Dear 4-H Sheep Member,   April 12, 2022

SHEEP PROJECT INFORMATION

4-H Sheep enrollment procedures are the same online procedure as last year. Please see detailed information below. Please use a 2022 Sheep **WORKSHEET** to assist you with enrollment which is on the website.

4-H exhibitors may not identify more than thirty (30) sheep.

SHEEP TAGGING DAY: May 1st from 2:00-3:45 PM & May 11th from 6 -7 PM
Hancock County Fairgrounds, 620 Apple Street

ALL LAMBS MUST BE TAGGED UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A SHEEP COMMITTEE MEMBER
In order for market lambs to be eligible to compete in the rate of gain (which lamb gained the most weight), they must be weighed and recorded at one of the tagging days.

It is **IMPORTANT** that you complete these sections of the **sheep worksheet**.
1. Member's information.
2. The breed, gender, date of birth of the animal, and flock tag number on registered ewes. Farm flock tags can be used for commercial ewes or they can be tagged with a 5 digit county tag. (Do not list a tag number for market lambs as you will enter that information from the 5 digit county tag that is put in the ear).

NOTE: *To exhibit beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, sheep, meat goats, dairy goats, poultry and rabbits, 4-H members must be certified through the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (ygcaprogram.org). This is an annual program that can be completed via online, and in-person classes. The last in-person class will be held* **April 26 at 5 pm at the Extension Office.

ONLINE ENROLLMENT PROCEDURES

All 4-H sheep enrollment must be completed online at https://v2.4honline.com . Please refer to the instruction sheet on the website as to how to enroll your sheep online in the 4-H data system. Step-by-step online instructions and a sheep worksheet are posted at Hancock County 4-H Home (purdue.edu) under Animal Enrollment Information-Sheep Tab. Online enrollment **must be completed** by May 15 in order for you to exhibit at the Hancock County Fair and/or the Indiana State Fair.

Premise ID #'s are needed for online enrollment. *To obtain a Premise ID number or with questions regarding a Premise ID number, contact BOAH at 317-544-2381* or go online to: https://secure.in.gov/boah/2642.htm to obtain a number. Premise ID's are linked to the physical address of where your animals are located. It is the law to obtain a Premise ID. Your **premise ID number** is needed to enroll online.

4-H Online Reminders- Animal ID
For County Only animals where it requires the RFID Tag, you must put in 15- 0's to be able to proceed.
For example Sheep not going to State Fair will not need to be tagged with RFID tags to be identified in 4HOnline, but in order to be entered into the 4HOnline system they will be required to fill in this field to continue. Enter all 0's to continue.

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HANCOCK COUNTY FAIR INFORMATION

Sheep arrival for the Hancock County 4-H Fair is **June 21, 8 AM- 12:00 PM.** The sheep show will begin **June 22 at 8:00 AM**

Sheep will be released 30 minutes after Supreme Showmanship or 11 PM whichever is later.

Health papers are not required in the State of Indiana to exhibit livestock at 4-H fairs. The 4-H Ag Association is not requiring health papers to exhibit at the Hancock County 4-H Fair. Local veterinarians or other designated individuals will be at our 4-H Fair to visually check animals before unloading. If they find an animal to be unhealthy, the animal will not be allowed to unload and exhibit at the county 4-H fair. We have had local veterinarians do a visual check the past several years so this is not a new process.

FAIR ENTRY INFORMATION

Also, as in past years, the next step will be to enter the animals into the Fair Entry system which must be completed by **June 1.** This is where you are designating which animals you are bringing to the Hancock County Fair and in what class you are entering them (e.g. a crossbred ewe lamb may be entered as either a commercial ewe lamb or a market lamb - but not both). These entries must be completed at https://hancock.fairentry.com/ by June 1

INDIANA STATE FAIR INFORMATION

Completing 4-H Animal ID online is not the equivalent of entering 4-H Animal Shows at the Indiana State Fair. **A separate online entry is required for state fair exhibition.** For the most up-to-date information, go to: http://www.indianastatefair.com/state-fair/competitionscontests/4-h-competitions/

ALL Sheep going to the State Fair must have a **DNA Hair Sample** turned into the office by May 15th. They must also be tagged with an **840 RFID tag** which will be available for purchase on ID Day for $2 a tag.

Sincerely,

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