# 2019 UPDATES KANSAS YOUTH LIVESTOCK NOMINATION PROCESS

#### Livestock Quality Assurance Requirement for ALL Exhibitors

ALL Kansas State Fair Grand Drive and/or KJLS exhibitors are required to complete the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) program to be eligible for either state show. This is a new, national, multi-species youth livestock quality assurance program that focuses on food safety, animal well-being, and character development. Youth 8 and older (as of 1/1/2019) will need to participate in YQCA training annually, either through an instructor-led training or the online course. Members who are 7 years old will be exempt from the requirement for KJLS. Families are encouraged to contact their local extension office for details on the options available in their local area.

A copy of each child's YQCA certificate must be attached to the Declaration Form and submitted with their state nomination materials. Nominations received without a YQCA certificate will be considered incomplete. More information may be found in the Rookie Guide, on the K-State Youth Livestock Program website, or through your local extension office. Please visit <a href="www.yqca.org">www.yqca.org</a> to register for training.

\*Youth who have a valid Youth PQA+ number that is good through at least 10/1/2019 will not need to complete YQCA training this year. Their Youth PQA+ number will be accepted until it expires. Families will need to attach a copy of each child's Youth PQA+ card to their Declaration Form.

#### Declaration Form Updated

The Declaration (Housing) Form has been modified to include the age of each child within a family and instructions on attaching the YQCA certificates. Forms should also be read in their entirety before being signed by the appropriate parties. Reminder – if animals are not housed at the exhibitor's primary residence, this must be disclosed on the Declaration Form and explained in Section 2.

#### Breeding Doe Show Added to Kansas State Fair Grand Drive

A breeding doe show has been added to the Kansas State Fair Grand Drive. Any doe that will be shown must be nominated, similar to KJLS; there WILL NOT be a registered/papered show. ALL meat goats must have a complete nomination on file to be eligible for the market and/or doe show at both state shows.

#### "Extra" Forms Reinstated

The "extra" nomination forms for swine and sheep have been reinstated. One for meat goats has also been added. Please keep in mind that this form is ONLY to be used in ADDITION to the regular swine, sheep, or meat goat form to nominate more animals than there is space (more than 4 swine or 5 sheep/meat goats). Therefore, if only the "extra" form is submitted, it will be returned to the family as incomplete and require payment of the \$20 incomplete fee to correct it.

## Additional Information on DNA Envelopes

Families are encouraged to include the breed and a secondary form of identification in the lower right hand corner of the front of their DNA envelopes. This could include tattoo, ear notches, and scrapie tag #s.

## Ear Notch and Scrapie Tag Requirement Continues

Continuing in 2019, the ear notches for all swine nominated must be included on the swine nomination form. Exhibitors need to draw the ear notches exactly as they appear in the pig's ear for each animal nominated, in addition to writing the notch number in the field provided. Scrapie Tag #s are also required for all sheep and meat goats nominated. The full scrapie tag number, including Flock ID/Premise ID number and individual animal number, must be submitted (Example: KSS0035 16121). Custom/Farm names will not be accepted in lieu of the Flock ID. Please refer to the Rookie Guide for further information about either form of identification.