

Madera South High School Farm Laboratory Policy Regarding Use

Project Owner: _____
Type of Project: _____ Advisor: _____

The sole purposes of the Madera High School Farm Laboratory are to provide a laboratory for hands-on instruction in a vocational agriculture class and to allow the students enrolled in vocational agriculture to conduct Supervised Agricultural Experience Projects (SAE).

1. Only a student currently enrolled in a vocational agriculture class or FFA program at Madera South High School shall have the privilege of using the School Farm Lab.
2. The School Farm Lab is part of the campus of Madera South High School; therefore, all Madera South High School and Madera Unified School District policies apply to the School Farm Lab.
3. The responsibility of the project owner (student) includes but is not limited to keeping all gates to the School Farm Lab locked, feeding, grooming, pen clean-up and maintenance, hauling feed/manure and other supplies, planting, irrigation, weeding, harvest, selling, and any care necessary to maintain the health and/or aesthetics of animals at the School Farm Lab.
4. The Madera Unified School District and its employees are NOT responsible for the loss, theft, disappearance, or death of any animal. The students are responsible for all personal equipment or materials of any kind.
5. No person shall drive or operate any vehicle on the School Farm Lab without prior permission or supervision from a Madera South High School vocational agriculture instructor.
6. School Farm Lab hours shall be 6:00 am to 8:00 pm. No one shall conduct any activity on the school Farm Lab during closed hours without prior permission from the advisor. ONLY current FFA members are allowed on the school farm grounds.
7. In the event of an emergency, if services of a veterinarian are utilized the fees of the services are the responsibility of the project owner (student) and/or parent/guardian. This excludes breeding projects owned by the Madera South Ag Department.
8. To assure proper care of livestock animals, animals are expected to be fed and/or checked twice daily. Morning feeding hours must occur between 6- 8 am and evening feeding hours shall be from 5-8pm.
9. A student exhibiting a project at the fair must have a signed exhibitors contract to accompany this contract.
10. Any infraction of school or district policy, any infraction of this agreement, or any lack of responsibility on the part of the student may result in the indefinite removal of the project from the School Farm Lab and/or the indefinite revoking of School Farm Lab use privileges of the students.
11. Administration and interpretation of all policies regarding use of the Madera South High School Farm Laboratory shall be the responsibility of the project advisor.
12. Notification or infraction of any of the aforementioned policies shall inherent the following disciplinary actions:
 - 1st offense: A written warning
 - 2nd offense: A written warning, letter sent home and/or phone call to parents
 - 3rd offense: Removal of student project from school farmUpon receipt of third offense, the student will have 1 week to remove his/her animal from the farm. The project must be paid, in full, prior to removal. Projects not paid for in full will become school property. Projects will then be sold. Proceeds from the sale of the project will be credited to the student's financial obligations.

I have read and understand the policy of the Madera South High School Farm Laboratory and hereby comply in agreement with all aspects of this policy.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date

Advisor Signature

Date

Vice Principal Signature

Date