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TO: 4-H PROGRAM COORDINATORS, LEADERS, PARENTS, AND EXHIBITORS

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Hello! It is that time of year! Preregistration for The Upper Peninsula State Fair Market Goats.

Enclosed you will find information about making preliminary entries in the 2025 Upper Peninsula State Fair Junior Market Goat Show and Sale. The rules are a summary only, and official rules are published in the annual Exhibitor’s Guide to Classes & Awards (Premium Book). There are several changes so please read over the summary rules very carefully.

This year’s barn theme is **Halloween**.

Note all market preregistrations must be completed online. Once completed, you will receive a copy of what you preregistered to the email you provided.

**YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals) certification which is due by June 13th. Each exhibitor must provide a certificate of course completion. Please see the YQCA attachment or visit the UPSF website where all the information for the program is under the Exhibitors tab. Do not miss the in-person classes offered by Michigan State University Extension beginning in January.**

The Upper Peninsula State Fair will assign an ear tag after the pre-entry deadline. Ear tags will be mailed to the exhibitor with a copy being mailed to the leader. The ear tagging procedure helps maintain control over entries and prevents tagging at the fair. We appreciate your direct review of the entry forms to help reduce and eliminate attempts to enter a goat that does not qualify for the show.

**DNA sample submission is required for all goats entered into the 2025 UPSF goat show and sale. Further information and instructions will be mailed to you along with the UPSF Ear tag. There will be a charge of $15.00 for the DNA sampling, which must be paid at the time of the DNA submission. There will not be a charge for the alternate goat; however, you must submit the DNA hair sample from the alternate goat.**

**IT IS ALSO A REQUIREMENT THAT YOU INCLUDE THE FULL SCRAPIE TAG NUMBER ON THE PRELIMINARY ENTRY FORM.**

The deadline for preliminary entries is **May 15, 2025**. Please contact us with any questions about the Junior Goat Show. Thank you for your help in making the Upper Peninsula State Fair Junior Goat Show a success!

**Reminders:**

* **Please provide all information requested on the preliminary entry form and review for accuracy**.
* **DNA SAMPLE(S) & YQCA WILL BE DUE ON JUNE 13, 2025. DNA Cost is $15.**
* **Final individual entries are due July 15, and MUST be entered online at** [**https://upperpsf.fairwire.com.**](https://upperpsf.fairwire.com./) **Make sure you enter the correct record keeping and showmanship classes.**
* **Every exhibitor must purchase a weekly pass, discounted junior exhibitor weekly passes will be available for purchase with your final online registration.**
* **The goat show is on Tuesday, 6pm, in the beef barn arena.**
* **2025 Fair dates: August 11th-17th**

**The Upper Peninsula State Fair reserves the right to deny, accept conditionally, and to cancel any entries and awards of prizes without cause and without claims for damages.**