School Barn Guidelines

Barn Manger - Daniel Schmidt - 918-408-0352
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The Kiefer School Barn is for FFA & 4H student livestock projects. It is the Kiefer School District's intent to provide this facility for the students to keep their livestock used for FFA & 4H livestock projects. The FFA & 4H concept is that students are learning while doing the work to raise and exhibit livestock. If a student wishes to keep his/her animal(s) on the property, it is his/her responsibility to help maintain the school barn. Only students enrolled into Kiefer FFA or Kiefer 4-H will be allowed to use the school barn.

Listed below are the requirements set forth by the Kiefer Public Schools and must be met before the student is eligible to house a livestock project at the Kiefer School Barn.

- The School Barn Manager is the Kiefer Agriculture Education Instructor. The booster club will appoint an assistant barn manager when they have their officer elections.
- The student must be a Kiefer FFA or 4-H member.
- Mr. Schmidt will be notified before any animal is brought into the school barn.
- Barn fees this year will be $50 per pen. Students must pay the school farm pen rental fee in full to the barn manager prior to occupying any pens. These fees cover the period of September 1st, thru April 1st. Additional barn fees will be required for the summer season, to include for housing breeding sows. Barn fees are for utilities, as well as facility and equipment maintenance.
- Junior and Senior students are allowed to keep up to 3 pigs in the school barn. Sophomore students and younger students will only be allowed to keep 2 pigs in the barn.
- A student should only exhibit the number of pigs they have in the barn. Families that take advantage of younger siblings for pen space will not be allowed to use the school barn the following year.
- Only market livestock show projects will be allowed to be housed at the school barn. There will be no feeder animals allowed at the barn at this time. The use of the barn facilities for breeding animals will not be for profit for anyone other than for the student who has an approved breeding supervised agriculture experience or 4H project.
- Students will be held responsible for livestock pens and equipment they are using. The student must reimburse Kiefer Public Schools for equipment that is damaged due to abuse. Equipment damaged through normal use will be purchased with money collected from barn fees.
- Student's name and a contact phone number must be attached to each individual pen.
- Animals must be contained in the pens assigned by the School Barn Manager. Pens will be assigned on a first come-first served basis. Preferences will be considered in assigning pens, but must be addressed prior to claiming any pens.
- Pens should be sifted out every day and waste products deposited outside in the designated area. It is encouraged that pens should be fully stripped and bedding replaced once a week.
- If a pen presents an unhealthy condition for the animal in the pen or other animals with the barn as determined by the barn manager, the student assigned the pen will be notified and given 24 hours to clean the pen. After 24 hours if the pen is not cleaned the person assigned the pen will be given one more opportunity to rectify the situation and a plan for improvement will be put into place. If there is no solution to the situation in the time allotted the student will be asked to remove the animal from the premises.
- Pens will be cleaned out within 7 days of an animal being sold or removed from the property.

- The general cleanliness of the barn is every users' responsibility. The following areas must be maintained properly:
    - aisles and common areas when you pig defecates on the floor
    - The scales, especially after your animal defecates in the scales
    - The wash rack, especially after your animal defecates in the wash rack
    - The shavings must be dumped within the designated area, not on the roadway or just outside the door.
- All equipment, i.e. brooms, shovels, and wheel barrels must be hung in the appropriate area or placed out of the way, not left in the middle of the aisles.
- If an animal becomes sick it is the student's responsibility to notify the School Barn Manager. The student will be responsible to pay for all professional veterinary services. If requested, the barn manager will assist with giving medication. All medication provided by the barn manager will be assessed an appropriate fee.
- The Kiefer School District or the School Barn Manager will not be held liable or financially responsible for a livestock project that is ill, injured, or dies at the school farm or at a livestock show.
- Students will be responsible for all costs associated with the feeding and care of all of the student's animals housed at the Kiefer school barn. Feed will be stored in sealed containers to reduce rodent infestation.
- ANY electrical appliances are permitted only with the approval of the School Barn Manager.
- No one may use any Kiefer School equipment or facilities without the consent of the Ag Teacher
- Animals must be removed by April 1st unless approved by the Ag Teacher
- Students are responsible for keeping the school barn locked and secured when not present. Student shall not share the combination lock code with anybody! Students are responsible for securing their personal items.
- It is encouraged that you keep complete feed and medical records on your pig. You can recorded these TheAET.com (Ask Mr. Schmidt if you don't know how)
- The school will make sure all students have transpiration to the following shows: Local, County, OYE and Tulsa State Fair. The school trailer will attend a few jackpots each season. We will all work together on deciding on what jackpot shows will work the best with the schedule for that year. The student is ultimately the one responsible for securing transportation for his/her animal. From time to time the school will attend other state and national shows and the plans for those shows will be worked out in a timely manner.
- All disputes that cannot be worked out between the School Barn Manager and the student will be referred to the Kiefer school administration of which such a decision will be final.
- It is the student's responsibility to properly care and monitor the health of their livestock, as well as follow all facility guidelines. Any violations will result in:
    - 1st Violation- verbal warning
    - 2nd Violation- written warning.
    - 3rd Violation- recommendation of action to Agriculture Education Advisory Council.
    - 4th Violation – recommendation of removal from the barn to the Superintendent of Kiefer Public Schools and Kiefer Board of Education as necessary.
- All other Kiefer School policies and procedures will be followed.

I have read the contract and understand the guidelines expected to use the Kiefer School Barn. I agree to abide by the Kiefer School Barn guidelines. I understand that raising a livestock project is a privilege, however if I fail to comply with these rules, I will lose school barn privileges and my animal(s) will be removed from the property.

Student Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

School Barn Manager Signature _____