## **Larimer County Stock Growers Catch-it-Calf**

- 1. This project requires members to enroll in Larimer County 4-H by October 8, 2023, and become a member of the Larimer County Stock Growers.
- 2. Members should anticipate receiving the steer/heifer in mid to late November.
- 3. Project animals will be randomly placed with participants.
- 4. Only members enrolled in Larimer County 4-H and a member of the Larimer County Stock Growers Association are eligible to enter this program. The participant must satisfactorily complete the program (according to the Larimer County Extension Office).
- 5. A monthly letter (2-3 paragraphs) must be submitted to the key leader and the sponsor. It should outline what the member has done/learned within the month of working with the project animal and what he/she wants to improve for the coming month.
- 6. The participant should work with their animal on a regular basis. They are responsible for daily care including feeding, watering, and cleaning the pen/stall. If any health issues arise the participant is responsible for the costs. The sponsor, along with a member on the board must be contacted immediately.
- 7. A board member for the Larimer County Stock Growers Association can conduct random visit(s) to make certain the animal is being cared for properly and all requirements are being followed.
- 8. Participant is required to prepare animal for Fair. This includes training, clipping/fitting, and exhibiting the animal at the Larimer County Fair.
- 9. Create a "Thank You" poster for the sponsor to be displayed at Fair. Requirements of this poster must include name(s) of sponsor, picture of you and your animals(s) with participant and animal(s) name. Take a picture of yourself with your poster at fair and send it with a thank you note to your sponsor.
- 10. As a part of the Catch-it-Calf program you will be required to compete in at least 3 of the 4 the following contests:
  - a. Premier Exhibitor
  - b. Market Division
  - c. Showmanship Division
  - d. Fitting Contest
- 11. Complete the Livestock record book and hand it in by September 8<sup>th</sup> to the member's club project leader. Members must compete in the Record Book contest.
- 12. The Larimer County Stock Growers or sponsor is <u>not responsible</u> for any accidents related to this program.
- 13. Larimer County Stock Growers Association and/or sponsor of participating catch-it-calf reserves the right to terminate project participation for any member who mistreats the animal or does not abide by any or all these guidelines. If the project is terminated, no allowance will be made for any related expenses for this project and the animal will be returned to the sponsor.

