



Dear Tri County Supporters,

A committee of Tri County supporters has made a commitment to bring healthy, nutritious, and flavorful beef and pork to the students of Tri County Public Schools. The goal of the program is **“Together, local producers and supporters will bring healthy, nutritious, and flavorful beef and pork to the students of Tri County. The program will maintain its educational components to help students understand the nutritional value of beef and pork as well as an understanding of where their food comes from and crop production practices used to raise feed for animals.”**

The program will provide students with an opportunity to see firsthand the impact of the beef and pork industry and gain an understanding of how it functions. Students will learn about livestock in various classrooms from the elementary through the high school. Additionally, **FARM 2 FORK** directly relates to the high school agricultural classes and the Tri County FFA Program.

Ways to get involved/donations:

- ★ Producers can donate a quality market animal (beef or pork) by filling out the attached commitment letter. You will receive a receipt for your donation that may provide a tax incentive.
- ★ Producers can donate grain through the local cooperative. You will receive a receipt for your donation that may provide a tax incentive.
- ★ Monetary donations can be made to the Tri County Education Foundation in the name of the ***Tri County Farm 2 Fork Program***. The purpose of this account includes, but is not limited to, covering processing costs related to locally donated meats and nutrition education expenses. All monetary donations are tax deductible.

Our goal is to get commitments to the program that would sustain this effort for at least three years. **We estimate a need for four beef and twelve hogs per year and roughly \$7,000 annually for processing costs.**

RECOGNITION PROGRAM:

- Meat Boosters** (\$0 - \$249) will be listed in the school newsletter and will receive a FARM 2 FORK window sticker.
- Red Ribbon** (\$250 - \$499) will also receive a personalized banner/certificate.
- Blue Ribbon** (\$500 - \$999) will also get their name and logo added to the program banner that will be hung at school.
- Purple Ribbon** (\$1,000 or more) will also participate in a contributor's luncheon at school to be recognized by the students.
- ALL DONORS** will be invited to the Kick-Off Day to be held on April 7, 2021.

We ask that you consider helping this committee get this program going in the right direction so that we can provide healthy, nutritious, and flavorful beef and pork to the students of Tri County Schools. On the backside of this letter, you will find the commitment letter for your donation. If you have any questions, please contact one of the officers.

Sincerely,

The Tri County Farm 2 Fork Meat Advisory Committee

COMMITMENT LETTER

Name: _____

Address: _____

Description of your contribution:

Name as you would like it to appear on recognition list:

Preferred phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Signature:

Donor: _____ Date: _____

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE TRI COUNTY FARM 2 FORK MEAT PROGRAM!!!

Return completed form to: Tri County Education Foundation, Inc.
% Tri County Farm 2 Fork Program
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