



## ***2024 Wisconsin State Fair Camp of Champions – Rights & Responsibilities***

The Camp of Champions program was developed to give youth who participate in the Governor's Blue Ribbon Livestock Auction an educational, rewarding and fun opportunity to further enhance their livestock project experience during their extended stay at the Fair.

The Wisconsin State Fair Camp of Champions is coordinated by the Blue Ribbon Sale of Champions Foundation. All Camp questions should be directed to designated Camp of Champions Committee and/or Ambassadors.

### **Rights and Responsibilities**

1. Being a part of the Camp of Champions is a high honor. Campers are representing their town/county, respective youth organization(s), business(es) which purchased their animal and the agriculture community. This responsibility should not be taken lightly.
2. While the Camp of Champions is run as a separate entity from Wisconsin State Fair, campers are expected to follow all rules and regulations set forth in the [Wisconsin State Fair 2024 Junior General Rules and Regulations](#) during their Camp of Champions experience.
3. **NO** alcohol or use of any type of tobacco products (including vaping, etc.) while participating in the Camp of Champions will be allowed. This includes but is not limited to time in the dorms, Camp of Champions display and livestock barns. **\*\*If found to be in possession, the camper will be reported to the Wisconsin State Fair Park Police department.\*\***
4. Lodging: All Camp of Champions participants are required to stay in the Tommy G. Thompson Youth Center dorms. Only Camp of Champions participants are allowed in the rooms designated for them. Bedding is not provided by the dorm. Exhibitors must bring their own bedding, towels, personal items, etc. No outside guests are allowed in the rooms. Campers will honor the 11:00 pm curfew.
5. Campers are expected to participate with enthusiasm and respect in all activities. This includes service projects, tours, activities, and special guest speakers.
6. Campers are expected to practice good herdsmanship skills and to keep the area clean and free of trash and manure. Animals should be provided with daily care and maintenance. Animals must be fed, watered, properly cared for and in the display area by 8:00 am.
7. Camp of Champions participants and guests are occasionally photographed and/or videotaped for the Governor's Blue Ribbon Livestock Auction and Camp of Champions promotional and educational materials. Photos may be released for publication where participants may be identified. No compensation be provided for photos or videos.
8. Fans, brooms, shovels, wheelbarrows, chairs, bedding and grass hay will be provided. Campers are responsible for feedstuffs, grooming supplies and personal equipment (please limit these personal items to a five gallon bucket size)

9. Each exhibitor will work a minimum of two (2) 2 hour barn shifts in the Camp of Champions exhibit per day. If for some reason an exhibitor cannot make their scheduled barn duty shift it is their responsibility to switch with another Camp of Champions participant.
10. Camp participants should be visible and approachable during their barn shift. Congregating in front of pens, usage of cell phones and devices, and consumption of food while on shift is discouraged. Please use the "COC Lounge Area" provided for conversations, etc.
11. Campers should use good judgment selecting clothing appropriate for weather and occasion, along with their Camp of Champions shirt while on barn duty. No short shorts, torn clothing, obscene or vulgar language and/or pictures on clothing are permitted. The committee reserves the right to determine what is appropriate.
12. Exhibitors of animals sold in the Governor's Auction must remain at the Fair and personally continue to care for their animal(s) through the end of the Fair. \*If the exhibitor must leave Fair/Camp of Champions for any reason prior to Sunday, August 11, 2024, he/she MUST be approved to leave, be picked up and be signed out of Camp of Champions and TGT Youth Center by a parent/legal guardian.\*
13. Campers will remain on the grounds until all animals are loaded out on Sunday and will be allowed to leave after tear down of the Camp of Champions is completed.
14. Campers may not leave the Wisconsin State Fair Park grounds unless accompanied by a Camp of Champions Ambassador or Camp of Champions committee member.

Violation of any of the above responsibilities can result in Blue Ribbon Sale of Champions Foundation retaining an additional percentage of the exhibitor's auction proceeds. The percentage will be determined based on the severity of the infraction and will be voted upon by the Blue Ribbon Sale of Champions Foundation Board of Directors with direction from the Camp of Champions committee.

- I plan to stay in the Tommy G. Thompson Youth Center in the Camp of Champions room from Thursday through Sunday.
- I have been granted a "hardship" exemption from the Camp of Champions committee and spoke

with the following committee member: \_\_\_\_\_  
therefore, I will not be staying in the Tommy G. Thompson Youth Center.

Reason for hardship: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this form, I agree to abide by all the rights and responsibilities listed above. I also understand the consequences if I do not uphold the rights and responsibilities.

Printed Name of Exhibitor: \_\_\_\_\_

WI State Fair Junior Exhibitor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*If exhibitor is under 18 years of age:*

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_