

2023 Static Project Sale – 4-H member

Date: Wednesday, July 19 at 12:00pm to 1 hour after auction completion

GENERAL

1. A 4-H member can only sell 1 item in the auction. This includes animals and static projects. For example, a 4-H member cannot sell a sheep and a woodworking project.
2. An individual or business should feel free to buy a project, but no special pressure shall be brought to bear by any individual to over inflate the price of any project.
3. For calendar year 2023, only 10 static projects will be selected for auction (5 from each building). The 4-H Council reserves the right to continue with a limited number or expand the static project count in future years.
4. The Auction Committee shall have final determination of the interpretation of all rules.

PRE-AUCTION

1. Static projects will be determined by project judges at the time of judging. Each 4-H member will be contacted by the Auction Committee upon selection to determine next steps.
 - a. In the event the first selection is participating in the auction through another project, another 4-H member will be selected until there are 10 projects participating.
2. All sales are final. All projects participating at the auction are NOT ELIGIBLE at the Indiana State Fair.
3. All projects for the auction will be given a designation on their project signifying their auction status.

DURING THE AUCTION

1. Auction participants are encouraged to stand with their project during the luncheon or after the auction in case buyers have questions. It is required that 4-H members wear proper attire during the auction.
2. Static projects will be laid out during the buyer's luncheon, the livestock auction, and post livestock auction with a silent auction paper for bidding. Prospective buyers will use their auction number for bidding.
3. 4-H members are required to support the auction by participating in the variety of activities sent out, including but not limited to set-up, eating lunch with the buyers, ring support with snack/drinks, tear-down, etc. By participating in the auction, the 4-H member will gain more interaction with the buyers and learn networking skillsets.

POST-AUCTION

1. Auction Participants are required to write a written Thank You note to the successful bidder of their premium amount (thank you notes to contending bidders are also encouraged). Please remember without the dedicated bidders, there would be no auction.
 - a. Thank you notes will be submitted to 4-H Council to receive the auction check distributed at the annual end-of-the-year celebration. Thank you notes should be addressed to buyer and include stamp.
2. Auction buyers will pay premiums to 4-H Council. 4-H Council will pay the 4-H member directly for both market price and premium.
3. There will be dates distributed for check pick-up and thank you note turn-in, usually in August. **Auction checks must be picked up AND cashed or deposited by November 1st or the funds will be forfeited (checks will have a stop payment executed) and utilized to fund the 4-H Grows Here Fund!**
4. **Any participant that fails to comply with the guidelines outlined above will forego their premium proceeds from the current year's auction. Those proceeds will be donated to the 4-H Grows Here Fund. Eligibility for the successive year's auction will be determined by the Auction Committee after investigation into non-compliance.**

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