

TISD Project Show Definitions

Add on: Monies that anyone can give to a student in any amount, for any reason they wish. This does not involve purchasing an animal.

Animal Husbandry: The proper and humane care and treatment of an animal by its exhibitor.

Barn Set-up: Students are required to attend 1 of 3 scheduled barn set-ups. The kids set up the barn configurations for the 3 different events: Animal Selection, Progress Show and Project Show.

Buyers: These are individuals from Tomball or surrounding communities that come to the show with the intention to purchase animals in either the live auction, freezer sale, or, provide add ons to your kids. These can be family members or complete strangers. It is the **responsibility** of everyone – parents and kids – to solicit buyers in your community to come out and support the kids and purchase animals.

Clip: to shave/cut hair of the animal. See project show rules for length requirements.

Grand/Champion Drive: The 1st and 2nd place of each large animal class, by species, will return to the show ring to be judged again. A Grand Champion (overall 1st place) and Reserve Champion (overall 2nd place) will be selected.

Class Winner: Large animal species are broken down into a predetermined number of classes based upon weight as determined by the Ag Teachers. Each class will be judged, and a class winner will be selected with the remaining animals being placed accordingly. The class winner and 2nd place will return to the ring for Champion Drive.

Expense Report: Students are required to keep an electronic expense report on AET of ONLY consumable items (operating expenses). Ag Teachers will provide all the necessary information and training to your children. **Due mid-January.** This information is included on the sale sheet for buyers.

Fitting: Anything done to alter an animal's appearance. *Ethical fitting:* shearing hair, hide conditioner, etc. *Unethical fitting:* painting hair, draining fluids, pumping stomachs, etc. Unethical fitting is grounds for disqualification.

Floor Price: A pre-determined price per species, set by the Ag Teachers, that is usually close to what the student spent on their animals, but, does not recoup all their expenses.

FFA Website: www.tomball.ffanow.org or tomballmemorial.ffanow.org

Freezer Sale: Animals shown in the Project Show but did not make the live auction. Animals will sell for either the preset floor price, market price, if not sold at floor price, or, the student may elect to pay processing fees and keep the meat for their personal use or donate it back to the FFA.

Hudson Folkerts Memorial Foundation (HFMF) - an outside organization that gives students scholarships to help pay for their animal/feed cost and senior college scholarships. You can visit their website for more information at hfmf.org

Jackpot Shows: Livestock shows held all over Texas that you can enter providing valuable experience for not only your student, but, for their animal as well. Students develop their show skills, and, exposes the animals to all the activity that goes on at a show.

Large Animals: Lambs, goats, swine, and steers

Live Auction: Animals from Project Show that placed high enough in their species will be auctioned off the Saturday after the show to the highest bidder.

No Pass – No Play: The TISD Project Show is viewed the same as all other co-curricular or extracurricular activities. The student must meet eligibility requirements set by the State of Texas in order to participate. **This means they must be passing all their classes for the 2nd Nine Weeks in order to participate. IF THESE STANDARDS ARE NOT MET, THE STUDENT WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO SHOW THEIR ANIMAL. IF THE ANIMAL IS BEING KEPT AT THE PROJECT BARN IT MUST BE REMOVED AND WILL BE THE STUDENT’S RESPONSIBILITY TO CARE FOR IT OR SELL IT.**

Market Price: Price a species is currently being sold for at livestock auctions. In most occasions, this price will be considerably lower than the price originally paid for the animal.

Official Show Dress: FFA jacket, white button-down shirt or blouse with collar, FFA tie for boys and scarf for girls, black jeans or pants, black socks (if they will show), and black boots or shoes

Pay Meeting: Preselected dates that students and a parent or legal guardian must attend to review rules and pay the predetermined price for animals to be shown in the TISD Project Show. A student may show 2 different species with one condition: steer feeders that want to show a small animal may only show broilers or turkeys. The pay meeting dates are as follows: **March** – Steers and Turkeys; **September** – lambs, goats, pigs, broilers, and rabbits.

Poultry: Broilers and turkeys

Pre-Sale Animals: Any animal species may be sold any time prior to the Project Show for a predetermined price (higher than freezer sale prices). The purchaser can be an individual, a buyer’s group, a business, etc. To be clear, the buyer IS NOT purchasing a specific child’s animal, but they are purchasing a specified species.

Project Barn: Each high school campus has a project barn where show animals are housed for a nominal fee. You are not only responsible for the care of your stall, storage area, and animals always, but, additionally, also responsible for the care and upkeep of the barn and equipment as well.

Remind 101: Messaging app utilized by Ag Teachers to communicate all information. There are reminds for each individual class (e.g. freshman, sophomore, Jr., Sr.) and species (broilers, lambs, steers, etc.)

Sale Order: Animal order for those being sold in the live auction. The number of each species selected for live auction is based upon the number of animals originally purchased (See Show Rules). The judge selects the Grand Champion and Reserve Champion, and then will continue to set the sale order by selecting the next best animal, until all live auction slots are filled. Next he will place the pre-sale animals. All remaining animals are then entered in the freezer sale.

Scurs: Incompletely developed horns – can occur in lambs, goats, or steers. For TISD Project Show, scurs can not exceed 3” from the base of the head.

Selection Day: Students who paid for a show animal will attend their species selection day, where they will draw a number, and, by number proceed into the ring and select their show animal. There will be a pre-set animal viewing time where the student and anyone they wish to assist them can evaluate the prospective animals. Additionally, the student may have one person in the ring to assist them with their selection. This person can be anyone EXCEPT one of the Ag teachers. **You must be totally prepared to take your animal home that day and begin caring for it!** Selections are as follows: **May** – Steers; **September / October** – Turkeys, lambs, goats, and swine; **December** – broilers and rabbits

Showmanship: During the large animal classes there will be a showmanship judge selecting students to return for a Showmanship competition occurring after the sale order for the species is set. A Showmanship Champion is selected for each species. Showmanship Champion has a guaranteed live auction spot. If he / she is already in the live auction, then the 1st alternate will be moved into the last sale spot for that species.

Show Barn: Located on THS campus. This barn is utilized for animal selection in September, Progress Show in December, and Project Show in January. No animals are housed in this barn except during these events.

Sick Animals: Always contact your species advisor first. They often can tell you how to treat your animal without the expense of a vet. Also, use experienced students / parents as a resource as well. Lastly, there is a Vet listed on the opening page of the FFA website if you are not able to get a hold of anyone.

Slick Shorn: Steers and lambs are required to have their hair / wool cut to within ¼” on all parts of their body except tail on steers and legs (boots) on lambs. Goats and Pigs are also trimmed, but they are not slicked.

Small animals: Rabbits, broilers and turkeys.

Species: TISD only shows the following species: broilers, turkeys, rabbits, swine, lambs, goats, and steers

Swine: A pig

Terminal Show: All animals shown in the Project Show will go onto a processing trailer at the end of the show. No animals may be taken home or purchased by a buyer to be a pasture animal.

TISD Progress Show: Held in December in the TISD Show Barn. This is the student's / animal's opportunity to experience a real show atmosphere and practice showmanship skills prior to the actual TISD Project Show especially if jackpot shows have not been attended. Only large animals are eligible, and the entry fee is \$10 / animal.

Tomball Buddies: A buyer's group that ANYONE can join. The group pools all monies to purchase ONLY freezer sale animals or to provide add ons to students who have not received any. They DO NOT purchase any animals in the live auction.

Withdraw Period: Amount of time needed for an animal to be free of residue from an administered drug. Withdraw times are listed on the labels of all FDA approved drugs. Animals are required to be free of all drug residue by the time they check in for the Project Show.