# Lamar FFA Parent Meeting

March 6, 2024

### Fundraising Events Totals

#### Go Texan Day

- Generated \$2447
- 40 students participated in volunteering

#### HLSR Program Sales

- \$2432- Cash
- \$218- Venmo Payments
- \$2650 Grand Total
- 35 students participated and 12 parent volunteers attended

### Social, Fundraising & BWD Hours

- All hour totals have been emailed to students and parents
- 1 alternative fundraiser for those who have not met their hours
  - Emails were sent to individuals
- All hour requirements start over next semester (spring)
  - 10 Hours Barn Work Day
  - 10 Fundraising Hours
  - 3 Social Events per semester
- HOURS DO ROLL OVER FROM FALL INTO SPRING

### Rabbits and Chickens

Rabbits: Rabbits are arriving Saturday MARCH 16TH!

- At 10:00am at the Lamar FFA Barn
- Contact Ms. Adams if you have any questions
- Email: kaitlyn.adams@houstonisd.org

#### Chickens:

- Chickens are arriving Friday MARCH 22ND!! @ Noon
- All chickens must be picked up by 5 pm from the ag hall
- Contact Ms. S if you have questions
- Email: wendy.skrobarczyk@houstonisd.org

### Lamar Show & Auction Student Bios

- Students are to submit a bio that reflects their involvement in the FFA and as a LHS student. The bios are printed in the Showbook and will be written in the Auction Webpage for Buyers, Sponsors, and Event-goers to see.
- Bios must be written in third person and should be kept to a MAXIMUM of 5 sentences for formatting purposes.
- Use the link to submit- <a href="https://forms.gle/Y6o9AndqYMcT6pWZ9">https://forms.gle/Y6o9AndqYMcT6pWZ9</a>
- Please see the example on the link for how bios should be written and formatted.
- Student bios must be submitted by February 7th during the FFA Meeting

### Lamar Show & Auction- Contests

- There are a variety of contest students can enter into, additional to the livestock show. Below are the contest types.
   All contest paperwork will be available at the February FFA Meeting. Each contest has its own prizes or opportunities for a sale slot.
- Floral Design and Horticulture Contest
- BBQ Scholarship Cook-Off Contest
- Artwork Contest

### Parent Volunteer Opportunities



### Ag Show Timeline

- Saturday, April 20th @8AM- All students participating in the Lamar FFA Show will help to set-up and load in the tent
- Thursday & Friday- Students work during lunch sales (we will need parent volunteers)
- Thursday, April 25th@ 5PM- Livestock Show
- Friday, April 26th- Scholarship BBQ Cook off (thru the night)
- Saturday, April 28th-

Auction Dinner @ 6:30PM Lamar Front Lawn

- Livestock Auction @ 7PM Lamar Front Lawn
- Sunday, April 29th @8AM- All students participating in the Lamar FFA Show must help breakdown
- This is a tentative timeline for the show times may change

### Roll Call and Deductions

- Roll Call Meetings are
   <u>MANDATORY</u> for anyone that is raising any animal in LAMAR

   FFA
- Roll Call Mtgs: AG teachers will be explaining the responsibilities and duties that are expected of each individual student.
- PENALTY for NO-SHOW to EACH of these meetings is \$50 will be deducted from your Lamar FFA Auction Check

#### These Meetings will be held:

- Saturday April 20th 8am at the barn
- Saturday April 20th the main tent
- Thursday April 25th 10am at the main tent
- Thursday April 25th 4pm at the main tent
- Friday April 26th 10am at the main tent
- Saturday April 27th 4pm at the main tent
- Sunday April 28th 8am at the main tent
- Sunday April 28th at the barn

### Academic Eligibility

- All exhibitors and student volunteers for the Lamar FFA Show & Auction will be subjected to a grade check.
- Any students who do not meet academic eligibility for ALL of their classes, will not be allowed to participate in the Lamar FFA Show & Auction, any of the contests, nor will they be able to volunteer during the student lunch days.

Students must be passing all classes for the Cycle 5 Report Card.

The Cycle 5 End Date is April 1, 2024

### Sponsorship Tips and Tricks

We require a lot of underwriting to pull off the auction each year. This is done by recruiting Title Supporters, Ad sales, buckle support and getting people to attend the Buyers' Reception & Auction.

To sell ads and title supporters, consider asking small businesses, restaurants and family members to advertise.

- Students can partner and wear their chapter t-shirt or full dress to ask for support (who could turn down a student in uniform?)
- Make a student <u>video</u>
- Post all over social Media
- Mail personal letter and invitation to everyone you know
- Use your connections

#### Buckle Sponsorships

- There are a total of 25 buckles that need to be sponsored this year! It is our goal to have all 25 sponsored by the deadline.
- All individual buckles are \$125 to sponsor and the cook-off sets are \$300 to sponsor

### Outstanding Sales Buckle

- ALL FFA members are welcome to participate in selling show sponsorships and booklet ads. The student with the most sales will receive the brand new Outstanding Sales Buckle!!
- This buckle DOES NOT require you to have an animal to win
- ANY FFA member can win!

#### Title Sponsorships

- Originally called Title Sponsors but has now changed names to "Supporter Contributors"
- There are 4 different sponsor levels and each come with their own benefits for donating
- Platinum- \$2000+
- o Gold- \$1000-\$1999
- o Silver- \$500-\$999
- o Bronze- \$250-\$499

- All livestock exhibitors are required to sell 5
   advertisements per animal species they exhibit for the
   Showbook (FFA Program booklet)
- Ads are available in 4 sizes
  - Business Card- \$25
  - o 1/4 Page- \$50
  - ½ Page- \$75
  - o Full Page-\$100
- Ads can be business sponsored, pictures, or support/congratulatory messages

- All Sponsorships (aka Supporter Contributions) are paid either by company check, money order or credit card.
- NO CASH WILL BE ACCEPTED AND NO PERSONAL CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED.
  - Checks are to be written out to Lamar Athletic Booster
     Club and in the memo write FFA Ag Show
- All Sponsorship payments are made on BidPal.

### Sponsorship & Ad Deadline

- Monday, April 1st
- This is a HARD deadline. Please make sure if you are collecting ads or sponsorships, the payment AND paperwork (logos or ads) are submitted by this day

### Table Commitments

- Buyers who purchase table commitments agree that the funds are either used to bid on projects or used for Add-Ons and are non-refundable
- Buyers purchase projects with intention of processing the project and must pay the cost or processing the animal. Cost of processing is not paid for through this "tab" and will be an additional cost to anticipate.
- All buyers must have appropriate arrangements made for the disposition of the animal (processing, own transportation, etc)
- Table commitments must be paid to the **LAMAR ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB with memo FFA Auction**

### Buyer's Club Donations

- The "Buyer's Club" is a pool of funds that is collected and split amongst the exhibitors in the live auction.
- Anyone can contribute to the Buyer's Club and the funds aren't directed toward any specific exhibitor.
- Donating to the "Buyer's Club" benefits companies, donors, or organization's who are interested in benefiting the entire group as a whole

### Terms of Sale for Buyers/Donors

- Have the animal processed for your own consumption by one of the processing companies contracted by the Lamar FFA. It is the responsibility of the buyer to pay the processing charges.
- Keep the animal for oneself. It is the responsibility of the buyer to have the animal removed from the school grounds immediately following the end of the auction.
- Private Treaty Agreement: This is an agreement/sale between the Buyer and student that the animal will be sold aside of the auction, (meaning the animal will not be auctioned off in the live auction) in a private agreement. The Buyer must make payment to "Lamar Athletic Booster Club-FFA." It is the responsibility of the buyer to have the animal removed from the show grounds immediately following the end of the auction.

### Terms of Sale for Buyers/Donors

- Please note that animals must be removed from the tent and school grounds on the day of the auction.
- In the event that buyers choose to have the animal(s) processed, please note the following:
  - Rabbits and Chickens will be processed at the student's expense and will be delivered to buyer.
- All other animals will be processed at buyer's expense. Animals will be picked up after the auction for processing by the company of their choice. Company representatives will be there the day of to make appropriate arrangements.
- Buyers must contact the meat processor to place packaging instructions and arrange pick-up of the processed meat.
- All animal payments are to be made payable to: Lamar Athletic Booster Club
- Payment is expected the day of the auction.

### W9s & Student Checks

- Every student who intends to participate in the Lamar Auction must have a W9 on file in the name of the student.
- Auction checks will be written out in the name of the Student
- A 10% deduction will be taken from each check due to processing fees
- Auction checks are distributed after all project payments have been received. It normally takes about a month or two to cut all checks
- Please deposit checks within 5 business days of pick-up to avoid any mishaps

### Add Ons for Student Projects

- Add-ons are additional donations added to each student's project sale. These are done virtually through BidPal (OneCause).
- Add-ons are open for the week after the conclusion of the auction

### FFA Banquet

- May 8th at 6pm in the Grand Hall
- This is an awards reception with dinner
- Officers are announced and student achievements are recognized

### Barn Work Day

- Saturday, March 9, 8am-10am
- 11611 Riceville School Road, Houston, TX 77071
  - Please do NOT share gate code with anyone, except FFA members.

### Meeting Updates



If you missed a meeting or want to back to a previous one, the powerpoints will be in this tab. You would click on 'Meeting Updates' then scroll all the way to the bottom where it says 'Documents'

Name	Owner	DateAdded	Size
9-5-18 Meeting	Elisa Infante	9/22/2018	97 KB
10-9-18 Meeting	Elisa Infante	10/9/2018	1054 KB
11-13-18 Meeting	Elisa Infante	11/14/2018	1279 KB
11-13-18 Parents	Elisa Infante	11/26/2018	17 KB
12-4-18 Meeting	Elisa Infante	1/8/2019	545 KB
1-8-19 Meeting	Elisa Infante	1/8/2019	953 KB
2-12-19 Meeting	Elisa Infante	2/13/2019	1525 KB
3-5-19 Meeting	Elisa Infante	3/5/2019	1638 KB
4-9-19 Meeting	Elisa Infante	4/14/2019	1334 KB
9-10-19 Meeting	Elisa Infante	9/13/2019	12902 KB
10-9-19 Meeting	Elisa Infante	10/9/2019	1400 KB
11-5-19 Meeting	Elisa Infante	12/9/2019	2697 KB
12-3-19 Meeting	Elisa Infante	12/9/2019	2036 KB
1-14-20 Meeting	Elisa Infante	1/15/2020	482 KB
2-11-20 Meeting	Elisa Infante	2/12/2020	703 KB
3-10-20 Meeting	Elisa Infante	3/11/2020	626 KB

Our meetings are categorized my dates. Search for the meeting that you missed or want to go back to by the date that the meeting was scheduled.

### Social Media and Band

Here are our Social media accounts

twitter:Lamar Houston FFA @LamarFFA



Instagram:LamarFFA



YouTube: Lamar FFA



Website: <u>www.lamar.ffanow.org</u>



To keep up to date, join our Band!

It is MANDATORY that you and your parents join our Band group

### Future Meetings

We hope to see you in the future!

- Parent & Student Meetings
  - April 3rd @ 6:00PM
- Barn Work Days:
  - o April 6th @ 8am



## Questions?