Lamb/Goat Clinic

Cost of raising a lamb/goat project

- Goats cost at minimum \$750.00 (up to as much as you are willing to spend)
- Lambs cost at minimum \$750.00 (up to as much as you are willing to spend)
- Feed costs about \$300.00 throughout the feeding period
- You will also need supplies like: Feed pans, water buckets, Show clothing, medicines, shampoo, etc. costing around \$75.00 total
- Unforeseen medical costs are possible!

Pen Setup

- Pen should be about 5ft. by 10ft.
- Keep out of sun, need shade/shelter at all times (unless walking)
- Needs plenty of airflow (Fans, ect.)

Feed

- Brands of feed I prefer: Purina, Jacoby
- Do your research on the feeds you want to use, a lot of them have recommended feeding schedules on their website
- You will need additives as we go to add to their feed

Health of your animal

- Take time everyday to observe your animal, you will notice if they aren't feeling well, if they aren't themselves. This helps us fix problems faster!
- Let me know ASAP if your animal stops eating (for more than two feedings) or if they are having problems breathing.
- Use safeguard dewormer MONTHLY (set a day to do this every month so you will remember)

Daily Care

- Clean out water buckets EVERYDAY so your animal has fresh water
- Weigh your animal WEEKLY at the <u>same time and day</u> each week for accuracy. This allows you to see their Average daily gain, and see if you need to adjust feeding etc.
- Halter training
- You need a <u>consistent</u> routine! Feed once in the morning and once in the evening <u>EVERYDAY!</u> Try to do so in 12 hour increments (feed at 7am--feed at 7pm) If you have plans then you need to ALWAYS make arrangements for your animal to be taken care of first!!
- Remove poop and wet shavings DAILY.

Have a plan

 Everyone (breeders, ag teachers, advisors, etc.) has their own unique way of raising and feeding a sheep or goat. You must pick some<u>ONE</u> to use as your mentor and stick with that person throughout the feeding of your animal! Creating a loyal and trusting relationship with your mentor will always be the BEST option. It never works to get advice from 5 different

- people and combine what they all say.. There is no one way to get this thing done, but using many different ways at one time will be hard on you and your animal.
- If you choose to get your own animal, that is awesome, if you need any help PLEASE communicate that with me!
- If you want to set a budget and have me pick out a sheep/goat for you, I would be happy to do that as well! I will need a blank signed check, or cash up front and I will get you a receipt from the sale.
- If you have NEVER raised a sheep/goat before, it is imperative that you get a mentor (like myself) to help you and make sure you have everything going right.

Showmanship

- Showmanship clinics will be held once a month throughout the year. This is not mandatory to attend but this is when I will be evaluating the sheep and goats.
- We will also work on showring presence

QUESTIONS?!?!?!?!?

FEEL FREE to message us on remind or email us if you have any questions! PARENTS can call us if there is an <u>EMERGENCY!</u>