

Small Animals

Live Option:

Description: This project and related activities provide youth a fun and hands-on learning experience directly related to animal care, feeding, housing, and management. Youth develop important life skills such as decision making, goal setting, record keeping, time management and communication.

No State Fair Exhibit

- Enroll in 4-H, pay annual program fee, and enter project in V2.4online by May 15
- Enter exhibit(s) in FairEntry by May 19, 2023. See page 7 Rule #24.
- Exhibits checked-in Saturday, June 17, 2023 from 9am-12 noon, judging starts at 12:30 pm

All Live exhibits must be in a completely enclosed environment (container/cage).

Includes the following animals: hamster, gerbil, guinea pigs, turtles, snakes, birds, etc. Pet Rabbits should be enrolled in the Pet Rabbit project.

An Allen County 4-H General Record Sheet must be completed, signed and turned in at the beginning of check-in for All Exhibit Building Projects.

You must have cared for your small animal for a minimum of 30 days prior to exhibition. Each member may enter up to three (3) different project exhibits.

Level 1 – Grade 3, 4, 5 - Exhibit (1) one or two animals of the same species.

Level 2 – Grade 6, 7, 8 - Exhibit (1) one or two animals.

Level 3 – Grade 9, 10, 11, 12- Exhibit (1) one or two animals.

NOTE: You are responsible to feed and water your small animal while it is on display during the Fair.

Poster Option: Description: Youth can learn about livestock and companion animals through a variety of experiences.

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- Enter exhibit(s) in FairEntry by May 19, 2023. See page 7 Rule #24.
- Exhibits checked-in Saturday, June 17, 2023 from 9am-12 noon, judging starts at 12:30 pm

Includes the following animals: hamster, gerbil, guinea pigs, turtles, snakes, birds, etc. Pet Rabbits should be enrolled in the Pet Rabbit Poster.

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All posters, notebooks, and display boards must include a reference list indicating where information was obtained, giving credit to the original author when using outside sources, to complete the 4-H member's exhibit. This reference list should/might include web site links, people and professionals interviewed, books, magazines, etc. It is recommended this reference list be attached to the back of a poster or display board, be the last page of a notebook, or included as part of the display visible to the public. A judge is not to discredit an exhibit for the manner in which references are listed.

Each member may enter up to three (3) difference project exhibits.

Level 1 – Grade 3, 4, 5 - Exhibit (1) an educational poster.

Level 2 – Grade 6, 7, 8 - Exhibit (1) an educational poster.

Level 3 – Grade 9, 10, 11, 12- Exhibit (1) an educational poster.