

2017 SHEEP SHEARING SCHOOL

University of Kentucky

March 21 and 22, 2017

Sheep Unit, C. Oran Little Animal Research Center, Versailles, KY

**Sponsored by the Kentucky Sheep and Wool Producers Association
in Cooperation with the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service**

PURPOSE

The shearing school is designed for beginner or experienced shearers. Professional sheep shearer Steve Kennedy will teach the most current shearing methods. An important aspect of the school is learning about maintenance and care of shearing equipment.

YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP

This school is not designed for young children; participants must be at least senior 4-H (high school) or FFA members. The Kentucky Sheep and Wool Producers Association and the University of Kentucky do encourage participation by senior 4-H and FFA'ers and will pay the registration fee for the first 6 senior 4-H or FFA registrants.

SCHEDULE

Tuesday, March 21

8:30 a.m. - Registration
9:00 a.m. - Equipment discussion
10:30 a.m. - Begin shearing
12:00 p.m. - Lunch (provided from registration fee)
1:00 p.m. - Continue shearing

Wednesday, March 22

8:30 a.m. - Equipment maintenance, wool care
9:30 a.m. - Trimming stand shearing
12:00 p.m. - Lunch (provided from registration fee)
1:00 p.m. - Continue shearing
3:00 p.m. - Summary/wrap-up

INSTRUCTORS

Professional shearer Steve Kennedy will be the instructor. He will be assisted by Endre Fink (Manager of the UK Sheep Unit), Frank Berry (Research Coordinator at the UK Sheep Unit), and Warren Adcock (graduate of the UK Sheep Shearing School).

Tips for participants

1. Wear "old clothes"
2. Exercise a few weeks before coming to the school
3. Bring your own shears, if possible (not required)
4. Study the steps in shearing a sheep
5. **Must not have been outside the U.S. in the last 7 days**

REGISTRATION

Facilities will limit participation in the Shearing School to **12 students**. Selection of students will be based on the earliest postmarked registrations. A \$150 participation fee is required.

To participate, the registration form and fees must be received by March 17, 2017.

To register, complete the form and send it, plus \$150 fee, to: Dr. Donald G. Ely
Room 904 Garrigus Bldg.
University of Kentucky
Lexington, KY 40546-0215

Registration

2017 University of Kentucky Beginner Sheep Shearing School

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

County: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

Are you a senior 4-H or FFA member seeking a scholarship?

(circle one)

Yes

No

Registration Fee Enclosed \$ _____

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Make checks payable to: *Kentucky Sheep and Wool Producers Assn.*

Directions to Sheep Unit

From Bluegrass Parkway—East:

1. Turn left at the intersection of BG Parkway and US 60
2. Stay on US 60 past Kroger/K-Mart, 84 Lumber and high school
3. Turn right on US 62-Midway Road (3.7 miles from end of BG Parkway)
4. Proceed 1 mile, farm entrance on left

From I-64 East:

1. Take Exit 58
2. Turn right on US 60
3. Proceed 8 miles
4. Turn left on US 62-Midway Road
5. Proceed 1 mile, farm entrance on left

From I-64 West:

1. Take Exit 65
2. Turn left and cross over I-64
3. Turn right on US 62-West
4. Proceed 6.2 miles-farm entrance on right

I-75 North or South:

1. Go to I-64 West and follow directions above.

