



OWYHEE CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION

"Serving Cattlemen Since 1878"

SPONSORED STEER PROGRAM

The Owyhee Cattlemen's Association (OCA) is interested in promoting educational and financial opportunities, related to the beef industry, to Owyhee County youth. To do so, OCA offers the Sponsored Steer Program. Eligible youth can be offered a beef steer, by an OCA member, in exchange for a third of the sale price, at the Owyhee County Junior Livestock Sale. Youth who participate in this program will gain knowledge and experience in selection, feeding, exhibiting, and marketing livestock.

Youth Eligibility:

1. Youth must be an Owyhee County 4-H or FFA member.
2. Priority will be given to youth who have not previously received a steer from the program; however, participants may reapply if they have already been awarded a steer.

Youth Requirements:

1. Complete and submit the application to the Extension Office prior to, or at, Initial Beef Weigh-In.
2. Have adequate facilities or a suitable location for and provide feed to the animal.
3. Pick up the steer from the donating producer.
4. Maintain and complete written records and submit them to the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association prior to exhibition at the Owyhee County Fair.
5. Attend the OCA Summer Meeting, the year of application, to be awarded a certificate.
6. Exhibit the steer at the Owyhee County Fair and sell in the Owyhee County Junior Livestock Sale.
7. Become a youth member of OCA.

Steer Eligibility:

1. Steers can be purebred or crossbred.
2. Must be structurally sound and up to date on all vaccinations.
3. Must be polled or dehorned.
4. Must not have any sign of dairy or rodeo breed influence.
5. Must be weaned.

Donating OCA Member Requirements:

1. Provide a Bill of Sale to youth.
2. Provide steer information such as date of birth, dam ID, sire ID, breed, weaning weight and date, and vaccination records, if available.

Additional Details:

The youth must have adequate facilities and feed for the project. Steers should be fed for continuous growth, gaining approximately 1-2 pounds per day.

Attendance at the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association Summer Meeting and the completion of 4-H or FFA record books are mandatory. Each exhibitor must maintain written records to document the management of their steer project.

The youth is responsible for preparing the steer for exhibition at the Owyhee County Fair. Participation at the Owyhee County Fair is required.

Once the youth receive a steer, they are solely responsible for the care and management.

If the steer dies or is unfit for show at the Owyhee County Fair, the youth must contact OCA immediately. OCA will address each situation on a case-by-case basis, and the Board of Directors will make a final determination.

If the youth neglect to maintain their part of the contract, the steer may be returned to the donating producer. In this case, the youth will be ineligible to apply for the program again in the future.



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SPONSORED STEER PROGRAM APPLICATION

Instructions-

This application must be submitted prior to, or at, Initial Beef Weigh-In.

Complete pages one and two and submit to Owyhee County Extension:

Scott Jensen PO Box 400, Marsing, ID 83639

The Leader/Advisor form, page 5, needs to be completed by your 4-H Leader or FFA Advisor and submitted to the Extension Office.

Please Print-

_____	_____	_____	_____
<i>Applicant Name</i>	<i>Birth date</i>	<i>Grade</i>	
_____	_____	_____	_____
<i>Address</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip</i>
_____	_____	_____	_____
<i>Phone</i>	<i>Email</i>		

<i>4-H Club/FFA Chapter</i>			

Please read and initial-

If given the opportunity to raise a steer you agree to:

- _____ Feed and care for the steer
- _____ Exhibit as either a 4-H or FFA member at the Owyhee County Fair
- _____ Follow all rules and guidelines set by the OCA Board of Directors. Policy disputes shall be submitted to the Board for review as described in the rules and guidelines.
- _____ Attend OCA summer meetings and other educational events, such as Beef Field Day.
- _____ Submit updates on steer growth and progress to the donating producer.
- _____ If problems arise, I will immediately contact a committee member and my 4-H Leader/FFA Advisor.
- _____ If the project cannot be completed, I agree to return the steer to the producer.

Please Print-

Do you have an Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association member who is willing be your sponsor?
If so, list their name and contact information.

Sponsor Name

Address *City* *State* *Zip*

Phone *Email*

Write a brief paragraph-

Why do you want to participate in the OCA Sponsored Steer Program? What do you hope to learn from this project?

Youth Signature *Date*

Parent/Guardian-

As legal guardian of the above youth, I agree that he/she may participate in the Sponsored Steer Program and the above contract, and I will give him/her guidance and counsel.

Parent Name (please print)

Parent Signature *Date*

Phone *Email*



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SPONSORED STEER PROGRAM APPLICATION – LEADER/ADVISOR FORM

Applicant-

Please fill in your information and give this form to your 4-H Leader or FFA Advisor.

Applicant Name

Date

Phone

Email

4-H Leader/FFA Advisor –

Please submit to the Owyhee County Extension prior to, or at, Initial Beef Weigh-In:

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Describe why you feel the applicant would or would not be a good candidate for the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association Sponsored Steer Program.

4-H Leader or FFA Advisor (please print)

4-H Leader or FFA Advisor Signature

Date