

JUDSON AGRICULTURAL, FOOD, AND NATURAL RESOURCES 2021-2022 BROILER FEEDER GUIDELINES

PURPOSE

The purpose of a production livestock-feeding program is to allow students to develop responsibility, leadership skills, and gain hands-on knowledge and application of the livestock production industry. All feeders should experience success and pride in their accomplishments.

PRICE OF PROJECTS

BREAKDOWN COST JUDSON AGRICULTURE EXPOSITION:

Broiler Cost (25)	\$43.50
Feed Cost (cash only)	\$175
Facility Use Fee	\$50
<u>JAE Entries</u>	<u>\$40</u>
Total	\$263.50

- ❖ **NOTE:** If you are planning on showing in any of the Major Livestock Shows (San Antonio, Austin, or Houston), then an additional cost will be incurred as you will have to order separate chickens for majors. The broilers for SALE/HLSR, can be ordered as a pen of 50 for \$80 *price is subject to change. A new broiler project will be required for each additional Livestock Show entered. You are also responsible for reserving and paying for your own lodging for all Livestock Shows. Note we must have 3 pens or more for me to go to SALE and haul or you will be taking them and there on your own. I also will not haul broilers to HLSR as an advisor; since I will already be there with sheep you will haul them in yourself.

BREAKDOWN COST SALE:

Broiler cost	\$80+/-
Feed Cost(cash)	\$230
SALE	\$75
<u>Facility Use Fee</u>	<u>\$50</u>
Total	\$ ~435.00

PROJECT PAYMENT/DEADLINES

- **JAE:**

Broiler Purchase by 9/10/21 - \$43.50; no exceptions on date (checks made payable to Judson FFA)
Broiler Feed 10/15/21- \$175

We will set up pens on 10/25/21 at 4:35pm and the student or a parent must be present to help due so. I will provide the electrolytes, burlap and shavings for this set up but you will be responsible for making sure that you have feed pans, waterers, extra shavings, heat lamps/bulbs, thermometer, fan etc for them. An Additional calendar of cull dates will be given when you receive your project.

Facility Use Fee on or before 10/29/21 - \$50 (must be to me on the day the broilers arrive or before)
JAE Entries 11/1/21- \$40

- **SALE:**

Broiler purchase by 10/1/21- \$75; no exceptions on date (checks made payable to Judson FFA)

All other info is TBD when TAMU POSC has the information sent out and I can set the dates accordingly; leave contact information on the sheet if you are interested in a set for majors

IF MONEY IS NOT RECEIVED FOR THE FACILITY USE FEE, THE BROILER PROJECT WILL NOT ENTER THE POULTRY BARN UNTIL IT IS RECEIVED.

Broiler Processing

A separate cost for broiler processing will be due at time of processing for each set sent to the processor and you will be responsible for getting them to and from the processor. It is your responsibility to set up an appointment and to get them to the processor. Jacob Coppedge is a local processor – 830-305-6735.

You may also do this yourself or find another processor to work with.

BROILERS COST- JAE

The cost for a pen of 25 broilers is \$43.50. *** TAMU is the sole provider for the birds and they have a new hatchery- and they can not guarantee that all broilers are straight run (a mix of both pullets and cockerels) or all one sex. This year they will be delivered on approximately October 29th, in the afternoon.

The SALE or other major show birds will be picked up in College Station by the agriculture teacher and I will have that date at a later time when provided by TAMU; the cost is \$75 for the pen of 50 for majors.

FEED

Students have two options when it comes to feeding. First option, you can feed your animal what the Judson Poultry Program recommends and I will pick it up in Brenham or the second option, you can purchase and feed your own feed if all requirements in the JISD Agricultural, Food, and Natural Resources Rules and Regulations are met.

I highly recommend choosing to feed what the Judson Poultry Program is feeding; the feed has been specifically set up through the Co-op for Texas poultry raisers to be successful in the poultry industry and the feed cost is \$175.00 per 25 birds for the JAE birds and approximately \$230 for major shows as you will get 50 birds for them. The Agriculture Teacher will go and pick up the feed necessary for students who feed what the Judson Poultry Program recommends from the College Station Co-op. If you choose the second option to feed on your own then you will be responsible for picking up feed and ensuring they are being fed properly.

For the cull birds I recommend feeding the extra stuff and supplementing with a cheaper local feed to grow them out until processing; cull birds must be separated from the rest to ensure the others have maximum room to grow.

SUPPLEMENTS

At the start of the project through the end they should also be supplemented with PNR Feeds- Fortify (comes in a blue 5 gallon bucket with an orange label). This will be used as a top dress supplement 2-3 times a day and is increased concentration of purified amino acids. Amino Acids are the building blocks for muscle development.

You will also need to continue the use of citra-lyte (St. Hedwig Feed Store) throughout the project's entirety.

There will also be other additives that will be listed in your packet to add later on in the project.

JUDSON AGRICULTURE EXPOSITION (JAE) ENTRY COST

The cost of Entries is \$40.00 this includes Two Entries into JAE (one pen of pullets and one pen of cockerels). A maximum of two pens per exhibitor is allowed to be exhibited pending what is available from TAMU.

SALE Entry Cost

The Major Entry Show workshop night is on November 3rd at 5pm and the approximate cost will be \$75.

BROILER FEEDING TIMES

Each broiler feeder will be responsible for the feeding and caring of their own birds. The room will be split up depending on how many are interested in showing, for JAE I can have 6 students/families and for majors it will be a limit of 3 due to the increase in birds needed. The object is to maximize space for the broilers and give everyone equal space in each room. **The Broilers must be fed, all waters cleaned and replaced, and manure removed at the**

morning, lunch, and after school and the 7:30pm or later checking(s). If the water and feeders are fine, then no additional feed and water will be needed.

AT EVERY CHECKING THE BROILERS MUST BE STIRRED UP TO ENSURE MAXIMUM POTENTIAL OUT OF THE PROJECT WHICH NEEDS TO BE DONE MORE THAN LESS FOR THIS PROJECT. The feed schedule provided is not a suggestion and must be followed to get the birds to show size by the date of the show the birds need to have constant light and stirring for growth.

You will be responsible for supplying your own shavings throughout the project as well as feeders, waters, and heat lamps if there are not any extras left in the barn. It will be the responsibility of the feeder to provide his or her own transportation to and from the barn for all feedings. If it is hot you may need to purchase a box fan for air flow and if it is cold you may need to purchase additional heat lamps and bulbs. It is also best to have thermometers in your area at the level of the chickens to know the temperature.

ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR FEEDING, ELECTROLYTES, AND ANTIBIOTICS WILL BE GIVEN AT A LATER DATE BY THE AGRICULTURE TEACHER IN CHARGE OF POULTRY PROJECTS.

Hours For Agriculture Science Complex

School Days: 5:00 AM – 8:25 AM

School Days: 4:15 PM – 8:00 PM

Non-School Day: 5:00 AM – 8:00 PM

DISEASE CONTROL & ASSIGNMENTS

AT EVERY CHECKING EACH BROILER PEN MUST BE CHECKED TO SEE IF PROPER FEED AND WATER IS AVAILABLE FOR THE BIRDS. You must clean out the waters and refill. All manure in each pen should be removed with a shove/rakel and placed in the wheelbarrow. Then dump the manure from the wheelbarrow in the very back of the manure bin located by the hog barn or in the dumpster located directly in front of the walk-in gates. All wheelbarrows will be dumped; tools put up and cleaned before returning them to the proper places. Do not leave trash laying around- if you would like to get a trash can you may do so but open feed and trash is what brings more flies and rodents. Always check the broilers daily for any abnormal feeding habits and report any change of eating habits immediately to the agriculture teacher in charge of the project. Put deceased broilers in a feedbag and place them in the dumpster immediately, do not leave them in the barn.

- **Individual Pen/Room Assignments will be assigned at a later date**
- **All broiler feeders will be required to perform additional cleanup and duties outside of their pens as needed- please keep it clean, the chickens thrive in a clean environment!**

CONTACT INFORMATION

Please feel free to call me with concerns at (210) 945-1100 ext. 19600

*email: lhenderson@judsonisd.org

Judson FFA Broiler Feeder Guidelines

This page must be signed to ensure that the parent and student have received and read the guidelines to raising broilers at Judson.

I understand all the guidelines and will adhere to them. I hereby agree to ask or inquire if I do not understand or have any questions.

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's name printed _____

Parent's phone number _____

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Student's name printed _____

Student's phone number _____

Please note that I will be adding both a parent and the student to the Groupme app to receive notifications.

If an additional parent needs to be added you are able to add them to the group as well once you have been added.