

On behalf of all the 4-H livestock exhibitors and the Adams County Jr. Livestock Sale Committee, we hope this letter finds you well during these challenging times! We would like to extend our appreciation and gratitude to our past buyers for their participation and welcome new buyers. We recognize that this year has provided unexpected financial hardship for many of our supporters, and thank you for continuing to support our youth, financially or otherwise. Our community is what makes us strong!



The Adams County Fair and Jr. Livestock Sale marks the culmination of hard work and commitment as 4-H youth exhibit and compete with new market projects each year. This year has presented our members with unique challenges and opportunities, in light of COVID-19 and uncertainties surrounding county fairs and events throughout our state. Despite these challenges, it remains true that experiences like these allow members in the 4-H program to add to their lifetime of knowledge and leadership, which makes our community stronger. Your support provides our members many benefits such as scholarships, college savings, and funds for future 4-H projects.

As is likely expected, the 2020 Adams County Jr. Livestock Sale will look different this year than it has in years past. Due to restrictions surrounding COVID-19, the Adams County Junior Livestock Sale Committee voted to forego a physical junior livestock sale for the 2020 Adams County Fair. In lieu of the sale, the Committee has developed an online virtual marketing platform to connect buyers to 4-H members, as well as give buyers the opportunity to provide add-on premium donations for specific members, premium donations non-specific to member, or donations to the Adam Ginther Scholarship fund. Our Extension staff has been working with our 4-H members providing educational opportunities for marketing their livestock project, and all purchase of animals will be done through private treaty with the member. (If you are interested in purchasing animals for consumption, you will be able to denote this when you submit your buyer information. For examples of purchase options and private treaty information, please see the document included in this mailing).

To get started with the buying process this year, we are asking you to submit your information at the following website: https://forms.gle/SRnfgYkiy5dFNA9GA After submitting your information and preferences for participation, a Sale Committee member or 4-H member will contact you directly.

Buyers will be able to view our 4-H members and their marketed animals at the following website: https://sites.google.com/view/2020adcojrlivestocksale/home

Here, you will also be able to provide add-on donations or a donation to the Adams Ginther Memorial Scholarship (both of which are tax deductible). The Adams County Junior Livestock Sale is a 501c3 non-profit, so part or all of the animal purchase price may be tax deductible. Please consult your tax advisor for details.









Buyers will be recognized for their contributions through total contributed add-on premiums and scholarship fund donations at the following levels:

Platinum Level Buyer: Contributions of \$10,000+ Gold Level Buyer: Contributions of \$7,500-\$10,000 Silver Level Buyer: Contributions of \$5,000-\$7,500 Bronze Level Buyer: Contributions of \$2,500-\$5,000 Supporting Buyer: Contributions less than \$2,500

If you are unable to participate in this format and would like to participate through the 'add-on' option or other donation, please contact Barb Langhorst at 720-810-2773 or any other Sale Committee member with your information. We will accept add-on donations for members through August 21, 2020.

We cannot thank you enough for your participation and continued support of our 4-H members!

Sincerely,

Amy McFarland

Amy McFarland, Chair ADCO Jr. Livestock Sale Committee









Addendum:

All animals marketed by Adams County 4-H members in 2020 will be sold through private treaty. If you are interested in purchasing an animal for processing and consumption, you will be able to denote this when submitting your buyer information.

4-H members are encouraged to research current market prices and work with their buyers to come to a private treaty agreement. Additionally, arrangements for processing will be conducted between the member and buyer directly.

Buyers will continue to have the opportunity to provide a "premium" for the animal through add-on donations, which are tax deductible. All add-on donations will be distributed to 4-H members following the August 8, 2020 Sale date.

For examples, buyers could participate as follows:

Purchase a market hog from John Doe through private treaty and provide an additional "premium" to support John's project through an add-on donation. The cost would break down as:

• Market price for hog (\$.58/lb*285lbs): \$165.30

Payable directly to 4-H member

• *Add-on donation: \$500.00*

Payable to ADCO Junior Livestock Sale Committee

• Total amount of support: \$665.30

Purchase two market lambs from 4-H members though private treaty and provide additional "premiums" through \$50 add-on donations to multiple members. The cost would break down as:

Market price for lamb A (\$1.40/lb*135lbs): \$189.00

Payable directly to 4-H member

Market price for lamb B (\$1.40/lb*147lbs): \$205.80

Pavable directly to 4-H member

*Add-on donations (six donations at \$50 each)
 \$300.00*

Pavable to ADCO Junior Livestock Sale Committee

• Total amount of support: \$694.80

Provide a "lump-sum" donation to be used as add-on donations to either specific members or to be distributed between all members marketing livestock projects.

Lump-sum add-on donation: \$750.00
Total amount of support: \$750.00

Provide a donation to the Adam Ginther Memorial Scholarship Fund.

*Scholarship fund donation: \$750.00*Total amount of support: \$750.00

^{*}These items may be tax deductible. Please consult your tax advisor for details.





