The following guidelines have been established for individuals working with feed yard cattle, beef cattle, dairy calves, swine, horses, sheep and/or goats:

- You must have a current Tetanus/diphtheria (Td) vaccination: (one that can be documented within last 10 years). (IACUC Policy 23)
  - It is recommended that you receive a Td booster if you experience a significant injury and your vaccination was administered more than 5 years previous.

- You should be provided with adequate hand washing, toilet, and shower facilities; and separate eating areas, as appropriate.

- You should wear adequate personal protective equipment (PPE), appropriate for the job, class, or ‘task at hand’.
  - PPE is provided for personnel working with swine.

- It is highly recommended that individuals working with swine participate in the Hearing Conservation Program available to all employees and students. (TTU OP 60.09)

- It is highly recommended that all employees, students, and visitors wear hearing protection when at the swine center.

- Filtering face piece (dust mask) will be provided for those working in dusty conditions. It is highly recommended that appropriate respiratory protection be used by all employees, students, and visitors.

- A Respiratory Protection Program is available for any employees/students working in dusty (feeds, hay, dried animal waste, etc.) environments requiring a half face or full-face respirator for respiratory protection. All employees and students working in these environments must enroll in the University’s Respiratory Protection program (TTU OP 60.05). Visitors should be warned of the nature of the dusts (allergies, ocular/nasal irritation), and exposure limited by short duration in the area for touring purposes only.
  - This program includes medical examinations with a yearly physician's statement of medical qualification to wear a respirator.
  - Yearly respirator fit testing is required for half or full-face respirators, and will be performed by TTU-EH&S.

- All employees and students should be aware of potential allergens associated with the particular species with which they will be working.

- All employees and students should be properly trained in handling techniques specific to the particular species with which they will be working. For appropriate training, contact your supervisor.

- All employees and students should be properly trained to operate equipment or machinery associated with the job or ‘task at hand’ (TTU OPs 60.19, 60.21, 60.26 and 60.27). For appropriate training, contact your supervisor.
All employees and students should be informed of the potential physical risks associated with working with livestock species. These risks may include, but are not limited to, kicks, bites, trampling, or crushing injuries.

All employees and students should be aware of potential zoonosis for the particular species with which they will be working (See appendices 3,5,7,8).