

Raising a Show Steer

Ownership deadline- Validation Date (First Saturday of September)

- Entry Fees-
 - Shiner: \$10
 - Majors: \$25-\$35
 - Prospects: \$15-\$25
- Purchase Price- \$1000 and up
- Feed cost - \$2000+
- Shavings- \$12
- FFA Dues- \$20
- Hotels for majors- \$200+
- Vet Bill- \$100+

Weight range at time of show is 1000-1370. (First Friday of March). A student may only sell one animal at the livestock auction. Market steers for Shiner and majors should be purchased at the end of April through July or validation date.

Equipment needed:

Show Halter- \$30
Practice Halter- \$20
Show Stick- \$20
Measured feed cups- \$8
Buckets- \$10

Shampoo/Conditioner- \$20
Blower- \$150
Feed additives- (\$50+)
Roughage - \$200

All prices and costs are subject to change due to inflation and unknown factors, which may occur during the course of a year. These figures are just approximations. Also, not all money is due at once. The main cost is the purchase of the animal which is due to breeder at time of pickup. The other monies are spread out over the months of ownership of the animal. Other things like the clippers/trim chute can be borrowed from Shiner FFA.

Daily Routine

- Feed at a consistent time every single day! Before the heat hits for the day.
- Practice walking and showmanship every single day!
- Blow out to ensure dirt/grime are out of hide before rinsing.
- Rinse for 15 minutes with cold water
 - Rinse hair in direction you want it to grow (forward)
 - In summer heat make sure to wet down their head, heart, and cod to help with lowering body temperature.

- Only soap once or twice a week and use leave in conditioner to help hydrate skin and hair.
- Blow dry, brush, and use sheen/product if needed.
- When tying under fans make sure to train head at appropriate level- not too high or low- just so nose tilts upward.
- Feed when heat is gone for the day then turn out for the night.
- Weighing bi-weekly is encouraged.