STARTER FLOCK PROGRAM

The Starter Flock Program is an initiative started by the North Dakota Lamb and Wool Producers Association (NDLWPA) and NDSU Extension Service with the intent to encourage and assist young people to enter the sheep and wool industry and to help sustain this important food and fiber industry in our American culture.

Each recipient will receive ten (10) ewes. These ewes will be purchased by the NDLWPA in late September. The Recipients will be recognized at the Annual NDLWPA Convention held in October each year.

The program is open to any youth between ages 10 to 22. Applications must be submitted by mail or email by May 15th of each year.

NDLWPA

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Participants must:

- Submit application by MAY 15th
- Must be between the ages of 10 to 22 yrs old as of January 1st of the year of the application
- Submit two letters of recommendations from a person who is not a family member with the application
- Include a letter of support and endorsement from a parent or legal guardian with original application
- Maintain junior or senior membership with NDLWPA
- Attend the NDLWPA Convention in the year you receive your flock
- Provide an annual report of your flock status by May 1st of the following year
- Accept Mentorship by a NDLWPA member within your region
- Repay 20% of the original cost of the flock in October of the second, third and fourth years of the program to the NDLWPA in order to continue the program for future years.

If you have further questions, please contact David Brown, Executive Secretary-North Dakota Lamb and Wool Producers at 701-840-7598 or ndlwpa@gmail.com. In addition, Reid Redden at 701-231-5597 or reid.redden@ndsu.edu can assist you with questions.
STARTER FLOCK APPLICATION

Please answer the following questions, print and sign the document. Submit completed forms along with two references and parent/guardian support letter by MAY 15

NAME

DATE OF BIRTH 

AGE 

1. Why are you interested in receiving a flock of ten ewes from the North Dakota Lamb and Wool Association?

2. What are your short term goals with the flock and the sheep and wool industry?
3. Tell us about your current involvement in sheep?

4. Describe your buildings/facilities/ grazing areas
5. What are your long term goals in the sheep industry?

6. What would you do to stay active in the North Dakota Lamb and Wool Association and promote sheep and wool?
By signing below, I understand the requirements as well as the financial responsibility and time commitment of owning livestock. In addition, I agree to raise them in a humane and nurturing environment.

________________________________________
Applicant Signature

________________________________________
Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

________________________________________
Address

________________________________________
Phone

________________________________________
Email

MENTOR PROGRAM
All Starter Flock recipients are required to have a Sheep Mentor- an experienced Shepard who is a NDLWPA active member who can assist you with this new venture. We also suggest that you choose someone who is not a member of your family.

________________________________________
Mentor Name

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Mentor phone number

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Mentor email address

○ I don’t have a Mentor and request that the Board provides me with one