

Kremlin-Hillsdale FFA School Farm Student, Parent, and FFA Advisor Contract

1) Introduction

- a) The Kremlin-Hillsdale School Farm will be used for FFA and 4-H student livestock projects. It is the intent of the Kremlin-Hillsdale School District to furnish this facility for the students to keep their livestock used for Supervised Agriculture Experience Programs. Due to the limited size of the Ag Farm, this facility will only be used for show projects. It is the duty of all the students keeping animals on the property to help maintain the property. Only students enrolled at Kremlin-Hillsdale Schools and members of the FFA or Garfield County 4-H will be allowed to keep livestock projects on the property. Students who are too young to be members of 4-H, but want to show livestock in open shows, will be allowed to house animals if space is available.
- b) Listed below are rules and regulations to be followed by all students using the Kremlin-Hillsdale FFA School Farm. The school farm is an extension of the classroom of the Kremlin-Hillsdale Ag. Ed Program. All policies of the Kremlin-Hillsdale High School Student/Parent Handbook will be enforced.
- c) All matters concerning the rules of the Kremlin-Hillsdale Ag Farm will be enforced by a three (3) member committee consisting of the Ag Instructor, High School Principal & a member selected by the FFA Booster Club.

2) Rules and Regulations pertaining to the operation of the Kremlin-Hillsdale Ag Farm

a) General Rules

- i) Only market livestock show projects will be allowed due to the type and size of the farm facilities. No breeding stock will be allowed on the farm unless it is being exhibited.
- ii) Each student will be limited to three males and three females of each species. However, this number may be reduced if space becomes limited. The exact number will be at the discretion of the Ag Instructor.
- iii) Students using facilities of the Kremlin-Hillsdale FFA School Farm will be expected to cooperate with other students using the Kremlin-Hillsdale FFA School Farm. Lights will be turned off, gates kept closed, doors kept shut, respect other student property at the farm, and place empty feed sacks and other trash in dumpster.
- iv) All violators of rules set forth will receive a written warning once, upon second offense student WILL forfeit all rights to keep animals at the farm or to use Ag farm facilities.
Students will be expected to follow all rules listed in this contract. Students who fail to follow rules and regulations after the first offense will need to remove their projects from the school farm. Students will have 48 hours to remove project(s). If the project(s) is not removed in a timely manner, and

no other arrangements are being made for housing the project, then the school will have no choice but to sell the project in the name of the Kremlin-Hillsdale FFA Chapter. The money will be held in the Kremlin-Hillsdale FFA Account. Money owed, if any, to the Kremlin-Hillsdale FFA Chapter will be retained and then the appropriate party paid for the animal.

- v) All students using the Ag farm may be assigned chapter livestock (if applicable) to care for as part of their responsibility.
- vi) FFA students are expected to be in good standing with the Kremlin-Hillsdale FFA Chapter in order to use the facilities of the school farm. Examples: FFA Dues Paid, FFA Record book is current with correct financial information, Meat Sales minimum requirements have been met, and other policies listed in their Ag-Ed Class Student Syllabus.
- vii) Students will be held responsible for livestock pens and equipment they are using. Equipment that is tore up, abused or stolen will be the responsibility of the student and the Kremlin-Hillsdale FFA Chapter can be reimbursed for the loss

b) Livestock

- i) All animals must be properly fed and cared for at the Ag farm.
- ii) Students are responsible for the daily care of animal projects. All projects will be expected to be watered and fed on a daily basis. Some animals may need additional bedding, shade, etc.
- iii) Students will not feed raw garbage to FFA Livestock Projects.
- iv) Woodchips should be the only form of bedding used, unless instructed otherwise by the Advisor. (Our school's liability insurance provider, as well as the school administration, will not allow straw to be used for bedding in this facility due to the greater risk of fire).
- v) Before a livestock project leaves the school farm, the FFA Advisor will be notified by the student, parents or other person removing animals.
- vi) FFA members will be responsible for monitoring the health of their livestock project. If an animal becomes sick, it is their responsibility to notify the Advisor.
 - 1) The FFA member will be responsible to pay for all professional veterinary services.
 - 2) The FFA Advisor or the Kremlin-Hillsdale FFA will not be held financially responsible if a livestock project dies at the school farm or at a livestock show.

c) Pens

- i) The FFA Advisor will assign all pens at the Kremlin-Hillsdale FFA School Farm. Students/Parents will not build pens unless they have permission from the FFA Advisor.
- ii) Students/Parents having livestock equipment at the Kremlin-Hillsdale FFA School Farm will need to have their name on it and approved with the FFA Advisor.

- d) Transportation
 - i) Kremlin-Hillsdale FFA School Trailer and/or other equipment owned by the FFA Chapter or Kremlin-Hillsdale Public Schools will not be used by students or parents without the permission of the FFA Advisor or other Kremlin-Hillsdale School Personal.
 - ii) FFA members requesting transportation for animal projects to school approved livestock shows will be required to notify the FFA Advisor.

- e) Cleanup
 - i) All pens must be completely cleaned with all shavings being removed and replaced with fresh bedding at least once every 7 days.
 - ii) The student is also responsible for keeping pen and equipment in good condition.
 - iii) Pens will be cleaned, by the student and parent, when animals are sold or removed from farm.
 - iv) Workdays may be announced from time to time as necessary to maintain the Ag farm.
 - v) Any student or parent not participating on workdays without previous arrangements will forfeit rights to keep animals at the farm.
 - vi) At the end of the feeding period, the student will be responsible to tear down and clean pens.
 - 1) The FFA Advisor will determine the date and notify all parties involved for cleanup.
 - 2) Failure to clean pen will result in the student paying the Kremlin-Hillsdale FFA Chapter \$150.00.

- f) Property
 - i) The Kremlin-Hillsdale School District accepts no responsibility for damaged, lost, or stolen property including but not limited to livestock, feed, equipment, and trailers.

All steps of punishment are subject to change depending on the violation. These changes are to the discretion of the FFA Advisor and the Kremlin-Hillsdale Administration. Appeals to the decisions of the FFA Advisor and the Administration may be made to the Board of Education.

3) Conclusion

a) All students using the Kremlin-Hillsdale FFA School Farm will be expected to follow the above contract. Two copies must be signed by the student, parent, and FFA advisor. One copy of the contract will be kept on file in the FFA Advisor's Office.

b) (We) _____ and _____
Student Parent

have reviewed the contract and understand our responsibility to use the facilities of the Kremlin-Hillsdale FFA School Farm.

_____ Student's Signature

_____ Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature

_____ FFA Advisor's Signature