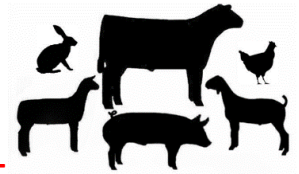




## L.E.G. Up Livestock Educational Grant Application Information and Agreement

*Please read the entire application before signing.  
Applications that are incomplete or not legible may be disqualified.*



**Application Deadline: September 29, 2023 by 12midnight MT**

### Program Overview

The **Douglas County Fair Foundation** in partnership with the Douglas County Fair Board and Douglas County 4-H proudly present the L.E.G. Up Program. L.E.G. Up will provide selected 4-H members an opportunity to have a market livestock project and raise an animal donated by a generous sponsor.

The **Douglas County Fair Board** supports L.E.G. Up participants by providing knowledgeable animal industry advisors and the opportunity to show and sell their program animals at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. Grant recipients MAY be selected to sell their animal in the Jr. Livestock Sale. Eligibility will be determined by market class placings in each species at the Douglas County Fair according to competition rules and guidelines.

**Douglas County 4-H** provides structured educational programs that teach participants about the animal industry and how to raise and care for market animals. Participants will learn by doing, how to care for, raise, feed and sell a market animal. Sponsors will be able support youth and contribute to the community by providing an opportunity to increase their education, learn responsibility, and improve their citizenship. Grant recipients will be required to enroll in the Douglas County 4-H program.

L.E.G Up participants will help form a bond between all of the members of 4-H and any given sponsor so that we all can be assured of the continuing spirit of agriculture in Douglas County. The success of this program is the responsibility of the participant and their parents, sponsors, program advisers, the Douglas County Fair Foundation, the Douglas County Fair Board, Douglas County 4-H and all those interested in the support of agricultural education in Douglas County. FFA members are encouraged to apply and are required to be enrolled in a Douglas County 4-H club. *\*All prize money and junior livestock sale proceeds earned will belong to the grant recipient in good standing.*

### Application process:

- **Complete the application providing legible details and submit your application by the deadline to: Douglas County Fair Foundation via email [DCLivestockGrant@gmail.com](mailto:DCLivestockGrant@gmail.com) or the extension office.**  
Application must include;
  1. Livestock Grant program application
    - \*All required signatures of applicant, parents and leader
    - \*If you intend to house your project at CALF, you must contact CALF prior to your grant interview.*
  2. Questionnaire completed – use separate sheet of paper as needed
- **Upon receipt of application, you will receive email confirmation from the Fair Foundation with details for an interview.**
- **Applicants and a parent/guardian are required to attend an interview in person on **Saturday, October 7, 2023 in Castle Rock. No alternate dates for interviews will be available.****
- **Grant recipient winners will be announced at 4-H achievement night.**
- **Any special accommodations required for your interview must be submitted in writing WITH YOUR APPLICATION.**

Email completed application to:

[DCLivestockGrant@gmail.com](mailto:DCLivestockGrant@gmail.com)

Or return completed application to:

Douglas County Fair Foundation L.E.G. Up  
c/o Douglas County Extension Office  
410 Fairgrounds Road  
Castle Rock, Colorado 80104

**Application Deadline: September 29, 2023**

## L.E.G. Up - Participation Application

Please number in order of preference if applying for a grant in more than 1 species. If you are only interested in 1 grant, simply mark with an X. Only 1 grant per person will be awarded.

- \_\_\_\_\_ A sponsored Steer and up to \$1,250 of reimbursed feed and care expenses.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Market Swine Project - \$1,000 grant toward animal purchase, feed and care expenses.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Two sponsored market Goats and up to \$435 of reimbursed feed and care expenses.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Two sponsored market Lambs and up to \$375 of reimbursed feed and care expenses  
\_\_\_\_\_ Rabbit breeding trio and up to \$375 of reimbursed feed and care expenses  
\_\_\_\_\_ Market Poultry – \$185 reimbursement toward a Market Turkey or Chicken Meat Pen project.

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant's age as of December 31, 2023 \_\_\_\_\_

Applicants date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant's T-shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of where animal is housed if different: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ work phone: \_\_\_\_\_

email address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ work phone: \_\_\_\_\_

email address: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby make application to participate in the L.E.G. Up Livestock Education Grant Program through the Douglas County Fair Foundation. I understand I will be required to be **actively enrolled in the Douglas County 4-H program and in good standing.**

I understand if I am awarded a livestock education grant, I must take possession of the animal from the sponsor on the announced date and immediately start to raise it as a 4-H/FFA market project for exhibit at the next Douglas County Fair and Rodeo.

If I should receive a grant, I will be responsible for feeding, handling and caring for the animal. It is agreed and understood that the responsibility for the animal and its actions shall rest solely with the 4-H member awarded the animal. I understand that if the L.E.G. Up committee determines I am not providing adequate care to the animal, required and timely correspondence with the sponsor, or not fulfilling the L.E.G. Up Participation Requirements and Regulations I may be removed from participation in this program and forfeit the animal and all grant money. If I am removed from the program, I must immediately return the animal and all expense reimbursement money received to the Douglas County Fair Foundation.

All requirements and regulations of the current Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Requirements & Regulations, L.E.G. Up Participation Requirements and Regulations, Douglas County 4-H Program Requirements and code of conduct will apply to participate in this program and to the eligibility and exhibition of this market project and exhibitor.

By signing below, I agree to have read the requirements and regulations of this program on the following page and agree to abide by them for the duration of my participation in the L.E.G. Up Livestock Educational Grant Program.

**Contractual obligations:** I/We will cooperate with the applicant in meeting all conditions of the program if the applicant is awarded an animal. I/We hereby grant my/our consent and approval and agree to release and hold harmless the sponsor, the Douglas County Fair Foundation, the Douglas County Fair Board, and CSU Extension Office officers, directors and staff from all loss, cost, and expense arising out of any liability for injury or damages to persons or property sustained or claimed to have been sustained by the applicant, or anyone whomever, by reason of the applicant above participating in this L.E.G. Up Livestock Educational Grant Program.

*By typing your name below, you agree that your electronic signature is equivalent to your manual/handwritten signature on this document.*

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

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

**Photo release:** I/We agree to allow the L.E.G. Up Livestock Educational Grant Program and the entities involved to use my child's photograph and/or image for promotional purposes related to the program.

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

## 4-H Livestock Project Leader & 4-H Club information

Douglas County 4H Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Leader Name: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Leader phone: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Leader E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Livestock Leader Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### Applicant Questionnaire

Why would you like to participate in the Livestock Educational Grant Program?

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What qualities make you the best candidate for this program and recipient of the grant?

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Please describe in detail the facilities or area and any equipment you already have available for housing and caring for an animal.

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List 3 people and their role in helping you with questions about your market animal 4-H project if you are selected as the recipient.

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
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- 3 \_\_\_\_\_

Provide an itemized estimate for your market animal project expenses for this next year if awarded the grant. *Include items such as feed, bedding, hay, grain, vet care & equipment. Please consult with a 4-H project member or leader and use a separate sheet of paper if needed.*

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## PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS

*Keep this page of the regulations for your future reference.*

Questions regarding the Program should be directed by participants to their L.E.G. Up Species Advisor.

1. Participants must be familiar and comply with all requirements and regulations of the current Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Competition Requirements and Regulations, Douglas County 4-H Program Requirements **and must be enrolled in Douglas County 4-H.**
2. Participants are strongly encouraged to attend any/all informational sessions regarding your selected species as communicated by the Douglas County CSU Extension office.
3. Each Participant selected to participate in L.E.G. Up will be awarded the grant as outlined. Expense receipts must be summarized and submitted to the Douglas County Fair Foundation **prior to your weigh-in date at the Fair.**
4. Applicants entering this program do so at their OWN RISK and acknowledge they could be injured by their participation. The sponsor, the Douglas County Fair Board, Douglas County Fair Foundation, CSU Extension, sponsors and The Cherokee Ranch and Castle Foundation, officers, directors and staff will not be responsible for any injuries or damage connected with this program. In addition, these entities will not be responsible for any harm caused by the animal during the ownership period.
5. Participant must be enrolled as 4-H Member in Good Standing from Douglas County between the age of eight (8) and under eighteen (18) who can prove access to adequate facilities to raise and handle an animal are eligible for this program.
  - a. Age is determined as of December 31 of the current year. It is highly recommended that a Participant not enter this program if they plan to be away at college or away from home during the time of raising the animal.
  - b. A current signed and approved Animal Care and Housing Form must be on file with the CSU Extension Office in Douglas County.
  - c. The Douglas County Fair Foundation Livestock Educational Grant Program committee will certify that these standards are met.
6. Any 4-H member who has previously received a grant through this program may not be eligible to win again.
7. **All** applications are to be received by the deadline date to be eligible. Late applications will not be accepted.
8. Participant must take possession of the L.E.G. Up sponsored animal on the designated date and start immediately as a 4-H project for exhibit at the next Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. Once each month (from animal possession through August) the Participant will be required to write a letter and include photographs to the sponsor of the animal. A copy of this letter and photographs must be sent to the Douglas County Fair Foundation (c/o L.E.G. Up). Letters must be postmarked or emailed by the last day of the month. Failure to write the monthly letter may result in forfeiture of the animal.
9. The Participant agrees to periodic visits from members or designated representatives of the L.E.G. Up committee. Pre-arrangements may be made with the Participant and their parents prior to the visit.
10. The Participant agrees to allow L.E.G. Up and the entities involved to use their photograph for promotional purposes related to the program. If this permission is revoked the Participant must immediately return the animal and any expense reimbursements received to the Douglas County Fair Foundation. No allowances will be made for any expenses incurred.
11. Registration for the Douglas County Fair completed by the designated deadline is required for all grant recipients. Failure to adhere will result in loss of any unused reimbursable funds.
12. A complete 4-H project record book including story, pictures and activities must be submitted by the deadline determined by 4-H adhering to completion requirements.
13. L.E.G. Up committee reserves the right to take the animal away from any Participant who does not abide by these requirements and regulations, including letters to sponsors, record keeping, does not properly care/feed the animal or does not take full responsibility for the animal. Any Participant who forfeits their animal must immediately return any expense reimbursements received to the Douglas County Fair Foundation and no allowances will be made for any expenses incurred.
14. Your market animal must meet the competition requirements to be eligible for and exhibited in the Junior Market Animal classes at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo. **Grant animals are NOT guaranteed to be chosen for the Jr. Livestock Sale.**
15. If eligible, the grant animal must be the Participant's first preference for selection to the Junior Livestock Sale.
16. If eligible, the animal must be entered and exhibited at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Junior Livestock Sale. Unless the Participant has a Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion market animal, the Livestock Sale Selection Committee will select any eligible L.E.G. Up animal before any other eligible market livestock entries the grant participant may own. Sale order will be determined by the method defined in the current Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Regulations and Requirements.
  - a. All prize money and sale proceeds will belong to the Participant.
  - b. In addition to any Junior Livestock Sale thank you notes a final thank-you note must be sent to the sponsor with a copy sent to the Douglas County Fair Foundation.
  - c. All other Junior Livestock Sale Participation Requirements and Regulations remain in effect.
  - d. If the animal is not eligible for the Junior Livestock Sale, the Participant may make arrangements for a private treaty sale.
17. Livestock Educational Grant Program Committee and Advisor responsibilities include:
  - a. Counsel with applying youth by reviewing the Requirements and Regulations of the program.
  - b. Certify that the 4-H member is qualified for the L.E.G. Up Program and has signed this form.
  - c. Counsel Participant (who receives an animal) regarding: records, monthly sponsor letter, insurance, feeding/care, fitting and showing.
  - d. Assist Participant with entry form and preparation for exhibition at the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo.
18. In the event of death or lameness of the animal, the Participant assumes full responsibility for necessary care, disposal and expenses.
19. Grant animals received MAY NOT be used for breeding without written permission from the sponsor with the exception of market rabbits.
20. Douglas County Fair Foundation reserves the right to temporarily or permanently remove a species from the program based on current events as an example contagious virus, and/or recommendations made by the Colorado Department of Agriculture.
21. Douglas County Fair Foundation reserves the right to amend this grant program at the end of each year without notice.