Guidelines for use of the Boyd Animal Feeding Center

Barn capacity for the 2025-2026 school year will be set as follows - 6 calves 20 Goats/Lambs, 10 Hogs. Pens are on a first come, first serve basis. **Limit one pen per species per exhibitor**. Additional pens are sometimes available on a first come first serve basis **after** the pen reservation period has passed. $50 non-refundable deposit required per exhibitor. Deposit will be used for barn supplies, any vaccinations, worming or any other animal health issues which require all animals in the barn to receive treatment at the same time (not individual animal health bills).

GENERAL

1. Each student is responsible for his/her own project and pen between the hours of 4am and 11pm. Between the hours of 11pm and 4am the barn is a closed facility. In the event that a student cannot care for his/her project due to extenuating circumstances, a current exhibitor or immediate family must be chosen by the student to be responsible for the project. However, the student (owner) is ultimately responsible for the project.
2. Each family will receive a barn key fob, if you lose the barn key fob you will be charged $10.00 each time. This will be the only way into the barn this year.
3. **If any person other than an immediate family member will be feeding for a student during an absence an ag science instructor must be contacted before they are given access to the facility.**
4. **Any outside breeders, feeders, fitters, or any other contracted services must be ag teachers authorized and scheduled for ag teacher to be present at least one week in advance. This is not a guarantee that your request will be accommodated due to scheduling.**
5. Students are not allowed to feed or water any animal but their own with the exception of item #1 above. If an animal is being neglected, the student(s) should report it to an ag.science instructor immediately.
6. Exhibitors are responsible for any personal equipment brought to the barn. Personal property should be clearly labeled and should be secured in the exhibitors locker and/or feed barrel, items left laying around will be put up or thrown away.
7. Barns, gates, fences, and livestock panels or any other item at the project feeding center cannot be modified, moved or taken down without the permission of an ag science teacher. Any equipment used while in the barn should be returned where it was prior to using it.
8. In the swine barn water hoses are not to be left on hydrants continuously during months when freezing temperatures occur. Roll them up when not in use.
9. All pens and feed barrels ***must*** have a nameplate showing the owner's name.

Animal Health

- ALL ANIMALS will be REQUIRED to have any vaccines and/ or be subject to negative testing as recommended by the barn's contracted vet prior to entry to the feeding facility .
- Animals needing to see a vet may contact the vet of their choice and are responsible for the transport and bill of the visit/treatment plan. Sick animals and any treatments needed for entire herd health will be administered ag teachers and the feeding facilities contracted vet services as deemed necessary. If families do not want ag teachers managing barn health it is suggested they seek a facility not managed by the Ag Teachers.
- Animals that need to be quarantined will be subject to a minimum 7 days out of the barn with treatment. Animals that refuse treatment and/ or quarantine when deemed necessary by the Ag Teachers will be given a 24hr removal notice.
- While at shows (Jackpots, Majors or County) remember you are representing Boyd FFA and ISD. Treat other advisors, show staff and reps with respect as you would your own Ag Teachers.
- All animals must be validated by county or state.
- Barrow's needing to be castrated are at the expense of the exhibitor.
- **You must have a vet prescription in order to give any medications not available over the counter and labeled for that specific species!**

Show Attendance and Animal Feeding Facility Re-entry

- The animal feeding facilities are a closed facility. Bio-security is a constant concern and affects everyone using the barn. Ag teachers manage the barn for all animals' health. All large animal feeding facilities have rules and expectations for receiving animals and animals returning after outside exposure. These are for the entire facility's overall health, are non-negotiable and ultimately the responsibility of the Ag Teachers under the direction of contracted veterinary services.
- Boyd FFA Show Schedule will be finalized in July/August. If you plan on attending a jackpot on your own you will be subject to pre and post treatment and be required to quarantine outside of the barns for a minimum of 7 days. Any costs associated will be the responsibility of the family.
- Entire barn quarantines may be necessary when animal treatments within an entire species are being treated or when deemed necessary by Ag Teachers and contracted veterinary services.
- Failure to follow and recommended quarantine recommendations jeopardizes entire barn health and can result in a 24hr notice for animal removal.

AFTER SHOW SEASON

- All animals must be removed from the center NO later than two weeks from their final show (County, HLSR, Austin). Failure to do so will result in a fine per day that the animal is left in the facility. ($5.00). This includes the pen being cleaned out and all supplies being removed.
- ALL supplies the exhibitor kept in the barn must be removed on the day your animal leaves or they will become FFA property and/ or trash.
- Pens, feed barrels and lockers must be FULLY cleaned within 24 hours of the animal being removed from the barn.
- EX. Animals leave March 31st, the locker and your pen needs to be fully clean and ready for the next year on April 1st. If you remove the animal but the pen is not cleaned it will result in a $5.00 charge per day until completed.

CONDUCT

1. Vandalism and theft will not be condoned. Anyone that steals or vandalizes property, whether public or private, will be subject to one or more of the following actions:
   - ♦ Replacements of items stolen or damaged.
   - ♦ Repair of items damaged.
   - ♦ Loss of FFA membership and all rights that accompany it. Including use of the facility.
2. Penalty for the use of alcoholic beverages or controlled substances on BISD school property or any violation of the school student code of conduct is outlined by school policy.
3. Following the Standards for Student Conduct
   Each student is expected to:
   • Demonstrate courtesy, even when others do not.
   • Behave in a responsible manner.
   • Exercise self-discipline.
   • Meet district and campus standards of grooming and dress.
   • Obey all campus and classroom rules.
   • Respect the rights and privileges of students, teachers, and other district staff and volunteers.
   • Respect the property of others, including district property and facilities.
   • Cooperate with and assist the school staff in maintaining safety, order, and discipline.

MISTREATMENT OF ANIMALS/ FACILITY

1. Animals are not to be ridden or made to pull carts, sleds, etc.

2. Any neglect or mistreatment of animals at the farm may result in the animal owner and family being banned from the feeding center. A one-week notice may be given as a warning for the student to correct the problem or remove the animal. After the one-week grace period, the agriculture teachers will assume responsibility for the project and the animal may then be removed from the facility and sold. The original owner would then be paid the sale price of the animal minus any feed, hauling, or

other expenses. If the project cannot easily be sold, the agriculture teacher will find some means of disposition that may include giving the animal away. In this case no reimbursement will be made to the original owner.

STEPS FOR PEN/ ANIMAL DISCIPLINE:
YELLOW – 48 hour notice – problem must be identified and corrected within 48hrs (students and parents are not authorized to remove yellow tape)
RED – One week grace period (see above) has been entered and animals will be locked out of their pen. School administration will become involved.

3. Mistreatment of Animals is defined as but not limited to: Off Label use of feed or medication, insufficient daily care, incorrect/ lack of feeding and lack of exercise time. You must have a vet prescription in order to give any medications not available over the counter and labeled for that specific species!

4. Other student's animals and property at the facility will be treated with an even greater respect than you would your own, failure to do so is grounds for removal.

5. Animals neglected for fresh hay, fresh feed, fresh water or fresh bedding are subject to discipline.

6. **ALL WATER TROUGHS NEED TO BE CLEANED DAILY - THIS INCLUDES THE TURN OUT PENS.**

VEHICLES/ EQUIPMENT

1. The use of chapter owned equipment is limited to students and parents with authorization by an agriculture teacher.
2. **Trailers owned by the school will not be loaned out.**
3. All persons driving their vehicles on the school farm property will adhere to the following rules:
   - **5 mile per hour speed limit**
   - Drive only your own vehicle
   - Park in designated areas only –**Stay off of the Grass!!!!!!!**
   - **Dogs and other pets are not allowed!**

MAINTENANCE AND FACILITIES

- **Each student is responsible for keeping his/her pen and surrounding area neat. All pens are to be cleaned regularly as needed.** Cleanliness promotes good animal health. Repeated negligence in this area is grounds for removal.
- Students will haul manure away from the barns to places designated by the agriculture teachers & spread out the hay/manure/etc…**Do not dump in front of or beside the barn or near any doorway.**

- All students are responsible for maintaining the appearance and working order of the project feeding center and should be available for work to clean the grounds free of weeds and trash and for general repair.
- Students should expect to work a minimum of one farm work day (3hrs) per show season.
- If something breaks, please attempt to fix it. Call an Ag Teacher if this cannot be accomplished.

The Boyd Animal Feeding Facility has been established by the Boyd ISD in order that agriculture students have the privilege to use it to successfully maintain their projects. This code of conduct has been developed in order to insure the perpetuation of this facility. It is understood the abuse of such privileges will result in the privileges being denied.

It is further understood that the Boyd Independent School District and the Boyd FFA shall not be held responsible for accidents, damages, or theft occurring at the Boyd FFA Feeding Facility.

Below is our contact information. Please feel free to cut this off and keep it for your records. We check our email daily and would be happy to respond to any questions that you might have.

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Our school phone is (940) 433 2327. Messages are best communicated through email and the parent square - We check email regularly even on weekends and holidays.

Boyd FFA

Parental Consent Form

Student Name _____

We as a family have read and understand the Boyd Animal Feeding Facility Information and requirements and the rules concerning the facility and agree to abide by them. Failure to abide by school and feeding center rules will result in the loss of the privilege to use the barn.

Aware of the risk incidental to said participation, I hereby waive, release, and agree to hold harmless the Boyd ISD, its officers, and employees, for any and all injuries incurred by my son/daughter in participation in and transportation to and/or from all official activities except those injuries arising from willful misconduct on the part of said officers, employees, agents, and representatives.

Emergency Information:

Parent or Guardian_____

Home phone _____ Work Phone_____

Cell Phone _____

Address_____

Email Address_____

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Student Signature Date

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Parent or Guardian Signature Date