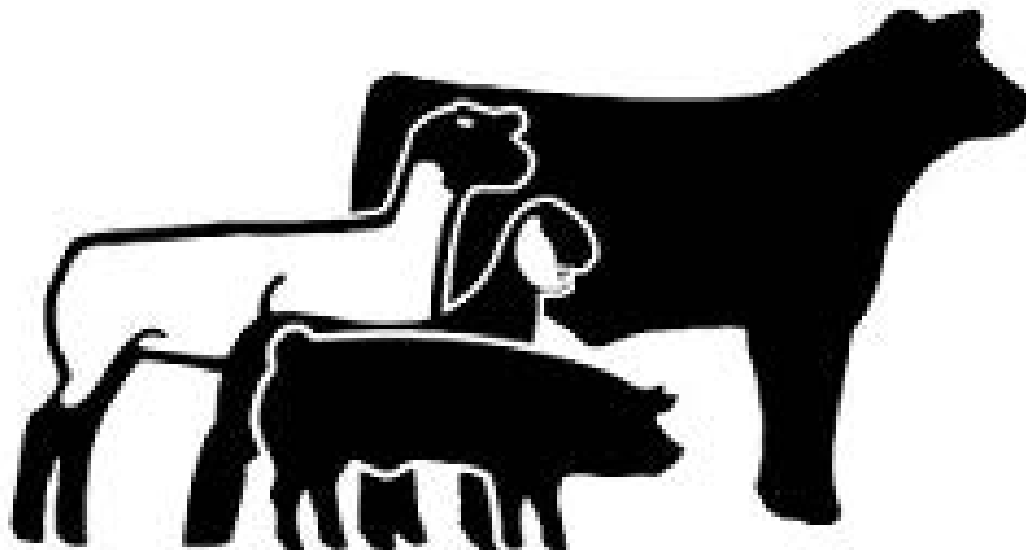


Meade County 4-H & FFA Market Animal Project Book



Member Name: _____

Record Starting Date: _____

Record Ending Date: _____

Project Species (one species per book): _____

Check one: 4-H FFA

Meade County Youth Market Animal Project Program Objective

The purpose of the youth market animal project is to achieve the following:

- To acquire an understanding of the animal industry by preparing for, purchasing, caring for, and keeping records on one or more heads of animals.
- To be able to identify types of breeds of animals and employ efficient methods of production and marketing.
- To understand the business aspects and economics of purchasing animals, feed, facilities, and equipment for an animal project.
- To develop integrity, sportsmanship, cooperation and to strengthen personal ethics.
- To put into practice livestock best management practices.
- To develop leadership abilities, build character, and become a responsible citizen.

As an exhibitor of this project, I agree to assume full responsibility for the care and well-being of this animal, keep accurate records, and complete a project record book. In addition, I hereby certify that any drug, antibiotic or biological substance that is administered by me or any other person is done in strict compliance with the manufacturer's label requirements and Quality Assurance Guidelines (<https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/knox/livestock-quality-assurance1/#:~:text=The%204%2DH%20Quality%20Assurance,products%2C%20from%20food%20production%20animal>).

As an active member of a Meade County youth livestock club, this record book has been completed by the above name individual and is an accurate record of their project.

Signature of Youth Exhibitor: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____

I have reviewed this project book and accept it's submission for the current program year.

Signature of Club Leader: _____

Date: _____

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with prior notification.

Project Planning (section 1)

This page should be completed at the start of your project and signed by your club leader.

Club Leader Signature: _____

Date: _____

Set at least three goals for yourself this year.

- What do you want to LEARN?

- What do you hope to ACCOMPLISH?

- What new activities/shows do you want to TRY/ATTEND?

Please tell us about your project animal (check all that apply)

_____ I purchased my project animal.

_____ My project animal is bred & owned (from an animal on my family farm)

Project Planning (section 2)

1. What factors did you consider when selecting your market animal project (i.e. breed, age, size, price)?

2. Where did you get your project animal? List your reasons for selecting that breeder or farm.

Market Animal Inventory Record (section 3)

Beginning Animal Inventory						
Identification of the Animal			Date Obtained		Beginning Information	
Animal KUIP #	Description (breed, color, etc)	Sex	Raised (Born)	Purchased	Starting Weight	Animal Value or Purchase Price

GAIN RECORD (for market animal only) (section 4)

If you feed animals as a group rather than individually, put the records together and state "number of animals" instead of "name of animal."

1. Total weight gain = final weight minus starting weight.
2. Animal days on feed = number of days from beginning to end of project times number of animals in pen.
3. Average daily gain = total weight gain divided by animal days on feed.
4. Feed cost per pound of gain = total feed cost divided by weight gain.

Name/Number of Animals	Sale Date	Final Weight	Starting Weight	Total Weight Gain	Animal Days of Feed	Average Daily Gain	Feed Cost per Pound of Gain

Project Financial Summary (section 5)

One goal of the market project is to teach budgeting, marketing, and money management skills. The following chart will help you evaluate the financial status of your project.

Income	
<i>Show Premiums won</i>	
<i>Auction Price for Animal</i>	
<i>County Fair Exhibitor Donations/Sponsorships</i>	
Expenses	
<i>Purchase price or value of animal at beginning of project</i>	
<i>Feed</i>	
<i>MISC</i>	
(+) profit/loss (-) Total	

What will you do differently next year to increase your project profit?

Income (section 7)

(Showmanship, etc.)

Include all expos, county, district, and jackpot shows participated in.

DATE	TYPE OF EVENT/ACTIVITY	PLACE	PRIZE MONEY (if applicable)
	Meade County Fair Auction		
	Meade County Fair Donations		
TOTAL INCOME			\$

Expenses (section 8)

This may include expenses such as bedding, fuel, entry fees, grooming supplies, vet, feed, equipment, or any other miscellaneous expenses.

DATE	DESCRIPTION	COST
	Initial cost/estimated value of project animal	\$
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$

Project Experience (section 9)

1. What did you learn this project year? (Include experiences good and/or bad)
2. What did you feed your animal and why?
3. What was the EASIEST part of your project?
4. What was the HARDEST part of your project?
5. What steps did you take to make sure your animal stayed healthy during the project?
6. What advice would you give to new members who are starting out in showing?
7. What is one thing you would like to improve on in your future projects?

Record Book Scorecard

Leave this page blank. The person judging your book will complete the score card.

Points Possible	Scoring Criteria	Points Awarded by Judge
20	Neatness (legible writing, one color ink, well-organized)	
20	Completeness (all pages and sections, complete thoughts and ideas)	
10	Signatures obtained in required sections. (member, parent, leader)	
10	Accuracy (no math errors, factual statements made)	
30	Project Work (goals set, evidence of work throughout the year, goals accomplished, book completed by youth exhibitor – NOT an adult)	
10	Photos, clippings, etc (include at least one photo, not more than 2 pages)	
100 points possible	Total Points Earned by Youth Exhibitor	

Scoring: 90-100 = Blue, 75-89 = Red, 74 or below = White

Judge's Comments: