history.
- Research and prepare items of significance of the chapter's history.
- Prepare displays of chapter activities and submit stories of former members to the media.
- Assist the reporter in providing photography for chapter needs.

## Officer Election Process

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Members wishing to run for Paris FFA officer (greenhand or chapter) will need to complete an officer application and turn it into an ag teacher by the due date. Chapter officer elections will be held in the spring semester, information on dates will be posted during the spring semester. Officer applications will be available at the first FFA meeting of the spring semester. All officers are expected to purchase Official FFA Dress for use during their term of office. Officer candidates will complete the required application, take a knowledge test, learn and demonstrate the opening/closing ceremony parts for that office, and then go through an interview with judge(s) determined/appointed by the ag teachers. Please direct any questions to one of the ag teachers.

## Officer Expectations

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I. Attendance at all FFA functions is mandatory unless permission is granted prior to the function by the advisors.

A. FFA Meetings

1. FFA meetings may not be missed unless approved by Advisors for family emergency or other extenuating circumstances approved by advisors.
2. The consequence for missing an FFA meeting without approval results in a meeting with the Advisors to discuss possible resignation of the FFA office.

B. FFA Functions

Missing 3 FFA functions without the prior approval of Advisors or justifying documentation the office will be dismissed.

- A. The following are considered approved exceptions: stock shows, camps, family events, major tests, athletic games, marching contests, graduations, or other activities approved by the officers/advisors.
- B. Each officer is required to sell at least 10 items in each chapter fundraiser
- C. Each officer must have at least ONE Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE)

II. All duties of office must be fulfilled.

The consequences for not fulfilling duties are as follows in order:

- A. The first step is a meeting with officers and Advisors to give encouragement.
- B. The second step is written notification to the officer that is deemed to be not fulfilling officer duties and a reduction in officer duties.
- C. The third step is a meeting with the Advisors to discuss resignation.

**III. Any violation of the FFA and Agriscience Department Code of Conduct established in the FFA Handbook could lead to officer removal.**

IV. Talking negatively about the FFA, members, or Advisors will not be tolerated.

- A. The Advisors will make the ultimate decision in determining whether what has been said talks negatively of the FFA, FFA members or advisors.



- B. The consequences of talking negatively of the FFA are as follows:
1. The first step is a meeting with the officers and Advisors to give encouragement to the respective officer.
  2. The second step is written notification.
  3. The third step is removal from office.

## Committees

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**Executive Committee** - Standing committee to oversee daily functions and operations of the chapter. Chaired by the President consisting of all officers.

**Finance Committee** - Standing committee to raise money for chapter activities. Chaired by the Treasurer with three additional members.

**Public Relations Committee** - Standing committee to promote Paris FFA in our community. Chaired by the Reporter with three additional members.

**Community Service Committee** - Standing committee to put together and organize various community service projects in our community. Chaired by the Student Advisor with three additional members.

**Recruitment Committee** - Standing committee to recruit new members and make current members aware of upcoming events. Chaired by the Secretary with three additional members

**Recreation Committee** - Standing committee responsible monthly recreation as well as food and refreshments for chapter meetings. Chaired by the Sentinel with three additional members.

## FFA Membership

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Our chapter is affiliated with the State and National FFA Organizations, therefore every student enrolled in an agriculture science course taught at Paris ISD is eligible to be an FFA member! Active FFA members must pay their dues of \$20.00 paid by the due date to be on the membership roster.

Benefits of FFA Membership include...

- One year of membership
- FFA New Horizons Magazine subscription
- Meal at the FFA Banquet
- Refreshments after each FFA meeting
- Official FFA Membership card
- Opportunity to attend District, Area, and State FFA Conventions
- The opportunity to develop premier leadership, personal growth, and career success.

## Jr. FFA Membership

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Jr. FFA members are eligible to exhibit livestock projects as an FFA member. Members are invited to attend all meetings and the Awards Recognition Banquet. They are encouraged to participate in FFA activities and fundraisers. Advisors will make every attempt to keep in contact with Jr FFA members, parents and Jr members should contact advisors if they need assistance.

Paris ISD students in grades three through eight are eligible for membership. Annual membership dues are \$20.00.

## FFA Code of Ethics

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We will conduct ourselves at all times in order to be a credit to our organization, chapter, school and community by:

- Dressing neatly and appropriately for the occasion
- Showing respect for others and being courteous at all times
- Being honest and not taking unfair advantage of others
- Respecting the property of others
- Refraining from boisterous talk, swearing and other unbecoming conduct, including social media postings
- Demonstrating good sportsmanship
- Attending meetings promptly
- Taking pride in our organization and its functions
- Sharing with others experiences and knowledge by attending meetings and events

## Paris FFA Failure Policy

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Paris FFA / Agriculture Department is committed to the success of all students. In order for a student/member to be eligible to participate in chapter activities he/she must meet UIL eligibility rules **AS WELL AS** be passing all classes the day before the event. Paris FFA/Agriculture Department firmly believes that a student's education comes before participation in contests, livestock shows, or other FFA events.

## FFA Official Dress

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### **When You Look Good ...The FFA Looks Great!**

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The Paris ISD Student Dress Code is enforced at all FFA activities and competitions. If it is inappropriate to wear to school, it is inappropriate to wear to an FFA activity. Chapter and Greenhand Officers are expected to purchase Official FFA Dress. Any high school FFA member may purchase Official FFA Dress by seeing any ag instructor.

**Female Official Dress:** Black skirt/slacks - Skirt is to be at least knee length, hemmed evenly across the bottom, with a slit no longer than 2 inches above the knee, excluding the kick pleat, White collared blouse & Official FFA blue scarf Black dress shoes with a closed heel and toe (no boots, sandals, open-toed shoes, tennis shoes, etc.) Black nylon hosiery Official FFA jacket zipped to the top. **Black slacks may be worn ONLY during cold weather.** (www.ffa.org)

**Male Official Dress:** Black dress pants (no jeans - blue or black, leather, pleather, etc.) White dress shirt & Official FFA tie Black dress shoes with a closed heel and toe. (no boots, sandals, open-toed shoes, tennis shoes) Black socks Official FFA jacket zipped to the top. (www.ffa.org)

**How to Wear Awards:** Chapter degree, officer and award medals should be worn beneath the name of the right side of the jacket. State FFA Degree or American Degree key should be worn above the name or attached to a standard key chain. No more than 3 medals should be worn on the jacket. These should represent the highest degree earned, highest office held and the highest award earned. (www.ffa.org)

**CDE Contest Dress:** Closed-toed shoes, jeans free of holes or discoloration, belt, collar that folds down and shirt with sleeves. The only logos permissible are school or organizational logos, **no** caps or hats. For events that require Official Dress see requirements above.

**Livestock Show Dress:** Collared shirt (preferably button-down, long sleeved), nice jeans, belt, closed toe leather shoes or boots, **no** caps or hats.

## FFA Jackets

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Standard fit FFA Jackets may be purchased for \$75.00, this will include your jacket and either a tie or scarf and shipping charges. Orders will be taken throughout the year, upon payment the orders will then be placed with the National FFA Supply Service. Please allow 4-6 weeks for delivery. All members are encouraged to purchase a FFA Jacket if they have plans of becoming chapter officers, competing in LDE's, CDE's, or attending conventions. If you are unable to purchase a jacket, please feel free to speak with an Advisor to discuss options for a jacket.

## FFA Creed

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I believe in the future of agriculture, with a faith born not of words but of deeds - achievements won by the present and past generations of agriculturists; in the promise of better days through

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better ways, even as the better things we now enjoy have come to us from the struggles of former years.

I believe that to live and work on a good farm, or to be engaged in other agricultural pursuits, is pleasant as well as challenging; for I know the joys and discomforts of agricultural life and hold an inborn fondness for those associations which, even in hours of discouragement, I cannot deny.

I believe in leadership from ourselves and respect from others. I believe in my own ability to work efficiently and think clearly, with such knowledge and skill as I can secure, and in the ability of progressive agriculturists to serve our own and the public interest in producing and marketing the product of our toil.

I believe in less dependence on begging and more power in bargaining; in the life abundant and enough honest wealth to help make it so--for others as well as myself; in less need for charity and more of it when needed; in being happy myself and playing square with those whose happiness depends upon me.

I believe that American agriculture can and will hold true to the best traditions of our national life and that I can exert an influence in my home and community which will stand solid for my part in that inspiring task.

The creed was written by E. M. Tiffany, and adopted at the 3rd National Convention of the FFA. It was revised at the 38th Convention and the 63rd Convention.

### **FFA Motto**

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Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve.

### **FFA Mission Statement**

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FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

### **Opening Ceremony**

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During Opening Ceremonies, the President will tap the gavel **3 times** and ask "FFA members, why are we here?" On the 3rd tap, all members rise and say...

“To practice brotherhood, honor agricultural opportunities and responsibilities, and develop those qualities of leadership which an FFA member should possess.

## **Agriculture Pathways/Courses/Syllabi**

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### **Animal Science**

- 9th - Principles of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources
- 10th - Livestock Production OR Equine Science/Small Animal Management
- 11th - Remaining course above
- 12th - Veterinary Medical Applications OR Advanced Animal Science (Science Credit)

### **Agricultural Mechanics**

- 9th - Principles of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources
- 10th- Agricultural Mechanics and Metal Technologies
- 11th- Introduction to Welding OR Welding I (with teacher approval)
- 12th- Welding I or II

### **Horticulture / Plant Science**

- 9th - Principles of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources
- 10th- Greenhouse Production and Management
- 11th- Floral Design (Art credit)
- 12th- Practicum in Agriculture

## **Course Syllabi**

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### **Principles of Agriculture**

#### **Course Description**

To be prepared for careers in agriculture, food, and natural resources, students must attain academic skills and knowledge in agriculture. This course allows students to develop knowledge and skills regarding career opportunities, personal development, globalization, industry standards, details, practices, and expectations. To prepare for success, students need to have opportunities to learn, reinforce, experience, apply, and transfer their knowledge and skills in a variety of settings.

#### **Topics Covered**

- FFA and Parliamentary Procedure
- Career opportunities
- Natural Resource Management

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- Plant Science
- Crop Science
- Animal Science
- Food Science & Technology
- Communications and Management in Agricultural Sciences

### **Textbook**

Principles of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources, Texas Edition, Pearson

## **Livestock Production**

### **Course Description**

To be prepared for careers in the field of animal science, students need to attain academic skills and knowledge, acquire knowledge and skills related to animal systems and the workplace, and develop knowledge and skills regarding career opportunities, entry requirements, and industry expectations. To prepare for success, students need opportunities to learn, reinforce, apply, and transfer their knowledge and skills in a variety of settings. Animal species to be addressed in this course may include, but are not limited to, beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, goats, and poultry.

### **Topics Covered**

- Animals and People
- Animal Health
- Animal Reproduction
- Vet Terminology
- Beef Cattle Production
- Swine Production
- Sheep and Goat Production
- Dairy Production
- Poultry Production

### **Textbook**

Introduction to Livestock and Companion Animals, 5th Edition, Lee, Pearson

## **Equine / Small Animal Management**

### **Equine Science**

#### **Course Description**

This course follows the Principles in Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources and can be taken to precede the Principles of Agriculture course, which is encouraged for those students interested in career opportunities in the Animal Science Industry. This course allows students to develop knowledge and skills in relation to equine science. Students will get to explore multiple

competencies related to animal science through this course, and will come out with basic knowledge & understanding of equestrian care.

### **Topics Covered**

- History
- Breeds
- Identification and Confirmation
- Genetics
- Reproduction
- Nutrition
- Feeds and Feeding
- Health
- Management and Behavior
- Facilities and Equipment
- Management
- Careers in the Horse Industry

### **Textbook**

Equine Science, 8th Edition - Ensminger's

### **Small Animal Management**

#### **Course Description**

Learn what a valuable role dogs and cats play in our society. Develop knowledge and skills pertaining to the selection, nutrition, grooming, reproduction, health, and management of small animals. Classroom demonstrations with live animals!

### **Topics Covered**

- Importance of Small Animals
- Animal Rights and Welfare
- Small Animal Handling
- Small Animal Health & Nutrition
- Dogs
- Cats
- Careers with Small Animals

### **Textbook**

Introduction to Livestock and Companion Animals, Pearson

## **Veterinary Medical Applications**

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This course is a continuation of the Small Animal Management course, but will provide more detailed training in the unlicensed veterinary assistant field. This upper-level course includes, but is not limited to, animal handling and restraint, health and safety, sanitation, surgical preparation, anatomy, physiology, medical terminology, infectious diseases, instrument and equipment identification, vaccine preparation and injection techniques, laws and ethics, and

veterinary office procedures. As a part of the curriculum, instruction is provided to assist students in practicing communications skills, utilizing listening skills to follow directions, practicing basic mathematics skills as applied to a veterinary medical setting, and reading to gain information and to perform assignments and tasks as directed. This course will include a clinical rotation designed to allow students to gain hands-on experience working in various veterinary assistant positions.

## **Agriculture Mechanics & Metal Technologies**

### **Course Description**

To be prepared for careers in agricultural power, structural, and technical systems, students need to attain academic skills and knowledge; acquire technical knowledge and skills related to power, structural, and technical agricultural systems and the industry; and develop knowledge and skills regarding career opportunities, entry requirements, industry certifications, and industry expectations. To prepare for success, students need opportunities to learn, reinforce, apply, and transfer knowledge and skills and technologies in a variety of settings. This course is designed to develop an understanding of agricultural mechanics as it relates to safety and skills in tool operation, electrical wiring, plumbing, carpentry, fencing, concrete, and metal-working techniques.

### **Topics Covered**

- Safety
- Employability Skills
- Hand Tools
- Power Tools
- Electric
- Concrete
- Plumbing
- Welding

### **Textbook**

Texas Agricultural Mechanics and Metal Technologies, Pearson

### **Introduction to Welding**

An introduction to welding careers and safety practice, including welding safety; Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) and the Hazardous Communication Act; Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS); basic mathematics; measuring systems; shop operations; use and care of precision measuring tools; and the use and care of hand and power tools. Instruction on various types of welding equipment and processes, basic welding gases, fluxes, rods, electrodes, and symbols. Also includes metal preparation, joint design and oxy-fuel cutting.



## **Welding I & II**

learn and demonstrate advanced welding processes OAW, TIG, SMAW and GMAW along with developing welding techniques and welding in different positions with a variety of electrodes and cutting procedures used in metal fabrication. Student will also complete multiple projects assigned by the Instructor. In regards to safety, all students will be required to pass a written safety test on general shop safety and machinery. The student will also sign a safety contract which stresses the importance of proper conduct while in the metal shop.

## **Greenhouse Production**

Greenhouse Production and Management is a one-credit course related to the production of greenhouse crops. Topics include career opportunities, safety, plant propagation, growing media, plant identification, greenhouse production, pest control, business management, and equipment and facilities. The hands-on approach to learning is a key component in this course. This course encourages critical thinking, use of the scientific method, integration of technology, development of student leadership skills, and application of knowledge and skills related to practical questions and problems. Safety concepts are integrated into instruction to the maximum extent possible.

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## **Practicum in Agriculture**

The Practicum in Agriculture course is for Junior and Senior level students. The course description and requirements are dependent on the pathway the student is exploring. Students could complete a Practicum in Equine Science, Vet Med Applications, Production Agriculture, Etc.

## **Leadership Development Events**

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Leadership Development Event competitions are held during the fall semester. All LDE contests require official FFA dress.

- Greenhand Creed Speaking
- Chapter Creed Speaking
- Greenhand Chapter Conducting
- Senior Chapter Conducting
- Greenhand FFA Skills
- Chapter FFA Skills
- Greenhand FFA Quiz
- Chapter FFA Quiz
- Agricultural Issues Forum
- Public Relations
- FFA Radio

- Job Interview

## **Career Development Events**

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CDE contests are held during the spring semester. There are more than 20 Career Development Events areas. Teams trained may vary from year to year, depending on participation. Members cannot compete on multiple teams, contest times will conflict.

- Agricultural Communications
- Agricultural Mechanics
- Agricultural Sales
- Agriscience Fair
- Agronomy
- Cotton
- Dairy Cattle Evaluation
- Dairy Foods
- Entomology
- Farm Business Management
- Floriculture
- Food Science and Technology
- Forage
- Forestry
- Horse
- Land
- Livestock Evaluation
- Marketing Plan
- Meats
- Nursery/Landscape
- Poultry
- Range
- Range and Pasture Plant Identification
- Tractor Technician
- Wildlife and Recreation Management
- Wool

## **Speaking Events**

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- Greenhand Prepared Public Speaking
- Senior Prepared Public Speaking
- Extemporaneous Speaking
- Soil Conservation Speaking (Winner at the Area V level receives a \$500 scholarship)

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## **Supervised Agricultural Experience Projects**

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Livestock projects are a great way to be an active member of the FFA, and learn responsibility and sportsmanship. Participation in the livestock program is completely voluntary. FFA members have numerous activities and SAE's project choices available to them and may choose any of them. Show animals are a competitive industry which unfortunately creates problems for chapters dealing with people pushing or breaking validation, ethics, and/or feeding rules. For this reason outside fitters will not be allowed during the feeding period or while at stock shows and animals must remain in the daily care of the exhibitor overseen by the ag teachers.

Students who do choose an animal SAE should be aware of the financial responsibilities and time commitment that will accompany their project. However, there are animal projects available within every budget. Students and parents may select and purchase the animal themselves or choose to involve the FFA advisor. Involvement in the selection and purchase process by the FFA advisor is strongly recommended. If a member does not have an appropriate facility to house the animal an effort will be made to secure accommodations for the project at the Paris FFA Lab/Project Center.

Money for animal, feed, veterinary costs, travel, lodging, entry fees, or other expenses is the responsibility of the student and/or their parent/guardian. While Paris ISD fully supports these students and their projects, it is not always possible to provide the necessary funds. Transportation is always available for projects to and from any shows held at the Paris-Lamar County Fairgrounds and the Lamar County Junior Livestock Show. While every effort will be made to accommodate the needs of FFA members, it is not always feasible to do so.

Transportation to major stock shows will be provided if a reasonable number of members are participating during the same time period.

In addition, it is the student's responsibility to be aware of entry deadline dates and turn in livestock entries at the appropriate time. Deadlines will be announced and posted for all FFA members. Entries for major stock shows and the Lamar County Junior Livestock Show should be filled out by the student and turned in to the FFA advisors before set deadlines.

The Lamar County Junior Livestock Show is the end of the show season for all market animals. Exhibitors with animal projects that do not qualify for auction can choose to sell the animal for the current market price at the conclusion of the Lamar County Junior Livestock Show. If the exhibitor chooses not to sell the animal the ag teachers will not be responsible for hauling the project from the Lamar County Junior Livestock Show. Transportation arrangements should be made in advance of the show if the exhibitor and parent/guardian decide to keep the animal.

Students using the Paris FFA Lab/Project Center will need a signed barn agreement on file with the Ag Teachers.

### Estimated Cost of Livestock Projects

<u>Species</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Feed/Tack</u>
Cattle	12 months	\$1500**	\$2000***
Swine	5 months	\$350**	\$300***
Sheep	9 months	\$350**	\$300***
Goats	9 months	\$350**	\$300***
Broilers	3 months	\$40**	\$75***
Rabbits	3 months	\$150**	\$75***

\*\*Cost of this animal may vary depending on quality of livestock and location purchased.

\*\*\*The above costs do not reflect any charges that can occur for veterinarian fees, medication, validation, entry fees, etc. These would be additional expenses for the project.

\*\*\*\*Due to fluctuating costs in the current market, feed and tack costs are estimates and are subject to change.

\*\*\*\*ALL ENTRY FEES MUST BE PAID BEFORE ENTRY IS MADE. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN NOT BEING ENTERED FOR SHOWS WITH PARIS FFA

### Livestock Show Guidelines

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#### Stock Show Eligibility

To be eligible to participate in any livestock show, students must meet the following requirements:

1. Be a member in good standing of the Paris FFA Chapter (Dues paid for current year)
  - ALSO- must be in good financial standing with the chapter and school as well
2. Meet TEA guidelines for academic eligibility and chapter failure policy
3. Have paid entry fees on time and meet show requirements
4. Have approval of agricultural science teacher(s)
5. To be eligible for a major show entry (ie: Fort Worth, Houston, State Fair) the student must have exhibited the animal in at least two jackpot shows (local, non-terminal)

#### Show Entries

- The agricultural science teachers will assist in making arrangements for participation in the Lamar County Junior Livestock Show, and approved major shows. Entries in all other shows will be the responsibility of the student. The student is responsible for having all entry forms / health papers completed and turned in to ag teachers by the due date.

It is the policy of Paris ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or handicap in its vocational programs, services or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended.

### Show Travel and Housing

- Paris ISD Policy governs transportation procedures. Parents and Students should check with Agricultural Science Teachers for clarification before any livestock shows.
- Housing expenses are the responsibility of the student and parent.

### Discipline While at Shows

- Livestock shows are an extension of the Paris ISD Classroom; therefore students will be responsible for their personal conduct. All school rules are in effect at these shows.

### Animal Care at Shows

- While at livestock shows, each student will be responsible for all feeding, care and grooming of his/her respective animal(s).

### Responsibilities to Buyers (Market Animals)

- The student will write, gain instructor approval, and deliver a Thank You note to the individuals who purchase their project. An official show photograph should be taken at the show and accompany the note. Thank you notes and photos should be taken to belt buckle sponsors also. Proof of delivery of the Thank You note(s) must be given before the auction check will be released to the student.

### Equipment Use

- Arrangements must be made for the use of any equipment belonging to Paris FFA. Clippers, blowers, etc. must be returned in a diligent manner so that others may be able to use them. The use of livestock trailers will be limited to the agricultural science teachers. Any equipment lost, stolen, or destroyed while in the possession of a student will be replaced at the expense of the student.

### Specific Show Rules

- It is the sole responsibility of the exhibitor to be familiar with all rules pertaining to his/her livestock project (this information may include weight limits, entry requirements, age, etc.) This information may be obtained from the Agriscience teachers or by visiting the web sites of the shows you are entering.

### Medications

- It is strictly prohibited to administer any type of vaccine, drug, spray, feed additive, or substance internally or externally without first receiving approval of the Agriscience teachers. All substances used on the animal must be approved for use on the animal or be recommended by the Agriscience teacher according to veterinary instructions. All

withdrawal dates must be followed. All students are expected to read and agree to abide by the Animal Welfare Agreement that can be found on the pages following.

## Livestock Show Guidelines

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# PARIS ISD FFA SHOW TEAM CONTRACT

*MEMBERSHIP ON THE PARIS ISD FFA SHOW TEAM IS CONSIDERED A PRIVILEGE; THEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING RULES MUST BE FOLLOWED.*

UPDATED: AUGUST 2020

### RULES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

**Advisor:** As your advisors, we are dedicated to your success, the success of the livestock team, and the welfare of the animals that represent our team. As your advisors, we will

- Lead/approve the selection & purchasing process for student animal projects - The Ag Science advisors must approve all projects before purchase and/or participation in a show under Paris ISD FFA and before students are eligible to apply for stall space in the Paris ISD FFA Lab/Project Center.
- Provide advice on feeding, grooming, equipment, and other necessary purchases
- Provide instruction and recommendations to help students properly groom animals for show, train their animals prior to show, learn animal anatomy and facts necessary for showmanship, and exhibit their animals successfully in the show ring
- Provide students with entry forms for all school sponsored livestock shows
- Tag animals for state shows
- Assist with transportation, as needed, for livestock to and from school-sponsored livestock shows
- Ensure that all students who are competing have followed the rules and guidelines set forth in this contract & barn rules
  - The PISD ag science advisors reserve the right to dismiss any student from the Livestock Show team on a per show/permanent basis based on eligibility, behavior (student/parent), or improper care of animal
  - The PISD ag science advisors reserve the right deny his/her signature to any livestock show entry/document or transportation to livestock shows for violations of the Paris ISD FFA Handbook, Paris ISD FFA Show Team Contract, Paris ISD FFA Barn Agreement, or Paris ISD Student Code of Conduct.

**Students:** As members of the PISD FFA Livestock Show Team, students will conduct themselves in a way that brings pride to our team:

- Treat animals ethically at all times
- Attend FFA scheduled health checks for your animal as scheduled

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- Submit entry forms, entry fees, housing fees for shows by due date set by Ag Science advisors
- Read and follow all show rules and regulations for each show in which you compete
- Follow all school student rules at all FFA show team events including anytime the student exhibits their animal as a representative of Paris ISD FFA
- Follow all rules and regulations as set forth in this contract & barn rules
- Work with fellow show team members and advisors to maintain cleanliness in the livestock trailers, barns, and other work areas
- While at a show, arrive on time to scheduled feeding and team meetings times, remain in the areas designated by the advisors, and leave only when dismissed by the advisor
- Follow all instructions from any show coordinator or judge at a show
- Refrain from cursing, arguing, and horseplay in the barns and show ring
- Wear appropriate clothing at all times while representing the show team at livestock events
- Wear appropriate show clothing as designated by the following: jeans, pressed and in good condition, collared shirt, and boots
- Assist fellow show team members before, during, and after show
- Remain eligible with school to participate in extracurricular activities (attendance, grades, discipline)
- Obtain supplies necessary to show your animal
- Display a positive attitude and good sportsmanship any time you represent the PISD FFA Livestock Show Team
- Refrain from any negative public comments (social media, etc.)

**Parent Responsibilities:** To help promote teamwork, good showmanship, and success, your assistance as a parent of the livestock show team is very important and valued. Please help us by attending to the following:

- Review show team guidelines, show rules, barn rules and school rules with your child frequently.
- Ensure your child accurately completes and turns in all registration paperwork and other required forms and fees on time.
- Refrain from the use of tobacco, alcohol, and profanity at all FFA livestock events.
- Support the decisions and instructions given by FFA advisors, show judges, and other officials at all FFA and livestock events.
- Provide positive support of your child and the entire FFA livestock team.
- Ensure that your student is on time to all required meetings & that they follow all show team contract guidelines.
- Refrain from any negative public comments (social media, etc.)

**Other Key Rules/Responsibilities:**

- NO PROJECT will be shown under the Paris ISD FFA chapter without the Paris ISD Ag Science advisor's consent.
- Students are responsible for caring for, and monitoring, their show animals on a daily basis. Advisors have the right to deny students' participation in FFA livestock shows if their animal is obviously underweight, underfed, in poor health, or in poor physical or

mental condition that diminishes their show appeal, threatens the health of other animals, threatens their animal's health, or brings discredit to our organization. As managers of the PISD FFA Lab/Project Center, it is the Ag Science advisors' responsibility to make decisions that ensure the overall health of all students' projects.

- Parents/Students may be asked to leave school or county property, or any FFA sponsored event, for misconduct, aggressive or disrespectful behavior towards advisors, parents, or students, or any behavior that brings discredit to our organization.
- **In order to attend and show at a major livestock show (example: Ft. Worth, Houston) students must have shown their animal(s) at a minimum of two jackpot shows before the major show date.** Failure to do this will result in being removed from the show team and losing stall space in the lab barn facility.
- Any student who loses eligibility for 2 consecutive 9 week periods may lose their privilege to show with the PISD Show Team, along with losing stall space in the lab barn facilities.
- Students who choose to attend livestock shows outside of the designated school shows must follow all school, FFA, and show team guidelines as they still represent our organization.
- Students will be expected to attend mandatory species meetings on established dates, as needed, by the Paris ISD Ag Science advisors. Students will be given at least two weeks notice for such meetings.
- Any decisions or instructions made by the Ag Science advisor at a school sponsored show are final. Any discussion can be directed to Ag Science advisors or school district administrators at a later date.

By working together as a team, caring for the health and welfare of your animals, and dedicating your time to practicing, studying, and grooming for exhibitions, the PISD FFA Livestock Team is sure to have a smooth and successful year!

#### SHOWS:

##### School-sponsored Livestock Shows :

- Red River Valley Fair Livestock Show (County Fair)
- Ft. Worth Livestock Show (dependent upon specific projects)
- Lamar County Junior Livestock Show (April)

Optional Jackpot Show Opportunities will be announced by the Ag Science Teachers as information becomes available. These may be limited in order to maintain safe & healthy animal projects.

#### CONSEQUENCES FOR BREAKING SHOW TEAM CONTRACT RULES

Failure to comply with show team rules will result in a PISD Show Team Demerit for each offense. An accumulation of 3 or more demerits in a show season may result in a student losing the privilege to show at the next show opportunity and possibly at current show. Students may also be responsible for completing an assigned task by an ag science teacher to regain their



privilege to be a part of the PISD Show Team. If the problem persists, removal from the show team/facilities can be enforced pending a conference with Ag Science teachers and PISD administration.

Signature required by FFA student and parent on page 41 to be on livestock show team.

## Paris FFA Mechanics Show Team

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MEMBERSHIP ON THE PARIS ISD FFA MECHANICS SHOW TEAM IS CONSIDERED A PRIVILEGE; THEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING RULES MUST BE FOLLOWED.

**UPDATED: AUGUST 2020**

### Rules and Responsibilities

**Advisor:** As your advisors, we are dedicated to your success, the success of the mechanics show team. As your advisors, we will

- Lead/approve the selection & purchasing process for student mechanics projects - The Ag Science advisors must approve all projects before purchase of materials and/or project is started. All projects intended to be shown under Paris ISD FFA need a blueprint (design), student pictures of the process of designing and building the project, a budget, receipts, Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all chemical products used.
- Provide instruction and recommendations to help students properly plan and construct project
- Provide instruction and recommendations to help students properly plan and put together project book
- Provide students with entry forms for all school sponsored mechanics shows
- Assist with transportation, as needed, for project and student to and from school-sponsored mechanics shows
- Ensure that all students who are competing have followed the rules and guidelines set forth in this contract, PISD rules, and mechanics show rules.
  - The PISD ag science advisors reserve the right to dismiss any student from the Mechanics Show team on a per show/permanent basis based on eligibility, behavior (student/parent), or improper preparation of the project for show.
  - The PISD ag science advisors reserve the right to deny his/her signature to any mechanics show entry/document or transportation to mechanics shows for violations of the Paris ISD FFA Handbook, Paris ISD FFA Mechanics Show Team Contract, or Paris ISD Student Code of Conduct.

**Students:** As members of the PISD FFA Mechanics Show Team, students will conduct themselves in a way that brings pride to our team:

- Provide all materials for project (unless sponsored)
- Complete the project book containing a blueprint (design), student pictures of the process of designing and building the project, a budget, receipts, Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all chemical products used.

- Submit entry forms, entry fees, and housing fees for mechanics shows by due date set by Ag Science advisors
- Read and follow all show rules and regulations for each show in which you compete
- Follow all school student rules at all FFA mechanics show team events including anytime the student exhibits their project as a representative of Paris ISD FFA
- Follow all rules and regulations as set forth in this contract & mechanics show rules
- Work with fellow show team members and advisors to maintain cleanliness in the work areas
- While at a show, arrive on time to scheduled events, remain in the areas designated by the advisors, and leave only when dismissed by the advisor
- Follow all instructions from any show coordinator or judge at a show
- Refrain from cursing, arguing, and horseplay at the mechanics show
- Wear appropriate clothing at all times while representing the show team at mechanics show events
- Wear appropriate show clothing as designated by the following: jeans, pressed and in good condition, collared shirt, and boots
- Assist fellow show team members before, during, and after show
- Remain eligible with school to participate in extracurricular activities (attendance, grades, discipline)
- Obtain supplies necessary to show/exhibit your project
- Display a positive attitude and good sportsmanship any time you represent the PISD FFA Mechanics Show Team
- Refrain from any negative public comments (social media, etc.)

**Parent Responsibilities:** To help promote teamwork, good showmanship, and success, your assistance as a parent of the mechanics show team is very important and valued. Please help us by attending to the following:

- Review show team guidelines, show rules, and school rules with your child frequently.
- Ensure your child accurately completes and turns in all registration paperwork, entry fees, and other required forms and fees on time.
- Refrain from the use of tobacco, alcohol, and profanity at all FFA mechanics show events.
- Support the decisions and instructions given by FFA advisors, show judges, and other officials at all FFA and mechanics events.
- Provide positive support of your child and the entire FFA mechanics team.
- Ensure that your student is on time to all required meetings & that they follow all show team contract guidelines.
- Refrain from any negative public comments (social media, etc.)

**Other Key Rules/Responsibilities:**

- NO PROJECT will be shown under the Paris ISD FFA chapter without the Paris ISD Ag Science advisor's consent.

- Parents/Students may be asked to leave school or county property, or any FFA sponsored event, for misconduct, aggressive or disrespectful behavior towards advisors, parents, or students, or any behavior that brings discredit to our organization.
- Any student who loses eligibility for 2 consecutive 9 week periods may lose their privilege to show with the PISD Mechanics Show Team.
- Students will be expected to attend mandatory meetings on established dates, as needed, by the Paris ISD Ag Science advisors. Students will be given at least two weeks notice for such meetings UNLESS an emergency situation arises.
- Any decisions or instructions made by the Ag Science advisor at a school sponsored show are final. Any discussion can be directed to Ag Science advisors or school district administrators at a later date.

### **Consequences for breaking show team contract rules**

Failure to comply with mechanics show team rules will result in a PISD Show Team Demerit for each offense. An accumulation of 3 or more demerits in a show season may result in a student losing the privilege to show at the next show opportunity and possibly at current show. Students may also be responsible for completing an assigned task by an ag science teacher to regain their privilege to be a part of the PISD Mechanics Show Team. If the problem persists, removal from the show team/facilities can be enforced pending a conference with Ag Science teachers and PISD administration.

Signature required by FFA student and parent on page 42 to be on mechanics show team.

## **Awards Program**

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Each spring, Paris FFA hosts the annual chapter banquet and awards recognition program. Both chapter and individual member achievements are recognized. To be eligible for awards, FFA members must complete an application and submit it prior to the deadline date. Applications will be judged and a winner will be selected from each category. Applications for local chapter awards may be obtained from the ag science teachers.

### **Degree Recipients**

- Greenhand and Chapter
- Lone Star

### **Star Awards**

- Star Greenhand
- Star Chapter
- Star Lone Star

### **Proficiency Awards**

Local applications are available for proficiency awards on the chapter level. Members must complete and submit an application based on their Supervised Agricultural Experience Program. ***Proficiency applications are due to the advisors on TBA.*** Students may apply for multiple awards.

## Participant and Team Member Recognition

- Chapter Officer Awards
- Livestock Show Participants
- Leadership Development Events
- Career Development Events

Students may apply for Proficiency awards, Star awards, and the Lone Star degree above the chapter level based on their completed record books for their SAEP. Requirements for these awards can be found in the National FFA manual and on the Texas FFA Association website at [www.texasffa.org](http://www.texasffa.org). If you are interested in applying for an award above the chapter level, please contact one of your ag science teachers.

## Senior Graduation Cords

Graduating seniors who have been an active member in Ag/FFA for all four years of high school will receive an FFA Graduation Cord from the Paris FFA Chapter to be worn with cap and gown during graduation ceremonies.

## Scholarship Opportunities

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There are many opportunities for FFA members to receive scholarships during high school such as:

- Local and Other Scholarships for FFA members
- State Fair of Texas
- Livestock Show Participants, Public Speaking Events, Ag Science Fair
- National FFA Scholarship (Deadline February 1)
- <https://www.ffa.org/scholarships>

### **Texas FFA awards more than \$1 million to graduating seniors each year!!!!**

Scholarships available through the Texas FFA Scholarship Program:

Graduating seniors may apply during the spring semester for these scholarships by completing the Texas FFA Scholarship Application. The application is submitted and reviewed at a series of checks and must advance for consideration at the state level. The application includes an interview at the area and state level.

Scholarships are based on GPA, academic class rank, SAT/ACT scores, and financial need. For additional requirements, please review the application at

<https://www.texasffa.org/page.aspx?ID=76>.

Applications are heavily judged on the amount of activities the member has participated in. Applicants should be involved in FFA during all four years of high school and participate in a

variety of activities. Applicants should compete in at least 1 event each semester, attend chapter and above chapter level functions, serve as a chapter officer and preferably run for district office as well. All applicants are required to complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aide) form. Students are encouraged to take the SAT and ACT as soon as possible so they have plenty of opportunities to improve their score if necessary.

~[www.texasffaoundation.org](http://www.texasffaoundation.org) and [www.texasffa.org](http://www.texasffa.org)

Check with the high school office and with the school counselor for all available scholarship applications.

## **FFA Fundraising Activities**

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The FFA provides many activities throughout the year that require money. The entry fees for contests, community service projects, the food and refreshments at meetings, and supplies for the banquet require a large sum of money. You are asked to participate in whatever fundraising activity that we have. The more money that our group makes, the more activities we can provide to you.

This year, we will be selling Fresh Country based out of Longview, Texas. We will be offering Fresh Country's meat items (bacon, sausage, fajitas, hams and turkeys), as well as cookies, pies, and cobblers. These products will be delivered in time for Thanksgiving and/or Christmas orders. These products are also great for selling to large businesses and families for Christmas gifts.

Please take an active role in supporting your chapter.

## **Overnight Travel**

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The opportunity to participate in the Paris FFA is a privilege extended to Paris ISD students. Participation in the Paris FFA places a student in a position of recognition and often bestows the position of role model upon the member. Any student who elects to accept the privilege of participating in the Paris FFA must recognize that he/she is a representative of the school and district, and will be held to a higher standard of conduct than that applied to the general student body. This applies to school related and non-school related activities. The member is subject to state law, school district policies, school rules and regulations, the Paris FFA Constitution and By-laws, and University Interscholastic League (UIL) rules. Paris ISD policy governs all trips taken by FFA members. Any student found in violation of these policies will be disciplined accordingly.

- Students will follow directions given by Advisors, as well as adult chaperones.

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- Students will conduct themselves in a proper manner at all times.
- Students will stay with the group at all times.
- Students will not leave the hotel or site of activity for any reason.
- Students will follow all curfew times. Lights out will be at the discretion of the Advisors.
- Students must stay in the room assigned to them.
- Female students will not be allowed in rooms of male students. Male students will not be allowed in rooms of female students.
- Students will wear official dress, except when notified by the Advisors. Paris ISD dress code is in effect at all times.

*Violations to these guidelines will not be tolerated.*

Signature required by ALL FFA students and parents on page 35.

### **PARIS FFA TRAVEL CONTRACT**

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I understand that if I do not adhere to the following rules, I will be immediately sent home at my own or my family's expense. I also understand that I will be expelled from the activity for the rest of the season. I may receive additional consequences assigned by the school district. All rules in this contract apply to class period, day, and overnight travel/trips.

- No use of alcohol, tobacco, or illegal substances.
- I will follow the curfew that is set by the FFA advisors.
- I will respect public and private property, including hotel/motel property. I and my roommates will be responsible for any damages incurred.
- I will report to my FFA Advisor/Sponsor at the set time in the set location.
- As an FFA member representing my school and chapter, it is a priority to be alert and prepared for the next day's activity.
- I will not leave the hotel/motel premises without direct permission from the Paris FFA advisors/chaperones.
- All FFA members are expected to listen and report to FFA advisors at all times.
- Students may have phones except during FFA competition. Phones are not allowed during any competition per FFA contest rules.
- FFA members will refrain from loud, boisterous talk. This is considered a disruptive behavior.
- I will conduct myself in a professional manner that will bring pride to my family, chapter, school and community.

I understand that as a student of Paris High School and a member of Paris FFA, I am representing my school and chapter. I will follow the rules and directions set by my FFA advisors at all times. I will help ensure my peers do the same.

Signature required by all FFA students and parents, on page 37.

## Contact (cell phone/text) Permission

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Being an Agriculture/FFA student the possibility may arise for the Agriscience Teachers to make contact with your student via cellphone and/or text messages. This contact will only pertain to Ag/FFA issues.

Contact may be necessary for one of the following reasons:

- On an FFA trip - Contact by phone is a safety measure.
- SAE Livestock Project - Emergency situations arise where immediate contact is required for student/animal safety.
- FFA Officer - Officers create text groups including Ag teachers for FFA Activity communications.
- Emergency Situations

Parents have three options: . Phone/Text contact **IS NOT ALLOWED**, Phone/Text contact **IS ALLOWED**, or Phone/Text contact **IS ALLOWED ONLY WITH PARENT INCLUDED** IN MESSAGES.

By signing the form on page **36** indicates that I have given/denied permission for my student to be contacted by cell phone or text messages by the Paris ISD Agri-Science Teachers.

Signature required by ALL FFA students and parents on page 36.

## Photograph Release Information

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At times Paris FFA releases information about student successes and accomplishments. This release is done through email, web site, and newspaper. Please check your consent choice and sign the Photo Release Consent Form on page 38.

## ANIMAL WELFARE / BARN AGREEMENT

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As a student member of the Paris ISD FFA Chapter I,(print student name) \_\_\_\_\_, would like to lease space in the lab/project center to temporarily house my Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) animal. I know of the

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importance of the humane treatment of our livestock. I also understand that if the district sees fit to schedule maintenance and repair of the facility, all animals may have to be relocated for an undetermined time at the responsibility of the owner. I understand that I must abide by all the rules in the Paris FFA Animal Welfare/Barn Lease Agreement as follows:

1. I agree that my animal(s) will be fed and provided fresh water on a daily basis throughout the feeding period with a feed ration and schedule approved for my animal(s) by the Agricultural Science Teachers.
2. I agree that the animal's pen or stall and watering and feeding equipment will be cleaned by me daily by removing any manure and any soiled bedding, and all trash will be removed daily.
3. I agree that my project(s) will be de-wormed regularly and will be provided with veterinary attention when deemed necessary at my cost.
4. I agree not to abuse or use excessive force on my animal, especially while training or exercising.
5. I agree not to use any drugs (or unnatural alteration techniques) on my animal without the approval of a veterinarian or my Ag Science Teacher.
6. In the event that I am feeding with a group of other students, I agree that I will share responsibilities.
7. I will provide my own lock for the main gate and give a copy of the key to the Ag Science Teachers.
8. If I choose to put a lock and key on my animal's gate, I will provide one of the ag instructors with the copy of said key in case of emergency.
9. I understand that, as an FFA member, I may house up to 2 show animals in the facilities.
10. I understand that only FFA students, their parents, and PISD employees can enter the barn and may NOT harm, tamper with, or release any animal that DOES NOT BELONG TO THEM.
11. Any damage caused by me or my animal will be repaired at my expense.
12. I understand that each animal I house will be charged a monthly fee of \$5.00



13. I understand that I may house my project only from the date of purchase until 5 days after the animals' final show, and that I must keep a record of all activity in my Agricultural Experience Tracker weekly.

14. I agree that failing to meet the standards set by Paris FFA advisors and Paris ISD will be grounds for removal of my animal(s). If the animal(s) are not removed from the facilities by the 5-day deadline, I understand they will then be sold at the current market value with the money going into the local Ag activity account.

Signature required by all FFA students and parents, form follows on page 39-40.

## Paris FFA Handbook Acknowledgement Form

I have received, read, understand, and agree to all policies enclosed in the **2020-2021** Paris FFA Handbook. By signing and returning this page I acknowledge that my student and I have gone over and both understand the contents of the Paris FFA Handbook.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Date received by Ag Dept. \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_



**Paris FFA/Agriculture Department TRAVEL PERMISSION FORM  
2020-2021**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Print

The above named student has my permission to travel to and/or from each event participated in by this organization during this school year including all errands and activities related to duties and assignments made to members enrolled in the Paris FFA/Ag Science Department. The mode of transportation will be Paris ISD provided vehicle.

- All students must abide by state, district and campus policies at all AGRISCIENCE/FFA sponsored events, whether held during normal school hours, after school hours, or on weekends and holidays.
- I understand that students who violate said policies will be subject to disciplinary consequences in accordance with the PARIS ISD STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT, including possible removal from future participation in FFA events.
- I understand that infractions to any of these said policies which include theft, vandalism, and possession of illegal substances will result in notification of parent/guardian and my child being returned to school at the parent's expense with no reimbursement of funds.
- I agree to, and hereby, release Paris Independent School District and its trustees, employees, sponsors and volunteers from all legal responsibility from liability resulting from any activities of this organization, including liability caused by or related to the negligence of any such party.

This form must be signed and returned to the sponsor before the student will be permitted to participate in any activities of this organization.

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## Contact Permissions Form 2020-2021



Student Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Being an Agriculture/FFA student the possibility may arise for the Agriscience Teachers to make contact with your student via cellphone and/or text messages. This contact will only pertain to Ag/FFA issues.

Contact may be necessary for one of the following reasons:

- On an FFA trip - Contact by phone is a safety measure.
- SAE Livestock Project - Emergency situations arise where immediate contact is required for student/animal safety.
- FFA Officer - Officers create text groups including Ag teachers for FFA Activity communications.
- Emergency Situations

Please choose one option below.

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone/Text contact **IS NOT ALLOWED**

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone/Text contact **IS ALLOWED**. Student # \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone/Text contact **IS ALLOWED ONLY WITH PARENT INCLUDED IN MESSAGES**. Parent # \_\_\_\_\_

Signing below indicates that I have given/denied permission for my student to be contacted by cell phone or text messages by the Paris ISD Agri-Science Teachers.

Student's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Paris FFA Travel Contract 2020-2021

I understand that if I do not adhere to the following rules, I will be immediately sent home at my own or my family's expense. I also understand that I will be expelled from the activity for the rest of the season. I may receive additional consequences assigned by the school district. All rules in this contract apply to class period, day, and overnight travel/trips.

- No use of alcohol, tobacco, or illegal substances.
- I will follow the curfew that is set by the FFA advisors.
- I will respect public and private property, including hotel/motel property. I and my roommates will be responsible for any damages incurred.
- I will report to my FFA Advisor/Sponsor at the set time in the set location.
- As an FFA member representing my school and chapter, it is a priority to be alert and prepared for the next day's activity.
- I will not leave the hotel/motel premises without direct permission from the Paris FFA advisors/chaperones.
- All FFA members are expected to listen and report to FFA advisors at all times.
- Students may have phones except during FFA competition. Phones are not allowed during any competition per FFA contest rules.
- FFA members will refrain from loud, boisterous talk. This is considered a disruptive behavior.
- I will conduct myself in a professional manner that will bring pride to my family, chapter, school and community.

I understand that as a student of Paris High School and a member of Paris FFA, I am representing my school and chapter. I will follow the rules and directions set by my FFA advisors at all times. I will help ensure my peers do the same.

PRINTED Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Paris FFA Photograph Consent Form 2020-2021

As the Parent/ Guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, a Paris FFA student do

\_\_\_\_\_ YES I give consent for the Paris FFA Chapter to photograph (picture and video) my student for school purposes and /or at school events. Use of photo/video will include publications, presentations, broadcast, newspaper, internet, or other media sources.

\_\_\_\_\_ NO I do not give consent for the Paris FFA Chapter to photograph (picture and video) my student for school purposes and /or at school events. Use of photo/video will include publications, presentations, broadcast, newspaper, internet, or other media sources. I understand by checking no that my student will not be included in ANY photo or presentation of Paris FFA.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## PISD SAE & BARN LEASE AGREEMENT 2020-2021

As a student member of the Paris ISD FFA Chapter I, (print student name) \_\_\_\_\_, would like to lease space in the lab barn to temporarily house my Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) animal. I know of the importance of the humane treatment of our livestock. I also understand that if the district sees fit to schedule maintenance and repair of the facility, all animals may have to be relocated for an undetermined time at the responsibility of the owner. I understand that I must abide by all the rules in the Paris FFA Animal Welfare/Barn Lease Agreement as follows:

1. I agree that my animal(s) will be fed and provided fresh water on a daily basis throughout the feeding period with a feed ration and schedule approved for my animal(s) by the Agricultural Science Teachers.
2. I agree that the animal's pen or stall and watering and feeding equipment will be cleaned by me daily by removing any manure and any soiled bedding, and all trash will be removed daily.
3. I agree that my project(s) will be de-wormed regularly and will be provided with veterinary attention when deemed necessary at my cost.
4. I agree not to abuse or use excessive force on my animal, especially while training or exercising.
5. I agree not to use any drugs (or unnatural alteration techniques) on my animal without the approval of a veterinarian or my Ag Science Teacher.
6. In the event that I am feeding with a group of other students, I agree that I will share responsibilities.
7. I will be provided the combination to the main gate lock. I agree not to give the combination to anyone without prior approval of the Ag Science Teachers.
8. If I choose to put a lock on my animal's gate, I will provide one of the ag instructors with copy of key/combination in case of emergency.
9. I understand that, as an FFA member, I may house up to 5 show animals in the facilities.
10. I understand that only FFA students, their parents, and PISD employees can enter the barn and may NOT harm, tamper with, feed/water, or release any animal that DOES NOT BELONG TO THEM.
11. Any damage caused by me or my animal will be repaired at my expense.
12. I understand that each animal I house will be charged a monthly fee of \$5.00

13. I understand that I may house my project only from the date of purchase until 5 days after the animals' final show, and that I must keep a record of all activity in my Agricultural Experience Tracker weekly.

14. I understand that after 3 documented rule infractions that I may be asked to remove my project animal from the facility.

15. I agree that failing to meet the standards set by Paris FFA advisors and Paris ISD will be grounds for removal of my animal(s). If the animal(s) are not removed from the facilities by the 5-day deadline, I understand they will then be sold at the current market value with the money going into the local Ag activity account.

Move in date \_\_\_\_\_ Move out date \_\_\_\_\_

Student's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Ag Science Teacher signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Paris ISD FFA Livestock Show Team  
Contract Acknowledgment Form 2020-2021**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:**  
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**Student Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Parent Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**STUDENTS:**

*I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand that participation on the Paris ISD FFA Livestock show team is a privilege that requires hard work, sportsmanship, and dedication. This privilege may be revoked by the FFA advisor if I fail to follow any of the above guidelines or in any way discredit the Paris ISD FFA.*

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENTS:**

*I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand that by participating as a member of the Paris ISD FFA Show Team, my child and I are responsible for the health and welfare of our animals. I also understand that maintaining a high level of discipline and teamwork is crucial to our team's success and will help ensure that my child observes the guidelines listed above and stated by their advisors. I understand that failure to follow these guidelines may result in disciplinary actions as deemed necessary by the FFA advisors and Paris ISD Administration.*

**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Advisors:** *As your advisor, we, Mr. Steve Tucker, Mr. Sydney Hines, and Mrs. Jacy Hayes, are dedicated to your success and will work with parents and students to promote the success and safety of the Paris ISD FFA Livestock Show Team, and the welfare of the animals that represent the show team.*

**Advisor Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Advisor Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Advisor Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Paris ISD FFA Mechanics Show Team  
Contract Acknowledgment Form 2020-2021**

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:**  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Student Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Parent Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENTS:**

*I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand that participation on the Paris ISD FFA Mechanics show team is a privilege that requires hard work, sportsmanship, and dedication. This privilege may be revoked by the FFA advisor if I fail to follow any of the above guidelines or in any way discredit the Paris ISD FFA.*

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENTS:**

*I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand that by participating as a member of the Paris ISD FFA Mechanics Show Team, my child and I are responsible for the mechanics project. I also understand that maintaining a high level of discipline and teamwork is crucial to our team's success and will help ensure that my child observes the guidelines listed above and stated by their advisors. I understand that failure to follow these guidelines may result in disciplinary actions as deemed necessary by the FFA advisors and Paris ISD Administration.*

**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Advisors:**

*As your advisor, we, Mr. Steve Tucker, Mr. Sydney Hines, & Mrs. Jacy Hayes, are dedicated to your success and will work with parents and students to promote the success and safety of the Paris ISD FFA Mechanics Show Team, and help ensure the safety and correctness of the mechanics projects.*

**Advisor Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Advisor Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Advisor Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Date received by Ag Dept. \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_