May 31, 2020

Dear Friends,

We hope this letter finds you well during this crazy time. It seems everything in the world is different now, and sadly, that includes what our 4-H/FFA Junior Livestock Auction will look like due to the Governors regulations on COVID-19 and limitations on group gatherings. These regulations have made it necessary for us to hold all of our auctions online this year.

The 4-H/FFA youth of our county have continued to work diligently to raise a quality market project, even in the face of the uncertainty of being able to show and sell their animals. Our community is amazing and through much brainstorming and collaborating the youth will be able to exhibit their animals, albeit in a much different manner than in past years. Additionally, they will have the opportunity to sell their animals through an online venue.

These youth have made investments in their projects, worked hard and they are hopeful you will be a part of our first ever online auction. Please know that the youth have been instructed to observe the Governor’s social distancing guidelines and not deliver buyer letters in person. While this certainly limits the opportunity for our youth to learn to market their animals and build relationships with you, they will still be sending letters to you by mail. No exhibitors will be delivering letters in person this year.

Details for how our auctions will work this year are unfolding on a daily basis. As many of you may know, we have a website www.jcjla.org that we will provide all updates regularly. One thing we do know for sure is that the first auction, which will be our lamb auction, will be a timed internet sale beginning Sunday, June 28, 2020 at 9:00 am and ending Monday, June 29, 2020 at 5:00 pm. Details for registering to be a buyer will be posted on our website prior to the auctions, please keep checking back. We will be very diligent to update as any new information becomes available.

Please know that we are grateful for your past support and purchases. If you want to support the auction, but do not feel that you can purchase an entire animal, consider getting together with neighbors or business associates to pool your resources. Contact any of the following:

Ron Anderson  541-821-3107
Rick Anderson 541-601-8038
John Dimick 541-821-4631
Gary Bedell 541-951-0972
Jeremy Kennedy 541-821-1293
JB Dimick 541-840-8016
Leslie Richardson 541-890-9010

We hope you will be able to join us for one or all of our online auctions this year. If you have any questions you can visit our website www.jcjla.org and reach out through the “Contact Us” tab or call one of the numbers above.

Sincerely,

Jackson County Junior Livestock Auction Committee Members