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Goat Production Meeting Scheduled

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Internal parasites are a severe problem in goat herds. Parasite resistance to many de-worming products has been documented. Producers benefit by identifying and treating only goats showing signs of high internal parasite loads. One management technique to identify wormy animals is to color score the eyelids to determine which goats have parasite loads high enough to benefit from treatment.

Goat producers will receive certification in this training at a workshop on Thursday, August 22, 2013. A goat Fecal Egg Count and FAMACHA training workshop will be held at the Morgan County Fairgrounds in Versailles beginning at 6:30 p.m. Additionally, equipment will be available to do fecal egg counts to further identify animals with heavy worm loads.

Dr. Charlotte Clifford-Rathert, Small Ruminant Extension Specialist at Lincoln University, will be presenting the program and training.

Due to the cost of training materials, we will be charging \$15 for the training. Producers can register through the Morgan County Extension Center in Versailles at (573) 378-5358. If you have questions on the program, contact me at the Extension Center in Warsaw at (660) 438-5012. University of Missouri Extension is an equal opportunity / ADA institution.