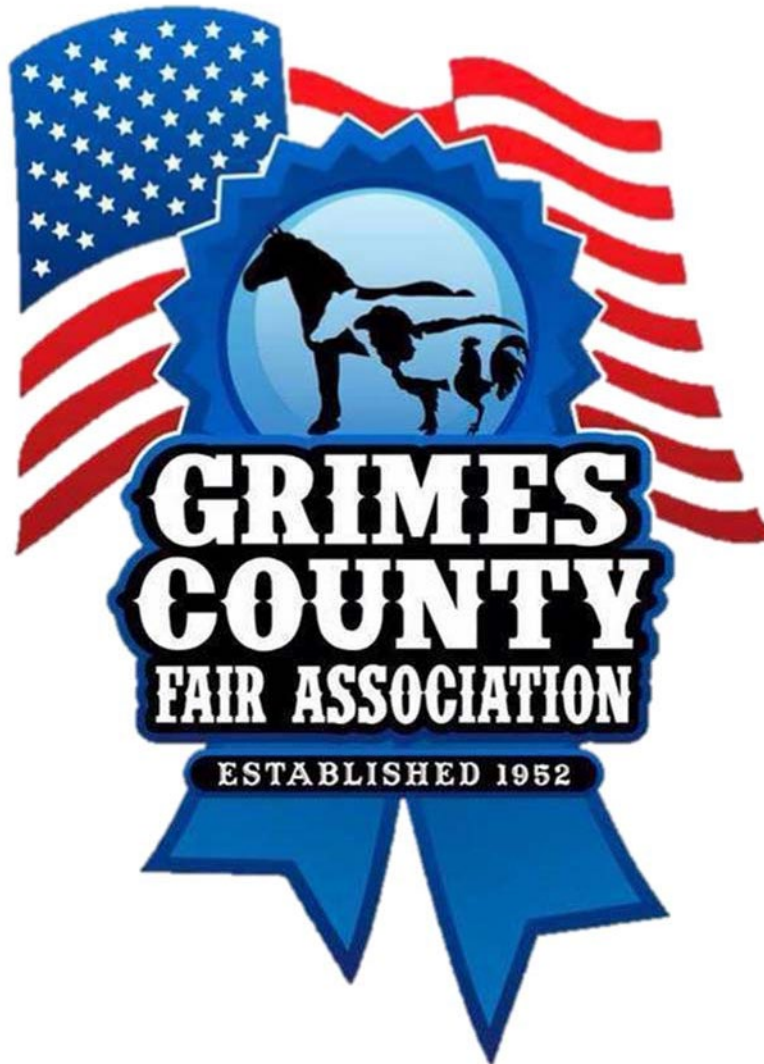


72nd ANNUAL GRIMES COUNTY FAIR

May 29 - JUNE 8, 2024



**GRIMES COUNTY EXPO. CENTER
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NAVASOTA, TEXAS 77868**

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Important rule changes:

***Premium and Freezer Sale: Under NO circumstances will an exhibitor or exhibitor's parent approach their buyer after the sale of their project and request that the buyer change the disposition of their animal or request that the buyer give them their project back. If the exhibitor or exhibitor's parent is caught doing so \$1000.00 will be deducted from the exhibitor's sales check. Exhibitors may personally thank their buyer in the picture area.**

****ShoWorks deadlines are very important. Please read rules that apply.**

**All rules will be enforced with a
ZERO TOLERANCE policy!!!!**

2024 GRIMES COUNTY FAIR SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 6, 2024

6:00 p.m. Special Attractions
7:00 p.m. Bull Buck Out

Tuesday, May 28, 2024

8am-12pm – Mandatory Fair set up

Wednesday, May 29, 2024

5:00 p.m. Check-in Leadline
6:00 p.m. Leadline will start
6:00 p.m. Check-in Team Penning & Team Sorting
7:00 p.m. Team Penning & Team Sorting will start

Thursday, May 30, 2024

5:00 p.m. Check-in Speed Events
6:00 p.m. Check-in Top Hand
6:00 p.m. Speed Events will start
7:00 p.m. Top Hand will start

Friday, May 31, 2024

7 a.m. – 10 p.m. Open for Pen Set-up (no steers may set up until Saturday after Heifer show)
6:00 p.m. Check-in Working Cow/Reining and Ranch Trail
7:00 p.m. Working Cow/Reining and Ranch Trail will start
8:00 p.m. Kick-Off Dance in the Main Hall featuring The Emotions
9:00 p.m. Crowning of 2024 Fair Queen

Saturday, June 1, 2024

7 a.m. – 8 a.m. Move-In and Check-In In-County Beef Heifers
6 a.m. – 3 p.m. Open for Pen Set-up
8 a.m. – 10 a.m. Check-In Creative Arts (Baked goods, Horticulture and Food Preservation)
9:00 a.m. Judge In-County Beef Heifer Show
All heifers will be released following the conclusion of the In-County Beef Heifer Show. All In-County beef projects must be removed by 2:00 p.m.
9:30 a.m. Check-in Kid's Rodeo
10:00 a.m. Kid's Rodeo
12:30 p.m. Judge Creative Arts (Baked goods, Horticulture and Food Preservation)
1 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Steer exhibitors set up (gate closes at 5:30PM)
6 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Lions Club Opens (Sale of Food Prep Items & Produce and Display of Results)
7 p.m. Rodeo

Sunday, June 2, 2024

- 6 a.m. – 12 p.m. Move-In all Market Animals (except Poultry, Rabbits and Pen of 3 Heifers)
-Swine will be weighing as soon as they come off trailer.
- 10 a.m. Simple Truth Church Service
- 12:00 p.m. ALL GATES WILL BE CLOSED AT THIS TIME TO MARKET ANIMALS**
- 2 p.m. – 7 p.m. Sale of food preparation and food preservation and results of creative arts projects
in the Lions Club Building
- 1 p.m. – 2 p.m. Weigh-in Steers
- 3 p.m. – 4 p.m. Weigh-in Lambs and Goats
- 4:30 p.m. – 6 p.m. Classify Swine
- 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. Move-In Ag Mechanics

Monday, June 3, 2024

- 8 a.m. – 10 a.m. Creative Arts Check-In (Crafts, Fine Arts, Photography, Quilts, Needlework
and sewing)
- 8 a.m. – 9 a.m. Move-In/Check-In Broilers and Turkeys
- 9:30 a.m. Judge Market Turkeys followed by Market Broilers
- 12:30 p.m. Judge Creative Arts (Crafts, Fine Arts, Photography, Quilts, Needlework
and sewing)
- 4:00 p.m. Judge Market Lamb Show followed by Market Goat Show approx. 30 minutes
after the Market Lamb Show
- 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. Lions Club opens for creative arts results

Tuesday, June 4, 2024

- 8 a.m. – 11 a.m. Move-In Pen of 3 Heifers. Pen of 3 Heifers Record books due.
- 8:30 a.m. Check-In Market Rabbits
- 10:00 a.m. Judge Market Rabbit Show
- 6:00 p.m. Judge Market Swine

Wednesday, June 5, 2024

- 8:00 a.m. Pee Wee Shows-Goat, Lamb and Swine Shows
- 9:00 a.m. Judge Pen of 3 Heifers followed by Pen of 3 Heifers Exhibitor Interviews
- 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. Release of Creative Arts projects.
- 12:00 p.m. All Premium Sale and Freezer Sale Exhibitors (excluding those participants showing steers, Pen of 3 Heifers, and Ag Mechanics projects) must notify the Sale Committee which project they wish to sell. Exhibitors must notify the Sale Committee within 10 minutes of the conclusion of their show which project they want to sell.
- 2:00 p.m. Pen of 3 Heifers Awards in the Show Ring
- 2:00 p.m. Judge Ag Mechanics projects. For those projects not selling in the Premium Sale check-out will be at the conclusion of the Show.
- 5:00 p.m. Creative Arts Champion Pictures
- 7:00 p.m. Judge Market Steers

Thursday, June 6, 2024

- 5:30 p.m. Buyer’s Social and Supper **** Note – this is for BUYERS ONLY ****
- 5:30 p.m. Presentations, Announcement of Scholarships and other Awards
- 6:30 p.m. Premium Sale

Friday, June 7, 2024

- 8 a.m. – 10 a.m. Release of Premium Sale and Non-Sale animals. All Exhibitors must be present at this time.
- 10:00 a.m. Senior Citizens Day and Children’s Day
- 6:00 p.m. Ranch Hand Rodeo **(contestants & all associates must pay gate fee)**
- 6:30 p.m. Freezer Sale (Main Hall). All Freezer Sale projects will be released at the conclusion of the Freezer Sale. All Exhibitors must be present at this time.

Saturday, June 8, 2024

8am- 12Pm – Mandatory Fair Clean up

**** READ THE DIVISION RULES FOR OTHER DATES AND TIMES THAT APPLY ****
ALL FORMS CAN BE DOWNLOADED FROM THE FAIR WEBSITE AT www.grimescountyfair.com

EXHIBITOR'S CHECK-OFF LIST

Exhibitors, the following are a list of things that must be done in order to receive your check in September:

1. **Work Rule:**

a. Exhibitors are required to work **1** hour during the week of the **Fair and attend a mandatory set up or cleanup day.**

b. Exhibitors can sign-up for the work time on sign-up genius from May 1, 2024, thru Friday, June 7, 2024. (Link will be on fair website) If you have any questions, please call Casey Galvan Childress at (979)219-3333.

c. Work hours must be completed by June 8, 2024, 12PM.

d. **If an Exhibitor fails to comply with this rule OR MISSES THEIR SCHEDULED TIME (WHICH IS NOT MADE UP), the exhibitor will be fined \$250 and may forfeit a 2025 participation in the Grimes County Fair.**

2. **Neglect of Animals:** Exhibitors are responsible for caring for their animal(s) for the ENTIRE time the animal(s) is/are at the Fairgrounds. If it is deemed that an Exhibitor is not caring for their animal(s), the Exhibitor will be issued one warning. **If the Exhibitor continues to neglect their animal(s) after the first written warning has been issued, then an amount equal to 50% of their gross sale proceeds will be deducted from the Exhibitor's sale check.**

3. **Thank You Notes:** All 4-H, FFA and FCCLA members **MUST WRITE "THANK YOU" NOTES** to their buyer, add-on contributor, and award donor. It is the Exhibitor's responsibility to write THANK YOU notes to each of their buyers, add-on contributors and award donors. **Thank You Notes must be mailed to the GCFA, P.O. Box 630, Anderson, TX 77830 and postmarked (no metered mail) no later than July 1st or the exhibitor's sale check will be penalized.** See Thank You Notes Section in the Fair Rule Book for additional information.

4. **Pictures:** **Pictures will be available for pick-up at the Fairgrounds** on July 9th, at 6 p.m. Exhibitors will be issued a stamped postcard along with their pictures. One picture is for the Exhibitor to keep, and the other is to be framed and delivered to one of the Buyers. The Exhibitor must have the Buyer sign the postcard stating that they received the picture. The Exhibitor is responsible for mailing the postcard back to the Fair. **Postcards must be mailed to the GCFA, P.O. Box 630, Anderson, TX 77830 and postmarked (no metered mail) no later than July 31st or the Exhibitor's sale check will not be available until the October Fair Board meeting.**

5. **Poultry and Rabbit Exhibitors:** All sale poultry and rabbits will sell at the live Auction. It will then be the responsibility of the Exhibitor to check with the Buyer to see if they want to take possession live or dressed, packaged and frozen. Delivery must be made to the Buyer within fourteen (14) days following the Sale. Once delivered to the Buyer, the Buyer must sign an acceptance statement (form provided by GCFA) stating that they have received delivery. Then this acceptance statement must be turned in with your Thank You Notes in order for you to receive your check. **This form must be mailed to the GCFA, P.O. Box 630, Anderson, TX 77830 and postmarked (no metered mail) no later than July 1 or the Exhibitor's sale check will not be available until the October Fair Board meeting.**
6. **Mandatory Meeting Requirements:** It is the policy of the Grimes County Fair that all Fair Exhibitors must attend **(5)** sanctioned meetings in their chosen Grimes County 4-H club, FCCLA chapter or FFA chapter in order to be allowed to show at the Fair. Eligibility requirements are verified by the Show Secretary no later than May 24, 2024.
7. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor (Premium, Freezer & No Sale) to check the fair website for Add-On information. Any exhibitor is eligible to receive an Add On.
8. **Each junior exhibitor will be required to sell 5 Raffle tickets to be eligible to compete in the Grimes County Fair. In order to be eligible, the 5 sold raffle tickets are due no later than May 14, 2024.**
9. Top ticket sales for exhibitors. (Does not include Fair Queen candidates)
 - 1st place - \$500.00 and a parking pass
 - 2nd place - \$300.00 and a parking pass
 - 3rd place - \$200.00 and a parking pass

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Grimes County Fair Exhibitors, Parents, Committees and Volunteers:

It was a pleasure serving as President for the 2023 Grimes County Fair and I am extremely proud of the accomplishments our youth made this year. There were positive changes made throughout the fair and it certainly didn't go unnoticed. Thank you to everyone involved; I truly believe it played a huge part in the success of the fair. Certainly, the success and growth would not have been possible without the support of the parents, family members, friends, volunteers, committee men and women, and the Fair Association.

The 2023 Grimes County Fair was a tremendous success. As a result, we're pleased to say the board was able to approve a 0% commission year. Although 0% commission is our goal, it is not promised every year. The generosity of our sponsors, buyers, volunteers, fairgrounds manager, county officials, and the community of Grimes' County made this possible.

To everyone involved, THANK YOU again for the continued support you have for the youth of Grimes County.

Planning for the 2024 Grimes County Fair is under way and our goal is to have another thriving year. Our hope is that entries across the board continue to rise, and we see an increase in youth participation. I encourage more people to get involved as it will benefit our youth and help them be the best they can be. If anyone is interested in participating, please encourage them to contact a committee person or anyone with the Association for more information. I am looking forward to a successful 2024 Grimes County Fair.

Exhibitors, good luck as you put in work in preparation for the 2024 Grimes County Fair!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "C. McCulloch". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Colton McCulloch
2024 Grimes County Fair President

GRIMES COUNTY FAIR OFFICERS

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Co-Secretary: Ashley Skinner (979) 777-2892

Treasurer: Kelley Bohnert (979) 777-3036

Fair Superintendent

Erick Compian (936) 870-5765

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Colton McCulloch

Duane Ermis

Erick Compian

Kaylee Leonard

Ashley Skinner

Kelley Bohnert

Justin Seifert (281) 744-8954

Special Committees

Show Secretaries: Karen Oncken and Sharon Robertson

Show Veterinarians: Beard Navasota Veterinary

Hospitality: Erick Compian and Colton McCulloch

Exhibitor Work Rule: Casey Galvan Childress

Sale Set-up: Carol Galvan

Community Outreach: Heather Harvey

Awards: Marti Stephens

Vendor/RV: Joni Leonard

Raffle: Kari Lynn Eiseman & Stephanie Burzynski

PAST PRESIDENTS OF THE GRIMES COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION

1952 – 1961 (no records found)	1997 Richard “Brett” Fowler Sr.
1962 Bo Dyer	1998 Paul Whitmire
1963 Bo Dyer	1999 Paul Whitmire
1964 V. Wheeler	2000 Paul Whitmire
1965 V. Wheeler	2001 Charles Wendt
1966 V. Wheeler	2002 Charles Wendt
1967 A.E. Wood	2003 Charles Wendt
1968 Kenneth Clary	2004 Ricky Kimich
1969 Wayne Yaeger	2005 Ricky Kimich
1970 Wayne Yaeger	2006 Ricky Kimich
1971 Wayne Yaeger	2007 Ricky Kimich
1972 Wayne Yaeger	2008 Ricky Kimich
1973 Wayne Yaeger	2009 Kody Key
1974 Wayne Yaeger	2010 Al Meschke
1975 Jerry Dyer	2011 Al Meschke
1976 Jerry Dyer	2012 Clif Buchanan
1977 James Evans	2013 Clif Buchanan
1978 James Evans	2014 Rodney Finch
1979 James Evans	2015 Rodney Finch
1980 Mickey Wichman	2016 John Cruz
1981 Mickey Wichman	2017 John Cruz
1982 Mickey Wichman	2018 Rodney Floyd
1983 Eddie Eppler	2019 Rodney Floyd
1984 Mickey Wichman	2020 Rodney Floyd
1985 Roy Henderson	2021 Rodney Floyd
1986 A.J. Shaw Jr.	2022 Colton McCulloch
1987 Ken Hughes	2023 Colton McCulloch
1988 Ken Hughes	
1989 Roy Henderson	
1990 Roy Henderson	
1991 Eddie Eppler	
1992 Cary Hackler	
1993 Cary Hackler	
1994 Charles Wendt	
1995 Ricky Kimich	
1996 Ricky Kimich	

PAST GRIMES COUNTY FAIR QUEENS

1980 – Suzanne Lara
1981 – Michelle Lara
1982 – Lisa Rivers
1983 – Kim Manning
1984 – Donna Henderson
1985 – Brenda Schroeder
1986 – Laura Boenker
1987 – Lisa Milligan
1988 – Kim Carrell
1989 – Terra Gabriel
1990 – Vicki Bushman
1991 – Marcy Diehl
1992 – Leslie Matejicek
1993 – D'Lynn Shaw
1994 – Katie Wendt
1995 – Holly Yaeger
1996 – Celeste Carter
1997 – Jodi Finke
1998 – Danielle Perry
1999 – Amanda Ketkoski
2000 – Stephanie Kimich
2001 – Brandi Homeyer
2002 – Rebecca Wendt
2003 – Ashley Kimich
2004 – Lacy Muntean
2005 – Loren Schroeder
2006 – Lexi Wheaton
2007 – Heather Harvey
2008 – Ashley Kurten
2009 – Ashleigh Sowell
2010 – Morgan Meridan
2011 – Kathy Lookadoo
2012 – Logan Kroll
2013 – Nickayla Floyd
2014 – Lindsey Schroeder
2015 – Megan Lero
2016 – Kaylee Leonard
2017 – Daylen Wagner
2018 – Kirstie Busa
2019 – Brealyn McKinney
2020 – Kynlee Stephens
2021 – Emma Shaw
2022 – Demi Harrington
2023 – Brooklyn Byars

LIFETIME MEMBERS

Years back, the Grimes County Fair Association began to offer Lifetime Memberships to those interested in advancing the growth of the Fair Association. This Lifetime Membership is not mandatory and the Fair Association will continue to offer an annual membership of \$10 per person to anyone 18 years of age or older. Anyone interested in becoming an Annual or Lifetime Member of the Grimes County Fair Association may contact any Fair Board Member or mail his or her membership directly to the Grimes County Fair Association, P.O. Box 630, Anderson, TX 77830. Lifetime Members will not have to pay an annual membership due to be able to vote. Lifetime Members DO NOT get free passes or any other privileges.

Otto Acker	Hallie Eisenman	Johnny Leibham	Gerald R. Schroeder
Stephen Acord	Kari Lynn Eisenman	Blake Leonard	Megan Schroeder
J. J. Aey	Jim D. Enloe	Joni Leonard	Ricky Schroeder
Ag Booster Club of Anderson	Shiro	Kaylee Leonard	Neal A. Schuleman
William Arrant	Eddie Eppler	Billy Lindeman	Rhonda Sechelski
Donna Arthur	Ruby Evans	Amanda McCulloch	A. J. Shaw, Jr.
Carolyn Ashorn	Charles Falco	Colton McCulloch	Jimmy Shimshack
Marshall Ashorn	David Falkenbury	Mike McDougald	Mark Shimshack
Rodney Backhus	Judy Falkenbury	Sharon McGee	Meribeth Shimshack
Danny Bailey	Zac H. Falkenbury	Kenny McLendon	Bill Shive
Wayne L. Baker	Rodney Finch	Travis Mabry	Beau Skinner
Bill Bay	Christopher Finke	Gary Maddox	Bryce Smith
Victor Becker	FNB Anderson	Tony Maddox	Lori Smith
Bedias 4-H Club	Kent Fisher	Joe Malek	Marilyn Sontag
Suzanne Lara Bennett	Charles J. Floyd	Joe R. Manning	South Central Veterinary Services
W. T. Blair	Joanne Floyd	Frank Matejcek	- Dr. John Walla
David Boenker	Rodney Floyd	Jody Matejcek	Donna Spinks
Pat Boenker	Ronnie Floyd	Terry Medlock	Kynlee Stephens
Charles Brewer	Becky Fowler	Kelsie Eisenman Meekins	Marti Stephens
Ester Brewer	Marsha Gardner	Bob Metzler	L. A. Stoker
Sonya Brewer	Jack D. Greenwade	Kenneth L. Meyer	Skeeter Stolz
Blake Burzynski	Mike Grisham	John L. Milligan	Ann Taylor
Stephanie Burzynski	Quinn Hansen	Richard Mills	H. Wayne Taylor
Clif Buchanan	Richard Hansard	B. B. Mitchell	Walter Thane, Jr.
Jana Buchanan	Jim Boy Harrington	Milton W. Moody	Cynthia Trant
Blake Busse	Larry Harvey	B. D. Moore	James Ray Trant
Brandon Busse	Tammy Harvey	Leslie Morello	Blake Urbanosky
Russell Butaud	Ira E. (Bud) Haynie	Brad Muchow	J. D. Verbois, Jr.
Brent Cahill	Gail Henderson	Navasota FFA	Cecily Vick
Joy Camp	Roy Henderson	Navasota Jr. 4-H	Tommy Voelter
Carnell Carrell	D'Lynn Sechelski Henson	Navasota Sr. 4-H	Margaret Van Wagner
Les Carter	Candi Hesterman	Navasota Farm & Ranch	Thomas Finke
Champions and Blue Ribbons Club		Leroy Nobles	Syd Van Wagner
Ann Clark	Jimmy B. Hodge	Nelda C. Parker	J. Gerald Watson
Danny Clark	Greg Hoffart	John Parsons	John Wheeler
Kevin Clark	Reagan Hoffart	John Jared Patout	Mrs. Richard Wichman
Theresa Clark	Jennifer House	Tammi Pearson	Heather Harvey Wieghat
Gloria Clepper	Wade House	Kathy Prescott	Tanner Wieghat
Ruth Clary Clepper	Lori Hunter	Michelle Lara Profili	Bob Wilkes
J. M. Clepper	L. B. Hutchenson	Joseph Reznicek	Meg Wisnoski
Tony Compian Jr	Joe Imhoff	Margaret Reznicek	Trina Woods
Gary Conway	Stanley Kettler	Luke Rizzo	Hubert (Hoot) Wright
Darren Cosby	Pierce Key	Roans Prairie Community Center	
Brian Cummins	Dianne Kolbasinski	Sharon Finke Robertson	Michael Wrobleski
Shirley Curtiss	Pete Kominczak	Tuesday Robinson	Wayne Yaeger
Mike Dacus	Randy Krueger	Arnold (Bubba) Roese	Donny Yargo
Debbi Davis	Sandra Kuta	Ernie Roma	Kaci Yargo
George Davis	Martin Lara	Cody Rose	Pete Yorek
Charlie Diggs	Stephen Lara	Bob Rudzieher	Keith Zimmerman
Ditta Meat Co.	L. J. Legg	Jim Russell	
Tommy Dobyanski	M. H. Leiber	Brenda Schroeder	

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

NOTICE: ALL EXHIBITORS AND PARTICIPANTS ARE CAUTIONED TO CAREFULLY READ THE FOLLOWING RULES AND REGULATIONS. THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.

Authority: The Grimes County Fair Association reserves to its Board of Directors (the “Fair Board”) the final and absolute right to (a) establish and interpret the Rules and Regulations of the Grimes County Fair (the “Fair Rules and Regulations”), (b) determine any violation of the Fair Rules and Regulations, (c) resolve/settle all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto, otherwise arising out of, connected therewith, or incident to the Fair Rules and Regulations, and (d) amend, add to or delete from the Fair Rules and Regulations as it may in its sole judgment determine.

Special Rules: Special Rules or conditions are published in each division where necessary and are a part of the Fair Rules and Regulations; if there is a conflict between any Special Rules or conditions of any division and the General Rules and Regulations, the General Rules shall prevail.

Savings Clause: If any of the Fair Rules and Regulations, or any provision of any single rule or regulation, is determined by any Court of competent jurisdictions to be invalid or otherwise unenforceable, all other rules and regulations, and all other provisions and terms of any rule or regulation containing a provision or term held to be invalid or unenforceable by a Court of competent jurisdiction, shall remain in full force and effect.

General Rules:

1. **Commencement of the Fair:** The Fair Board will set and publish the dates of the commencement and conclusion of the Fair. The Fair Board reserves the right to postpone the opening of the Fair, either in part or whole, for any cause whatsoever, for the general good of all concerned. The gates will be open to visitors at times to be posted.
2. **Binding Effect of Rules:** By entering an animal or project in the Fair, each Exhibitor (and the Exhibitor’s parents or guardians) acknowledge and represent that they (a) have read the Fair Rules and Regulations, (b) understand the Fair Rules and Regulations, (c) agree to obey the Fair Rules and Regulations, and (d) will abide by the consequences of violating any of the Fair Rules and Regulations as set forth herein.
3. **Eligibility:** To be eligible to exhibit a project in the Fair, each Exhibitor must be (a) a member in good standing of a FFA Chapter, FCCLA Chapter, or 4-H Club active in Grimes County and have attended a minimum of 5 sanctioned meetings of such FFA chapter, FCCLA chapter or 4H Club, (b) currently enrolled in public, private, or home school and be in good standing with that institution or a high school senior who graduated the school year ending immediately before the opening of the Fair. For any school that is in session during the Fair, UIL’s No-Pass/No-Play shall apply. These 5 sanctioned meeting must be made by May 24, 2024. If found that an exhibitor is NOT part of any of the chapters listed above in Grimes County and/or has NOT attended the 5 sanctioned meetings then he/she will be subject to rule #43 Violations of Rules.

4. **Application:** Each Exhibitor and his/her parent or guardian must complete an online application through ShoWorks: <https://grimes.fairwire.com/>. By submitting an online entry, Exhibitor and parent/guardian agree to abide by Fair Rules and Regulations and the liability provisions for violations of the Fair Rules and Regulations. This agreement will be consented to with the Exhibitors online entry form. This shall apply to all projects.

5. **Limitation of Sales:**

a. **Market Animals:** Each Exhibitor will be allowed to sell only one project in either the Premium Sale or Freezer Sale. If an exhibitor has more than one overall Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion project in one or more market animal divisions, the Exhibitor shall be allowed to sell all such animals in the Premium Sale. All overall Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion market animals MUST sell. Market animals are defined as steer, swine, lamb, goat, rabbit, turkey, broilers and Pen of 3 heifers.

b. **Creative Arts:**

- If an Exhibitor has a Creative Arts item that is eligible for the Premium Sale, a market animal or an Ag Mechanics project (team or individual) that are eligible for the Premium Sale OR Freezer Sale, the Exhibitor must choose to sell either the market animals, Ag Mechanics project OR the Creative Arts item. Mandatory sale of Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion projects only applies to market animals.
- Under no circumstances will an Individual Exhibitor be able to sell a market animal AND an Ag Mechanics project and/or a Creative Arts item (regardless of an Exhibitor's placing in any other division).
- NOTE – Due to the market animal limitation sale rule (above), if an Exhibitor receives Overall Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion placing with a market animal and are also eligible based on placing to sell an Ag Mechanics project and/or a Creative Arts item, the Exhibitor will not be able to sell their Ag Mechanics project and/or Creative Arts item as it is required for the Overall Grand Champion/Reserve Grand Champion market animal to sell in the Premium Sale.
- A total of 8 Junior (4 baked items and 4 non-perishable items) and 8 Senior (4 baked items and 4 non-perishable items) Creative Arts items will sell in the Premium Sale.

c. **AG Mechanic Projects:** If the project is entered as an individual project, the Exhibitor must make a choice and may only sell 1 project in either the Premium Sale or Freezer Sale. However, if the project is checked in as a group project, it will not interfere with an individual member of the group selling an individual MARKET ANIMAL IN EITHER SALE.

6. All market animal Exhibitors who are not eligible or who do not designate to sell in the Premium Sale on Thursday night will be eligible to sell one lot in the Freezer Sale on Friday. All market animals are eligible except for disqualified animals.

7. **Limitation on Number of County Participation:** An Exhibitor will not be eligible to participate in the Grimes County Fair if they have exhibited in another county show within the school year immediately preceding the fair.

8. **Limitation on Grimes County Fair Market Participation:** Each Exhibitor will be allowed to show only two animals per market division.

9. **Deadlines:** Deadlines are set out in the Schedule of Events or the Division Rules and must be adhered to strictly.

10. **Judge Selection:**

a. A minimum of five qualified candidates will be turned in to the Fair board. The fair board will put these 5 qualified judges into a randomizer program for the order of the judges to be contacted for selection. The first available judge that agrees to the GCFA contract will be selected as the division judge. If the judges are not turned into the Fair board, then the Fair board has the option to suggest five judges and the above rules apply to the randomizing process.

b. The judge will be selected annually. Each division committee has the right to allow a judge to serve to 2 consecutive years. After 2 consecutive years the judge must sit out one year before being eligible to judge that division again.

c. Announcement of judges will be made once all commitment forms have been returned by the judge to GCFA.

d. A chairman should not contact a judge before list is due. List should be submitted, and the Fair Board will make the initial call.

11. **Admission:**

a. Bull Buck Out & Dance April 6, 2024 (Kids 5 and under FREE) \$20.00

b. Rodeo June 1, 2024 (Kids 5 and under FREE) \$10.00

c. Travel Trailer passes (all have electricity & water) outside gate \$125.00

d. Travel Trailer passes (all have electricity & water) inside gate \$150.00 w/1 Park pass

e. No trailers except for trailers owned by school districts and those approved by the board of directors will be allowed to park behind the gates beginning the first Sunday of the fair until the conclusion of the fair.

NOTE: Map will be posted on the Fair's website. Spots may be requested beginning @ 12:01 a.m., May 1 by sending an email ONLY to Joni Leonard @ leonardjoni@yahoo.com. Payments must be received by May 14 or spot will become available to the next person on the list. Phone call requests will not be accepted.

12. **Pen set-up:** can start Friday, May 31, 2024 at 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m (no steers), and will resume Saturday, June 1, 2024 at 6:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Steers may begin set-up on Saturday, June 1, 2024 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. No pen set up on Sunday, June 2, 2024 from 6:00 a.m. to noon.

13. **Ownership/Barn Checks:** Exhibitors must own, feed, and care for his/her own exhibit at their designated facility listed on registration throughout the feeding period starting on the initial tag-in date. Fair Board Members and a Chairman or Committee Member have the right to come on the premises for random project checks. A 15 minute notice will be given.

14. **Family Entry Criteria:** They are siblings, step-siblings or legally adopted. If siblings have different last names, it must be noted on the entry form. All listed are bona fide junior exhibitors and eligible to show as junior exhibitors as stated in the rule book. All permanently reside in the same county. Any exceptions must be granted by Grimes County Fair Board.

15. **Tags:** All animals and items shall be numbered by tag and/or label attached to such animals or items before being received by the chairperson in charge of the respective divisions, and will remain under his or her charge until the close of the Fair. If there is a problem with the GCFA validated ear tag, (ripped out/loss/missing) please notify the COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN immediately, the animal needs to be re-tagged at this time. No tag should be identifiable except the GCFA or State validation tag. (Excluding Pen of Three Heifers)

16. **Assignment of Stalls:** All Exhibitors will be assigned a stall or pen by their division chairperson. Assignments will NOT be made available to the public until Friday, May 31, 2024.

17. **Load In:** Upon entry to the Grimes County Fairgrounds on Sunday, June 2, 2024, designated fair workers at the gate entrance will mark the time of arrival on the exhibitor's vehicle on the front windshield. The exhibitor will then have 20 minutes to unload their animals ONLY and then must exit the back loading area of the fair grounds. All vehicles and trailers will NOT be allowed to park **in any area inside the fairgrounds** during the load in period of 6:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Vehicles and Trailers parked and left unattended during the load in period will be towed at the owner's expense. Grimes County Fair Board members, fair workers and Security will monitor this area and will be strictly enforced.

18. **Cleanliness of Stalls & Neglect of Animals:** Exhibitors will be required to keep his/her stalls in a clean condition at all times. Any continued violation of this rule will result in the Exhibitor being disqualified and required to leave the Fairgrounds. Each Exhibitor will be responsible for cleaning his or her designated area upon leaving the Fairgrounds at the close of the Fair. A \$25.00 fee will be assessed for handling and storage of any property left. Exhibitors are responsible for caring for his/her animal for the ENTIRE time the animal is at the Fairgrounds. If it is deemed that an Exhibitor is not caring for his/her animal the Exhibitor will be issued one written warning. If the Exhibitor continues to neglect their animal after the warning has been issued then an amount equal to 50% of his/her gross sale proceeds will be deducted from their sale check.

19. **Entry Times:** Entry into all livestock and exhibit areas will be between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 12:00 midnight. Gates will reopen at 6:00 a.m. each day.

20. **Parking:** Committee personnel and Exhibitor vehicles are to park in the parking lot if space is available. The Grimes County Fair Association assumes no liability for the vehicles or trailers being parked on the Fairgrounds. Committee Chairman and Co-Chairman with a maximum of two per Committee, Extension Agents, Ag Advisors that have attended a minimum of 5 Grimes County Fair monthly meetings will receive a parking pass to use throughout the week of the fair ending Friday, June 9th at midnight.

21. **Access to Exhibits:** Positively no one will be allowed in the barn areas after the times listed in General Rule #19 unless prior approval has been received from the Fair Board. All livestock that is stalled underneath the barns during the fair, must remain under the barn, wash rack or fair association designated exercise area (if applicable) at all times.

22. **Showing by Exhibitor:** Each Exhibitor must show his or her own exhibit except in cases of illness, death, or prior approval by the committee chair and the GCFA board (deadline for prior approval must be post mark by May 1, 2024 and be mailed to the GCFA, PO Box 630, Anderson, TX 77830. No metered mail). If an Exhibitor has multiple animals in one market class, then the Exhibitor can name a substitute to show one of the animals for them; however, that person must be a member in good standing of a Grimes County FFA, FCCLA or 4-H program and exhibiting in the 2024 Fair. Any accommodation in the show ring may be requested at any time to a fair board member.
23. **Dress Code for Exhibitors:** All exhibitors must wear proper attire. No open toe or open heel shoes. Tank tops, spaghetti strap shirts, sleeveless shirts, T-shirts, shorts, mid-drift shirts and short shirts are NOT considered proper attire. If appropriate attire is not worn you will not be allowed to enter the show ring.
24. **No Removal of Exhibits During Fair:** During the Fair no exhibits in any division will be allowed to be removed from the Fairgrounds without a release slip. Release slips can only be obtained from the Division Chairperson. All livestock exhibits must remain in place throughout the stated Fair dates.
25. **Date and Times for Removal:** Dates and times for removal of all exhibits, unless otherwise specified in these Rules, shall be set out in the Special Rules that follow and shall be adhered to strictly.
26. **Latest date to Remove Exhibits:** Any market projects not removed from the Grimes County Fairgrounds 1 hour immediately following the Freezer Sale, Friday, June 7, 2024 will become the property of the Grimes County Fair Association. Exhibitors must load animals out!
27. **Checkout:** Check out must be by the Division Chairperson. All animals must have releases, which must be obtained from the Division Chairperson. (See division Rules for times).
28. **Removal from Fair:** The Fair Board and/or the Division Chairperson reserves the right not to allow entry, tag-in, participation, and/or to remove from the Fairgrounds any exhibit, animal, stand or display deemed unsuitable or objectionable. No wild or unruly animals will be permitted. The Fair Board also reserves the right to return any entry money already paid. The Fair Board and/or the Division Chairperson will not be required to furnish reasons for such actions. The return of the Exhibitor's project and/or money exonerates the Fair from any claim by the Exhibitor or Buyer.
29. **Security:** Every reasonable effort will be made for the security of the Exhibitors and others in attendance, but the Fair Association WILL NOT be responsible for any loss or damage to articles, livestock, or exhibits while on the Fairgrounds or in transit to or from the Fairgrounds for any cause whatsoever.
30. **Photographs:** The Fair Board will provide a photographer who will take a picture of each Premium Sale animal. The picture will be presented to the Buyer and the expense of the picture will be deducted from the Exhibitor's sale check.
31. **Age Classification:** Whenever classes must be broken according to the Exhibitor's age, the date of January 1 of the year of the Fair shall be utilized.

32. **Payment of Premiums:** Premiums will be paid at the September Fair Board meeting from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. if all requirements have been met. For anyone that didn't meet requirements or missed September meeting can pick up at October meeting or by appointment after October meeting. Contact fair board secretary. The Fair Board reserves the right to pay all premiums on a percentage basis of the net profit if enough money is not taken in during the Fair to pay the full amount as shown in this catalog.

33. **Standards:** It shall be left to the discretion of the judges whether or not the exhibit is sufficiently up to the standard of that class to be given status as premium.

34. **Advisors:** Grimes County Extension Agents, FCCLA and Ag Science Advisors may serve as advisors on various Fair Committees.

35. **Board Approval of Decisions:** The final selection of the judges and classifiers will be approved by the Fair Board.

36. **Decision Final:** The decision of the judges and the presentation of awards will be final.

37. **Health Certificates:** Health certificates will be required according to State Regulations.

38. **Certification Form/Agreement:** Each Exhibitor and a Parent/Legal Guardian are required to have signed a Drug Certification Form prior to entry in the Grimes County Fair. No Exhibitor shall be allowed to show without this certification form properly filled out. The Drug Certification Form shall state that the Exhibitor and Parent/Legal Guardian have not administered to and have no knowledge that the fair entry had received any substance not approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and/or the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for food animals and shall furthermore certify that all entries will be free of all drug and chemical residues upon arrival to the Grimes County Fairgrounds and will remain free of all drug and chemical residues while on the show grounds that restricts slaughter of the animal according to FDA guidelines.

39. **Animal/Exhibitor Disqualification:** For purposes of promoting fair competition and protecting the safety of food, the showing of unethically fitted livestock and/or animals being administered unapproved drugs is strictly prohibited. Additionally, any animal that has been administered a drug that is FDA approved but prevents for its species is subject to disqualification if that animal tests positive for that drug while on the Grimes County Fairgrounds. All animals must remain free of all drug and chemical residues while on the show grounds that restricts slaughter of the animal according to FDA guidelines.

a. **Unethical Fitting:** Unethical fitting means any attempt to alter the natural appearance, conformation or musculature of any animal by any unnatural means, including but not limited to use of injections, draining of fluids, bruising, surgical alteration, and artificially filling by stomach pumping or airing injections. Animals showing signs of being unethically fitted will be subject to disqualification.

b. **Unapproved Drug Use:** Showing any animal that has been administered during its life any quantity of any unapproved drug, chemical or medication is strictly prohibited. Such drugs include, but are not limited to, any diuretic, unapproved growth stimulant or other unapproved medication. Unapproved means not approved by the FDA or USDA for slaughter animals including animals that may be destined for human consumption.

c. **Approved Drug Use:** If an animal has been administered a drug that is FDA and USDA approved for its species and class it MUST be eligible for slaughter under FDA guidelines upon entry the Grimes County Fair grounds and remain in that condition for the entire length of the Fair. Any traces or residues prohibiting immediate slaughter of any animal are strictly prohibited and can result in disqualification of project and/or exhibitor from any fair participation.

40. **Exhibitor Responsibility:** We, the undersigned Exhibitor and parent/guardian certify that we have read, understand and will abide by all rules and regulations of the Grimes County Fair Association. We further certify that we have not administered to and have no knowledge that this entry has received any substance not approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and/or the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) for food animals. Furthermore, we certify that all entries will be FREE OF ALL DRUG AND CHEMICAL RESIDUES upon arrival to Grimes County Fair Grounds and will remain free of all drug and chemical residues while on show grounds. We, the undersigned, understand that the time it takes for drugs and chemicals to be entirely excreted from the body through the urine of animals is generally longer than the labeled FDA and USDA withdrawal times for most approved drugs and chemicals. If an animal requires emergency treatment while on Show grounds, only a licensed veterinarian will be allowed to administer any drug, chemical or feed additive. An Exhibitor may choose a licensed veterinarian other than the Official Show Veterinarian, but the Official Show Veterinarian MUST be notified in advance and he/she MUST be present. All treatment costs are the responsibility of the Exhibitor. If an animal is treated by a licensed veterinarian while at the Show and the medication administered contains a labeled withdrawal time or unpublished elimination time, the animal will be disqualified. The Grimes County Fair Association reserves the right to condemn and/or disqualify any animal, either live or slaughtered, found in violation of the use of drugs, chemicals or feed additives as described above and the exhibitor will forfeit all auction sale and/or premium money if the animal is disqualified. If an animal(s) is disqualified for testing positive and/or the carcass condemned at slaughter, the class placing will not change. An exhibitor of an animal testing positive for any drug or medication or unapproved chemical may forfeit all rights and privileges to exhibit livestock in the future at the Show.

- a. **Treatment by Veterinarians:** If an animal requires treatment for a condition by a Veterinarian and it is determined that it is in the animal's best interest to receive treatment, then the administration or use of any substance that does not meet the appropriate withdrawal time to be completely eliminated from the animal's system under the rules herein shall be determined ineligible for competition. Exhibitors with questions regarding medications and/or eligibility should consult the Official Grimes County Fair Veterinarians prior to competition.

41. **ANIMAL INSPECTION/TESTING:** Exhibitors agree that as a condition of participation in the Grimes County Fair, they shall submit any animal entered for inspection and such tests as may be conducted by show management. Exhibitor agrees that the opinion reached by the Grimes County Fair or its officials as to whether such animal is unethically fitted shall be final and binding without recourse against the Grimes County Fair or any of its officers. Further, the Grimes County Fair specifically reserves the right to have tissue, blood or urine laboratory analysis made on any animal entered for competition. The conclusions reached by the testing laboratory shall be final and binding without recourse against the Grimes County Fair or its officers. The Exhibitor (and the Exhibitor's parent or legal guardian if Exhibitor is a minor) agree and acknowledge that: (1) they are absolutely and solely responsible for the care and custody of their animals; and (2) the Grimes County Fair shall be entitled to disqualify an Exhibitor's animal that tests positive for any drug or chemical residue, even if the Exhibitor and the Exhibitor's parents/guardians are innocent of any wrongdoing and did not administer the medication.

- In the event an Exhibitor or animal is disqualified, no reordering of the judged ranking of the entries will take place (i.e. Reserve Champion will not be elevated to the Grand Champion).
- ANY EXHIBITOR PRESENTING AN ANIMAL THAT FAILS A DRUG TEST WILL FORFEIT ALL MONEY EARNED FROM THE SALE OF ANY ANIMAL, AND WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM PARTICIPATING IN THE GRIMES COUNTY FAIR FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR. ANY PREVIOUSLY DISQUALIFIED EXHIBITOR UNDER THIS PROVISION FAILING A SECOND DRUG TEST ON AN ANIMAL WILL BE PERMANENTLY BARRED FROM PARTICIPATION IN ANY OTHER GRIMES COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION SPONSORED MARKET DIVISION LIVESTOCK SHOWS.

42. **Drug Testing Area:** During all market shows only the Exhibitor, one parent of the Exhibitor or the Exhibitor's advisor is allowed to be in the drug testing area. These same individuals are the only people allowed to give the animal any substance during the completion of the drug test.

43. **Violation of Rules:** Any violation of any of the General Rules and Regulations of the Grimes County Fair Association, exceptpt as otherwise provided in these Rules and Regulations, shall be subject to a range of punishment to be determined by the Fair Board at its sole discretion, including without limitation forfeiture of the right to enter, tag-in, show, sale and/or in any way participate in the Grimes County Fair and/or forfeit all privileges, awards, and/or premiums won, and/or may forfeit all rights and privileges to enter, participate, and/or exhibit in the future at the Grimes County Fair. Repeated violation of the Rules and Regulations may, at the discretion of the Fair Board, result in a prohibition of the Exhibitor and/or his immediate family members from participation in the Fair for any period of not less than one year.

44. If an Exhibitor or his representative interferes in any way with the judges or shows disrespect to them, the Fair Board may withhold from such Exhibitor any premium monies that may have been awarded or take any other steps deemed desirable.

45. **Appeals of Violations:** Any determination that an Exhibitor or his or her parent or guardian has violated these Rules and Regulations, the Special Rules, or otherwise, may be appealed to the Fair Board as set out in this Rule. Notice of appeal must be in writing and must be accompanied by a deposit of \$250.00 (cash or money order), which deposit will be forfeited if the appeal is unsuccessful. If the protest is upheld, \$200 of that fee will be refunded to the protesting party with \$50 going to the Fair Association for paper work and legal fees. The written notice of appeal must be delivered to the Fair Board within fourteen (14) days of the date the Fair Board determines that a violation of the Rules and Regulations has occurred and a penalty has been assessed against the Exhibitor or his or her parent or guardian. Appeals will be heard orally before a meeting of a majority of the Fair Board, and all sides will be given a reasonable opportunity to present evidence and argument. The Fair Board will hear appeals within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of the deposit and written notice of appeal.

46. **Disclaimer:** NO CLAIM FOR INJURY OR DAMAGE TO ANY PERSONS OR PROPERTY SHALL EVER BE ASSERTED, NOR SUIT INSTITUTED OR MAINTAINED AGAINST THE GRIMES COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION OR ITS OFFICERS, OR AGENTS, OR THE COUNTY OF GRIMES, STATE OF TEXAS, BOARD OF DIRECTORS, BY OR ON BEHALF OF ANY PERSON, FIRM OR CORPORATION, OR THEIR AGENTS OR REPRESENTATIVES WHO EXHIBIT ON THE FAIRGROUNDS OR OCCUPY SPACE THEREON. EACH AND EVERY EXHIBITOR AGREES TO HOLD THE GRIMES COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION, ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS, OFFICIALS, AND AGENTS HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY THEM FROM ANY AND ALL INJURIES AND DAMAGES WHICH MAY ARISE OR OCCUR DURING THE GRIMES COUNTY FAIR OR AS A RESULT OF THE SALE OR PROCESSING OF ANY ANIMAL OF ANY EXHIBITOR. THE GRIMES COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION, ITS OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS, SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO ANY THIRD PERSON FOR ANY INJURY OR ILLNESS THAT MAY BE CAUSED BY OR RELATED TO ANY ANIMAL SHOWN OR EXHIBITED THAT IS SUBSEQUENTLY SOLD OR PROCESSED.

47. **Reservation of Rights:** THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GRIMES COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION RESERVES THE FINAL AND ABSOLUTE RIGHT TO INTERPRET, CHANGE, MODIFY, AND/OR ADD TO OR DELETE FROM THESE RULES AS THEY MAY DEEM APPROPRIATE.

48. **Entry Certification:** The Release of Liability & Indemnity and Drug Certification Agreement is located at grimescountyfair.com. By submitting an online entry, Exhibitor and parent/guardian agree to abide by Fair Rules and Regulations and the liability provisions for violations of the Fair and Rules and Regulations. This agreement will be consented to with the Exhibitors online entry form. This shall apply to all projects. By typing "YES" on the online entry agreement, each party acknowledges that:

- a. He/she has read the Grimes County Fair Association Fair Rule Book located on the Grimes County Fair website.
- b. The Youth Exhibitor will own, feed, and care for the animal throughout the feeding period without any assistance except from the CEA, the AST, an immediate family member, or another bona fide Texas Youth Exhibitor
- c. He/she will supervise the Youth Exhibitor and the animal will not be tampered with in any way, including but not limited to, unethical fitting or any method altering the natural conformation of any part of the animal's body
- d. He/she will supervise the Youth Exhibitor and the animal will not be administered any foreign substances not approved by the USDA and/or the FDA, including but not limited to, any drugs, chemicals or feed additives
- e. He/she understands the penalties of violating these General and Special Rules and Regulations, including but not limited to, monetary forfeiture, immediate disqualification of the Youth Exhibitor, and/or jeopardizing the chapter or club's entry in the current and future Grimes County Fair Association Livestock Shows, and/or banishment of the "exhibiting family" from entering or competing in future Grimes County Fair Association Livestock Shows.

This information must be read, accepted and signed by all parties at the time entries are made. NO youth project entry will be accepted without this certification form being properly signed by all

parties.

49. **Public Intoxication:** A person commits the offense of Public Intoxication if the person appears in a public place while intoxicated to the degree that the person may endanger the person or another. Public Intoxication is a Class C Misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00. (Texas Penal Code Section 49.02). Public Intoxication on the premises of the Grimes County Fairgrounds/Expo. Center will not be tolerated. The Grimes County Fair Board reserves the right to refuse any person entry upon the premises if such person is intoxicated to the degree described above. The Grimes County Fair Board reserves the right to remove any person or have such person removed by law enforcement from the premises if it appears that such person is intoxicated to the degree described above. The Grimes County Fair Board reserves the right to ban any person intoxicated to the degree described above from entering upon the premises in the future.

50. **Fair Scholarship Applications:** All scholarship applications must be sent submitted via Google Forms to the Grimes County Fair Association/Scholarship Committee. This link will be made available on the GCFA website. Deadline is March 31,2024

51. **No ATV's other than those used by Fair Officials will be allowed on the grounds.**

The only Approved and Authorized use of ATV/motorized vehicles are members of the Grimes County Fair Board, Committee Chairperson and Committee members and paid personnel of the Grimes County Fair Association. If any unauthorized vehicle is located on the fairgrounds during the fair, the responsible individual(s) will be asked to remove the vehicle immediately. If the individual does not comply in a timely manner, the vehicle will then be towed at the owner's expense.

52. There will be ABSOLUTELY NO cooking under the barn at any time.

53. **Each junior exhibitor will be required to sell 5 Raffle tickets to be eligible to compete in the Grimes County Fair. In order to be eligible, the 5 sold raffle tickets are due no later than May 14, 2024.**

54. Top ticket sales for exhibitors. (Does not include Fair Queen candidates)

1st place - \$500.00 and a parking pass

2nd place - \$300.00 and a parking pass

3rd place - \$200.00 and a parking pass

All rules will be enforced with a ZERO TOLERANCE policy

WORK HOUR REQUIREMENTS

Chairman: Casey Childress (979) 219-3333

Email: thechildressfamily@yahoo.com

All exhibitors of the Grimes County Fair must be present and participate in the following:

- A) Mandatory Set Up Day (Tuesday, May 28, 2024, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.) // OR Mandatory Clean up Day (Saturday June 8, 2024, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.)
- B) Mandatory (1) work hour to be completed during the week of the fair.

Failure to adhere to this rule and requirement will result in a \$250.00 fine per exhibitor and may forfeit a 2025 participation in the Grimes County Fair.

A link to view the work hour schedule and to choose a time will be available on the Grimes County Fair Association website and Facebook page on Wednesday, May 1, 2024, through Friday, June 7, 2024. This link will be through sign up genius.

Hours will be tracked by sign in/ sign out sheets at both mandatory set up/clean up days. Exhibitors are still required to turn in the work hour form during the week of the fair as well. Again, this is solely the responsibility of the exhibitors of the Grimes County Fair.

Designated substitutes: Designated substitutes are allowed if the substitute is over the age of 15 years old. They are allowed to work for you on the mandatory set day or the mandatory cleanup day **only**, if a letter is submitted to the work hour committee chair by May 1, 2024. The letter of notice can be sent to the Grimes County Fair Association email address (grimescfa@gmail.com) Once received and approved, you will receive a plan if the designated set up day or clean-up day has a conflict.

For example: 1 substitute per exhibitor

Pay outs: If you want to forfeit your MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS for work hours, you can make a payment to the Grimes County Fair Association for a fee of \$250.00 paid before May 15, 2024. No payments are acceptable after the deadline date.

ShoWorks Committee

Chairman: Kaylee Leonard (979) 676-3326
Committee: Ashley Skinner, Lindsey Schroeder

If you have any questions, please call or text Kaylee Leonard at 979-676-3326.

The ShoWorks Entry link will be posted to the Grimes County Fair website as well as on our Facebook.

For dates ShoWorks is open for your specific division, please reference your division page with the date ShoWork will close. For any market animal (besides Market rabbits), ShoWorks will open the day of tag in and stay open for 48 hours. For Breeding Heifers, Ag Mech, Creative arts, Kids Rodeo and Mutton Bustin/Stick Horse race you will have 1 Month to enter your entries.

Once ShoWorks is closed, it WILL NOT be reopened for any more entries. Once you've checked out on ShoWorks you should receive an email with a receipt attached to it to confirm your entries. If you DO NOT receive this, please reach out IMMEDIATELY to confirm your entries were received.

Volunteer Work Committee

Chairman: Stan Stephenson (979) 777-6466
Co-Chairman: Kyle Bostick

Committee Members: Michael Kimich, Roger Whitaker, Chris Roig, Wade Amy,
Jerod Drehr, Eric Falke, Grant McKay, and Brad Muchow

Mission:

To help anyone and everyone with anything associated with the Grimes County Fair. We will start with assisting the Fair Superintendent with anything needed. Hopefully we can expand from there.

RODEO AND BULL BUCK OUT

Chairman: Rhonda Sechelski (936) 419-6536
Randy Krueger (979) 830-5767

Committee Members: Dylan Bohnert, Kelley Bohnert, Kyndal Bohnert, Tony Bohnert, Ty Brzozowski, Blake Burzynski, Stephanie Burzynski, Kari Lynn Eisenman, Quinn Hansen, Hunter Harrington, Coy Imhoff, Frank Imhoff, Rayburn Imhoff, Kenton Shimshack, Mark Shimshack and Meribeth Shimshack

Rodeo Saturday, June 1, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
Admission: \$10 per person at the gate (Kids under 5 – Free)

Bull Buck Out: Saturday, April 6, 2024
Special Attractions: 6:00 p.m.
Buck Out: 7:00 p.m.
Dance: GrupoX5

Admission: \$20.00 per person to Bull Buck Out and Dance (Kids under 5 – Free)

Special Attractions: Stick Horse Riding and Mutton Bustin
Stick Horse – \$15.00 entry fee
Mutton Bustin - \$30.00 entry fee

Stick Horse and Mutton Bustin sign up deadline is March 6, 2024 11:59 p.m. via ShoWorks.

No Late Entries – No Exceptions

Rules:

- Stick Horse: Ages for this event are 2 – 4 years of age. There will be a champion and reserve champion in each group.
- Mutton Bustin: Ages for this event are 5 – 8 years of age. Their weight must not exceed 50 lbs.

Weight Limit will be enforced and Protective Helmets Must Be Worn!

- Limited number of entries will be accepted
- In County Contestants will receive priority over “out of County” contestants
- Entry Fee for this event is non-refundable

ATTENTION PARENTS: For the stick horse one parent may walk child into arena but will need to exit the arena immediately before any contest will begin. Only one parent/adult will be allowed in the arena with each child during the mutton bustin event. A member of the rodeo committee will inform each participant and parent/adult when they will be allowed to enter the arena. This rule will be enforced without exception!

DRESS CODE: Must wear long sleeve button down/snap shirt, jeans, belt and boots. No dresses, tennis shoes, chukka boots, shorts, Capri pants or short sleeve shirts will be permitted. No caps or visors. This dress attire will be mandatory and has been adopted for the safety of the children and to promote the western/rodeo theme. If you are not in dress code, you will not enter the arena.

GRIMES COUNTY FAIR HORSE SHOW

Chairman: Justin Seifert 281-744-8954

Co - Chairman: Lindsay Willis 979-229-8205

Committee Members: Clay Oncken, Edgar Oncken, Jodi Rice, Lauren Seifert, Bonnie Stewart, Lindsay Willis, Whitney Thane, Kelly Lawender, Bonner Cooper, Rodney Floyd and Johnny Zamarono

Advisor: Corey Ferguson

Fair Board Advisor: Duane Ermis

Entry Fees: \$15.00 per class (no stock), \$20.00 per class (with stock)

Sign-Up: Thursday, February 22, 2024 at Lions Club Building

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

All entries must be in the possession of the Chairman by the end of the meeting. Entries will be accepted before February 22nd if in person sign up is not possible. Contact the Chairperson or Committee Member to get your entry turned in before February 22nd. **No mail in entries.** Entry forms and Liability Waiver will be available on the Grimes County Fair Website and all documents will be available at the signup meeting.

Awards: Over-All High Point awards and individual class High point awards will be awarded on Thursday June 9th during the Premium Sale.

Leadline & Top Team Show Events:

Leadline, Team Sorting & Team Penning

Check-In Date: Wednesday, May 29, 2024

Check-In Time: Leadline check-in at 5:00 p.m., Team Events check-in at 6:00 p.m.

Event Start Time: Leadline will start at 6:00 p.m., Team Events will start at 7:00 p.m.

Top Hand & Speed Show Events:

Pole Bending, Cloverleaf Barrel Racing, Goat Tying/Ribbon Pull, Team Roping Header, Team Roping Heeler, Breakaway, Tie Down

Check-In Date: Thursday, May 30, 2024

Check-In Time: Speed check-in at 5:00 p.m., Top Hand check-in at 6:00 p.m.

Event Start Time: Speed will start at 6:00 p.m., Top Hand will start immediately following the speed show.

Top Horse Show Events:

Working Cow/Reining, Ranch Trail

Check-In Date: Friday, May 31, 2024

Check-In Time: Top Horse check-in at 6:00 p.m.

Event Start Time: Top Horse will start at 7:00 p.m.

Age will be determined as of **January 1, 2024**

1. Lead Line = 7 years (Not yet in 2nd grade) and under
2. Pee Wee = 3 - 8 years (not yet in 3rd grade)
3. Junior = 8 years and in the 3rd grade to 13 years old
4. Senior = 14 - 18 or just completed 12th grade prior to show
5. Contestants must be between the ages of 5 years and 18 years of age to participate in the
Top Horse and Top Hand Shows.

General Rules:

1. Contestants are governed by requirements in the General Rules of the fair book.
2. All rules contained herein can be amended (if necessary) to improve an event or for the safety of contestants and stock.
3. Absolutely no refunds, late sign-ups, or substitutes after sign-up deadline (February 24, 2022).
4. Western Attire: Riders shall wear western hat or riding helmet (NO caps) western long sleeve or short sleeve, collared shirt worn tucked into jeans and western boots. Western boots shall include typical cowboy boots and lace-up ropers with riding heel. All other footwear is prohibited. The use of spurs shall be optional. Clothing should be neat and clean.
5. Equipment: Western-type equipment must be used. The use of a mechanical hackamore, gag bit or other type of bridle is the contestant's choice. However, the officials or judge may require the removal or alteration of equipment if it is being used in a severe or inhumane manner. Refusal to comply with requirement will result in a disqualification. Contestants may use tie downs.
6. Contestant can only enter each class once, with the exception of the Top Team Show.
7. All Entries in Lead Line Class must be led by someone 18 years or older and contact must be kept with the lead by the handler. No exceptions.
8. High Point Awards will be awarded for the Speed Show, Top Hand Show, Top Horse Show and Top Team Show. Points are accumulated on one horse one rider for the Top Horse Show award only.
9. Multiple contestants may not ride the same horse in the same class in the Top Horse Show. The same horse may be used by multiple contestants in the same class in the Top Hand Show, Top Team Show and Speed Events.
10. Different horses may be ridden by a contestant throughout the Speed Show, Top Hand Show, and the Top Team Show. The same horse must be used throughout the Top Horse show.
11. To be eligible for the Top Hand Overall High Point Award, contestants must be in the Junior or Senior age division and compete in all 3 events within the Top Hand Show.

12. To be eligible for Top Horse Overall High Point Award, contestants must be in the Junior or Senior age division and compete in all 3 events within the Top Horse Show on the same horse.
13. To be eligible for the Top Speed Overall Award, contestants must be in the Junior or senior age division and compete in all 3 events within the Speed Show.
14. To be eligible for Champion Ranch Hand Overall, junior and senior division exhibitors must compete in both Team Sorting and Team Penning events.
15. No stallions allowed.
16. A copy of negative Coggins test (within the last 12 months) on the horse being shown will be required to participate in the horse show. Coggins test copy must be presented at check-in the day of the show or the horse will not be permitted on the show grounds.
17. **TOP TEAM SHOW:**
 - a) **There must be at least 6 teams sign up in each class to participate or there will not be a top team show.**
18. **TOP TEAM EVENTS**
 - a) Sorting will be made up of two (2) members.
 - b) Team Penning teams will be made up of three (3) members.
 - c) Each contestant can run a maximum of three times in their age division by changing one or both partners.
 - d) A junior can ride up to be on a senior team one time, which allows them the possibility to ride four total times in each event. This ride does not count for points for the Junior team member.
Example: (3) times on a junior team and (1) on a senior team.
 - e) Senior CAN NOT ride on a junior team.
 - Junior team is age 13 years and younger as of January 1, 2024
 - Senior team is age 14 years and older as of January 1, 2024
 - Pee Wee age contestants may ride up on Junior and Senior teams, but are not eligible for overall high point awards.
19. **SPEED EVENTS:** The tractor will drag the arena after every 5 actual runs in barrel racing and pole bending regardless of whether this moves into the next age group (i.e. we run 4 pee wee contestants then 1 junior and then drag). There will be no drag in the lead line classes.
20. **TOP HAND EVENTS:** All roping events will be timed. Time starts when calf or steer head breaks plain in the roping chute. All exhibitors must start from behind an automatic barrier (barrel may be substituted for automatic barrier). Contestant cannot rope before the barrel. Breaking the barrier will result in a 10-second penalty added to the contestant's time. Length of score will be determined by arena conditions. One official will be designated as barrier judge and one official will be designated as official flagman. All claims of "foul" by barrier or gateman must be declared prior to contesting the cattle. All roping events will be conducted with the "back gate" closed, with a thirty (30) second time limit.

21. **TOP HORSE EVENTS:** All top horse events will be judged. The same horse must be ridden by contestant in all Top Horse Events: Reining/Working Cow, Ranch Trail. No two contestants in a class can ride the same horse, and each contestant must ride their same horse throughout the entire competition.
22. **SPEED SHOW:** In the Speed Show events, there will be an extended alley with a closed alley way gate; this gate will be operated by show management only. Entrance gate to (alley way) will not be opened until horse is completely in the alley way. The exit gate will not be opened until after the horse comes to a complete stop inside the arena. All roping events will be conducted with the "back gate" closed, with a thirty (30) second time limit.
23. If a contestant, while inside the show arena or show ring, is assisted in any manner by another person through an electrical or mechanical device, the contestant shall be automatically disqualified from all events.
24. A show official (including judge or flagman or chairman) may disqualify any horse or exhibitor from the competition for bad, unruly, and/or dangerous behavior. Horses are expected by be able to enter the box and wait for the barrier to be set. Decisions on such matters are made by show management personnel in charge of the roping events and are not subject to protest.
25. Abuse to cattle will result in disqualification of contestant.
26. Contestants in roping events must track calf or steer to stripping chute.
27. Only contestants, judges and committee persons are allowed inside the arena, the only exception to this rule will be during the lead line class.
28. Due to rainout or any other unforeseeable acts of weather during the Grimes County Fair Horse Show, events will be rescheduled for next available dates.
29. All decisions of the judges, chairperson and board member are final and not subject to protest. Unruly conduct between the contestant or parent of contestant and the judge, any GCFA committee member, or volunteer will result in disqualification.
30. **HIGH POINT AWARDS:**
 - a) Class Awards will be presented for each event.
 - b) To be eligible for Over-All High Point Awards, contestants must compete in all 3 events for that show. For Example: To be eligible for Over All High Point Awards in Speed Show, the participant must have competed in pole bending, barrels and goat tying.
 - c) Leadline and Pee Wee division are not eligible for Over-All High Point Award saddles.
 - d) Over-All High Point contestants awarded with saddles will be given a certificate to a saddle designer of the committees choosing. This certificate will specify amount, detailed requirements for saddle sponsorship advertising and placement only. This will be a custom order trophy saddle by the recipient. The Horse Committee will not be responsible for overages that exceed the amount specified on certificate. Saddle Certificate expiration will be 1 year from the date issued.

- e) Senior division exhibitors may choose a scholarship of equal value in lieu of the saddle certificate. Recipient must clarify the choice of scholarship or saddle certificate the night High Point is given. Recipients have 1 year to redeem the saddle certificates. The Horse Show Committee must be notified of this decision within 30 days of the awards ceremony. This scholarship shall be made payable to a trade school or university of exhibitors choice.

31. AWARDS PRESENTATION:

- a) Recognition of Over-all Champions (Speed, Top Hand, Ranch Hand, Top Horse) and individual class winners will be recognized during the Premium Sale.
- b) Awards will be given at awards ceremony on a date to be announced.
 - a. 3 work points per family must be earned to pick up prizes OR opt out of participation points by paying \$20.00 per point not to exceed \$60.00 per family (examples: setting up panels, setting barrels or poles, opening gates, arena work days etc.)
- c) Points will be based on the number of entries in each event as shown in the point system below.
- d) The point system will not apply to speed events. Overall awards for speed events will be calculated on an average by adding together the contestant's times from all 3 events.
- e) Points will be awarded by the number of entries in the class. If there are only 6 entries in a class the highest number of points awarded will be 6. If there are 15 entries in the class the highest points awarded will be 15. See point system below for example:

Place	Points
1	10
2	9
3	8
4	7
5	6
6	5
7	4
8	3
9	2
10	1

32. **Tie Breakers:** A tie in all shows will be broken by the most 1st, followed by the most 2nds, followed by the most 3rds, etc. Through all places if a tie still exists, most overall placings breaks the tie.

33. Order of Top Team Show Classes

- 1) Lead Line will do a short pattern on Barrel Racing, Pole Bending & Goat Ribbon pull at the same time in one run.
- 2) Senior Team Sorting
- 3) Junior Team Sorting
- 4) Senior Team Penning
- 5) Junior Team Penning

1. Order of Speed Show Classes

- 1) Pole Bending Pee Wee
- 2) Pole Bending Junior
- 3) Pole Bending Senior
- 4) Cloverleaf Barrel Racing Pee Wee
- 5) Cloverleaf Barrel Racing Junior
- 6) Cloverleaf Barrel Racing Senior
- 7) Goat Ribbon Pee Wee
- 8) Goat Tying Junior
- 9) Goat Tying Senior

1. Order of Top Hand Show Classes

- 1) Team Roping – Header
- 2) Team Roping – Heeler
- 3) Breakaway Roping

1. Order of Top Horse Show Classes

- 1) Reining/Working Cow Horse
- 2) Ranch Trail

37. Tie Down Roping Class – Not included in part of Top Hand high point calculations

TOP TEAM SHOW

Team Penning

- a) All rules contained herein can be amended (if necessary) to improve an event.
- b) Contestants will ride to the starting line (within 10'). Judge will raise flag and declare the line ready. The judge will drop flag to start time when the first horse's nose crosses the line. If calf crosses working line and rider has not, the calf must be brought back and cattle resettled.
- c) In all line events, when announcer gives the number, contestants have 20 seconds to cross working line before time begins. It is the contestant's responsibility to check arena before crossing the start line. Number will be given to team by the announcer when line judge raises flag.
- d) In the penning event, the pen will be up against one side of the arena, 15 ft. from the back fence. Penning panels will be secured.
- e) In the 13 & under class a total of 4 animals will be behind the working line. Two cattle will be penned. There will be two sets of like numbers.

- f) In the 14-18 class a total of 10 animals will be behind the working line. Two cattle will be penned. Cattle will be numbered 0-9. A number will be called and the cattle must cross the line in numerical order, but may enter the pen in either order.
 - a. Example: Cattle number 3 is called. Team must first pull cattle number 3 across the line, then cattle number 4 may cross. They can then enter the pen in either order.
- g) Team members will cut and pen their designated cattle. If a wrong number is penned a 20 second penalty will be assessed. A 10 second penalty will be assessed for each wrong numbered animal that crosses working line. Full body of calf must cross working line before penalty can be assessed.
- h) Two correct number cattle must be penned before time will stop.
- i) Animals must be penned from horseback.
- j) No ropes or aids may be carried or used in penning. A DQ penalty will be assessed with no time. This includes throwing hat in front of animal to change its direction.
- k) Line remains alive as long as right numbered cattle or rider is inside working line.
- l) On third re-cross, a no-time penalty will be assessed. A re-cross is defined when the workable animals come completely across working line and then cross back over working line. When animals are penned, time will stop when first nose of contestant's horse breaks the plane of the gate. In the event of a tie there will be a pen off.

TEAM SORTING

- a) All rules contained herein can be amended (if necessary) to improve an event.
- b) Teams will be given a time limit of 120 seconds.
- c) Team Sorting will consist of (2) man teams.
- d) Team Sorting will take place between (2) pens of equal size with the working of cattle only one way.
- e) The start foul line will be a 10' to 12' opening between the two pens.
- f) Ten numbered cattle will be used in this event. Numbers must be consecutive.
- g) Cattle will be sorted in sequence IE: if the number 3 is called the cattle will be sorted 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 0, 1 and 2.
- h) Time will stop after the last consecutive numbered cattle have crossed the start line, or the first incorrect number cattle crosses.
- i) INSERT EXAMPLE OF TIME KEEPING HERE Time will be kept on a per cattle basis. For example, 90 seconds on 4 head will be placed over 60 seconds to pen 3 head will be placed over 30 seconds on 2 head
- j) No ropes or aids may be carried or used in sorting. A 180 second penalty will be assessed. This includes throwing hat or any objects in front of animal to change its direction.
- k) In the event of a tie, there will be a sort-off.

SPEED SHOW

Pole Bending

- a) The pole bending pattern is to be run around six poles in the standard AQHA regulation pattern. The poles are to be 21 feet apart, with the first pole 21 feet from the starting line. Horses run to the far end of the series of poles, turn and weave in and out as they work their way back to the front. Horses then complete a turn around the front pole and maneuver through the series again. At the last pole, they complete that turn and run toward the timer.
- b) Contestants may start either to the right or to the left of the first pole and then run the remainder of the pattern accordingly. Failure to follow the pattern shall cause disqualification.
- c) Pattern run must be all in forward motion. If contestant backs up or ceases forward motion, it is considered a broken pattern. If the contestant crosses the start line on the first return stopping the timer, it is considered a broken pattern.
- d) The time starts when contestant crosses starting line and stops when he/she crosses it on the way back after running pattern.
- e) Knocking over a pole shall carry a 5-second penalty.
- f) Touching a pole with hand or body is not a disqualification. If the pole touches the ground and bounces back up, it will be considered a down pole.
- g) A 60 second penalty will be added to the contestant's aggregate time for a no time or broken pattern for high point calculation purposes.

Cloverleaf Barrel Racing

- a) Barrels may be placed by the management at distances at least 15 feet from fences but will conform to the arena and arena conditions as decided by the judge and horse show chairman.
- b) Contestants will start from behind the starting line, run around barrel number 1, then around barrel number 2, and continue around barrel number 3, finishing by crossing the starting line on the way back. This pattern may be altered by starting with the number 2 barrel, then to number 1, and continue around barrel number 3, and then back to the finish line. Failure to follow the pattern is a disqualification.
- c) Pattern run must be all in forward motion. If contestant backs up or ceases forward motion, it is considered a broken pattern.
- d) The time starts when contestant crosses starting line and stops when he/she crosses it on the way back after running pattern.
- e) Knocking over a barrel shall carry a 5-second penalty.
- f) AQHA Barrel Pattern
- g) A 60 second penalty will be added to the contestant's aggregate time for a no time or broken pattern for high point calculation purposes.

Pee Wee Goat Ribbon Pull

- a) Stake is to be driven into ground so that none of it is visible. Goat is to be staked 105 feet from timer line. Goat shall be staked with a rope 10 feet in length. Goat is to be held at the end of the rope facing the starting line and released when contestant crosses starting line (when flag is dropped).
- b) Time will start when the mounted contestant crosses the starting line and will stop when flag judge signals the completion of the ribbon pulled off goat tail.

Goat Tying

- c) Stake is to be driven into ground so that none of it is visible. Goat is to be staked 105 feet from timer line. Goat shall be staked with a rope 10 feet in length. Goat is to be held at the end of the rope facing the starting line and released when contestant crosses starting line (when flag is dropped).
- d) Goats used for the contest will be tied a maximum of 5 times. Goat is to be changed out every 3-5 contestants. The number of consecutive times a goat is tied will be determined before the start of the event.
- e) The contestant must be mounted on a horse and must ride from starting line to goat, dismount, throw goat by hand and tie any three (3) feet
- f) Goat must remain tied for at least five (5) seconds. Time will begin when contestant has moved at least 3 feet away from goat and rope.
- g) Legs must be crossed and tied. To qualify as a legal tie, there will be one or more wraps around all three (3) feet, then a half hitch, or tied.
- h) If goat is down when the contestant reaches it, the goat must be let up to a vertical position with at least three (3) feet dangling underneath and then be thrown by hand.
- i) Time will start when the mounted contestant crosses the starting line and will stop when flag judge signals the completion of the tie.
- j) A 60 second penalty will be added to the contestant's aggregate time for a goat that does not stay tied or a horse steps on the goat rope for high point calculation purposes.

TOP HAND SHOW

Team Roping

- a) This will be a timed event. (See general rules for barrel/barrier) Time starts with the release of the barrier and ends when the ropes are tight and the horses are facing the steer. The horses' front feet must be on the ground.
- b) Three loop rule.
- c) Legal head catches are both horns, half-head, and around the neck. A 5-second penalty will be assessed for roping only one hind foot.
- d) Contestants must dally on both ends.
- e) The run must be completed in thirty (30) seconds.
- f) The "back gate" will be closed.
- g) Riders must remain mounted. Loss of the rope by either header or heeler is an automatic disqualification.
- h) Points are only awarded to entered contestant in the Heading and Healing class. Partner must be a GCFA Horse Show contestant in good standing.

Breakaway Roping

- a) Exhibitors may throw one loop only.
- b) The end of the rope must be tied to the saddle horn or swell with a breakable string.
- c) Time starts at the signal of the barrier flag and stops when the flagman signals that the rope breaks away from the saddle as a result of a legal catch.
- d) The only legal catch is a "bell collar" catch.
- e) Judges will rule whether a catch is legal and whether the rope breaks away as a result of legal catch, or as a result of the horse or calf stepping on the rope or similar occurrence.

- f) The exhibitor will be given a “no time” when something other than a legal catch causes the rope to break away.
- g) A piece of cloth should be attached to the knot end of the rope to signal when the rope breaks.

Tie Down Calf Roping

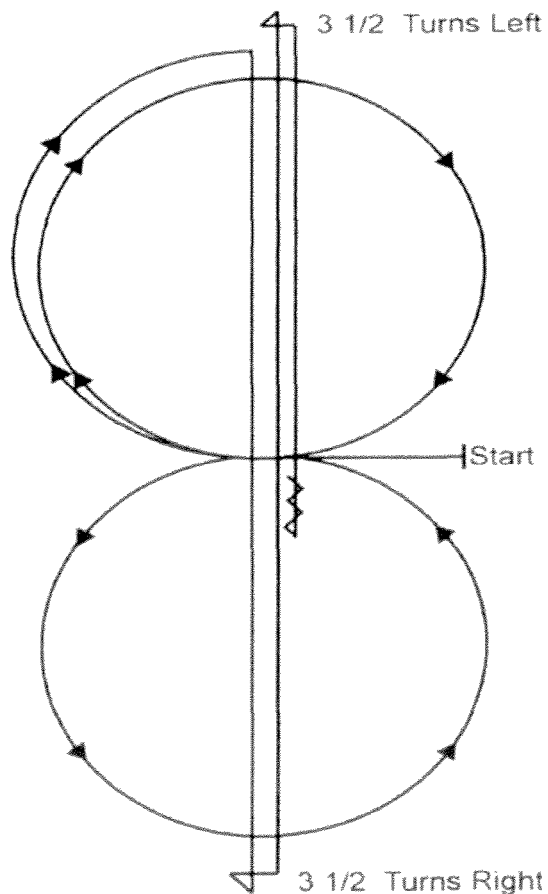
- a) Exhibitors may throw one loop only.
- b) Catch as catch can. (Rope must hold calf until roper gets hand on calf. Once roper has touched calf and rope comes off, roper must not lose contact with calf.)
- c) Contestant must adjust rope and reins in manner that will prevent horse from dragging calf. If horse drags calf, Field Judge may stop horse and any penalty for such offense can only be assessed by the Flag Judge.
- d) Contestant must receive no assistance of any kind from outside. f) Rope must be tied hard and fast.
- e) After roping calf, roper must dismount, go down rope and throw calf by hand and cross any three of calf’s feet.
- f) A legal tie shall consist of one or two wraps and a half hitch.
- g) If calf is down when roper reaches it, it must be thrown by hand, with a least three feet hanging and to the satisfaction of the judge.
- h) If ropers hand is on the calf when calf falls, calf is considered thrown by hand.
- i) Tie must hold until passed on by the Judge and roper must not touch calf after finishing signal until Judge has completed his examinations.
- j) The Field Judge will pass on the times, timing six (6) seconds from the time the roping horse takes his first steps forward, after the roper has remounted. If rope comes off calf before contestant remounts six (6) second clock starts immediately.
- k) Rope will not be removed from calf and rope must remain slack until Field Judge has passed tie.
- l) Contestant must compete on calf drawn.
- m) Time Limit 60 seconds.

TOP HORSE SHOW

- a) Reining and working cow horse classes will be run together. Once a contestant has completed the reining pattern, they will receive their cow and begin their working cow class without exiting the arena in between.
- b) Classes will be judged separately, and points will be awarded for both the reining portion and the working cow portion.

Reining

Reining (Pattern A)



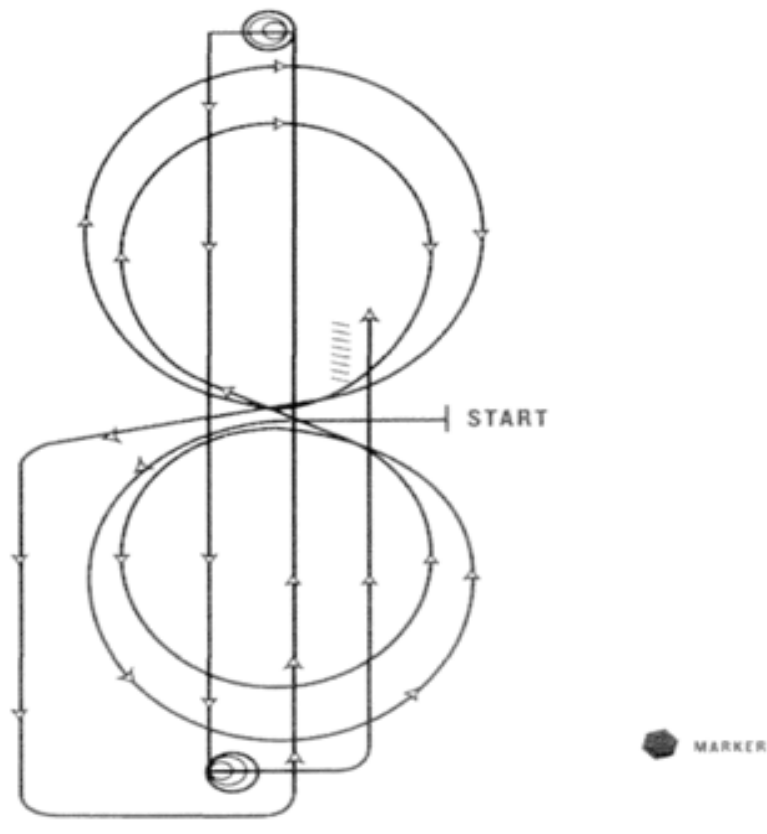
(Markers along fence or wall)

The judge shall indicate with markers on arena fence or wall the center of pattern.

Pattern description:

- Start by trotting into center of arena and stop. Start pattern facing toward judge.
- Begin on right lead and lope one circle to the right. Change leads to the left.
- Complete one circle to the left. Change leads to the right and go to the top of the arena.
- Run down the center of arena to far end past the end marker and come to a sliding stop.
- Complete 3 ½ spins to the right.
- Run down to other end of arena, past the marker, come to a sliding stop.
- Complete 3 ½ spins to the left.
- Run past the center marker and come to a sliding stop.
- Back at least 10 feet in a straight line.
- Hesitate to complete pattern.

Reining (Pattern B)



(Markers along fence or wall)

The judge shall indicate with markers on arena fence or wall the center of pattern.

Pattern description:

- a) Start by trotting into center of arena and stop. Start pattern facing toward judge.
- b) Begin on left lead and complete two circles to the left, the first circle large and fast, the second circle small and slow. Change leads to the right.
- c) Complete two circles to the right, the first circle large and fast, and the second circle small and slow. Change leads to the left.
- d) Continue around the end of arena without breaking gait or changing leads, run down the center of the arena past end marker and execute a square sliding stop.
- e) Complete 3 ½ spins to the left.
- f) Run down to other end of arena, past the end marker and execute a square sliding stop.
- g) Complete 3 ½ spins to the right.
- h) Run past the center marker and execute a square sliding stop.
- i) Back at least 10 feet in a straight line
- j) Hesitate to complete pattern

Working Cow Horse

- a) This event tests the horse's skills that are applicable to ranch work. Our competition will consist of one part: actual cow work. Judging is based on good manners, smoothness and cow sense.
- b) One cow will be turned into the arena once the contestant has completed their reining pattern.
- c) Upon receiving the cow, the contestant shall hold/box the cow on one end to demonstrate the ability of the horse to contain the cow for approximately 30 seconds.
- d) The contestant shall then take the cow down the fence, to the other end of the arena and hold/box the cow again for approximately 30 seconds.
- e) The horse is judged on his ability to trail, rate and stop the cow.
- f) There will be a 2 minute time limit on the event. Exhibitor is not required to use the entire 2 minutes.

Ranch Trail

- a) The trail class tests the horse's ability to cope with many situations encountered in everyday ranch work. The horse is ridden through a pattern of obstacles and is judged on his ability to negotiate them correctly. It is important that the horse be asked to trot and lope during the event course.
- b) No less than five and no more than eight obstacles can be used in the event. Obstacles may be placed in any order and location; however, obstacles should nearly approximate those found on the ranch during the course of everyday ranch work.
- c) The horse will be judged on three gaits walk, trot and lope performed between the six obstacles to be determined when the judge chooses the pattern.
- d) A horse will be rewarded with higher credit for performing these gaits on the correct lead and with an alert attitude.
- e) The actual trail course cannot be made available to exhibitors or posted prior to competition. The course may be walked on foot, but no horses are allowed on trail course prior to competition.

Trail Class Obstacles

Following is a list of obstacles from which selections can be made, but not limited to:

- Open – close gate Walk over bridge Carry sack of feed
- Jump over obstacle Do side pass maneuver Walk over water obstacle
- Ground tie Pick-up feet Hobble
- Stand to saddle Lead at the trot Walk through brush
- Swing rope Load in trailer Trot or lope over posts
- Step in & out of obstacle Put on slicker or coat Stand to mount
- Ride double Open gate on foot Rope dummy steer head
- Noodles
- Drag obstacle with rope thru obstacle back thru, in, or around selected areas

FAIR QUEEN RULES

Chairman:	Ashleigh Krause	(936) 522-8102
Committee Members:	Ashley Andruss, Amanda McCulloch and Marcy Pavlock	
Jr. Committee Member:	Brooklyn Cosby Byars	
Advisor:	FFA Advisors and 4-H County Extension Agent	
Fair Board Advisor:	Kaylee Leonard	
Entry Fee:	\$15.00 (due at first meeting)	
Entry Deadline:	Thursday, February 22, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. Grimes County Go Texan	
Contest Date:	Tentatively, Saturday, April 27, 2024	

Registration

1. Fair Queen entry form found on GCFA website
2. An informational kickoff meeting will be held Thursday, February 22, 2024 at 6:00 PM in the Grimes County Go Texan building. **This meeting is recommended, but not mandatory.**
3. Entry forms and fee are to be turned in on or before Thursday, February 22nd to Ashleigh Krause, in-person or by email at ashleigh.s.krause@gmail.com

Eligibility

1. Queen Candidates must be a Freshman, Sophomore, Junior or Senior.
2. Candidates must be enrolled in private, public, or home school, in good standing with your respective school and a member of 4-H, FFA, or FCCLA.
3. Candidates must have a Fair Project (creative arts, animal, etc.) for the 2024 fair, with one year prior fair participation.
4. Candidates must be a biological female and never have been married, pregnant nor have children.
5. Once a candidate becomes Queen, the candidate may not run again.

Contest Points & Rules

Date & Requirements

- The mandatory contest is tentatively set for the morning of Saturday, April 27th, time and location TBA.
 - Date subject to change, should a conflicting school or fair event be scheduled that could affect a majority of candidates
 - Parents are not allowed to wait with candidates inside the contest waiting room
- Candidates must submit a digital and print resume on or before contest date
- Candidates must submit a digital and 8 X 10 colored headshot on or before contest date. This will be used at fair and in the newspaper.
- Digital files can be sent to Ashleigh at ashleigh.s.krause@gmail.com

Point System

The Queen, 1 Runner-Up and 2 Runner-Up will be selected by the following point system. Contestants will be placed highest to lowest in point totals.

- a. Interview – 100 points maximum (Average of judge’s score)
 - b. Resume - 20 points maximum (Average of judge’s scores)
 - c. Essay – 30 points maximum (Average of judge’s scores)
 - d. Ticket Sales – contestants will receive 5 points per 1000 raffle tickets sold.
- A. Interview:
 - A panel of judges will conduct a closed-door 15–20 minute interview.
 - Questions will be at their discretion.
 - B. Resume:
 - A one-page typed resume with a minimum 10 pt. font will be due on or before date of contest.
 - The resume should include fair, school, church, community activities and accomplishments.
 - The resume should be no more than 1 page (front)
 - C. Essay
 - A 500-word handwritten essay on a topic provided will be written on date of contest.
 - D. Ticket Sales:
 - Contestants will receive 5 points per 1000 raffle tickets sold.

Ticket Sales & Scholarship

- Scholarship
 - The Grimes County Fair Association awards a \$2,500 scholarship to the Fair Queen.
- Ticket Sales
 - Queen candidates must sell a minimum of 250 raffle tickets to be eligible to participate in the Fair Queen Program.
 - A check will be awarded to the top 3 ticket sales.
 - The Fair Queen Candidate selling the most tickets receive \$1,000.00 and parking pass
 - Second place will receive \$500.00
 - Third place will receive \$250.00
 - The candidate with the highest point total will get the higher position. In the event of a tie in points; the tie will be broken by the highest raffle ticket sales.

- Turning in money & tickets:
 - Tickets and money are welcome to be turned in to Ashleigh Krause throughout the selling period. Personal/company checks are encouraged to be turned in frequently.
 - Candidate is responsible in covering the cost for any lost or misplaced tickets.
 - Deadline for turning in money that counts towards selection of the Queen and Court will be Thursday, May 30, 2024.
 - At the May 30th turn in date, turn in only \$400.00 in cash and the remaining cash money must be in the form of a cashier's check.

Thank You Letters

- All thank you notes for donated prizes are to be mailed to: Grimes County Fair Association Attn: Queen's Committee P O Box 630 Anderson, TX 77830 (In a second envelope) in a stamped, properly addressed envelope, unsealed, before July 1st.
- A list of the donors will be provided to each contestant the night of the crowning.
- The thank you notes will then be delivered to the Fair Treasurer and your check for the fair project will be written and given to you from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. prior to the September board meeting.
- If you do not have your Thank You notes turned in by July 1, 2024, then your check will not be processed any earlier than October board meeting.

Participation & Behavioral Requirements

- Crowning:
 - The Crowning of the Queen will be before the headlining performer at the kickoff dance on Friday, May 31, 2024.
- Fair Week:
 - Contestants are to turn in fair week participation of shows and events to committee chair 2 weeks prior to fair week, in order to create the work schedule.
 - All contestants are required to be at all ASSIGNED FAIR ACTIVITIES. A schedule of assigned events will be released prior to the fair, making sure each event is properly covered but not conflict with other project participation events/shows.
 - Failure to attend and participate in handing out awards at events will result in disqualification and relinquishment of their title, prizes and banner. The amount of \$50.00 will also be deducted from their fair check if contestants fail to attend all events.
 - Fair Queen work time does NOT count towards the mandatory work hour for exhibitors.
 - The Grimes County Fair Queen and her court are required to be present at the Premium Sale held on Thursday, June 6, 2024, to take pictures with the exhibitors and their buyers. All candidates will be required to work the entire time of the premium sale unless she is selling her fair project. She will be allowed to leave long enough to sale her project and must return immediately following her sales lot.

- Dress Code Expectations & Rules:
 - Queen and Queen's Court are required to wear western attire while representing the Grimes County Fair.
 - Skirts, palazzo pants or jumpsuits are required for the Premium Sale and the night of crowning. Western style boots/shoes are required. No flip flops or tennis shoes are allowed.
 - When assigned to work shows and awards ceremonies, candidates can wear jeans and a short sleeve blouse.
 - Queen Court sashes are required to be worn while working assigned events and the Premium Sale.
 - Attires worn during fair week activities need to be approved before fair week by chairman to ensure dress code is being followed while representing the Queens Court
 - No revealing clothing at any time.
 - No strapless shirts or shirts that show mid-section.
 - No short shorts.
- Behavior Expectations:
 - If a Queen's Court member falls below the Fair Queen Committee (see addendum) or Fair Board Standards, she shall be subject to report to the Fair Queen Committee for possible punishment or disqualification and relinquishment of her prizes and banner.
 - ADDENDUM
 - 1. No Smoking or Vaping
 - 2. No Drinking
 - 3. No Drugs
 - 4. No Promiscuous Activity
 - There will be an investigation into allegations made to persons serving on the Fair Queen Committee or the Grimes County Fair Board.
 - Candidates must have written consent of a parent or guardian stating that the Grimes County Fair Association assumes no responsibility for accidents.
- No bullying or drama between contestants will be tolerated throughout the duration of the entire Fair Queen program. Should any issue be brought to the Fair Board or Queen's Committee, the eligibility of the candidate could be compromised, subject to committee review.
- Under no circumstances should the queen or court be on their cellular device while working fair activities.

Queen's Reign:

- The Queen must be available and acceptable to represent the Grimes County Fair Association at various functions during the year of her reign; beginning with the time she is crowned and continuing through the crowning of the next year's Queen. These activities include (but are not limited to):
 - All Grimes County Go-Texan functions and parades and Plantersville-Stoneham Bunch Annual Fundraisers.
 - Additional opportunities and optional attendances may be provided by Queen Committee.
- During the year of her reign, the Queen must conduct herself in a professional manner. If the Queen should fall below the Fair Board standards or below the standards (see addendum) set by the Grimes County Fair Queen Committee, she shall be subject to report to the Fair Queen Committee and to the Board for the possible punishment or relinquishment of her crown.
- If the queen for any reason cannot complete her reign, the crown will be passed on to the first runner-up.

KIDS RODEO

Chairman: Stephanie Burzynski (936) 661-5557
Jessica Alvarez (936) 870-6982

Committee Members: Debby Kimich, Kinsey Stutts, Jessica Alvarez, Joe Hejl, and Simple Truth Cowboy Church Members.

Fair Board Advisor: Erick Compian

Kids Rodeo Event: Saturday, June 1, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.
In the Main Hall at the Grimes County Fairgrounds
**Arrive at 9:30 a.m. for check-in

Entry form and Entry fee due: May 1, 2024 via ShoWorks

NO LATE Entries will be accepted!!

Entry Fee: \$5.00 per contestant. Fee covers all (3) three events

Events include:	<u>Ages 4 and younger</u>	<u>Ages 5-7</u>
	Boot scramble	Boot scramble
	Stick horse race	Stick horse race
	Ribbon pull	Dummy roping

Divisions:	5 - 7 years of age	(as of June 1, 2024)
	4 & under	(as of June 1, 2024)

Rules: Western Attire is desired; Long sleeve shirts are **NOT** required

IN-COUNTY BEEF HEIFER SHOW

Chairman: Patti Ermis (936) 870-6410
Kaylee Leonard (979) 676-3326

Committee Members: David Gochnour, Braden House, Neal Schuleman, Heather Tackett
and Sharon Robertson.

Advisor: Corey Ferguson
Fair Board Advisor: Kaylee Leonard

Entry Fee: \$15.00 per head via ShoWorks by May 1, 2024

Registration Entry Deadline: May 1, 2024 via ShoWorks
Check-In Date: Saturday, June 1, 2024
Move-In Date: Friday, May 31, 2024 at 7:00 a.m.
Or Saturday, June 1, 2024 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.

Check – In Time: 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. (Must bring ORIGINAL registration papers)

Judging Date: Saturday, June 1, 2024
Judging Time: Show will start promptly at 9:00 a.m. (Show Order TBD)
Move Out Time: All heifers and tack must be removed by 30 minutes following the conclusion of the show.

Rules:

1. ***All Heifer entries **must** be entered through ShoWorks by **Saturday, May 1, 2024****
2. Ownership deadline: March 1, 2024 (All Registered Heifers)
3. Class breaks are as follows. **(All Registered Breed classes will be based on the birth date of the heifer.)**
 - (1) November 2023 - January 2024
 - (2) August 2023 - October 2023
 - (3) May 2023 - July 2023
 - (4) February 2023 - April 2023
 - (5) November 2022 - January 2023
 - (6) August 2022 - October 2022
 - (7) May 2022 - July 2022
 - (8) February 2022 - April 2022

The beef committee reserves the right to further break larger number classes.

4. Divisions will be determined by entries: American, British and Exotic. There will be a Supreme Champion and Reserve Supreme Champion selected overall.
5. In the Divisions (American, British and Exotic) six (6) registered heifers will constitute a breed. If there are not 6 heifers in that breed, they will show in a division class. Registered heifers must be in the exhibitor's name and you MUST present the registration papers at the time of check in.
6. Showmanship will be divided into 3 age groups. Exhibitors will show in their perspective age group according to their age at the time of the show. All exhibitors entered in this show may participate in the Showmanship Contest; however, exhibitor must be the owner of the calf they are exhibiting in the Showmanship Contest and the calf must be entered in the In-County Heifer Show in the name of the exhibitor.
 - a. Junior – 12 years and under
 - b. Intermediate – 13 years to 15 years
 - c. Senior – 16 years and older
7. Cattle may begin moving in Friday, May 31, 2024 at 7:00 a.m. and will be released at the conclusion of the heifer show and need to be out of the barn 30 minutes following the conclusion of the show.
8. If a Beef Committee Scholarship is available, it will be awarded on Thursday night at the Premium Sale. (See rules for the Grimes County Beef Heifer Scholarship/High Point Individual)

CREATIVE ARTS

The Grimes County Fair Association has a Creative Arts Division that allows Exhibitors to display their individual entries for viewing and judging.

The Creative Arts Division is operated by a committee of Volunteers for the Grimes County Fair Association. They strive to have an organized and well operated area. No abusive or derogatory language toward committee members will be tolerated. If committee members and or their volunteers are not treated with respect, the abusive person(s) will be asked to leave, and the entries associated with that person(s) will be disqualified.

The Grimes County Fair Association will have qualified judges to judge the Creative Arts entries. ALL DECISIONS BY THE JUDGES ARE FINAL.

Chairman:	Melissa Wilson	(281) 352-6006
Committee Members:	Autumn Atkinson, Hannah Atkinson, Gail Henderson and Jerrime Ramirez	
Fair Board Advisor:	Duane Ermis	
Mandatory Registration:	All entries will be completed online via ShoWorks between April 1, 2024 and May 1, 2024. This includes PeeWee, Junior and Senior divisions.	
Entry Fee:	\$15.00 Registration Fee for Senior, Junior, and Pee Wee (Will be applied to first five items entered). All other entries will be \$2.00 each. There will be NO late registration for any age group. Registration needs to be completed by midnight, Monday, May 1, 2024 via ShoWorks.	
Check-In:	Saturday, June 1, 2024	
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Creative Arts Check-In (Baked goods, Horticulture and Food Preservation)	
12:30 p.m.	Judge Creative Arts (Baked goods, Horticulture and Food preservation)	
Check-In:	Monday, June 3, 2024	
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Creative Arts Check-In – Crafts, Fine Arts, Photography, Quilts, Needlework, Sewing	

12:30 p.m.

Judge Creative Arts (Crafts, Fine Arts, Photography, Quilts, Needlework, Sewing)

Results will be announced Monday, June 3, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Release Times:

All items not sold in the Premiums Sale must be picked up by the Exhibitor or the Exhibitor's parents, unless alternate arrangements are made by 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 5, 2024. Any items not claimed will become the property of the Grimes County Fair and will be disposed of by the management.

General Rules Divisions:

- a. Pee Wee – Competition is open to all youth 8 years of age and under who are not in the third grade.
 - b. Junior – Competition is open to all 4-H, FFA, and FCCLA youth ages 8 (third grade) to 13.
 - c. Senior – Competition is open to all 4-H, FFA, and FCCLA youth ages 14 to 18 (senior in high school).
1. A limit of one (1) entry per class per Exhibitor – up to ten (10) entries per division – will be allowed.
 2. Each Exhibitor will be given one (1) entry sheet for all entries in a division. All entries will be tagged with a number that corresponds to the Exhibitor's number.
 3. **All names on entries MUST BE COVERED BY THE EXHIBITOR PRIOR TO CHECK-IN. Any entries that have visible names, symbols (*#&) or any personal identifying marks (front OR back) at the time of entry WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. If they are accepted at check-in in error, the judge will disqualify them.**
 4. All items entered **must** have been made by the Exhibitor with minimal help by parent, teacher or advisor, etc.
 5. All items entered **must** have been made within a year of the date of the fair.
 6. All food preparation items and food preservations items not selling in the premium sale and all horticulture produce will be sold from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturday and until sold out.
 7. The Grimes County Fair Association and the Creative Arts Committee are not responsible for items entered in this division. However, extreme caution and care will be used in the handling of all items.
 8. The Miscellaneous Class is a class for **items**, which do not have a previous listed class in that division. IT IS NOT FOR DUPLICATE ITEMS. All miscellaneous items must be approved by the Creative Arts Division Committees.
 9. Any non-adherence to the above rules will result in disqualification of entries by the judge(s).
 10. MAKE SURE TO WORK THE REQUIRED HOUR. See Work Rule Section for information/clarification.

CREATIVE ARTS AUCTION

Rules:

1. If an Exhibitor has a Creative Arts item that is eligible for the Premium Sale, a Market Animal (inclusive of Pen of 3) and an Ag Mechanics project (team or individual) that is also eligible for the Premium OR Freezer sale, the Exhibitor must choose to sell the Market animal, Ag Mechanics project OR the Creative Arts item. Mandatory selling of Grand and Reserve only applies to Market Animal.
2. Under no circumstances will an Exhibitor be able to sell both a Market animal (inclusive of Pen of 3) and / or an Ag Mechanics project AND a Creative Arts item (regardless of an Exhibitor's placing in any other division).
3. Note – due to the Market Animal Limitation of Sales Rule (above), if an Exhibitor receives a Grand or Reserve Grand placing with a Market animal and is also eligible based on placing to sell a Creative Arts item, the Exhibitor will not be able to sell his/her Creative Arts item as it is required for the Grand/Reserve Grand Market animal to sell in the Premium sale.
4. A total of 8 Junior and 8 Senior Creative Art items will sell in the Premium auction. Four (4) of these will be baked items or preservation items and four (4) will be non-perishable items.
5. The judges will rank all items to be placed in the Premium sale.
6. No Pee Wee entries will be auctioned.
7. Those baked goods selling in the Premium sale must provide a freshly baked item and a copy of the recipe for the sale. In the case of piece items, such as cookies, muffins, etc., the full recipe must be provided. Please fill out a provided form prior to the sale for the auctioneer. All other items must be presented as stated in each division rule.
8. Should you make the sale with a non-perishable item please see division rules on how to prepare for sale.

Food Preservation

Rules:

1. Creative Arts General Rules apply.
2. Recipes must accompany the entry.
 - At the top of the recipe it must be labeled with the name of the food, the date preserved.
3. All Items must have been preserved within the last year (12 months)
4. Items **must** be canned in standard canning jars.
 - a. Example: Mason, Ball, Kerr, etc.
5. Items must be in good condition with new self-sealing lids.
6. Exhibitors will check-in jars with the rings.
7. Entries will **NOT** be judged by tasting. Entries will be judged on pack, color and visual inspection. Jars may need to be open if the judges are having difficult time placing the entries.
8. The headspace is ½ inch from lid to product or liquid.
9. All food items will be sold starting at 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. following the judging, until sold out, to benefit the Fair Association and the creative arts division.
10. Should your entry make the Premium Sale, the exhibitor is required to create a decorated display/basket with no less than 3 quart size or 5 pint size jars. (Excluding the entered items)

FRUITS

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| Class 1 | Peaches |
| Class 2 | Pears |
| Class 3 | Berries |
| Class 4 | Figs |
| Class 5 | Mixed Fruits |
| Class 6 | Tomatoes, Stewed |
| Class 7 | Miscellaneous |

VEGETABLES

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| Class 8 | Beans, green snap |
| Class 9 | Beans, Lima |
| Class 10 | Beans, yellow snap |
| Class 11 | Beets |
| Class 12 | Carrots |
| Class 13 | Corn |
| Class 14 | Peas |
| Class 15 | Peppers (any kind) |
| Class 16 | Squash |
| Class 17 | Sauerkraut |
| Class 18 | Miscellaneous |

JELLIES (w/juice only)

Class 19 Berry
Class 20 Grape
Class 21 Peach
Class 22 Plum
Class 23 Miscellaneous

JAMS (w/crushed fruit)

Class 24 Berry
Class 25 Fig
Class 26 Grape
Class 27 Peach
Class 28 Plum
Class 29 Miscellaneous

PRESERVES

Class 30 Fig
Class 31 Marmalade (any kind)
Class 32 Peach
Class 33 Pears
Class 34 Tomato
Class 35 Strawberries
Class 36 Miscellaneous

RELISH

Class 37 Chow-Chow
Class 38 Corn Relish
Class 39 Pear Relish
Class 40 Pepper Relish
Class 41 Tomato Relish
Class 42 Salsa
Class 43 Picante
Class 44 Miscellaneous

PICKLES

Class 45	Bread and Butter
Class 46	Dill
Class 47	Mustard
Class 48	Sour
Class 49	Sweet
Class 50	Peppers, Hot
Class 51	Peppers, Sweet
Class 52	Watermelon rind
Class 53	Okra
Class 54	Beans
Class 55	Beets
Class 56	Carrots
Class 57	Miscellaneous

CLOTHING - SEWING

Rules:

1. Creative Arts General Rules apply.
2. Entries must be made by the Exhibitor.
3. Clothing will be judged on construction techniques, suitability of pattern and fabric and suitability to the category entered.
4. The following **MUST BE** provided in a Ziploc bag accompanying your entry.
 - a. Remnants of all material used in construction of clothing.
 - b. Clothing Pattern or Directions if made without a pattern.
 - c. Description of steps taken to assemble product, either neatly handwritten or typed.
 - d. Pictures taken during assembly; before, during and finished product.
 - e. **NOTE** – entries without the above items will not be accepted at check-in. If they are accepted at check-in in error, the judge will disqualify them “from any sales or receiving Grand or Reserve placements”.
5. Each entry must be on a clothes hanger appropriate for the size and weight of the garment and must be fully covered with a clear plastic bag.
6. Garments may have been worn, but must be **freshly cleaned**.
7. Any item making the premium sale must be displayed in a creative manner.

Class 1	Dresses
Class 2	Suits, Coats, Jackets
Class 3	Blouses, Shirts
Class 4	Skirts
Class 5	Pants, Slacks, Shorts
Class 6	Ensembles (two or three pieces)
Class 7	Sleepwear, Lounge wear
Class 8	Evening Wear
Class 9	Infant/Children’s Wear
Class 10	Apron
Class 11	Pillows (sewn)
Class 12	Non-quilted Sewn Blanket
Class 13	Non-quilted Sewn Wall Hanging
Class 14	Purse
Class 15	Bonnet/Cap/Head-Piece
Class 16	Costume
Class 17	Pot Holder/bowl cozy
Class 18	Hooded Towels
Class 19	Tote Bags
Class 20	Stuff Toys
Class 21	Miscellaneous (1 item – other than those list)

CRAFTS

Rules:

1. Creative Arts General Rules apply.
2. Entries **MUST** be made by the Exhibitor. Items that are bought and embellished will be disqualified by the judge(s).
3. No food entries are allowed in this division.
4. Any item making the premium sale must be displayed in a creative manner.

CERAMICS/POTTERY

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| Class 1 | Under glaze |
| Class 2 | Over glaze |
| Class 3 | Stain |
| Class 4 | Thrown |
| Class 5 | Hand Formed |
| Class 6 | Miscellaneous (1 item) |

ACCESSORIES

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| Class 7 | Hair Bows/Barrettes |
| Class 8 | Belt (non-leather) |
| Class 9 | Jewelry |
| Class 10 | Shoes |
| Class 11 | Hat |
| Class 12 | Glasses/Sunglasses |
| Class 13 | Head Band |
| Class 14 | Tote Bag |
| Class 15 | Miscellaneous |

FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS

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| Class 16 | Wall Hangings |
| Class 17 | Basket/Vase |
| Class 18 | Wreath |
| Class 19 | Miscellaneous |

CROSSES

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| Class 20 | Wood |
| Class 21 | Beaded |
| Class 22 | Painted |
| Class 23 | Mosaic |
| Class 24 | Metal Painted |
| Class 25 | Barbed Wire |
| Class 26 | Miscellaneous |

OTHER

Class 27	Leather items
Class 28	Beaded items
Class 29	Bread Dough
Class 30	Macrame'
Class 31	Stained Glass (plastic craft)
Class 32	Decoupage
Class 33	Woodworking
Class 34	Carved wood item
Class 35	Furniture (must be handmade)
Class 36	Tolle Painting
Class 37	Holiday item
Class 38	Scrapbook Page
Class 39	Scrapbook Project
Class 40	Shadow Box
Class 41	Quilling
Class 42	Bottle Top Art
Class 43	Mosaic Tile (glass, stone, ceramic)
Class 44	Concrete Art
Class 45	Decorated Gourds
Class 46	Decorated Glass
Class 47	Dolls
Class 48	Recycling
Class 49	Decorated Pillows
Class 50	Non-sewn items (blanket, scarf, etc.)
Class 51	Nail/String
Class 52	3D Art Doodler
Class 53	Miscellaneous

DECORATED CLOTHING & ACCESSORY (decorated, appliqued, beaded, painted)

Class 54	Jacket
Class 55	Jean/Overalls
Class 56	Sweatshirts
Class 57	Skirts
Class 58	Shirt/T-shirt
Class 59	Vest
Class 60	Miscellaneous

WREATHS

Class 61	Wire
Class 62	Fabric
Class 63	Straw
Class 64	Grapevine
Class 65	Holiday
Class 66	Miscellaneous

MODEL

Class 67	Vehicle
Class 68	Airplane
Class 69	Military
Class 70	Ship
Class 71	Space
Class 72	House/Barn
Class 73	Machinery
Class 74	Lego Design
Class 75	Anime

FINE ARTS

Rules:

1. Creative Arts General Rules apply.
2. Entries **MUST** be made by the Exhibitor. Items that are bought and embellished will be disqualified by the judges.
3. Art entries must be mounted on heavy foam board or done on canvas or art board.
4. Any item making the Premium sale must be in a frame or displayed in a creative manner.

ART

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| Class 1 | Oil |
| Class 2 | Acrylic |
| Class 3 | Tempera |
| Class 4 | Watercolor |
| Class 5 | Charcoal |
| Class 6 | Pencil |
| Class 7 | Pastel |
| Class 8 | Mixed Media |
| Class 9 | Pen and Ink |
| Class 10 | Scratchboard |
| Class 11 | Drafting |
| Class 12 | Painted Gourds |
| Class 13 | Stained Glass |
| Class 14 | Computer Generated |
| Class 15 | Computer Arts (enter plain will be judge for design model) |
| Class 16 | Collages |
| Class 17 | Holiday Picture or item |
| Class 18 | Etched Glass |
| Class 19 | Painted Glass |
| Class 20 | Miscellaneous (an item other than previously listed items – not a duplicate!) |

SCULPTURE

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| Class 21 | Metal |
| Class 22 | Clay |
| Class 23 | Wood |
| Class 24 | Wire |
| Class 25 | Paper Mache |
| Class 26 | 3D Doole Art |
| Class 27 | Miscellaneous (an item other than previously listed items – not a duplicate!) |

NEEDLEWORK

Rules:

1. Entries **MUST** be made by the Exhibitor.
2. Can be made by hand or machine using any type needle or hook.
3. Creative Arts General Rules apply.
4. The following **MUST BE** provided in a Ziploc bag accompanying your entry:
 - a. Pattern or Directions if made without a pattern
 - b. Description of steps taken to make the product, either neatly handwritten or typed.
 - c. Pictures taken during assembly; before, during and finished product.

NOTE – entries without the above items will not be accepted at check-in. If they are accepted at check-in in error, the judge will disqualify them.
5. Any item making the premium sale must be displayed in a creative manner.

Class 1 Crewel

Class 2 Needlepoint

Class 3 Hand Embroidery

Class 4 Machine Embroidery

Class 5 Cross-stitch

Class 6 Candle Wicking

Class 7 Crochet

Class 8 Knitting

Class 9 Tatting

Class 10 Dolls, animals, toys

Class 11 Weaving

Class 12 Patchwork

Class 13 Appliqued

Class 14 Miscellaneous (1 item other than those listed)

QUILTS

Rules:

1. Quilts entered must be constructed by the Exhibitor.
2. Quilts must be clean and in good condition.
3. The following **MUST BE** provided in a Ziploc bag accompanying your entry
 - a. Remnants of material used in quilt
 - b. Name of quilt pattern or design
 - c. Description of steps taken to assemble quilt, either neatly handwritten or typed
 - d. Pictures taken during assembly; before, during and finished project.

NOTE – entries without the above items will not be accepted at check-in. If they are accepted at check-in in error, the judge will disqualify them.
4. Any items making the Premium sale must be displayed in a creative manner.

GENERAL

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| Class 1 | Hand Pieced – Hand Quilted |
| Class 2 | Machine Pieced – Hand Quilted |
| Class 3 | Machine Pieced – Machine Quilted |
| Class 4 | Appliquéd |
| Class 5 | Embroidered |
| Class 6 | Clothing (1 piece) |

WALL HANGINGS

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| Class 7 | Hand Pieced – Hand Quilted |
| Class 8 | Machine Pieced – Hand Quilted |
| Class 9 | Machine Pieced – Machine Quilted |
| Class 10 | Appliquéd |
| Class 11 | Embroidered Quilts |

HORTICULTURE

PRODUCE & PLANTS

Rules:

1. All fruit and vegetable entries must be grown by the Exhibitor.
2. Container plants (hanging baskets, cactus, etc.) must have been in Exhibitor's possession for at least **three months** prior to show.
3. All entries must be in good condition, free from dirt, disease, and insects.
4. Produce entries must be on paper plates covered with a Ziploc bag.
5. To enter fruits and vegetables, you must enter the following amounts:
 - a. Small (i.e. berries, okra, beans) 12 per plate
 - b. Medium (i.e. plums, apples, squash) 4 - 6 per plate
 - c. Large (i.e. melons, greens, lettuce) 2 - 3 per plate
6. Items in this division will be judged on uniformity, condition, and appearance.
7. All food items and horticulture produce will be sold starting at 6 p.m. following the judging to benefit the fair association.

PRODUCE

Class 1	Berries
Class 2	Peaches
Class 3	Plums
Class 4	Strawberries
Class 5	Beans, Green
Class 6	Beans, Lima
Class 7	Beans, Pinto
Class 8	Beets
Class 9	Bell Pepper
Class 10	Broccoli
Class 11	Cabbage
Class 12	Carrots
Class 13	Corn, Sweet
Class 14	Cantaloupe
Class 15	Cucumbers
Class 16	Eggplant
Class 17	Greens
Class 18	Okra
Class 19	Onions, Purple
Class 20	Onions, White
Class 21	Onions, Yellow
Class 22	Peas, Black-eyed
Class 23	Peas, Cream

- Class 24 Peas, English
- Class 25 Peas, Purple Hull
- Class 26 Peppers, Jalapeno
- Class 27 Peppers, Banana
- Class 28 Potatoes, Red
- Class 29 Potatoes, Sweet
- Class 30 Potatoes, White
- Class 31 Radishes
- Class 32 Squash, White
- Class 33 Squash, Yellow
- Class 34 Squash, Zucchini
- Class 35 Tomatoes
- Class 36 Turnips
- Class 37 Watermelon
- Class 38 Miscellaneous (one item other than those listed)

PLANTS

- Class 39 Container Plants (ex. Cactus, fern, violets, etc.)
- Class 40 Terrariums
- Class 41 Hanging Baskets
- Class 42 Cut Flowers
- Class 43 Herbs
- Class 44 Miscellaneous (one item other than those listed)

CREATIVE PRODUCE

- Class 45 Decorated (not cut)
- Class 46 Largest
- Class 47 Funny Shape

PHOTOGRAPHY RULES & GUIDELINES

Rules:

1. Creative Arts General Rules apply.
2. All photographs must have been taken by Exhibitor.
3. All photographs must be 8" x 10" in dimension, except for Class 18.
4. All prints must be permanently mounted on a solid **WHITE ONLY** 11 x 14 mount board or foam board (Masonite, photo folders, corrugated cardboard or thin poster board is not acceptable). Matting will be created by this format. Make sure matting is neat and clean because it enhances your photo. Any other matting including borders on pictures is not allowed and will result in disqualification, except for Class 18.
5. If you (Exhibitor) make the premium sale you will need to print off a new picture and frame it in a creative manner.

CLASSES

Class 1	People
Class 2	Animals - Domestic
Class 3	Animals - Wildlife
Class 4	Details & Macro
Class 5	Digital Darkroom
Class 6	Food
Class 7	Elements of Design
Class 8	Night Photography (taken between dusk and dark)
Class 9	Marine / Aquatic
Class 10	Nature & Landscape
Class 11	Plant / Flora
Class 12	Dominant Color
Class 13	Storyboard
Class 14	Theme – "Court Houses"
Class 15	Sepia
Class 16	Black and White
Class 17	Still Life
Class 18	Non Traditional 8" x 10" size

If you would like you can write on the back of mounted picture - Photo Title, Camera Used, Description (Special Effects/Creative Effects only) or what you were trying to achieve.

DESCRIPTIONS OF DIVISIONS AND CLASSES:

- **People:** Photos focus from all walks of life, parenting and family, children, babies, models/fashion, sports, and couples. *Examples include: Kids & Family, Models/Fashion, Sports.* Such photos may be photojournalistic, or in an interpretive portrait where the person rather than the environment is emphasized.

- **Animals - Domestic:** Photos focusing on the various animals that have been tamed and made fit for a human environment. To be considered domesticated, the animal must have their behavior, life cycle, or physiology systemically altered as a result of being under human control for many generations. *Examples include: Dog, Sheep, Pig, Goat, Cow, Cat, Chicken, Horse, Camel, Goose, Duck, and Hamsters.* No harm or injury should be inflicted on the animal in order to acquire the photo.
- **Animal – Wildlife:** Any animal that is not listed under Domestic Class but to not include Marine/Aquatic.
- **Details & Macro:** Getting in close is the name of the game for this category. We welcome pictures of small details that suggest a larger story. This is also the place for macro photographs (although a macro image of a flower might equally go into the Flowers category). *Examples include: detail of a knot, a lock, or an abstract close-up - anything as long as it is a tight composition of a detail. Macro examples: flowers, insects, stamps, ice crystals, etc.*
- **Digital Darkroom:** Photos are for digital art - images created or drastically altered in software like Adobe Photoshop®. Although digitally manipulated images are also allowed in the other categories, this is a category exclusively showcasing such art. If the digital darkroom work is the main attraction of the photo, or plays a big part, enter it here. *Examples include: Photoshop® composites and creations, images greatly manipulated with a variety of filters, photos with artistic borders, photos stitched into a panoramic.*
- **Dominant Color:** Photos with a dominant color. The dominant element in the image must be a specific color, such as red, yellow, blue, white, black, white, green, etc. *Black & White photos, duotones, are excluded from this category.*
- **Elements of Design:** Images use of graphic elements of design. Photos that showcase line, shape, pattern, form, texture, perspective, etc. Photo can consist of any subject matter. Category is not for graphic illustrations made in commercial programs (i.e. Adobe Illustrator®) nor for extreme digital creations. *Examples include: Perspective, Line, and Pattern.*
- **Food:** Category is a still life specialization of photography, aimed at producing attractive photographs of food for use in such items of advertisements, packaging, menus and/or cookbooks.
- **Marine / Aquatic:** Photos of any living organism in bodies of either fresh or ocean (salt) water. *Examples include: Fish, stingrays, whales, starfish, etc.*
- **Nature & Landscape:** The focus of this category includes landscapes, outdoor scenes, nature images, sunsets, urban landscapes, seascapes, cityscapes, and farms. Images focus on the beauty of the outdoors. *Examples include: Landscapes, Scenes, Outdoors*
- **Night Photography:** Photos taken outdoors between dusk and dawn. Generally, these photos are achieved by using artificial light or using a long exposure. This category can include any subject as the focus should be on the skill and technique used to acquire the photograph *Examples include: buildings/structures, animals, plant/flora, people, etc.*
- **Plant/Flora:** Photos of interesting, unique, and beautiful flowers and flora. Photography can occur outdoors or indoors. Photo subject should be that of a single flower, plant, bush, tree, etc. Large collections of plant/flora should be considered for entry into the Nature & Landscape category. *Examples include: a rose, an upward shot of a tree, a flower bouquet, etc.*
- **Storyboard:** A storyboard is one digital entry that contains three photos and minimal text

that tells a story. The story should be easily understood by the viewer. *Example include: Three images depicting the blooming of a rose bud at different stages, with the title of "Beginning of Beauty".*

- **Theme:** Theme photos focus on a subject as announced and outlined in the contest rules. For the 2024 fair, the theme is "**Court Houses**" **Court Houses is the main focus. Photos inside or outside of the building and can contain people or objects in and/or the foreground and/or background.**
- **Sepia** – Any picture with a reddish-brown monochrome tint. Giving the picture a warm, antique feeling.
- **Black and White** – Any picture with black and white with continuing shades of gray. Not to be confused with pictures taken of items in purely black and white. (i.e. piano keys)
- **Still Life Photography** - is the depiction of inanimate subject matter, most typically a small grouping of objects. Still life [photography](#), more so than other types of photography, such as [landscape](#) or [portraiture](#), gives the photographer more leeway in the arrangement of design elements within a composition.
- **Non – Traditional 8" x 10"** – This is any photo that can be sized as small as a 2" x 2", up to a 10" x 10" and any combination in between. (i.e. any size that is square, panoramic, 4" x 6", etc.) This class photos will be mounted on mount board or foam board with 3" sticking out past the photo. (i.e. if you have a 4" x 6" photo it will be mounted on a piece of mount board that is 7" x 9". If you have a 3" x 3" photo it will be mounted on a piece of mount board that is 9" x 9" etc.)

CRITERIA USED FOR JUDGING PHOTOGRAPHY:

- **Focus:** Adjustment of the distance setting on a lens to appropriately define the subject. The focus should be appropriate to the theme/mood and/or photographic class.
- **Exposure:** The quantity of light allowed to act on a photographic material; a product of the intensity and the duration of light striking the film or paper. The exposure compliments the composition and gives the picture a smooth feeling or a particular effect.
- **Lighting:** The illumination of a subject. Use of light should produce the desired mood or effect.
- **Print Quality:** The photo exhibits the quality consistent with display. There should be an absence of blemishes, scratches, overly enlarged (graininess), and pixilation. This also includes the quality of mounting.
- **Subject:** The photo uses the subject to deliver a message in a creative way. The photo should communicate the subject and fit the chosen category.
*Photo subject must focus on a court house – inside or outside. Can include people or objects.

- **Composition:** Placement of the subject in the photo demonstrating artistic ability. The photo should have a pleasing balance that exists among all components of the composition.
- **Impact:** The photo clearly captures the attention of the viewer. The composition should convey a strong message.
- **Uniqueness:** Use of originality, camera angle, lighting, character studies, and/or creativity. The photographer should exhibit creativity through the photo.
- **NO PHOTOS OF ALCOHOL BEVERAGES ARE ALLOWED** *Examples: Thanksgiving dinner, cakes/pies, fruits and place settings, Easter eggs, sandwiches, ingredients, etc.*

BAKED GOODS RULE & GUIDELINES

RULES:

1. Items must be on disposable containers. Your dishes WILL NOT be returned.
2. For food safety and sanitation, all food preparation items must be placed in a Ziploc bag or sealable container. Any items such as cakes that are too large to fit in a Ziploc bag must be placed into a sealable Cake container with a lid and **NO CARD BOARD BOXES.**
3. A recipe MUST accompany your entry at check-in time. Recipes should be printed or typed. Exhibitor's name should not appear anywhere on recipe cards.
4. No saran wrapped foods or Glad Press' N Seal sealable plastic will be accepted. See rule #1.
5. To ensure food safety, items requiring refrigeration will not be accepted (i.e. recipes including cream cheese, meat, custards and meringue). This includes Italian Cream Cake, Cream Cheese Kolaches, etc. In order to use milk in a recipe it must be baked into item or brought to a boil. **NO CREAM CHEESE AT ALL.**
6. All food items and horticulture produce will be sold immediately following the judging to benefit the Fair Association.
7. No cut fresh fruit or vegetable garnished are allowed.
8. No alcohol allowed.
9. Any item making the premium sale must be freshly baked and displayed in a creative manner.
- 10. Do not cut pies, cakes and bread into pieces. Candy and cookies should be a minimum of 12 pieces or cookies entered.**

CANDY

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| Class 1 | Divinity (12 pieces or more) |
| Class 2 | Fudge (12 pieces or more) |
| Class 3 | Molded (12 pieces or more) |
| Class 4 | Peanut Brittle (12 pieces or more) |
| Class 5 | Praline (12 pieces or more) |
| Class 6 | Hard Candy (12 pieces or more) |
| Class 7 | Carmel (12 pieces or more) |
| Class 8 | Truffles (12 pieces or more) |
| Class 9 | Candy Fruits (12 pieces or more) |
| Class 10 | Miscellaneous Candy (12 pieces or more) |

COOKIES

- Class 11 Bar (12 cookies or more)
- Class 12 Drop (12 cookies or more)
- Class 13 Rolled/Cut (12 cookies or more)
- Class 14 Brownies (12 cookies or more)
- Class 15 No Bake (12 cookies or more)
- Class 16 Decorated Cookies (12 cookies or more)
- Class 17 Miscellaneous Cookies (12 cookies or more)

PIES

- Class 18 Fruit (Whole pie)
- Class 19 Nut (Whole pie)
- Class 20 Miscellaneous Pie (Whole pie)

COBBLER

- Class 21 Any Fruit (no berries in fruit)
- Class 22 Any Berry (no fruit in berries)
- Class 23 Miscellaneous

CAKES

- Class 24 Scratch Start (Whole cake)
- Class 25 Creative Cake – made with mix in recipe (Whole cake)
- Class 26 Two or Three Layer (Whole cake)
- Class 27 Fruit/Vegetable Cake (Whole cake)
- Class 28 Pound Cake (Whole cake)
- Class 29 Angel Food (Whole cake)
- Class 30 Jelly Roll (Whole cake)
- Class 31 Sheet Cake (Whole cake)
- Class 32 Bundt (Whole cake)
- Class 33 Decorated cake (Whole cake)
- Class 34 Decorated cupcakes (12 cupcakes)
- Class 35 Cake Balls (12 Balls)
- Class 36 Loaf Cake (Whole cake)
- Class 37 Miscellaneous Cake (Whole cake)

BREADS

- Class 38 Rolls (6 or more) Yeast
- Class 39 Coffee Cake/Tea Ring (Whole cake) Yeast
- Class 40 Kolaches (6 or more) Yeast
- Class 41 Loaf Bread *White or Wheat* (one whole loaf) Yeast
- Class 42 Fruit/Vegetable Bread (one whole loaf) Quick Bread
- Class 43 Biscuits (6 or more) Quick Bread
- Class 44 Muffins (6 or more) Quick Bread
- Class 45 Cinnamon Rolls/Breakfast Rolls (6 or more) Quick Bread
- Class 46 Corn Bread/Quick Bread (Whole loaf)
- Class 47 Miscellaneous Bread (one whole loaf)

SNACK – Miscellaneous Snacks (one item other than previously listed items)

- Class 48 Sweet
- Class 49 Salty Savory
- Class 50 Granola
- Class 51 Popcorn/Candy
- Class 52 Miscellaneous

DIETARY SPECIALTY

- Class 53 Gluten Free
- Class 54 Grain Free
- Class 55 Sugar Free
- Class 56 Miscellaneous

MARKET BROILER SHOW

Chairman: Ricky Kimich
Debby Kimich (936) 662-6901

Committee Members: Milton and Wanda Schroeder
Advisor: Kelvin Neal
Fair Board Advisor: Ashley Skinner
Order Date & Entry Fee due: Tuesday, February 20, 2024
\$15.00 (Per Pen) must be paid at the time the order is placed.
Registration Deadline: Thursday, February 22, 2024 via ShoWorks
Check-In Sift Date: Monday, June 3, 2024
Check-In Sift Time: 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. (No Late Arrivals)
Judging Date: Monday, June 3, 2024
Judging Time: 9:30 a.m. (following turkey show)
Release Date: Monday, June 3, 2024
Release Time: Following the conclusion of the poultry show
(Except the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion)

Classes:

Pullets
Champion Pullets
Reserve Champion Pullets

Cockerels
Champion Cockerels
Reserve Champion Cockerels

Grand Champion Broilers
Reserve Champion Broilers

Rules:

1. Each exhibitor may show 2 pens of broilers, one of each sex in the broiler division. (1 pen Cockerels and 1 pen Pullets only). All broilers in the pen must be the same sex. (No mixed pens allowed)
2. A minimum of (25) chicks must be ordered per Exhibitor. Chicks will be wing banded and numbers will be assigned to each Exhibitor. Exhibitor's pen of birds entered in the show must be selected from the birds numbered and assigned to that Exhibitor. Broilers must be ordered through Debby Kimich, County Extension Agent or FFA Advisor. (Order form is on fair website)
3. Each entry must have the original wing band. Any bird which has lost its wing band or band has been tampered with for any reason will be disqualified and sifted. All birds not Grade A quality will be sifted and removed from the grounds.

4. First three (3) birds handed to the judge will constitute an entry. An exhibitor may have an alternate bird at the discretion of the judge. No alternate bird allowed after going through sift.
5. All sale birds will sell at the auction alive. It will then be the responsibility of the exhibitor to check with the buyer to see if he or she wants to take possession live or dressed, packaged and frozen. Delivery must be made within fourteen (14) days following the sale. Once delivered to the buyer, the buyer must sign a statement form (provided by GCFA) stating that they have been delivered. Then this statement form must be turned in with your thank you notes by July 1st in order for you to receive your check.
6. The feeding and care of broilers will be the responsibility of the exhibitor until release time.
7. Broilers will be released following the poultry show with the exception of the Grand and Reserve Champion Broilers. (Must be removed from the area immediately)
8. All exhibitors are required to help clean the area of the poultry show and exhibit area following the poultry show. Chairmen will check the area for cleanliness.

MARKET TURKEY SHOW

Chairman: Ricky Kimich
Debby Kimich (936) 662-6901

Committee Members: Milton and Wanda Schroeder
Advisor: Kelvin Neal
Fair Board Advisor: Ashley Skinner
Order Date & Entry Fee due: Tuesday, November 28, 2023
\$15.00 (Per Entry) must be paid at the time the order is placed.
Registration Deadline: Thursday, November 30, 2023 via ShoWorks
Check-In Sift Date: Monday, June 3, 2024
Check-In Sift Time: 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 a.m. (No Late Arrivals)
Judging Date: Monday, June 3, 2024
Judging Time: 9:30 a.m. (Turkeys Followed by Broilers)
Release Date: Monday, June 3, 2024
Release Time: Following the conclusion of the poultry show
(Except the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion)

Classes:

Market Turkey Hens
Champion Turkey Hen
Reserve Champion Turkey Hen

Rules:

1. Exhibitors may show (2) turkeys. **(HEN SHOW ONLY)**
2. A minimum of (10) birds ordered per Exhibitor. Birds will be wing banded and numbers assigned to each exhibitor. The exhibitor's birds entered into the show must be selected from the birds numbered and assigned to that Exhibitor. All birds must be ordered through Debby Kimich, County Extension Agent or FFA Advisor. (order form is on the fair website)
3. Each entry must have the original wing band. Any bird which has lost its wing band or band has been tampered with for any reason will be disqualified and sifted. All birds not Grade A quality will be sifted and removed from the grounds.
4. The first bird handed to the judge will constitute an entry. An exhibitor may have an alternate bird at the discretion of the judge. No alternate bird allowed after going through sift.
5. All sale birds will sell at the auction alive. It will then be the responsibility of the exhibitor to check with the buyer to see if he or she wants to take possession live or dressed, packaged and frozen. Delivery must be made within fourteen (14) days following the sale. Once delivered to the buyer, the buyer must sign a statement form (provided by GCFA) stating that they have been delivered. Then this statement form must be turned in with your thank you notes by July 1st in order for you to receive your check.
6. The feeding and care of turkeys will be the responsibility of the exhibitor until release time.

7. Turkeys will be released following the poultry show with the exception of the Grand and Reserve Champion Turkeys. (Must be removed from the area immediately)
8. All exhibitors are required to help clean the area of the poultry show and exhibit area following the poultry show. Chairmen will check the area for cleanliness.

MARKET LAMB SHOW

Chairman: Kelley Bohnert (979) 777-3036
Co Chairman: Kyndal Bohnert (979) 777-9014

Committee Members: Stephanie Burzynski, Kari Lynn Eisenman, Kelsie Meekins, Hallie Eisenman, Kynlee Stephens, Debbi Wichman Davis, and Trey Steinmann

Fair Board Advisor: Kaylee Leonard

Entry Fee: \$15.00 per head at tag-in. Shavings will be provided.

Tag-In Date: Tuesday, February 20, 2024

Tag-In Time: 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Tag in Location: Grimes County Fairgrounds

Registration Deadline: Thursday, February 22, 2024 by via ShoWorks

Check-In Date: Sunday, June 2, 2024

Check-In Time: 6:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Weigh-In Time: Sunday, June 2, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Judging Date: Monday, June 3, 2024

Judging Time: 4:00 p.m.

Non-Sale Animals & All Premium Sale Exhibitors Must Be Present

Release Date: Friday, June 7, 2024

Release Time: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Freezer Sale Lambs

Release Date: Friday, June 7, 2024

Release Time: Immediately Following the Freezer Sale

Rules:

1. Exhibitors will be allowed to show two (2) lambs; however, each Exhibitor will only be allowed to sell one (1) lamb unless this is in conflict with General Rule #5.
2. Only wether lambs can be shown, **NO EWES.**
3. The sale order will be determined by the Judge at the conclusion of the show. All the exhibitors **MUST** come back for Sale Order.
4. Lambs must weigh a minimum of 100 pounds at show weigh-in time to be eligible for show. There is no maximum weight limit placed on lambs. The weight of the animal at weigh-in time will be the official weight. Only lambs not meeting minimum requirement will exit scale and immediately reenter to be weighed again. If weight is not met, lambs are disqualified and must be removed from the fairgrounds by 9:00 p.m.
5. At official weigh-in, wether lambs will be weighed, with the exhibitor or parent present, without halters, blanket or socks.
6. All lambs must be show ring shorn prior to arrival at the fairgrounds. Exhibitors will be responsible for getting their lambs shorn. Cordless clippers may be used for legs and touch ups only.

7. The market lamb show will be broken into classes as evenly as possible by the chairman and committee. The number of lambs entered will determine the number of classes. This is a market lamb show. There will be no swapping out of lambs before or after the sale of the animal. The first place lambs of each class will compete for Grand Champion. The second place lamb of the class to which the Grand belongs will compete for Reserve Grand Champion. The Grand and Reserve Champion lambs must sell. 32% of the exhibitors weighing in lambs at weigh-in will be eligible for the premium sale (refer to rule #1 under premium sale).
8. No adhesive/glue, paint or fake hair can be used on lambs.
9. Showmanship classes will be on a volunteer basis.
 - Junior - 13 years and younger as of January 1, 2024
 - Senior - 14 years and older as of January 1, 2024
10. In Showmanship, Exhibitor must show their own animal and may not substitute for another lamb.
11. Exhibitors WILL NOT be allowed to use halter in the show ring unless prior approval has been granted by the committee and/or fair board.
12. All Exhibitors are responsible for the care of their lambs until they are loaded out and they must with be with their lambs at the time of load out.

MARKET GOAT SHOW

Chairman:	Larry Harvey Tammy Harvey	(979) 820-0907
Committee Members:	Kyndal Bohnert, Heather Harvey Wieghat, Milton Schroeder, Wanda Schroeder, Haden Sechelski and Tanner Wieghat	
Advisor:	Colton Sharpton	
Fair Board Advisor:	Colton McCulloch	
Entry Fee:	\$15.00 per head at tag-in. Shavings will be provided.	
Tag-In Date:	Tuesday, February 20, 2024	
Tag-In Time:	5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	
Tag In Location:	Grimes County Fairgrounds	
Registration Deadline:	Thursday, February 22, 2024 via ShoWorks	
Check-In Date:	Sunday, June 2, 2024	
Check-In Time:	6:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	
Weigh-In Time:	Sunday, June 2, 2024 by 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	
Judging Date:	Monday, June 3, 2024	
Judging Time:	30 minutes following the conclusion of the Lamb Sale Order.	

Non-Sale Animals & All Premium Sale Exhibitors Must Be Present

Release Date:	Friday, June 7, 2024
Release Time:	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Freezer Sale Goats

Release Date:	Friday, June 7, 2024
Release Time:	Immediately Following the Freezer Sale

Rules:

1. Exhibitors will be allowed to show two (2) goats, however, each Exhibitor will only be allowed to sell one (1) goat unless this is in conflict with General Rule #5.
2. Only wethers can be shown.
3. The sale order will be determined by the Judge at the conclusion of the show. All the exhibitors MUST come back for Sale Order.
4. If horned, the horns must be tipped (not less than the diameter of a dime at the end).
REMOVAL OF HORNS ON THE GROUNDS ARE NOT PERMITTED. NO SHARP POINTS.
5. All male goats must be castrated. This will be checked at the time of weigh-in by committee members.
6. The market goat show is open to all breeds and crosses.
7. Goats must weigh between 60 and 120 pounds to be eligible to show. Only goats that are over or under may exit the scale and immediately reenter to be weighed again. If weight is not met, goats are disqualified and must be removed from the fairgrounds by 9:00 p.m.
8. At official weigh-in, wether goats will be weighed, with the exhibitor or parent present, without halters/chains, blanket or socks.

9. No adhesive/glue, paint or fake hair can be used on goats.
10. The market goat show will be broken into classes as evenly as possible by the chairman and committee. The number of goat entries will determine the number of classes. If there are enough entries to make seven or more classes we will have three divisions.
11. In Showmanship, the exhibitor must show their own animal and may not substitute for another goat.
11. Showmanship classes will be on a voluntary basis. Showmanship will be divided into three groups:
 - a. Junior – 11 years and younger as of January 1, 2024
 - b. Intermediate – 12 to 14 as of January 1, 2024
 - c. Senior – 15 years and older as of January 1, 2024
12. 32% of the exhibitors turning in weight cards will be eligible for the premium sale (refer to rule #1 under premium sale).
13. It is mandatory that all goats be show ring clipped prior to arrival at the fairgrounds. Exhibitors will be responsible for getting their goats clipped. Cordless clippers may be used for legs and touch ups only.
14. Release slips will only be given after your area has been check for cleanliness by your chairman.
15. Exhibitors will be asked to share pens with other Exhibitors. Exhibitors may wish to bring panels which can be used to subdivide existing pens.
16. Once weighed in, all goats must remain in their assigned pen. This means there will be no swapping of pens or moving your animal to another area (such as a trailer) at any time.
17. No water buckets or feed buckets may be left in the pens until the show is complete Monday night.
18. If there is a problem with the GCFA validated ear tag, (ripped out/loss/missing) please notify the COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN immediately. The animal needs to be retagged at this time.
19. All Exhibitors are responsible for the care of their goats until they are loaded out and they must be with their goat at the time of load out.

FRYER-PEN RABBIT SHOW

Chairman:	Cheryl Fedor	936-222-3808
Committee Members:	Dylan Fedor, Kelli Hutka, Marcus Hutka, Brad Muchow, Sharia Stabler, Bonnie Stewart, Mariah Stabler and Autumn McEwen	
Advisor:	Kelvin Neal	
Fair Board Advisor:	Kaylee Leonard	
Entry Fee:	\$15.00 per pen at registration	
Voluntary Meeting:	Thursday, January 11, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m. @Go Texan Building Highly recommended for 1 st year exhibitors.	
Registration Deadline:	Thursday, January 25, 2024 by 7 p.m. via ShoWorks Meeting @ 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. in Go Texan Building. To discuss rule book, changes, confirm paperwork and collect entry fees.	
Breeding Date:	Saturday, February 19, 2024	
Tattoo – In Date:	Monday, April 29th, 2024 – Main Hall	
Tattoo- In Time:	5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	
Check – In Date:	Tuesday, June 4, 2024	
Check – In Time:	8:30 a.m.	
Judging Date:	Tuesday, June 4, 2024	
Judging Time:	10:00 a.m. Animals not eligible for sell must be removed within two hours following the completion of the show.	
Release Date & Time:	Tuesday, June 4, 2024	

The Rabbit show is operated by a committee of volunteers for the Grimes County Fair Association. They strive to have a well organized and well operated area and to uphold ARBA rules, regulations and standards. No abusive or derogatory language toward committee members will be tolerated. If the committee members and their volunteers are not treated with respect, the abusive person(s) will be asked to leave and the exhibitor associated with that person(s) will be disqualified.

Classes:

1. Purchased Rabbit
2. Bred Rabbit
3. Grand and Reserve Champion Rabbit
4. Senior Showmanship Ages 15 and older.
5. Intermediate Showmanship Ages 12 - 14
6. Junior Showmanship Ages 11 and younger
7. Single Fryer

Rules:

1. This is a youth show guided by A.R.B.A. rules. Elimination and disqualification are by A.R.B.A. rules and the general rules and regulations of the Grimes County Fair.
2. All eligible Grimes County 4-H and FFA members are qualified to compete.

3. Any Exhibitor can purchase a meat pen(s). When purchasing a meat pen, the Exhibitor must provide a breeding/kindle certificate from the breeder. Exhibitors must own their breeding does. Breeding does' tattoo numbers and breeder's information (for purchased pens) must be registered with the committee by the deadline date above at the Grimes County Fair Board. Forms provided by committee and online.
4. Exhibitor can show two (2) meat pens. Meat pens can be bred by the Exhibitor or purchased pen(s). Exhibitor can only show one (1) bred pen and one (1) purchased pen. (i.e. Exhibitor cannot show two (2) purchased pens). Rabbits within a purchased pen must all be from one breeder and weaned from the doe by the tattoo date. Exhibitors can tag in no more than 10 head for a purchased pen and 10 head for a bred pen.
5. Purchased pens will be judged in a separate category from Exhibitor bred stock.
6. Only one market rabbit pen will be eligible to sell unless this is in conflict with General Rule #5.
7. Premium sale entries will be broken down as follows: Bred Pens – 60% of the 32% will be eligible for the Premium Sale. Purchased Pens – 40% of the 32% will be eligible for the Premium Sale.
8. All participants/exhibitors must attend the two mandatory meetings in order to remain eligible for competition Family tag in is allow, please refer to general rule #14. The first mandatory meeting will be **January 25, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.** and then 2nd mandatory meeting on April 29, 2024 at the Grimes County Fair Grounds. This mandatory meeting is to discuss the rule book and its changes. All paperwork (W-9 form, liability form, Bred and Purchased forms) must be completed in ShoWorks by 7pm January 25, 2024. This information will be reviewed and confirmed at the meeting, as well as entry fees will be collected at this time. Each youth must fill out these forms to be eligible to compete. The second mandatory meeting will be on **April 29, 2024, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.** at the Grimes County Fair Grounds. At this mandatory meeting we will tattoo all eligible bunnies with the Grimes County Fair mark. Rabbit cages must have a bottom tray or rabbits will not be tattooed. NO CANINE/FELINE KENNELS. Personal ear tattoos will be offered at \$10.00 per pen.
9. Meat Pens: Three (3) rabbits of the same breed and variety plus (1) alternate not more than 75 days old and for each rabbit not to exceed five and one half (5-1/2) pounds, and not less than three and one half (3-1/2) pounds. There will be a 1-ounce weight tolerance. IF the rabbit is over/under weight or disqualified, it can be replaced with your alternative rabbit **present at the check in table**. No alternate will be accepted after weight in. NO sorting of rabbits will be allowed in the building.
10. Rabbits entered in the meat pen competition must be PERMANENTLY TATTOOED in the right ear with the Grimes County Fair mark and Permanently Tattooed by the exhibitor per A.R.B.A. rules in the left ear. Both ears must be marked to be eligible to show. NO SHARPIE MARKER OR ANY OTHER KIND OF INK OTHER THAN TATTOO INK WILL BE PERMITTED.

11. Each Exhibitor must place and remove rabbits from the table. Only in cases of extreme hardship and then only with a written letter to the Committee Chairman, will an Exhibitor be excused from showing an animal and being present at the sale.
12. The Grand and Reserve Champion exhibitors will be responsible for feeding and caring for their rabbits, and keeping the pen and surrounding areas clean at all times during the Fair. Exhibitors must furnish their own feed and clean fresh water for their pens.
13. Breeds accepted are California, New Zealand, Statin, Palomino, and Champagne D'Argent.
14. In submitting an entry of meat pens, Exhibitors agree to allow the rabbit to check the meat pen and doe. Exhibitors must contact a committee member the day their rabbits are born. Within 2-3 days a committee of no less than 2 will inspect the Doe and validate the litter was born at the appropriate time and to the registered doe. In the event that an issue arises a Fair Board member will be available to validate the litter. If the exhibitor cannot produce litter and doe OR the litter was not born within the 75 day age rule time frame, the entry will be sent back to the exhibitor. After the initial barn check of bred rabbits, the rabbit committee reserves the right to make random barn checks between birth and tattoo day. THIS APPLIES TO BRED PENS ONLY.
15. Rabbit cages must have a bottom tray or rabbits will be disqualified. NO CANINE/FELINE KENNELS.
16. All Contestants must wear proper attire including shirts tucked in and belt if needed. Tank tops, sleeveless shirts, T-shirts, shorts, mid-drift shirts and short shirts are not considered proper attire. For protection from scratches, long sleeves are recommended, but not mandatory. You must be in proper show attire by 8:30 a.m. check – in.
17. All sale rabbits will sell at the auction live. It will then be the responsibility of the Exhibitor to check with the buyer to see if he or she wants to take possession live or dressed, packaged and frozen. Delivery must be made within fourteen (14) days following the sale. Once delivered to the buyer, the buyer must sign a statement form (provided by GCFA) stating that they have been delivered. Then this statement form must be turned in with your thank you note by July 1st in order for you to receive your check.
18. After the show, the only rabbits to remain on the fairgrounds will be the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion pens. Release slips will only be given after your area has been checked for cleanliness by your committee chairman.
19. Delivery slips must be picked up by the Exhibitor on the day of show.
20. Delivery slips must be mailed back along with Thank you cards to P O Box 630, Anderson, TX 77830.
21. Drug testing of Grand and Reserve Champion along with one random will be conducted following the conclusion of the show. Exhibitors need to be prepared with food and water for the rabbits to stay overnight.

22. Tampering and/or misrepresentation as to the age, ownership and any other irregularity in showing will be considered fraud and deception. The rabbit chairman may disqualify any exhibitor based on fraud and deception, **and proof thereof**, and the entry/entries will be sent back to the exhibitor. The exhibitor may also forfeit premiums won, and/or lose rights and privileges to enter the rabbit show in the future.
23. Single Fryer Rabbits – Exhibitor can enter a limit of 1 @ 5.00 per entry
- a. All entries in this division will be subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the Grimes County Fair.
 - b. An entry shall consist of a single fryer rabbit weighing not less than 3.5 pounds and not more than 5.5 pounds with a scale tolerance of 1 ounce.
 - c. No rabbit entered in the single fryer show may have already been placed in the market rabbit sale order.
 - d. All entries must have validation tattoo administered at the time of the market rabbit validation.
 - e. Single fryer rabbit check-in will be held at the same time as the market rabbit check-in on day of show.
 - f. Belt buckles and rosettes will be awarded to Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Fryer Rabbits.
 - g. Ribbons will be awarded for third through tenth place.
 - h. The single fryer rabbit show will begin immediately following the market rabbit show.
 - i. All cages must have bottoms. NO CANINE/FELINE KENNELS.
 - j. Single fryer WILL NOT be going to sale, either premium or freezer.

MARKET SWINE SHOW

Chairman: Meribeth Shimshack (936) 870-5085
Pierce Key (979) 690-0884
Kari Lynn Eisenman (936) 825-5311

Committee Members: Rodney Floyd, Quinn Hansen, Terra Hansen,
Edward Hulsman, Richard Mills, Billy McKinney,
Jennifer McKinney and Megan Schroeder

Advisor: Corey Ferguson

Fair Board Advisor: Kelley Bohnert

Entry Fee: \$15.00 each at tag-in

Tag-In Date: Tuesday, March 19, 2024

Tag-In Time: 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Tag in Location: Grimes County Fairgrounds

Registration Deadline: Thursday, March 21, 2024 via ShoWorks

Check-In Date: Sunday, June 2, 2024

Move-In/weigh-In Time: 6:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Classify: Sunday, June 2, 2024 at 4:00 p.m to 6:00 p.m.

Judging Date: Tuesday, June 4, 2024

Judging Time: 6:00 p.m.

Non-Sale Animals & All Premium Sale Exhibitors Must Be Present

Release Date: Friday, June 7, 2024

Release Time: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Freezer Sale Animals

Release Date: Friday, June 7, 2024

Release Time: Immediately Following the Freezer Sale

Classes:

1. Yorkshire – O.P.B.
2. Duroc
3. Hampshire
4. Crossbreed

Order of the show will be determined on the show date. Smallest breed will be shown last.

Showmanship Classes:

Showmanship will be divided into three groups:

- a. Junior – 11 years and younger as of January 1, 2024
- b. Intermediate – 12 to 14 as of January 1, 2024
- c. Senior – 15 years and older as of January 1, 2024

Exhibitors may show two swine, but you are only eligible to sell one unless in conflict with general rule #5

Rules:

1. Only two (2) pigs per Exhibitor may be unloaded and penned when pigs are brought in on move-in date.
2. Swine must weigh between 230 and 290 pounds with a 5 lbs. tolerance to be eligible to show. Swine will be weighed on Sunday, June 2, 2024 from 6:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon upon arrival to the fairgrounds. Swine will be unloaded and immediately go to the scale to weigh. Only swine that are over or under may exit the scale and immediately enter the second scale to be weighed again. If weight is not met, swine are disqualified and must be removed immediately.
3. Exhibitors will present a card with Exhibitor name, ear tag number and desired breed classification. Weight will be entered on card by Swine Committee once on scale. Swine will be classified at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 2, 2024.
4. Swine will be unloaded from the trailer and enter scales either by the exhibitor and/or parent or legal guardian to be weighed.
5. To constitute a breed there must be at least eight (8) head. If there is less than eight (8) head for a breed those swine will go into the O.P.B. A minimum of six (6) will be required to make a weight class and multiples of six (6) to make more classes. The swine committee will make available to all Exhibitors the number of weight classes and specific weights of each breed division following the weigh-in of all swine at the show. Once classes are posted no changes will be made unless there is a typing error.

Example: 10 Durocs = 1 weight class
 12 Durocs = 2 weight classes

1. All Exhibitors are responsible for the care of their swine until they are loaded out and they must be with their swine at the time of load out.
2. Gilts and barrows may be shown in the Market Classes.
3. The use of talc and oils or any foreign material will not be permitted. Only WATER may be used AT TIME OF SHOW.
4. All Swine must be show ring clipped upon arrival to the fairgrounds. Cordless clippers may be used for touch up only. Absolutely no snaring will be permitted.
5. A percentage of each class will be sold. The percentage will be determined by dividing the number of swine that sell by total number of entries after weigh-in. The judge will determine the rotation of breeds for the sale order.

PEE WEE DIVISION

Chairman: **Lindsey Schroeder** **(936) 870-7658**
 Tina Schroeder **(936) 825-5966**

Committee Member: **Beverly Hayes**

Fair Board Advisor: **Kaylee Leonard**

Entry form and Entry fee due: May 1, 2024 via ShoWorks
\$5.00 per Exhibitor (not per species shown)

Pee Wee Show Time:

- Pee Wee Goat, Lamb, Rabbits and Swine Show - **Wednesday, June 5, 2024 at 8:00 a.m.**

NO LATE Entries will be accepted!!

Rules:

1. Pee Wee classes will be for Exhibitors between the ages of 2 – 8 years old.
2. The Pee Wee Exhibitor can only exhibit an animal that is exhibited during our fair.
3. All Exhibitors will be responsible for finding their own animals to show.
4. Adults may accompany a Pee Wee Exhibitor, but the Exhibitor **MUST** be able to walk.
5. Exhibitors must be a county resident or attend a county school.
6. Entries will not be placed.
7. There will be three (3) age divisions in swine, goats and lambs.
 - a. 2 – 3 year olds
 - b. 4 – 5 year olds
 - c. 6 – 8 year olds

AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS PROJECT SHOW

Chairman: Edgar Oncken (979) 324-3324
Clay Oncken (979) 450-9955

Committee: Chris Finke, Richard Ingram, and Billy Padgett

Advisors: Corey Ferguson and Colton Stallings

Fair Board Advisor: Erick Compian

Entry Fee: \$15.00 per entry via ShoWorks by May 1, 2024. No late entries will be accepted.

Registration Deadline: Completed online ShoWorks entry due Monday, May 1, 2024.

All Fair Raffle tickets deadlines and requirements must be met in order to participate. If you even think that you may be interested in showing an ag mechanic project, make sure that you meet these expectations or you WILL NOT be allowed to show.

Check-In Date: Sunday, June 2, 2024

Check-In Time: 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Judging Date: Wednesday, June 5, 2024

Judging Time: 2:00 p.m.

Release Date: Immediately after the conclusion of the Ag Mechanics show with the exception of those selling in the premium sale. Remaining sale projects will be released on Friday morning from 8:00 a.m.– 10:00 a.m. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to make delivery arrangements with their buyer.

Age Divisions:

Junior Division – 13 years and younger as of January 1, 2024
Senior Division – 14 years and older as of January 1, 2024

Awards:

Champion and Reserve Champion from each age division will be awarded. Overall Grand and Reserve Champion will be selected from Division champions. Belt Buckle for Showmanship

Rules:

1. Entries will be made on-line under ShoWorks by May 1, 2024. NO LATE entries will be allowed. **All Fair Raffle tickets deadlines and requirements must be met in order to participate. If you even think that you may be interested in showing an ag mechanic project to make sure that you meet these expectations or you WILL NOT be allowed to show.**
2. A project can be exhibited only one time at the Grimes County Fair and must have been constructed within one calendar year of the exhibition date. Projects entered in other contest (i.e. Houston, Waco) are eligible to be entered, provided they meet all requirements.

3. All projects must be painted or properly treated, must be clean and in a presentable condition even though they may have been used.
4. A working plan or drawing, a bill of materials, and pictures (8 minimum) documenting your progress are required with each project.
5. Projects may be entered as individual or group constructed.
6. Every precaution will be taken to protect the projects entered; however, neither the Grimes County Fair Association nor the officials of this division will be responsible for any losses or damage to projects.
7. The Danish system will be used in judging the projects.
8. Projects will be judged on:
 - a. Workmanship 30 points
 - b. Design and Material Used 20 points
 - c. Practicality 20 points
 - d. Degree of Difficulty 20 points
 - e. Finish 10 points

Awards: Blue, Red and White Ribbons, six division champion rosettes will be given. Awards will be presented to the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion projects.

Blue	90 – 100 points
Red	80 – 89 points
White	70 – 79 points

9. 32 % of Ag Mechanics projects that check in and are shown at the fair will be eligible to sell at the Premium Sale (refer to rule #1 under Premium Sale). If the project is entered as an individual project, then the Exhibitor must make a choice and will only be able to sell one project in the Premium Sale if they should have more than one eligible (example – if the Exhibitor has an eligible steer and an eligible ag mechanic’s project, they must choose which to sell). However, if the project is checked in as a group project, it will not interfere with an individual member of the group selling a MARKET project in the sale. NOTE: If the project is entered as a group the money raised at auction will be dispersed equally between all members of the group unless the sales committee chairman is notified in writing by the groups’ advisor no later than Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. as to how the money is to be split amongst the group members.

Classes:

Agricultural Machinery and Equipment:

1. Hay Handling Equipment
2. Spraying Equipment
3. Mounted and Pull Type Tractor Equipment
4. Hydraulic Equipment
5. Shop Equipment
6. Truck, Tractor and Agriculture Equipment Accessories

Electrical Equipment:

7. Show and Livestock Equipment
8. Shop Tools and Equipment

Livestock Equipment Class:

9. Gates and Livestock Panels
10. Squeeze Chutes and Restraining Equipment
11. Trim Chutes, Block Stands and Livestock Crates
12. Head Gates
13. Feeders
14. Other Livestock Equipment

Trailers:

15. Bumper Pull Utility and Stock Trailers
16. Multi – Bale Trailers
17. Gooseneck Utility and Stock Trailers

Bar – B – Que Pits:

18. Stationary Cookers
19. Mobile Cookers
20. Smokers

Miscellaneous:

21. Wood Projects
22. Electrical Projects
23. Metal Projects

GRIMES COUNTY COMMERCIAL HEIFER PEN OF 3 DIVISION

Chairman:	Charlene Moriarty	(936) 825-4876
	Neal Schuleman	(936) 870-6385
Co-Chairman:	Billy Padgett	(979) 204-6718
Committee Members:	Codi Waneck, Kent Fisher, Meagan Moriarty, Thomas Moriarty Jessica Nemir, Sharon Robertson and Tanya Schuleman	
Advisor:	Corey Ferguson	
Fair Board Advisor:	Kaylee Leonard	
Tag-In:	November 27, 2023	
Tag-In Time:	5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	
Location:	Mid Tex Livestock Auction	
Registration Deadline:	Thursday, November 30, 2023 via ShoWorks	
Final Palpation:	May 20, 2024	
Palpation Time:	6:00 p.m. Must be in line by 7:30 p.m.	
Location:	Mid Tex Livestock Auction	
Arrival:	Tuesday, June 4, 2024 between 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.	
Show Date:	Wednesday, June 5, 2024	
Judging Time:	9:00 a.m. Cattle will be judged	
Record Book:	Books are due upon arrival on Tuesday, June 4, 2024	
Interview/Presentation:	Interviews and presentations will be held during the judging of the cattle, beginning at 8:30 a.m. You will draw for your interview/presentation order at cattle check-in on Tuesday, June 4, 2024.	
Awards:	Tentatively 2:00 p.m. in the Steer Show Arena	
Sale Date:	32 % of the exhibitors will sell (refer to rule #1 under premium sale). Three heifers per pen at three times the bid price will sell in the Premium Sale rotation on Thursday, June 6, 2024 . The remaining pens may sell in the freezer sale on Friday, June 7, 2024 .	
Entry Fee:	\$15 per head. Each Exhibitor must tag-in a minimum of 3 heifers Family tag-in is not allowed.	

Rules:

1. Entries in this show must be residents of Grimes County or attend a Grimes County School and be a bona fide 4-H and FFA members of Grimes County and meet all meeting and attendance requirements set forth by the fair board and respective 4-H and FFA organizations. They must be certified by a Grimes County Extension Agent or Agricultural Science Teacher.
2. Crossbred heifers are desired but purebred heifers will be permitted to show provided they meet the requirements of the Division.

3. Exhibitors must check in a minimum of three (3) head with no maximum number of head per exhibitor. Exhibitors may use the cattle tagged-in to individual exhibitors to form a maximum of two (2) pens of pen of three heifers for that Exhibitor to exhibit. Immediate family is not allowed to pool cattle. However, only one pen per Exhibitor will be allowed to sale in the premium or freezer sale unless they are both Grand and Reserve Champion.
4. Each heifer must be naturally polled or dehorned by the initial check in date. All heifers must be calf hood vaccinated and carry the metal brucellosis tag and or brucellosis tattoo. All tagged in heifers should be vaccinated for Lepto, Vibrio, IBR complex and 8-way Blackleg. All heifers must meet Texas Animal Health Commission regulations and must have a current and valid Health Certificate upon entry to the Grimes County Fairgrounds. Health papers will be picked up from veterinarian by the committee and distributed to the Exhibitors.
5. At initial check in, all heifers must be of breeding age but not past 2 years of age. Age will be determined at initial check-in by a person deemed qualified to do so by the Fair Board of Directors or Pen of 3 Committee at the exhibitor's expense. Cattle with permanent teeth will be disqualified.
6. All cattle will be checked for pregnancy at the final check-in. If cattle are found to be open, Exhibitors may request a blood test be run at their expense. Pens may show and sell.
7. Every exhibitor will be able to show a set of three heifers whether they are bred or open.
8. No pen containing an open heifer will place higher than a Pen with all heifers bred.
Placement of heifers for premium/freezer sale: Set of three bred heifers will place before a pen of heifers that have two heifers bred and one heifer open. Set of two bred and one open heifers will place before set of heifers that have one bred and two open heifers. Set of heifers that have one bred and two open heifers place before set of heifers that are all open.
9. Commercial heifer entries are highly encouraged to come from producers in Grimes or surrounding counties.
10. Heifers cannot be added or switched after the initial check in date.
11. Pen assignments will be made by the committee and names will not be displayed above the assigned pen until after cattle have been judged. No livestock is permitted in pen assignments and/or alley ways except pen of three (3) heifers.
12. Exhibitors are required to submit a record book for competition using the Grimes County Commercial Pen of 3 Heifer Show record book guidelines. All record books will be evaluated by judges and Exhibitors will be interviewed on show day. Final placing will be determined using the following percentages:
Cattle placing 50%
Record book 20%
Interviews 30%
Official placing will be announced tentatively at 2:00 p.m. in the cattle show arena on **Wednesday, June 5, 2024.**
13. Grand, Reserve and a random pen will be drug tested.
14. All heifers will be released according to the release rules set for market animals. All premium sale will be released Friday morning 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. and any pens selling in the freezer sale will be released immediately following the sale on Friday night.

15. If you or your immediate family choose to purchase your pen of heifers back, you may do so; however, you must pay for your heifers in FULL and then you will receive your sale check minus all deductions at the same time as other exhibitors.
16. The Grimes County Commercial Heifer Pen of 3 Show committee reserves the right to amend these rules with the approval of the Grimes County Fair Board of Directors.
17. All heifers entered in this program and sold become property of the buyer and will remain sold.
18. There will be no harassment of the judge or veterinarian prior to, during, or after the show. The judge(s) will give reasons for the placing and that will be considered adequate explanation of the placing.
19. This program is designed to be educational and beneficial to the youth of Grimes County. Any parent or Exhibitor who does not adhere to the rules pertaining to the commercial heifer show maybe banned for a period of one (1) year from exhibition in this program, upon review by the committee and fair board.
20. In the event that an Exhibitor's heifer(s) loses an official Grimes County Commercial Heifer Pen of 3 tag, it is the responsibility to notify the committee so the heifer may be re-tagged.
21. Heifers must be in the Exhibitors' possession by the initial check-in date.
22. Exhibitors must abide by the premium and freezer sale rule pertaining to the buyer thank you note.
23. Herdsman Award for top point earner between Interview and Record book, weighted 50/50. Actual award to be determined later.

MARKET STEER SHOW

Chairman:	Ashley Andruss	(936) 661-3810
Committee Members:	Jillian Burzynski, Greg Goudeau, Larry Harvey, Tammy Harvey, Vickie Haynie, Debby Kimich, Jennifer McKinney and Melanie Nixon	
Advisor:	Corey Ferguson	
Fair Board Advisor:	Duane Ermis	
Entry Fee:	\$15.00 each at tag-in	
Initial Tag – In Date:	Monday, December 4, 2023	
Initial Tag – In Time:	5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	
Initial Tag – In Location:	Navasota Livestock Auction	
Registration Deadline:	Wednesday, December 6, 2023 via ShoWorks	
May Classification Date:	Sunday, May 5, 2024	
May Classification Time:	4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Steers must be unloaded and tied under the barn by 4:00 p.m.	
Classification Location:	Grimes County Fairgrounds	
Move – In Date:	Sunday, June 2, 2024	
Move – In Time:	6:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	
Weigh – In Time:	Sunday, June 2, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.	
Judging Date:	Wednesday, June 5, 2024	
Judging Time:	7:00 p.m.	

Non-Sale Animals & All Premium Sale Exhibitors Must Be Present

Release Date:	Friday, June 7, 2024
Release Time:	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Freezer Sale Steers

Release Date:	Friday, June 7, 2024
Release Time:	Immediately Following the Freezer Sale

Classes:

1. American X Steers
2. Champion American
3. English X Steers
4. Champion English
5. European X Steers
6. Champion European
7. Grand Champion Steer
8. Reserve Champion Steer
9. Showmanship (Volunteer Basis)
 - a. Senior – 15 years and older as of January 1, 2024
 - b. Intermediate – 12 to 14 years as of January 1, 2024
 - b. Junior – 11 years and younger as of January 1, 2024

Rules:

1. Steers will be classified by division at the May Classification.
2. Steers must weigh a minimum of 1000 lbs. at the time of June weigh-in. Only steers not meeting minimum requirement will exit scale and immediately reenter to be weighed again. If weight is not met, steers are disqualified and must be removed from the fairgrounds by 9:00 p.m.
3. Each Exhibitor's calf or calves must be present at the initial tag in and May classification, which are mandatory to be eligible to show at the fair.
4. Classification will be held May 5, 2024, ALL steers must be unloaded and tied under the barns by 4:00 p.m. Exhibitors or representative need to remain by their steer until steer has been classified.
5. Each Exhibitor and steer will be required to attend **one mandatory** showmanship clinic. One of the showmanship clinics will be held in conjunction with the May classification. The second date will be announced at a later time.
6. There will be three classes of steers: American Crossed, English Crossed and European Cross. The Exhibitor may declare the breed that the Exhibitor feels the steer should be classified however; final determination of breed classification will be made by the classifiers appointed by the Steer Committee. Breed determination is based on visible steer characteristics only. Breed classification will be based on the State classification guidelines set forth by the Texas Animal Industries Committee. The steers will be placed in their respective divisions at the May classification. There must be a minimum of 5 steers classified into each class to have that particular breed class.
7. Exhibitors may tag-in as many steers as desired; however, each Exhibitor will only be allowed to show two steers. Only one (1) steer will be eligible to sell unless this is in conflict with General Rule #5.
8. The Grand and Reserve Overall Champion Steer must sell. The sale order will be determined by the judge, whereby the best steers in the show will participate in the premium sale. Grand Champions of each breed will automatically be placed at the beginning of the sale order. Reserve Breed Champions will be guaranteed a premium sale slot if there are 10 steers in their respective breed. Reserve Breed Champions will not be guaranteed a specific sale slot, only a slot in the premium sale. If the Reserve Breed Champion is not selected in sale order before the last sale slot then it will automatically be placed in the last sale slot.
9. Classes will be divided as evenly as possible by weight, by the steer committee at the June weigh-in.
10. No change of major color pattern of the animal, by painting or dying, will be allowed.
11. Any grooming material that allows color to come off from any animal will not be allowed. Any Exhibitor in violation of this rule will be disqualified.
12. Exhibitors must be in control of their steer at all times during the judging. If an Exhibitor cannot control his/her steer the judge will have the discretion to ask the Exhibitor to tie his/her steer to the rail of the show arena.

13. The showing of unethically fitted livestock is prohibited. Unethical fitting shall be deemed to mean any physical or physiological attempt to alter the natural conformation, musculature of any animal by use of injections or foreign material not conducive to the continued health of the steer or marketability of the steer carcasses.
14. All steers must be clipped to have no more than $\frac{1}{4}$ of an inch of hair on any part of the Animal's body. The only exception will be the tail switch. The switch may be ratted and balled or may be bobbed off. Steers will be checked by a designee appointed by the Steer Committee at the June weigh-in. The appointed designee will check the hair with an appropriately marked measuring tool. All steers not conforming to this rule will be given 24 hours to re-clip to the written clipping violations as prescribed by the steer committee. Violation of this rule will result in disqualification. Parents and Exhibitors must stay around your stall until the steer committee has completed their hair check.
15. Only exhibitors and their calf will be allowed in the holding area for their respective class.
16. All Exhibitors are responsible for the care of their steer until they are loaded out and they must be with their steer at the time of load out.
17. **Animal/Exhibitor Disqualification:** For purposes of promoting fair competition and protecting the safety of food, the showing of unethically fitted livestock and/or animals being administered unapproved drugs is strictly prohibited. Additionally, any animal that has been administered a drug that is FDA approved but prevents for its species is subject to disqualification if that animal tests positive for that drug while on the Grimes County Fairgrounds. All animals must remain free of all drug and chemical residues while on the show grounds that restricts slaughter of the animal according to FDA guidelines.
 - a. **Unethical Fitting:** Unethical fitting means any attempt to alter the natural appearance, conformation or musculature of any animal by any unnatural means, including but not limited to use of injections, draining of fluids, bruising, surgical alteration, and artificially filling by stomach pumping or airing injections. Animals showing signs of being unethically fitted will be subject to disqualification.
 - b. **Unapproved Drug Use:** Showing any animal that has been administered during its life any quantity of any unapproved drug, chemical or medication is strictly prohibited. Such drugs include, but are not limited to, any diuretic, unapproved growth stimulant or other unapproved medication. Unapproved means not approved by the FDA or USDA for slaughter animals including animals that may be destined for human consumption.
 - c. **Approved Drug Use:** If an animal has been administered a drug that is FDA and USDA approved for its species and class it **MUST** be eligible for slaughter under FDA guidelines upon entry the Grimes County Fair grounds and remain in that condition for the entire length of the Fair. Any traces or residues prohibiting immediate slaughter of any animal are strictly prohibited and can result in disqualification of project and/or exhibitor from any fair participation.
18. June Weigh-In will start at 1:00 P.M. We will go row order determined by the Steer committee until all steers are weighed. We will give a final announcement that scales are closing within 10 minutes.

GRIMES COUNTY FAIR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Chairman: Lindsey Schroder (936) 870-7658

Committee members: Haley Warzon-Morgan (936) 419-1917

Uniform Application & Rules for
GCFA, Bull Buck Out and Albert Schroeder Memorial Fund Scholarships

Submit applications via Google Form.

1. Each applicant must meet all requirements to be considered for a Scholarship.
2. Applications must be submitted via Google Forms by March 31, 2024.
3. Applicants must be a 2024 graduating senior living in or attending school in Grimes County.
4. Applicants must be an active member in good standing with a Grimes County 4-H, FFA or FCCLA.
5. Applicants must have exhibited animals and/or in the Creative Arts Division and/or Agricultural Mechanics at the Grimes County Fair. Applicants must participate in the 2024 Grimes County Fair and have participated for a minimum of three (3) prior years in the Grimes County Fair.
6. Selection of the recipient will be based on scholastic standing, leadership, citizenship, Interview performance, and Fair participation in 4-H, FFA or FCCLA.
8. Applicants must provide proof of acceptance into a college, university or trade school in the designated area in the Google Form.
8. A **copy** of applicant's official high school transcript must accompany the application.
9. It is mandatory that the scholarship recipient attend college, university or a trade school within one year immediately following graduation or the scholarship will be forfeited.
10. The recipient must be enrolled as a full time student and completing/taking twelve (12) hours or more per semester in a college, university, or trade school in Texas.
11. The funds will be disbursed directly to the College, University or Trade School once the following have been provided.
 - a. Copy of his/her Schedule
12. Applicants 'on-line presence (social media) subject to review.
13. All applicants must plan to attend the Scholarship Presentation at 5:30 PM, Thursday, June 6th, 2024 prior to the Premium Sale. **NO announcement of scholarship winners will be made prior to this presentation.**

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Lions Club

- 1967 – Mary Beth Schroeder and Ricky Schroeder
- 1968 –
- 1969 – Lori Wichman and Lonnie Mitchell

Fair

- 1970 – Doris Walkoviak, Shirley Love, and Jerry Lane Sr.
- 1971 – Amy Schroeder and Billy Bob Spears
- 1972 – Gwen Bowen and Morris Surface
- 1973 – Charles Leiber, Milton Schroeder and Beverly Schroeder
- 1974 – Cheryl Bowen and Charles Neal Wellman
- 1975 – Debbie Wichman and Jack Anthony Bowen
- 1976 – Lisa Busa and Curtis Darby
- 1977 – Daniel Surface and Gail Holt
- 1978 – Car Carrell and Karen Bowen
- 1979 – Suzanne Lara and Douglas Calhoun

In 1980 the scholarship split with an Agriculture and Home Economics individual winners.

Agriculture

- 1980 – Grady McGuire
- 1981 – Brenda Schroeder
- 1982 – Joseph Reznicek
- 1983 – Lee Essman Jr.
- 1984 – Michael Wrobleski
- 1985 – Roxanne Henderson
- 1986 – Martin Wenzel
- 1987 – Kelli Key
- 1988 – Patti Urbanosky
- 1989 – Leslie Matejicek
- 1990 – Kathy Kettler
- 1991 – William Schroeder
- 1992 – Vickie Schroeder
- 1993 – Scott Ashorn
- 1994 – Holly Yaeger
- 1995 – Colt Yorek
- 1996 – Travis Cleere
- 1997 – Justin White
- 1998 – Kassie Devillier
- 1999 – Kade Devillier
- 2000 – Stephanie Schroeder
- 2001 – Brandi Fowler

Home Economics

- Glenda Holt
- Larry J. Salerno
- Kathy Carrell
- Brenda Taylor
- Ginger Vasek
- Vicki Bushman
- Debra Freeman
- Dana Kolbasinski
- Travis Bushman
- Leslie Minor
- Laura Sopchak
- Kelley Schroeder
- Kevin Busa
- Jason Busa
- Danielle Perry
- Brandi Fowler
- Britney Fowler
- Karrie Spradlin
- Kellie McGee
- Bryan Beard
- Ashley Karonka
- Lindsey Laster

In 2002 the overall highpoint scholarships were dissolved and four (4) individual scholarships were created to be awarded to no more than four (4) high school seniors.

2002 – Brandi Fowler and Rebecca Wendt

2003 – Kirby Copley, Katelyn Schuleman, Blaine Trant and Colt Yorek

2004 – Bryan Beard, Amanda Lamascus, Kellie McGee and Jessie Renfroe

2005 – Sarah Andrews, Jason Clary, Mallory Molitor and Jessica Rodgers

2006 – Lacy Muntean and Loren Schroeder

2007 – Casey Galvan, Leigh Ann Sajewski, Jarret Sechelski and Lexi Wheaton

2008 – Artisha Douglas, Samantha Hock, Joel Ruen and Lance Schroeder

2009 – Heather Harvey, Ashley Kurten, Landon Rabun and Kassi Warzon

2010 – Emily Hibner, Rachel Lange, Monica Mitchell and Hillary Trant

2011 – Macy Moriarty, Megan Moriarty, Megan Schroeder and Jayme Timm

2012 – Colton Harris, Logan Kroll, Raelyn Johnson and Aran Lambert

2013 – Whitney Dalton, Forrest Fisher, Will Imhoff, John Kay, D'Lynn Sechelski,
Jacob Sechelski, Kelly Strahan and Lee Walla

2014 – Alea Carrell, Nickayla Floyd, Crystal Serres and Savanah Wisnoski

2015 – Kaleigh Evans, Bailey Imhoff, Will Mallett and Trenton Moy

2016 – Kelsie Eisenman, Kayla Hansen, Laural Hansen and Kristin Keally

2017 – Cheyenne Kuta, Kaylee Leonard, Colton Spinks and Eric Welch

2018 – Trent Clark, Hallie Eisenman, Cody Harris and Hailey Mallett

2019 – Hannah Atkinson, Kirstie Busa, Landry Cunningham and McKenna Pavelock

2020 – Fallon Frenzel, Brealyn McKinney and Drew Wagner

2021 - Kyndal Bohnert, Zane Moriarty, Clay Oncken and Landon Stem

2022 – Wyatt Akers, Autumn Atkinson, Jenna McDougald and Alyssa Phelps

2023 – Ryan Buenger, Hannah Abraham, Avery Hulsman and Avery McKinney

GRIMES COUNTY BEEF HEIFER SCHOLARSHIP/HIGH POINT INDIVIDUAL

Chairman: **Patti Ermis** **(936) 870-6410**
 Sharon Robertson **(979) 777-5635**

Committee Members: **Braden House and Neal Schuleman**

Advisor: **Corey Ferguson**
Fair Board Advisor: **Kaylee Leonard**

One \$1,500.00 scholarship will be awarded to the High Point individual of the Grimes County Fair Beef Division, per available funds raised by Grimes County Beef Heifer Committee.

Rules:

1. An Exhibitor will be allowed to win the scholarship only one time. If the High Point individual has previously won the scholarship, the scholarship will go to the next eligible Exhibitor in accordance to point standing.
2. If an Exhibitor wins the scholarship before finishing high school, the scholarship will be deposited into a savings account and left until he/she graduated from high school. The Grimes County Fair Association Scholarship Fund will accumulate and retain all interest earned.
3. Applicants must submit a W-9 form.
4. It is mandatory that the scholarship recipient attend college, university or a trade school within one year immediately following graduation or the scholarship will be forfeited.
5. The recipient must be enrolled as a full time student and completing/taking twelve (12) hours or more per semester in a college, university, or trade school in Texas.
6. The funds will be disbursed directly to the College, University or Trade School once the following is provided.
 - a. Copy of his/her Schedule
7. Each Exhibitor will be allowed to earn points on four eligible beef heifers and showmanship in the In-County Beef Heifer Show.

Point Spread for Heifers

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>
1 – 4 Head	20	15	10	5		
5 or More	30	25	20	15	10	5
Showmanship Per Division	30	25	20	15	10	5

8. Eligible heifers for scholarship points:
 - a. Must be in the Exhibitor's name by April 1, 2024.
9. Points will be awarded accordingly.
 - a. Champion of each breed will be awarded an additional five (5) points.
 - b. Reserve Champion of each breed will be awarded an additional three (3) points.
 - c. Division Champion will be awarded an additional five (5) points.
 - d. Reserve Division Champion will be awarded an additional three (3) points.
 - e. Overall Champion will be awarded an additional five (5) points.
 - f. Reserve Overall Champion will be awarded an additional three (3) points.
10. In the event of a tie the tie breaker will be determined on the number of first places followed by the number of second places.

Beef Division High Point

1996 – Scott Ashorn
 1997 – Colt Yorek
 1998 – Colt Yorek
 1999 – Shauna Schuleman
 2000 – Justin White
 2001 – Colt Yorek
 2002 – Kara Finch
 2003 – Karl Muntean
 2004 – Kassie Devillier
 2005 – Forrest Fisher
 2006 – Brian J. Busse
 2007 – Kara Finch
 2008 – Tyler Choiniere
 2009 – Taylor Green
 2010 – Hillary Trant
 2011 – Hunter Combs
 2012 – Landon Stem
 2013 – Reece Wrobleski
 2014 – Saige Combs
 2015 – Landon Stem
 2016 – Landon Stem
 2017 – Demi Harrington
 2018 - Demi Harrington
 2019 - Landon Stem
 2020 - Demi Harrington
 2021 - Demi Harrington
 2022 - Demi Harrington
 2023 - Wyatt Tackett

GCBC Scholarship Winner

Scott Ashorn
 Colt Yorek
 Kassie Devillier
 Shauna Schuleman
 Justin White
 Stephanie Kimich
 Kara Finch
 Karl Muntean
 Curtis Finch
 Forrest Fisher
 Brian J. Busse
 Belinda Lane
 Tyler Choiniere
 Taylor Green
 Hillary Trant
 Hunter Combs
 Landon Stem
 Reece Wrobleski
 Saige Combs
 Ryan Wrobeski, Demi Harrington
 Kaylee Leonard
 Carson Carter
 Bodie Wrobleski
 Kaden Leonard
 Kailee Gosse
 Wyatt Tackett
 Trace Trant
 Ethan Mikulin

ALBERT SCHROEDER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Committee Members: Mildred Schroeder, Ricky Schroeder, Brenda Schroeder,
Loren Burns and Megan Schroeder (936) 873-2209

Rules:

1. At least one \$500 scholarship will be awarded annually until memorial funds are exhausted with an option to award a maximum of two scholarships each year.
2. Recipient of the Scholarship will be a Swine Exhibitor with a minimum of 3 years swine participation at the Grimes County Fair.
3. Complete the Uniform Grimes County Fair Association Scholarship form via Google Forms by the due date for the General Fair Scholarship. Rules and conditions of the General Fair Scholarship will govern this scholarship.

2013 - Kelly Strahan

2014 - Riley McKinney

2015 - Brennan Imhoff

2016 - Kayla Hansen

2017 - Colton Spinks

2018 - Lauren Wheaton

2019 - Shelby Lero

2020 - Brealyn McKinney

2021 - Lacey Wheaton

2022 - Haley Sutton

2023 – Avery McKinney

FAIR QUEEN SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship Committee: Fair Board Directors

A Scholarship of \$2,500 will be awarded to the Grimes County Fair Queen for that respective year.

Rules:

1. A girl will be eligible to win the award only one time.
2. Applicants must submit a W-9 form.
3. If the Fair Queen wins the scholarship before finishing high school, the scholarship will be deposited into a savings account and left until she graduates from high school. The Grimes County Fair Association Scholarship Fund will accumulate and retain all interest earned.
4. It is mandatory that the scholarship recipient attend college, university or a trade school within one year immediately following graduation or the scholarship will be forfeited.
5. The recipient must be enrolled as a full-time student and completing/taking twelve (12) hours or more per semester in a college, university, or trade school in Texas.
6. The funds will be disbursed directly to the College, University or Trade School once the following are provided.
 - a. Copy of her Schedule

CREATIVE ARTS YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP AND HIGH POINT AWARDS

Chairman: **Melissa Wilson**

Committee Members: **John Dockery**

Fair Board Advisor: **Duane Ermis**

One \$1000.00 scholarship, sponsored by the Grimes County Evening Lions Club, will be awarded to the high school Senior, of the Grimes County Fair in the Creative Arts Division. Three awards will also be given to the High Point Individuals in the Senior, Junior and Pee Wee Divisions.

Youth Scholarship

1. The scholarship may be used to defray the expenses of books, tuition, fees, room and board in furthering his/her education.
2. A boy or girl will be eligible to win the scholarship only one time and must be living in Grimes County or attending school as a high school senior in Grimes County.
3. The cash award will not be made until all of the above rules and regulations have been complied with.
4. If it becomes necessary that changes in the rules and regulations should be made, the youth scholarship committee will make necessary changes, with the approval of the Fair Board.
5. The point system governing the selection of the winner will be set by the scholarship committee and is attached.

Pee Wee, Junior and Senior Division High Point Awards

1. Using the point system attached the high point individual of the Pee Wee, Junior and Senior Divisions will be awarded a special high point award (i.e. Belt Buckle, etc.)
2. All winners will be expected to write thank you notes to their award sponsors. These Thank you notes must be mailed to the: Grimes County Fair Association, P.O. Box 630, Anderson, TX 77830 (in a second envelope) in a stamped, properly addressed envelope, unsealed, before **July 1, 2024.**

3. Point Awards:

- a. All projects will receive a participation ribbon
 - Blue – 5 points
 - Red – 3 points
 - White – 1 point
- b. All Divisions will be placed Grand thru 10th place:
 - Grand Champion – 50 points
 - Reserve Grand Champion – 40 points
 - 3rd place – 30 points
 - 4th place – 25 points
 - 5th place – 20 points
 - 6th place – 18 points
 - 7th place – 16 points
 - 8th place – 14 points
 - 9th place – 12 points
 - 10th place – 10 points

(Grand through 10th place will not get points for their standard blue ribbon as well).

THANK YOU NOTE REQUIREMENTS

Thank you notes are required for all Exhibitors of the Grimes County Fair who receive awards or sell in any of the sales (Premium, Freezer, No Sale). It is the Exhibitor's responsibility to write Thank you notes to each of your buyers, add on contributors and award donors.

Requirements:

1. Thank you notes must be mailed to the Grimes County Fair Association at P.O. Box 630, Anderson, TX, 77830 (preferably in a 8 X 10 envelope or smaller).
2. Thank you notes must be addressed to the Buyer, Add-On Contributor and Award Donors including their address, unsealed and have stamp attached.
3. Thank you notes are due and postmarked by **July 1, 2024**. **Thank you notes received after that time through July 8, 2024 (one week) will be assessed a 1% penalty on the total Sale Price (including add on contributions) of their project(s). Thanks you notes recieved after July 8, 2024 will be assessed an additional 1% PER DAY on the total Sale Price (including add on contributions) of their project(s) until the Thank you notes are received.**
4. **Thank you notes should be hand written and not typed. You must use Thank you notes or Cards (No index cards or notebook paper).**
5. Thank you notes should be in your handwriting (not typed).
6. Minimum of 3 sentences long and contain the following:
 - a. Thank you for _____
 - b. It will help me with _____ or I plan to use it for _____ (Future plans, how money will be used)
 - c. Something personal/nice about the person or your relationship with the person, what you learned with project, or something interesting about your project

Buyers and Add on Contributors along with their addresses will be made available at the Grimes County Fair Association website (www.grimescountyfair.com).

The Directors of the Grimes County Fair Association reserve the right to return Thank You Notes to the Exhibitor to rewrite if the thank you note(s) do not meet the minimum requirements. The Fair Board will not be held responsible if the return and resubmitted Thank You notes result in the final receipt of Thank You notes to be after the July 1 deadline.

Exhibitors who meet all deadlines including Thank You notes, Pictures and delivery notices will be able to pick up their fair checks from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of September prior to the monthly Fair Board meeting.

Exhibitors with Thank You notes received after July 1 will have fair checks available for pickup from 6:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of October prior to the monthly Fair Board meeting.

PREMIUM SALE

Chairman:	Karen Oncken	(979) 324-1084
Committee Members:	Brenda Finke, Kent Fisher, Pierce Key, Allan Lamascus, Edgar Oncken, Sharon Robertson, and Rickey Schroeder	
Fair Board Advisor:	Colton McCulloch	
Sale Date:	Thursday, June 6, 2024	
Awards Presentations:	5:30 p.m.	
Buyers Social:	5:30 p.m. ** Note – this is for BUYERS ONLY **	
Sale Time:	6:30 p.m.	

NO TRADING OF ANIMALS ON FAIRGROUNDS AFTER SALE IS FINAL!

Rules:

1. A minimum of thirty- two percent (32%) of the exhibitors in each market species (steers, swine, lambs, goats, turkeys, rabbits, broilers, and pen of 3 commercial heifers) as well as 32% Ag Mech projects will sell a project in the premium sale with the final percentage to be determined by the Sales Committee and the Fair Board of Directors after all market animals have been checked in at the fair. The Grand and Reserve Champion in each market species will **NOT** be counted in this number and will sell in addition to the 32% (For example if there are 25 steers, but only 18 steer exhibitors then we will figure the number of steer sale slots by taking 32% of 18 which would be 6 steers plus the Grand and Reserve so a total of 8 steers would sell.) Percentages will be based on the number of exhibitors of each species weighed/checked in at the official weigh/check in upon arrival at the fair. Number of sale slots will be posted along side of the official class breaks. When determining sale order in market species that does not follow a true sale order (example Pigs) if the Overall Grand or Reserve Champion is in a class then the next place animal in that class will move into that sales slot. For example, 3 pigs were eligible to sell in Class 4 and the Grand Champion was in that class then the 4th place pig would be eligible to sell. The following divisions will have the option to sell the following:
 - a. 4 Junior Division Creative Arts - Food Projects
 - b. 4 Junior Division Creative Arts - Art Projects
 - c. 4 Senior Division Creative Arts - Food Projects
 - d. 4 Senior Division Creative Arts - Art Projects
2. **Under no circumstances will an exhibitor or exhibitor's parent approach their buyer after the sale of their project and request that the buyer change the disposition of their animal or request that the buyer give them their project back. If the exhibitor or exhibitor's parent is caught doing so \$1000.00 will be deducted from the exhibitor's sales check. Exhibitors may personally thank their buyer in the picture area.**

3. If a project has been selected for resale by the buyer, then **ONLY** the Exhibitor of that project will have the opportunity to purchase their project back for the resale value; however, the sale's committee **MUST** be made aware of the change by the conclusion of the PREMIUM SALE and the project **MUST BE PAID FOR IN FULL BY THE CONCLUSION OF THE PREMIUM SALE**. If the Exhibitor does not notify the sales committee and pay for the project before the conclusion of the premium sale, then the animal will remain as a resale to be loaded on the resale trailer. Under **NO CIRCUMSTANCES** will changes be made on Friday morning. If a project is donated to a club or organization, the organization will be responsible for removal or resale.
4. Any Exhibitor eligible for the Premium Sale must be present to sell their entry, except in case of sickness, death in family or prior approval by the Fair Board of Directors in writing. All request for prior approval must be postmarked by May 1, 2024 and mailed to the Grimes County Fair Association, P.O. Box 630, Anderson, TX 77830 by **certified** mail (no metered mail). All request postmarked after this date will be **DENIED**. **PLEASE NOTE** – even though the exhibitor submits the notice by the date listed above and follows the rules **DOES NOT** mean approval will automatically be given. Any Exhibitor that misses their sale lot will forfeit their right to sell at either sale. Exhibitors must be dressed in appropriate show attire at the time that they enter the sale arena. If you have any question as to what this may be, please ask any sale committee member or the fair board of directors. Animals must be in show condition at the time of sale. This means that all animals must look like you are taking them into the show ring. **NO GLITTER!**
5. Any Exhibitor having two or more market animals eligible for sale can sell only one animal with the exception of multiple Grand or Reserve Champion market animals. See General Rule #5. Alternates for the sale will be selected in each division. If an eligible animal drops Example: If an Exhibitor has a steer and a lamb eligible for sale and elects to sell the steer, then the number (1) alternated in the Lamb Division will be allowed to sell. Market animals are defined as a steer, swine, lamb, goat, turkey, rabbit, broiler and pen of 3 heifers.
6. Exhibitors must notify the Sale Committee of which animal he/she wished to sell by 12:00 noon, **Wednesday, June 5, 2024** excluding those participants showing a steer, Pen of 3 or Ag Mechanics project who must notify the committee within 10 minutes of the conclusion of their show. Exhibitors who fail to notify the committee will have a sale item selected for him/her by the Sale Committee and Fair Board.
7. Exhibitors may sell in only one of the two following sales: Premium or Freezer. The sale order will be determined by the Fair Board prior to the sale.
8. A maximum commission of 8% of the gross sale and add-ons of all sale lots sold in the Premium Youth Sale will be deducted to help defray the expense of the Fair with the final percentage to be determined by the Sales Committee and the Fair Board of Directors after the conclusion of the Fair. Promotional Fees Applicable.

9. Poultry and Rabbits: Will sell at the auction live. It will be then be the responsibility of the Exhibitor to check with the buyer to see if he/she wants to take possession alive or dressed, packaged or frozen. Delivery must be made within fourteen (14) days following the sale. Once delivered to the buyer, the buyer must sign a statement form (provided by GCFA) stating that they have received their poultry/rabbits with fourteen (14) days. This statement form must be turned in with your thank you notes (postmarked by July 1, 2024) in order for you to receive your check.

10. Thank You Notes: All 4-H, FFA and FCCLA member **MUST WRITE “THANK YOU” NOTES** to their buyer, add on contributors and award donors. *Please see the Thank You Notes Section of this fair book for more information, guidelines and required dates.*

11. Pictures: Exhibitors will also be issued a stamped postcard along with their pictures. One picture is for the Exhibitor to keep and the other is to be framed and delivered to one of your buyers. The Exhibitor must have the buyer sign the postcard stating that they have received the picture, and **the Exhibitor is responsible for mailing the postcard back to the GCFA, P. O. Box 630, Anderson, TX 77830 by July 31, 2024.**

12. If all required dates have been met for the return of poultry/rabbit delivery statement, thank you notes and picture cards, sale checks will be available at the September board meeting from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. If required dates are not met, your check **will be available at the October fair board meeting or once all requirements have been met (whichever occurs later).**

13. All Exhibitors who sell in the Premium Sale will be required to be at the fairgrounds to load out the animal on **Friday, June 7, 2024** from 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. You must check with the committee chairman to find out what you need to do with your animal.

14. Anyone wishing to submit a bid for the resale animals (steers, pen of 3 heifers, lambs, and goats) must submit their bid to the attention of Karen Oncken by email to grimescfa@gmail.com by 4:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, June 5, 2024.** This bid will be for all resale animals of a particular species.

15. All add-ons must be turned into Karen Oncken or Sharon Finke by 5:00 p.m. on the Wednesday, following the conclusion of the fair. Please check the website at www.grimescountyfair.com for a link to add-on to a project. You will receive a confirmation email that add-ons have been received. NO late add-ons will be accepted.

16. Only registered buyers and those working the sale are allowed in the open area of the Main Building during the sale. All parents, family members of exhibitors, and ag teachers that are not working the sale will only be allowed in the roped-off viewing area while your exhibitor’s lot number is selling.

17. Wristbands will be given to buyers at the check-in table the night of the premium sale.

If you have any questions regarding the Premium or Freezer Sale please contact:

Karen Oncken – (979) 324-1084 or eoncken@centurylink.net

Sharon Robertson – (979) 777-5635 or sharonfinke@yahoo.com

FREEZER SALE

Chairman: Karen Oncken (979) 324-1084

Committee Members: Brenda Finke, Kent Fisher, Pierce Key, Allan Lamascus, Edgar Oncken, Sharon Robertson, and Ricky Schroeder

Fair Board Advisor: Colton McCulloch

Sale Date: Friday, June 7, 2024

Sale Time: 6:30 p.m.

All Exhibitors must report to the main entrance of the Main Hall at 6:00 p.m. to be placed in line.

NO TRADING OF ANIMALS ON FAIRGROUNDS AFTER SALE IS FINAL!

PURPOSE: To allow Exhibitors who are not eligible or who do not designate to sell in the Premium Youth Auction Sale, the opportunity to sell their animals at a special sale designated as the Freezer Sale conducted by the Grimes County Fair Association.

Rules:

1. All MARKET Exhibitors who are not eligible or do not designate to sell in the Premium Sale on Thursday night will be eligible to sell one sale lot in the freezer Sale on Friday. Exhibitors must notify the Sale Committee of which animal he/she wishes to sell by 12:00 noon, **Wednesday, June 5, 2024** excluding those exhibitors showing a steer, Pen of 3 or Ag Mechanics project who must notify the committee within 10 minutes of the conclusion of their show. Exhibitors who fail to notify the committee will have a sale item selected for him/her by the Sale Committee and Fair Board.
2. Any Exhibitor who fails to notify the Freezer Sale chairman of their intentions for the Freezer Sale by noon **Wednesday, June 5, 2024** will not be allowed to be added to the sale list at a later time. Any Exhibitor that misses their sale lot will forfeit their right to sell. Exhibitors must be dressed in appropriate show attire at the time that they enter the sale arena. If you have any questions as to what this may be please ask any Sale Committee member or the Fair Board.
3. **Under no circumstances will an exhibitor or exhibitor's parent approach their buyer after the sale of their project and request that the buyer change the disposition of their animal or request that the buyer give them their project back. If the exhibitor or exhibitor's parent is caught doing so \$1000.00 will be deducted from the exhibitor's sales check.**
4. If a project has been selected for resale by the buyer, then **ONLY** the Exhibitor of that project will have the opportunity to purchase their project back for the resale value; however, the sale's committee **MUST** be made aware of the change by the conclusion of the FREEZER SALE and the project **MUST BE PAID FOR IN FULL BY THE CONCLUSION OF THE FREEZER SALE**. If the Exhibitor does not notify the sales committee and pay for the project before the conclusion of the freezer sale, then the animal will remain as a resale to be loaded on the resale trailer. Under **NO CIRCUMSTANCES** will changes be made after the conclusion of the sale. If a project is donated to a club or organization, the organization will be responsible for removal or resale.

5. Any Exhibitor eligible for the Freezer Sale must be present to sell their entry, except in case of sickness, death in family or prior approval by the Fair Board of Directors in writing. All request for prior approval must be postmarked by **May 1, 2024** and mailed to the Grimes County Fair Association, P.O. Box 630, Anderson, TX 77830 by **certified** mail (no metered mail). All request postmarked after this date will be **DENIED**. **PLEASE NOTE** even though the exhibitor submits the notice by the date listed above and follows the rules stated above, it **DOES NOT** mean approval will automatically be given. Any Exhibitor that misses their sale lot will forfeit their right to sell at the sale.

6. **Poultry and Rabbits:** will sell at the auction live. It will then be the responsibility of the Exhibitor to check with the buyer to see if he/she wants to take possession alive or dressed, packaged or frozen. Delivery must be made within fourteen (14) days following the sale. Once delivered to the buyer, the buyer must sign a statement form (provided by GCFA) stating that they have received their poultry/rabbits within fourteen (14) days. This statement form must be turned in with your thank you notes (**postmarked by July 1st**) in order for you to receive your check.

7. **Thank You Notes:** All 4–H, FFA and FCCLA members **MUST WRITE “THANK YOU” NOTES** to their buyers, add-on contributors and award donors. *Please see the Thank You Notes Section of this fair book for more information, guidelines and required dates.*

8. If all required dates have been met for the return of poultry/rabbit delivery statement and Thank You notes, sale checks will be available at the September board meeting from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. If required dates were not met, your check will be available at the October fair board meeting or once all requirements have been met (whichever occurs later).

9. Any item sold in the Freezer sale cannot bring more than \$100 less than the lowest selling item in that division on Thursday. For example, if the lowest priced pig on Thursday sells for \$1,000 then the most any pig can sell for on Friday night is \$900. The Grimes County Fair Association will deduct a maximum commission of 10% of the gross sale and add ons proceeds from each sale lot with the final percentage to be determined by the Sales Committee and the Fair Board of Directors after the conclusion of the Fair. Promotional fees applicable.

10. If an Add-On is received on a No Sale animal a 10% commission will be charged with the final percentage to be determined by the Sales Committee and The Fair Board of Directors after the conclusion of the Fair.

11. All Exhibitors that sell in the Freezer sale **MUST** remain in the hall until the conclusion of the sale at which time you will go as a group to your pen to help load out your animal. You must find your committee chairman to find out what you need to do with your animal.

12. All Add-Ons must be turned into Sharon Finke - Robertson or Karen Oncken by 5:00 p.m. on the Wednesday following the conclusion of the fair. Please check the website at www.grimescountyfair.com for link to add-on to a project. You will receive a confirmation email that add-ons have been received. NO late add-ons will be accepted.

If you have any questions regarding the Premium or Freezer Sale please contact:

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Sharon Robertson – (979) 777-5635 sharonfinke@yahoo.com

RANCH RODEO

Chairman: Jodi Rice (936) 870-5081
Casey Rice

Committee Members: Rayburn Imhoff, Shawn King and Kenton Shimshack

Fair Board Advisor: Justin Seifert

Event Date: Friday, June 7, 2024

Event Time: 6:00 p.m.

Note: Event details not available at time of posting online, entry information and rodeo events to be posted at grimescountyfair.com once available.