MEMORANDUM

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TO: D6 County Extension Agents

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SUBJECT: 2016 D6 4-H Wool & Mohair Judging and Evaluation Contests

The D6 4-H Wool & Mohair Judging and Evaluation Contests will take place Wednesday, April 20th at the Auto Wrangler Sale Pavilion, located on the north end of the lamb, goat and swine barn at the San Angelo Fairgrounds. The physical address is 50 East 43rd Street, San Angelo, TX 76903. We will be collaborating with D7, so please ensure your 4-H members are aware and mindful of that.

Schedule:
4:30 p.m. Check In
5:00 p.m. Orientation & Competition Begins
TBA Awards Program (at completion of tabulation)

The 2016 Texas 4-H Roundup Rules and Guidelines will be followed unless otherwise noted in this letter. The document can be obtained on the Texas 4-H Website at http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/roundup/.

All youth should be registered, approved and paid 4-H members on 4-H Connect. Contestant entry will be made via 4-H Connect, https://texas.4honline.com/, during the timeframe of March 14-25, 2015. The registration fee is $10 per contestant. Youth should be prepared to list their team members’ names when they register. It is the county’s responsibility to review and accept participant registration on 4-H Connect. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED, and NO REFUNDS PROVIDED.

For questions, or emergencies the day of the contest, please contact Aaron Renfroe at 325.226.0037.

The D6 4-H Wool & Mohair Judging and Evaluation Contests Committee consist of:
Aaron Renfroe (Chair), Amanda Necessary (Assistant Chair), Chase McPhaul and Houston Dobbins
There is no limit on the amount of teams a county may enter.

Divisions are based on the current 2015 - 2016 4-H year:
- Junior: grades 3, 4 and 5; minimum age of 8, in addition to being in the 3rd grade
- Intermediate: grades 6, 7 and 8
- Senior: grades 9, 10, 11 and 12; maximum age of 18 as of August 31, 2015

A team may consist of both junior and intermediate 4-Hers, but that team must compete on the intermediate level. Only seniors may constitute a senior team since it is a qualifying contest. The top three senior teams advance to state competition at Texas 4-H Roundup in College Station, June 8th.

TEAMS MAY COMPETE IN ONE CONTEST ONLY, EITHER WOOL OR MOHAIR. DESIGNATION WILL BE MADE PRIOR TO THE CONTEST VIA 4-H CONNECT ENTRY.

Mohair Classes: Two classes of four fleeces each will be placed and reasons checked. Twenty mohair samples will be evaluated for fineness.

Wool Classes: Judge two classes of wool and complete an evaluation form on each. Evaluate 20 fleeces for grade, staple length and yield.

No printed materials may be used as an aid during the contest. Contestants are ONLY allowed to have a clipboard and #2 pencils.

Ribbons will be awarded to each participant. The top three teams and individuals in each division will be recognized. Additional prizes may be provided at the discretion of the contest committee.

Team photos (if taken) and final results will be made available following the contests on the D6 4-H website at, http://d64-h.tamu.edu/, under the Results tab.

Protest Guidelines:
- $25 cash, and must be submitted in writing to the committee chair, Aaron Renfroe
- Must be received no later than 30 minutes after the awards program has concluded
- The Protest Committee will consist of the contest committee members and 4-H Specialist
- The committee will meet in private to review and make judgment
- All decisions of the committee will be final

Help Needs:
If you or an adult volunteer in your county 4-H program plan to be at the contest and is willing to assist the committee, please contact Aaron Renfroe by March 25th so appropriate plans can be made.