



**New / Interested Member / Parent 101 Meeting
Tuesday, August 30, 2022 - 6:00 Ag Building**

-6:00 meeting is called to order by Kathleen Fisher, President-

Welcome everyone & introductions of alumni and advisors -

Kathleen Fisher, President Lake Travis FFA Alumni

Jenn Deleon, Treasurer Lake Travis FFA Alumni

Susan Dow, Secretary Lake Travis FFA Alumni

Kelly White, Advisor

Perry White, Advisor

Jason Flemming, Advisor

-Start the slideshow presented by Kathleen Fisher

Parent 101

-FAQ

-What is FFA

FFA is the premier youth organization preparing members for leadership and careers in the science, business & technology of agriculture.

-Introduce Jenna Dow, student President, for reciting the creed

-Introduce the rest of the officer team

Jenna Dow, President

Maddie Fisher, Vice President

Morgan Ambrose, Secretary

Briannah Noak, Treasurer

Lauren Gormley, Reporter

Larson Noak, Sentinel

-Students dismissed to go with the officer team

-Kathleen continues with slide show

-Who's invited to participate?

Students who are in at least one ag class/per year in high school

And any other students in the district 3rd-12th grade who want to raise animals as part of the program

Parents!

-Why would you want to participate?

Kids learn leadership, responsibility & lifelong skills. They are able to explore welding, vet med & other ag related industries. Presentation skills. District, area, state & national competitions. Strong camaraderie with other members. Parents can work alongside kids.

-What do students do?

Animal projects, Travis County Youth Fair (baking, photography, etc). LDE/CDE competitions from public speaking to animal judging

-What does the alumni do?

Help in the barn if raising animals. Volunteer. Fundraising.

Attend meetings

-How much does it cost?

Membership dues - students \$30 parents- single \$40 both \$60

Family donations/contribution - \$500/family

Official dress for competitions ~\$100-\$150

-Where does the money go?

Support club activities. Directly to kids that make sale at the Travis County Youth Show (TCYS)/Auction. Scholarships.

-How much does it cost to raise an animal?

pigs-\$500 Goats-\$500 Lambs-\$500 Steer-\$2500

Plus feed/tack (buckets, halters, etc) Show entries. Pen deposits/rentals

-Common concerns with raising animals?

1. Where do the animals live - the school barn or your own property if that is the preference but school barn is encouraged

2. Where do they go after show season - to a terminal show (i.e- San Antonio stock show) or you have to make other arrangements by end of season (~end of February)

3. Do they have to be fed every day - yes twice a day everyday including bdays, holidays, inclement weather days

4. What if I want to go out of town - have a barn buddy to help

5. How much do they cost - see previous

6. What about vet care - the advisors can help and/or recommend a livestock vet if necessary

-Where do we learn more?

THE WEBSITE - www.laketravisffa.ffanow.org

-Who do I see for more information? Faculty advisors-

Mr. Kelly White/Mr. Perry White/Mr. Jason Flemming

Q & A

1. Q - Does it matter what breed of animal?
A - Yes, they are meat market breeds
2. Q - How are the animals transported to shows etc?
A - The school transports the animals to validation, Cavalier Classic, Travis County Youth Show & the San Antonio Stock Show
3. Q - Do you get to keep the money if you make sale/go to auction?
A - Yes
4. Q - Can you raise more than 1 animal?
A - Yes
5. Q - Are there specific hours the barn is open?
A - The barn is open during regular school hours and after hours there is a combination lock. If barn access is needed after 10:00pm have a parent escort student

-7:00 meeting adjourned-