

# Gallatin County 4-H "Poultry Flock" Project

## Student/Parent Contract 2015-2016

As a part of the 4-H Poultry Flock Project the following agreement is required before a student can show at the 2016 Gallatin Co. Fair. The goals of this contract are designed to ensure the preparation of all participants, to encourage the 4-H youth to be humane and responsible for their birds and to provide a fair and safe experience for all involved.

1. Members must be enrolled in 4-H and attend 3 or more educational workshops before participation in the 2016 Gallatin Co. Fair. Students need to be prepared for both showmanship and their record book interviews. (Be sure to SIGN IN at each meeting!)
2. Chicken exhibitors are also required to follow Gallatin Co. 4-H and Gallatin Co. Fairbook rules when they show their birds.
3. Birds will be required to submit to a VET Check prior to entering their coop. With that in mind, it is important at least a week ahead of fair to dust or spray and a couple days later inspect your birds to ensure they are clear of bird lice or northern fowl mites.
4. Students are encouraged to participate in the annual educational poster project and proudly display their poster at fair. We will practice presentations of the posters at our spring meetings. We also encourage second year on up to design a presentation for 4-H Demonstration Day.
5. Poultry showmanship participants are expected to wear a white shirt and black pants.
6. Herdsmanship expectations demand exhibitors (**NOT their parents**) to care for their birds each day of fair, ensuring they have water at all times, as well as clean litter and food daily. Families are expected to help with the barn set up and/or cleaning duties at the end of fair.
7. Respect and kindness toward other project members, leaders, adults and guests is of primary importance. Be prepared to answer questions about your bird and ready to help others when needed.

This form must be signed and returned to the poultry Flock Leaders by the May meeting.

Member's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** The poultry committee reserves the right to withhold prizes if members fail to humanely care for their animals, keep their area clean during fair and.....

**Check out with a committee member prior to leaving fair**  
with their birds. Committee decisions are final!