



CHECKLIST FOR AGRICULTURE MECHANICS

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This is meant to be a checklist of important dates and activities to help you navigate AgFest...it is not a replacement for the official AgFest 2023 guidebook. Please make sure that you read and understand the rules and information contained in the guidebook as they govern the event and any information there will supersede this checklist.

General

Exhibitor Eligibility and Requirements

- Open to all eligible youth residents of San Joaquin County 4H, Grange or FFA Members whose club or chapter resides in the San Joaquin County School District.

January/February

- If you are 13 years of age or older and are interested in joining the Junior AgFest Committee, review the Committee Handbook and complete an application. Information can be found on the AgFest website under AgFest 2023.

March

- March 15th - INDEPENDENT EXHIBITORS** - Independent exhibitors must turn in Parent/Exhibitor/AgFest agreement.

April

- April 15th FARM TO FORK SCHOLARSHIPS** – due for graduating seniors or 1st year college students. Information and applications can be found on the AgFest website.
- April 20th to May 9th ONLINE ENTRIES THROUGH BLUE RIBBON** – Complete your online entry through the Blue Ribbon Entry system. A link to the entry system will be published on the website once it opens. Here are some tips:
 - When creating your account – be sure that your **name is spelled correctly, enter your mailing address and include Apt# or space #** if applicable (**the address you enter is where your auction check will be mailed**).
 - Include your leader or parent email address in the “Additional Email” space.
 - We do not need your SS#, enter 000-00-0000 when prompted.
 - When prompted for PREMISE, you can leave it blank.
 - When prompted to UPLOAD, you can ignore this. There is no need to upload anything as part of your entry.
 - If you are only entering Still exhibits and no livestock, enter the word “STILLS” in the place of a YQCA number.
 - Enter your appropriate Department/Division/Class
 - Ag Mechanics - Department 12
 - Division 33 4H/Grange Medium Projects
 - Classes 1-3, Construction Costs \$25 - \$300 (Entry fee \$3.00)
 - Division 34 FFA/Grange Medium Projects

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- Classes 1-3, Construction Costs \$25 - \$300 (Entry fee \$3.00)
- Division 35 Large Projects
 - Classes 1-2, Construction costs \$301.00 to 750.00 (Entry fee \$5.00)
 - Classes 3-5, Construction costs \$751 to over \$2000 (Entry fee \$10.00)
- Division 36 Equipment Repair, Remodel, Rebuild
 - Classes 1-2, (Entry fee \$5.00)
- Division 37 Group Projects (See Rules for Group Projects on page 12 of the Stills Guidebook)
 - Class 1 (Entry fee \$3.00)
- You will be charged a \$3.00 Processing Fee. No Insurance Fee.
- Before checking out, go to items/checkout, click on the green button PRINT/REVIEW RECEIPT. Use the printout to review your entries and make sure they are correct before completing the payment process.
- Be sure to click the REVIEW FAIR RULES option and read the rules before completing your entry.
- Check your email for your entry – review that you are entered in the correct classes. If there is an issue send an email to agfestlvstck@gmail.com Print your email for verification that entered your project

May

- **May 16th – June 1st - ORDER YOUR PARKING/RV SPACES** – Weekly Parking, Wall Parking and RV Spaces will be sold through the AgFest Website. If you do not purchase a weekly parking pass you will pay the daily parking fee at the gate. Wall Parking has limited spaces available. More information will be published on the website and the sales period approaches.
- **Month of May – CREATE YOUR STOCKSHOW AUCTIONS PROFILE** - Sign up on www.stockshowauctions.com website for the ONLINE PLATFORM if you plan on selling your Ag Mechanics Project
 - Remember there are 3 Platforms – SWINE, REPLACEMENT HEIFERS and LIVESTOCK.
 - Sign up under LIVESTOCK for the AG MECHANIC PROJECT.
 - Review the AUCTION – ONLINE PLATFORM on the website for information on signing up. If you are selling a Market Animal and an Ag Mechanic Project enter both projects.
 - You can edit your profile (description of your project) at any time – we just need you to enter your profile. Photos and Descriptions can be changed during AgFest.
 - If you are entering a GROUP Project – please contact Chris agfestshow@gmail.com to be sure that we get it entered correctly in the Stockshow Auctions profile.
- **Month of May – AGRICULTURE EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION** – The Ag Ed Scholarship program is a great way for people or businesses to donate to your youth agriculture project(s). To be eligible to receive donations, you must submit an online application. Information about the Ag Ed Scholarship program can be found on the website under Get Involved, Sponsor an Exhibitor. Links to the online application will be published in May.
- **Month of May – MAIL/HAND DELIVER BUYER LETTERS** - If you intend to sell your project send out letters to potential buyers and invite them to the Livestock/Ag Mechanic Sale on June 17th. Include Add on Information, Ag Ed Scholarship information, be sure to include the date and time of the sale; your name and mailing address, phone number and sign your letters.

June

- **June 1st – June 10th - PREPARE YOUR PROJECT FOR AGFEST** – Review the guidebook for display requirements for your department; Complete your Bill of Materials and your Intent to Sell if you Intend to Sell your project.
- **June 5th - PICK UP PARKING/RV PASSES** - at the AgFest Meeting
- **June 10th – June 17th - AGFEST WEEK** – Be sure to review relevant dates and times for the department you are entering.
 - **Check times and location for your project check in in the schedule.**

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- Bring your project at the designated check-in time.
 - Be sure that you have your completed Bill of Materials for each project. Your entry will be disqualified without it. It must be displayed with your entry.
- ☐ **June 10th – CHECK-IN/AUCTION DECLARATION** – Projects are eligible to sell at auction if they meet the following criteria:
- Must Earn a 1st place award to be eligible.
 - Student can only sell one Ag Mechanic Project *Exhibitor can also sell one animal.
 - Only the top 20 total projects will be allowed in the Sale.
 - Exhibitors must be at least 9 years old by January 1st to sell a project at the auction.

If you plan to sell your project at auction, you must complete the Ag Mechanics Intent to Sell form and turn it in at check in. You must set a minimum bid on the project. If you sell your project, you will forfeit any Premiums. If your item does not sell for the minimum bid price, then you will be issued a check for your premium amount.

- ☐ **June 10th – JUDGING** – Closed Judging take place on Saturday, June 10th at 1:00 pm.
- ☐ **June 15th - RELEASE OF NON-SALE PROJECTS** – On Thursday, June 15th from 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM, please pick up any of your non-sale Ag Mechanics items. Any items left will be discarded. If you require assistance or additional time check with the Vocational Superintendent.
- ☐ **June 16th – AWARDS** - All Awards for Ag Mechanics will be given out at the Awards Ceremony. Please be present at the Awards Ceremony dressed in your uniform to receive your awards. **This is for OVERALL 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Placings in Division 33, 34, 35, and Division 36.** Division 37 will receive Rosettes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. There is no Premium for Group Entries.
- ☐ **June 17th - AUCTION**
- Check the Auction catalog to be sure that you are listed both in the Catalog and ONLINE with the correct Lot #. (Double check your name spelling as well)
 - Talk with the Vocational Super. if you need help getting your project to the Sale Ring, you will be responsible to have your project at the auction platform.
 - Be sure to be ready in line from your lot # for the sale.
 - Be sure to help at least 30 minutes in the auction ring after you sell your project/before you sell if you are later in the sale.
 - Be sure that you are present with your project for the buyer to take possession of it; and or deliver it.
 - All projects that sell through the auction are subject to the 6% commission fee.

July

- ☐ **CHECKS** – AgFest will issue checks to exhibitors within 45 days of the sale or when payment is received from the buyer. For group projects payment will be made to the 4-H Club, Grange Organization or FFA Chapter Entered. Be sure to send thank you notes to each of your buyers and donors.