



## 2020 JOHNSON COUNTY FAIR BOARD ANIMAL HEALTH PROTOCOLS

The Johnson County (JC) Fair Board and Livestock Committee continually strive to provide the safest environment possible for all 4-H and FFA livestock brought onto the Fairgrounds. To ensure the best facility for our 4-H and FFA youth exhibitors to house their livestock and achieve this goal of ensuring healthy animals, the JC Fair Board and Livestock Committee established the following guidelines.

*Biosecurity is the implementation of measures to prevent the introduction of disease into a healthy population of animals or limit the spread of disease once introduced.*

*The Johnson County Fairgrounds animal biosecurity protocols are primarily designed to minimize the risk of serious disease. With that being said the Fair Board cannot guarantee there will be no animal health issues. There is always a risk when bringing livestock to town so the Fair Board and Livestock Committee hopes these steps will help minimize the risks of disease transmission.*

*The most important steps to ensure healthy animals start at home, so please be mindful of your animals' health and if you determine you have a sick animal **DO NOT** bring it to the Fairgrounds. It is the responsibility of the owner of any animals coming to fair to work with your superintendent and a veterinarian to ensure your animal is healthy and does not pose a health risk to other animals or people. A veterinarian health inspection prior to entering the Johnson County Fairgrounds is not required but recommended. All animals entering the Wyoming State Fairgrounds are required to have a vet health check with the accompanying health certificate.*

*During check-ins & weigh-ins there will be a veterinarian onsite. The Fair Board will also require all 4-H and FFA breeding animals, along with open class animals, to check in at the appropriate species weigh-in station. If upon arrival at the Fairgrounds, a superintendent, Fair board member, or UWE 4-H Educator suspects an animal health issue the animal may be required to be removed from the Fairgrounds and a request will be made to have a vet health check. The Fair Board may also request to have a veterinarian on call throughout Fair week if any animal health issues arise to ensure prompt action.*