



COOS COUNTY STARTER BEEF AWARD

Due by Noon on Sunday, July 28th

This award, sponsored by donations to the Coos County 4-H Association, provides 4-H and FFA members the opportunity to purchase an approved beef female in the breed of their choice. All animals in the Starter Beef Program will be shown at the Coos County Fair the following year, and will meet all of the requirements of the program. Individuals not involved in a beef project will be given priority.

ELIGIBILITY

1. This award is open to any girl or boy who has been enrolled in a 4-H Club or FFA program for at least one year.
2. Applicants must be entering grades 6-9 in the fall following the fair.
3. Previous winners in the lamb, goat or calf starter program are ineligible to apply for this award.
4. Winners of this award must be enrolled in a 4-H or FFA Beef Project for one year after winning the animal.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

5. Each applicant must complete a Starter Beef Award form, write a paragraph explaining why they wish to receive the award, have parent or guardian approval, and have 4-H or FFA leader approval.
6. Leaders/Advisors must sign the application and write a paragraph stating why they recommend the applicant for the award.
7. All award finalists will be interviewed by members of the Starter Animal Award Committee. Parents or guardians must accompany the applicant during the interview.
8. Applications are due at the Coos County OSU Extension Office or Davenport 4-H Building by **Noon on Sunday, July 28th.**

Mail applications to: Starter Animal Award Committee
Coos County Extension Office
Ohlsen Baxter Building
631 Alder Street
Myrtle Point, OR 97458

AWARD MONIES AND RULES

9. A \$400 grant will be made available toward the purchase of an approved starter beef female, the breed and age to be decided by the recipient, and approved by the Starter Animal Award Committee.
10. If the starter animal dies, the winner must replace it with an animal of equal quality or pay to the Coos County 4-H Association \$400. If the winner chooses to replace the animal, he or she must notify the Starter Animal Committee before doing so. If an animal cannot be kept, the Starter Animal Committee must be notified. **THE ANIMAL CANNOT BE SOLD OR GIVEN AWAY DURING THE FIRST YEAR.**

11. All applicants must be able to provide adequate facilities and feed for raising beef.
12. Winners of the Starter Beef Award and a parent or guardian must sign a contract which defines the program rules.
13. Winners of the Starter Beef Award must be enrolled in a 4-H or FFA Beef Project for one year after winning the award, and must have their starter animal by November 15.
14. Winners must show the award animal in a special Starter Beef Award class at the Coos County Fair the following year, and must participate in the Beef Showmanship contest.
15. Progress Reports (signed by the 4-H leader/FFA advisor and a parent or guardian) must be made during the year. These reports will be sent to the OSU Extension Office. One copy will be kept for the 4-H or FFA member's records. Two visitations to evaluate the Starter animal will be made by the award committee. These visitations will assist the 4-H or FFA member in the care and feeding of the Starter animal, and provide an opportunity for discussion and questions.
16. Members currently involved in a beef breeding program will not be given as much consideration for this award as those individuals wishing to become involved in a beef project.

AWARD COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

17. Review all Starter Beef Award applications.
18. Interview and review the program with each finalist and their parents or guardians.
19. Approve the breeding animal to be purchased, prior to purchase.
20. Evaluate the Starter animal by reviewing reports and by making two visitations.
21. Determine the success of the Starter Beef Project.



APPLICATION
Beef Starter Animal Award - Coos County Fair
RETURN FORM BY SUNDAY, JULY 28TH AT NOON



I herewith make application to apply for the Beef Starter Animal Award. I have read the rules and regulations on this application and agree to abide by them.

Name _____ Age _____

Grade entering in Fall _____ Name of Club Leader/Advisor _____

Name of 4-H/FFA Club currently enrolled in _____

Signature _____ Phone _____

Mailing Address _____ Date _____

WRITE A PARAGRAPH ON BACK OF PAGE STATING WHY YOU WANT TO WIN THIS AWARD.

Approval of Parent or Guardian

I have read the rules and regulations for this application. I approve this application and agree to abide by these rules. I also understand that a Parent or Guardian must accompany the applicant to an interview to be held during the Coos County Fair.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Relationship to Child

4-H LEADER/FFA ADVISOR APPROVAL _____ **is a member of my 4-H Club or FFA Chapter and has been enrolled for this past year.**

Signature of 4-H or FFA Leader

Name of 4-H Club or FFA Chapter

Date of Signature _____

PLEASE WRITE A PARAGRAPH TELLING WHY YOU RECOMMEND THIS 4-H/FFA MEMBER FOR THIS AWARD. INCLUDE PARTICIPATION IN 4-H/FFA ACTIVITIES, COOPERATION WITH LEADER AND OTHER MEMBERS AND INTEREST OF PARENTS IN 4-H/FFA PROGRAM. ATTACH THIS RECOMMENDATION TO THE MEMBER'S COMPLETED APPLICATION.

MAIL COMPLETED RECOMMENDATION TO:

**Coos County Extension Office,
 Starter Animal Award Committee,
 Ohlsen Baxter Building
 631 Alder Street
 Myrtle Point, OR 97458**

Or deliver to the Davenport 4-H Building at the Coos County Fairgrounds during the county fair.