

Columbia Sheep Breeders Starter Flock

The goal of the starter flock program is to cultivate new members that are going to be active breeders and participate in the association for years to come with the hopes of creating the next generation of Columbia sheep and preserving the breed.

Program is open to anyone over age of 18 years who has not been a Columbia Sheep senior or junior member in the past. Applications would be due March 1st for the Board of Directors to select a recipient by April 1st to be announced in the Sales issue of *Speaking of Columbias*. Winner will receive (1) ewe lambs, (1) yearling ewe and (1) brood ewe that would be donated by current CSBA members. The females will be registered in the association and will have at least a QR status. The CSBA will assign a Mentor to be available to answer questions to the winner. The Mentor who will be a paid CSBA member will assigned to provide guidance. The winner must be present at the National Show and Sale to receive the flock. At that time, the winner would be awarded the females and a \$500 voucher to use towards the purchase of a ram at the National Show and Sale. In the second year, the association will provide a \$250 voucher for the purchase of any Columbia sheep at the following National Sale. In year 5, the recipient must support the program with the donation of a female from their flock of any age or provide a monetary donation of \$500 which would be used for the purchase of a female for the program out of the National Sale that year. They must maintain their CSBA membership and registrations for five years. In the first five years if the recipient is thinking of liquidating their Columbia flock or cannot maintain them, they must notify the Association.

APPLICATION

NAME

ADDRESS

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

Questionnaire

1) Do you currently own sheep? _____

2) Number of years of experience with sheep _____

3) What facilities do you have to house and care for sheep?

4) Can you explain what your knowledge/experience is regarding Columbia Sheep- good or bad?

5) Part of the program is to be an active member in the Columbia Sheep Breeders Association, how do you see yourself contributing to the Association?

6) How did you hear of the Columbia Sheep Breeders Starter Flock program?

7) If selected, you will be required to attend the National Show and Sale to pick up your Columbia Flock. Do you have any issues with this requirement? _____

8). Please provide three references that we can contact

1. _____

Phone _____

2. _____

Phone _____

3. _____

Phone _____