

Muscogee (Creek) Nation Ag Youth Development Program



Livestock Assistance Guidelines

This program is designed to help offset the cost of a livestock show project (cattle, sheep, goats, or pigs). Each student is eligible for \$500 annually (priority will be based on family income). This service is offered to enrolled Muscogee Creek youth, ages 8 to 19 years old, who live within the Muscogee Creek Nation Boundaries and are enrolled in either their county 4-H program or their local F.F.A. chapter.

Guidelines

1. Each applicant must provide a copy of their MCN citizenship card as well as live within the boundaries.
2. Each applicant agrees to locate a local advisor with experience in the species chosen: swine, sheep, goats, and cattle.
3. Each applicant can only receive assistance annually. MCN fiscal year is October 1st – September 30th.
4. Applicant agrees to attend educational programs offered on livestock showings in your county.
5. Applicant must remain academically eligible for extracurricular activities in school and provide copy of their most recent report card.
6. Animals may be purchased by the applicant or with the help of the MCN 4-H instructor.
 - Each project will be inspected by the MCN Ag Youth Development Manager at least once between the purchase date and the sale date of said animal to determine legitimacy of the project as well as the care and well being of project.
 - It is the responsibility of the applicant to provide directions to the site the project is housed.

7. Each applicant will be reimbursed for monies spent by providing the Ag Youth Development Program Manager with credible proof of such purchase in the form of original receipts/invoice along with a MCN Ag Youth Development assistance request form.
 - The receipt must be made out in the name of the applicant or their parent or guardian. Receipts/invoices with no name on them **will not** be paid.
 - All reimbursement checks will be made out to the parent or guardian of the applicant. No checks will be made out to a 3rd party.
 - All receipts must be turned in within 30 days of the receipt/invoice date.

8. In the event that a member makes a premium auction, the MCN Ag Youth Development Program will attempt to purchase the animal one time per year. The purchase price will not exceed \$500.00. All animals in a premium auction not purchased by the MCN Ag Youth Development Program will have \$100.00 added on to their premium price. (Add on money will be once per year).

9. Upon completion of the show season, the project will become the property of the applicant.

10. Parents must be willing to not only help monetarily, but also oversee the daily care of the animal.

11. Parents must be willing to provide transportation, meals, and lodging, required by applicant.

12. Parents or guardians must sign and date the MCN Ag Youth Development Livestock Assistant Application in order to indicate their understanding of agreement within said document.

13. MCN Ag Youth development will have final authority to settle questions and disputes.

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date