

GOATS

This is a State Fair project. Poster project will have NO BEST OF SHOW SELECTED. You do not have to qualify at the county fair to exhibit at the state level (must be enrolled at county level by May 15).

Goat will be divided into levels by current grade in school. The level will be determined by the 4-H'ers grade during the current school year (September-August).

NOTE: All dairy, meat, and pygmy goats must be in member's possession and properly enrolled on the official goat enrollment form by **May 15**.

GOATS – Check-in and Judging in Livestock Barn

Check-in: Saturday, June 17, 4-8 p.m.

Weigh-in: Saturday, June 17, 8:30 p.m.

Judging: Wednesday, June 21, 5 p.m.

Animals dismissed: Thursday, June 22, after Premier Showmanship

Goat Association Fee

Each family will pay a \$5.00 non-refundable fee, due at check-in. Money goes toward any goat barn supplies, 10 year member gifts, and PCARET dues.

PROJECT REQUIREMENTS:

1. Each year, you are **required to complete YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals) by June 1**. If not completed by June 1, you will not be eligible to show your animal.
2. Complete the Grant County 4-H Livestock Record Sheet. Place in green record book and turn in at the fair.

The Goat project has two exhibit options of which you can do one of these options:

1. Live animals
2. An educational poster about Goats (no Best of Show will be selected). **These posters need to be turned in on Tuesday, June 13, 5-7 p.m. OR Wednesday, June 14, 8 a.m.–4 p.m. (open judging)**
3. An action demonstration

All posters, notebooks, and display boards must include a reference list including where the information was obtained, giving credit to the original author, 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, display board, be the last page of a notebook, or include as part of the display visible to the public. A judge is not to discredit an exhibit for the manner in which reference are listed.

ALL GRADES: EXHIBIT ONE OR MORE ANIMALS FED AND CARED FOR BY MEMBER SINCE MAY 15 AND SAME CONTINUOUS OWNERSHIP AND CARE UNTIL DATE OF SHOW.

FEEDING AND CARE OF ANIMALS

4-H'ers are responsible for the daily feeding and care of their animals during the 4-H fair week. The Goat Association will have an assigned committee that determine the welfare of the 4-H goat's exhibit. If found negligent penalties can be assessed and include not exhibiting at the fair **No bedding will be provided.**

GROOMING ASSISTANCE-GRANT COUNTY FAIR RULE

4-H exhibitors may receive clipping and grooming assistance from members of their immediate family (father, mother, and siblings), from a current Indiana 4-H member, and from individuals in the Approved Animal Grooming Assistance Program by June 1.

Temporary guardianships established for the intent of animal exhibition or grooming purposes are not permitted and shall result in immediate disqualification.

RULES:

1. Each goat must be in the member's possession by **May 15**. EXCEPTION: All offspring born of doe in possession.
2. 4-H member must own and feed at least one goat. It may be of grade or registered stock, and show same.
3. No Bucks will be exhibited at the 4-H Fair.
4. Ages calculated as of show date.
5. All animals must be in good physical condition before the animal can be unloaded at the fair or be shown, for example, no broken limbs, no serious wounds, no foot rot, sore mouth or ring worm.
6. All goats must wear a collar and have a tie chain available, ties no longer than 36 inches.
7. **Pygmy & Dairy Goats must be polled or dehorned. Any visible scurs can be no longer than 1". Scurs under 1" are allowed. Meat goats may be shown with horns in accordance with the Indiana State Fair.**
8. All Goats must have trimmed hooves.
9. The order of show will be: Dairy, Meat, and Pygmy. This order will rotate each year.
10. All Meat or Meat percentage wethers and does must show in Meat Goat class.
11. 4-H'ers may enter ten (10) goats per type, (Meat, Dairy, Pygmy), but ONLY two (2) per class.
12. **Refer to the Rules for 4-H Livestock State Fair Entry for pre-entry State Fair Deadline.**
13. A Goat Herdsman Award will be presented at the 4-H Fair.
14. No bedding will be provided.
15. 4-H members exhibiting baby goats should bring the appropriate fencing to keep the babies in their pen and safe.
16. All tattooing, tagging, and dehorning of any kind is to be done prior to: arrival at the fairgrounds for check-in.

SHOW RING DRESS CODE

Every 4-H member must bear in mind the following while showing and selling his/her livestock project through the 4-H program at the Grant County Fair.

- a. Your attire is portraying an image of yourself.
- b. You are representing your club.
- c. You are representing the Grant County 4-H program.

Therefore, you should be as neat and clean as possible. Judges will be directed to consider appropriateness of show ring attire while evaluating placings and showmanship skills. **It is recommended that you wear a shirt with a collar, long pants, and close-toed shoes or boots while showing and selling livestock. It is suggested that you NOT wear tank tops, t-shirts (other than when approved or provided), midribs, halter-tops, excessively baggy pants, shorts, cut-offs, sandals, or baseball caps.**

4-H SHOW: NO ANIMALS CAN BE LOADED UNTIL THE CONCLUSION OF THE 4-H GOAT SHOW.

Exhibit Classes

Dairy Goats

Breeds: Toggenburg, Sable, Oberhasli, Recorded Grade, LaMancha, Nubian, Saanen, Alpine, and Nigerian Dwarfs (county only).

Grooming – all goats must be clean clipped, within 30 days preceding the show, leaving the tail in a pom-pom or brush out, except kids under six months of age.

Wethers

1. Wether classes will be divided according to the weight of the animals.
2. All wethers must be shown with their milk teeth in place. Wethers will be checked for milk teeth at weigh-in.
3. Dairy Wether Classes (weight breaks) – Classes can be modified dependent on number of goats. Potential Weight Classes: 1-49 lbs.; 50-70 lbs.; 71-90 lbs.; 90 lbs. and over
4. No more than 8 goats per class.
5. Nigerian Dwarf wethers can be shown until 2 years of age.
6. County Born & Raised will be a separate class after the champion of each type. This animal can be shown in the regular class as well.

Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Wether (from weight classes)

Does

1. No more than 8 goats per class.
2. County Born & Raised will be a separate class after the champion of each type. This animal can be shown in the regular class as well.

Junior Doe Show (dry) – Each breed will show separately.

Class 3 Junior Doe born on or after April 1, 2023

Class 4 Intermediate Doe born March 1 to March 31, 2023

Class 5 Senior Doe born January 1 to February 27, 2023

Class 6 Yearling Doe 1 year and under 2 years, dry

Champion & Reserve Champion Junior Doe (from classes 3, 4, 5 and 6)

Senior Doe Show (milking) – Each breed will show separately.

Class 7 Doe – 1 year and under 2 years (milking)

Class 8 Doe – 2 years and under 3 years (milking)

Class 9 Doe – 3 years and under 5 years (milking)

Class 10 Doe - 5 years and over (milking)

Champion & Reserve Champion Milking Doe (from classes 7, 8, 9 and 10)

Champion of Breed

Grand Champion Doe & Reserve Grand Champion Doe

Class 11 County Born & Raised doe

Class 12 Mother and Daughter must be shown under same 4-H member's name (to consist of 2 does any age, so long as 1 is the daughter of the other)

Class 13 Produce of Dam must be shown under same 4-H member's name (to consist of 2 does, any age, the produce of 1 dam)

Pygmy Goats

Grooming – Pygmy Goats do not need to be clipped.

Wethers

1. No more than 8 goats per class.
2. County Born & Raised will be a separate class after the champion of each type. This animal can be shown in the regular class as well.

Class 1 Pygmy wethers-one year of age or younger

Class 2 Pygmy wethers-over one year of age
Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Wether (from classes 1 and 2)
Class 3 County Born & Raised wethers

Does

1. No more than 8 goats per class.
2. County Born & Raised will be a separate class after the champion of each type. This animal can be shown in the regular class as well.

Junior Pygmy Doe Show

Class 4 Junior Doe Kids under 3 months of age
Class 5 Intermediate Doe Kids 3 months to under 6 months
Class 6 Senior Doe Kids 6 months to under 9 months
Class 7 Advanced Senior Doe Kids 9 months to under 12 months
Class 8 Junior Unfreshened Yearlings 12 months to under 18 months
Class 9 Senior Unfreshened Yearlings 18 months to under 24 months
Champion & Reserve Champion Junior Doe (from classes 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8)

Senior Pygmy Doe Show

Class 10 Milking Doe (any age)
Class 11 Junior Freshened Doe 12 months to under 18 months
Class 12 Senior Freshened Doe 18 months to under 24 months
Class 13 Two year old Does
Class 14 Three year old Does
Class 15 Four year old Does
Class 16 Does 5 years old & over
Champion & Reserve Champion Senior Doe (from classes 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15)
Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Doe
Class 17 County Born & Raised does
Class 18 Mother and Daughter must be shown under same 4-H member's name (to consist of 2 does, any age, so long as one is the daughter of the other)
Class 19 Produce of Dam must be shown under same 4-H member's name (to consist of 2 does, any age, the produce of 1 dam)
Class 20 Doe & Kids under must be shown under same 4-H member's name (60 days old)

Meat Goats

Breeds: Boer, Myotonic, and Kiko

1. Meat Goat
2. Kiko does-Copy of registration papers required by enrollment deadline (May 15) in order to show in this class.
3. Myotonic does-Copy of registration papers required by enrollment deadline (May 15) in order to show in this class.

Grooming – Wethers - all meat goat wethers must be clean clipped, within 30 days preceding the show, except kids under six months of age.

Does – do not need to be clipped (can be clipped at the 4-H's discretion)

Wethers –Prime weight for wethers 60-90 lbs.

1. Wether classes will be divided according to the weight of the animals.
2. All wethers must be shown with their milk teeth in place. Wethers will be checked for milk teeth at weigh-in.
3. Meat Goat Wether Classes (weight breaks) – Classes can be modified dependent on number of goats.
Potential Weight Classes: 1-49 lbs.; 50-60 lbs.; 61-70 lbs.; 71-80 lbs.; 81-90 lbs.; 91-100 lbs.; 101 lbs. and over
4. No more than 8 goats per class.

5. County Born & Raised will be a separate class after the champion of each type. This animal can be shown in the regular class as well.

Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Wether (from weight classes)

Does

1. No more than 8 goats per class.
2. County Born & Raised will be a separate class after the champion of each type. This animal can be shown in the regular class as well.

Junior Does

Class 3 Does - under 3 months of age

Class 4 Does - 3 months old to under 6 months of age

Class 5 Does - 6 months old to under 9 months of age

Class 6 Does - 9 months old to under 12 months of age

Champion & Reserve Champion Junior Doe (from classes 3, 4, 5 and 6)

Yearling Does

Class 7 Does - 12 months old to under 16 months of age

Class 8 Does - 16 months old to under 20 months of age

Class 9 Does - 20 months old to under 24 months of age

Champion & Reserve Champion Yearling Doe (from classes 7, 8, and 9)

Senior Does

Class 10 Does - 24 months old to under 30 months of age

Class 11 Does - 30 months old to under 36 months of age

Class 12 Does - 36 months old and older

Champion & Reserve Champion Senior Doe (from classes 10, 11 and 12)

Champion of Breed

Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Doe

Class 13 County Born & Raised doe

Class 14 Mother and Daughter must be shown under same 4-H member's name (to consist of 2 does, any age, so long as one is the daughter of the other)

Class 15 Produce of Dam must be shown under same 4-H member's name (to consist of 2 does, any age, the produce of 1 dam)

Pet Class

The Pet Class is open to all 4-H goat members and Mini 4-H members. Eligible goats are any goats that do not fit into any other class. (An example could be older dairy or meat wethers). The same rules will apply to the Pet Class as the other goats being shown (see rules section).

SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES:

Class 1 - Senior Showmanship-Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12 during the current school year. (September-August)

Class 2 - Junior Showmanship-Grades 5, 6, 7 and 8 during the current school year. (September-August)

Class 3 - Novice Showmanship-Grades 3 and 4 during the current school year. (September - August)

*Winners of the Novice Showmanship and Junior Showmanship are not eligible to advance and compete in the Junior and Senior Showmanship, respectively, that same year.

JUNIOR (GRADES 5 – 8), AND SENIOR (GRADES 9 - 12), CHAMPION SHOWMEN ARE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE IN THE PREMIER SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST.

* Winners of Showmanship (Novice, Junior, and Senior) are eligible to compete in the next year's 4-H Fair Showmanship class.

Dress up Class

Open to all goat members. Participate by dressing your goat and yourself in a costume. Have fun!

Adult Showmanship

Immediately following youth showmanship.

AUCTION RULES:

***The 4-H Member must exhibit during the Goat Show in order to be eligible to sell in the livestock auction.**

4-H animals purchased, sold, or offered for sale after the enrollment deadline and prior to the Indiana State Fair (including animals that have gone through a “Premium only Auction”), shall not be eligible to show in the 4-H Show at the Indiana State Fair.

Auction order: Grand Champion Dairy Goat Wether, Grand Champion Pygmy Goat Wether, Grand Champion Meat Goat Wether, Grand Champion Dairy Goat Doe, Grand Champion Pygmy Goat Doe, Grand Champion Meat Goat Doe, Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Goat Wether, Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Goat Wether, Reserve Grand Champion Meat Goat Wether, Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Goat Doe, Reserve Grand Champion Pygmy Goat Doe, Reserve Grand Champion Meat Goat Doe, and 10 year members who show beef.

A 6% commission of the overage pay per animal sold will be collected by the Auction Committee.

You have until **May 15** to add or drop this project from your current year's enrollment.