

# **CLAY COUNTY 4-H SWINE**

\*Updated for 2023

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#### **ENROLLMENT:**

a) \*\*NEW THIS YEAR\*\*

All swine must be assigned a RFID (840) tag, that number should be entered along with your animal ID information on 4HOnline by May 15th. The Extension Office has the RFID tags available to purchase for \$3. If you need a tagger or assistance tagging, please contact the Extension Office or any Swine Committee member prior to the fair.

- b) Enrolled animals must be owned by the 4-H exhibitor by said deadline and must be under continuous care, responsibility and ownership through the date of the show, except where change of ownership was to 4-H member's complete ownership. Siblings will be allowed to co-enroll swine in 4Honline.
- c) 4-H members must be enrolled in Clay County 4-H and in the Swine Project by May 15, 2023.
- d) All 4-H barrows and gilts must be identified/enrolled in 4HOnline and identified by an ear notch prior to May 15, 2023.
- e) Premise ID numbers are required in 4HOnline.
- f) Pigs enrolled must have been farrowed on or after **January 1, 2023**.
- g) A 4-H'er may enroll a maximum of 15 gilts and 15 barrows.
- h) Fair Entries will be due by **July 1**, **2023** on FairEntry.com.

### **HEALTH:**

- a) No hogs will be unloaded at the fair until inspected and, if necessary, approved by the veterinarian on duty. Animals showing any sign of communicable disease will not be allowed on the fairgrounds.
- b) Health rules as provided by the Indiana State Board of Animal Health will be followed. In case of a health question, a veterinarian will be contacted.

# **GROOMING:**

4-H Exhibitors may receive clipping and grooming assistance from members of their immediate family (father, mother, and siblings), legal guardian, from a current Indiana 4-H member, and from individuals enrolled in the Indiana 4-H Approved Animal Grooming Assistance Program. Please contact the Extension Office with questions on how to be approved or to see if you are already on the approved groomers list.

#### **PENNING**

- a) The Superintendent will assign pens prior to bringing hogs to the fairgrounds
- b) Exhibitors must furnish animal's food, water supplies.
- c) Members must provide their own bedding. No straw is allowed for bedding. Pens must be kept cleaned or superintendent will insist they be cleaned.
- d) There will be a pen/stall fee of no more than \$5 per pen/stall due at the beginning of fair. Please see your leader for further communication on this closer to fair.

## **SHOW:**

- a) All 4-H Livestock will be shown by a current Clay County 4-H member.
- b) \*\*NEW THIS YEAR\*\*
  - Market Gilt classes will not be offered, only breeding gilt and barrow classes.
- c) The following purebreds will be recognized: Berkshire, Chester White, Duroc, Hampshire, Hereford, Landrace, Poland China, Spotted Poland China, Tamworth and Yorkshire
- d) RFID tags will be checked at fair weigh-in/check-in. If they do not match the Indiana 4-H Online family profile entry, they will be disqualified.
- e) All purebred gilts and barrows must have registration papers. Any animal not properly registered as a purebred will be exhibited as a crossbred.
- f) If clipping at the Fair occurs, there is no snaring allowed.
- g) The swine committee will determine show order and make classes.
- h) Breeding Gilts will be shown by breed and age: January, February, and March.
- Barrows and Crossbred Gilts will show by breed and weight. Animals will be weighed at check-in by the Swine Committee. Registration papers will also be checked at this time.
- j) Show order will be Breeding, Barrows and Showmanship with the Grand Drive that evening.



- k) Mini 4-H'ers will show after showmanship. The Mini 4-H Show will include Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd graders that are enrolled in the Clay Co. Mini 4-H program and entered in the swine project by June 15.
- 1) The show bill will be posted by Sunday at Noon. If you have changes that need to be made you must let the swine committee know before 6:00 PM Sunday. After that the show order will be FINAL.
- m) If two animals are in the same class, a substitute showman (current Clay County 4-H member) may be selected by the 4-Her.
- n) If two barrows are in the same class the Exhibitor may choose to move one animal to the next heavier class or have a substitute showman.
- o) If two gilts are in the same class the Exhibitor may choose to move one animal to the next older class or have a substitute showman.
- p) ALL swine must stay on the Fairgrounds until all 4-H livestock is released on Thursday night. No exceptions!

#### **AWARDS**

Breed Champion & Res. Champion Breeding Gilts	Breed Champion & Res. Champion Barrows	Top 5 Overall Breeding Gilts	Top 5 Overall Barrows
Grand & Res. Grand Born & Raised Breeding Gilt	Grand & Res. Grand Born & Raised Barrow	Champion & Res. Champion Junior, Intermediate and Senior Showmanship	Champion & Res. Champion, Champion of Champions Showmanship
1st Year Swine Member Award			

#### BORN AND RAISED SHOW

Born and Raised: Animals must be born and raised by the Clay County 4-H member and immediate family's farm herd. (Not grandparents, aunts or uncles' herd). Member must be the one to show the born and raised animal.

## **SHOWMANSHIP:**

4-H members who participate in 4-H swine showmanship classes may only show their own animals that will be exhibited by them in a regular 4-H class.

- a) **Junior Showmanship**  $-3^{rd}$  **through**  $5^{th}$  **graders** as of January 1, 2023 are eligible. Once an exhibitor is the overall Junior showman, the 4-Her is only eligible to compete in the Intermediate showmanship class the following year.
- b) **Intermediate Showmanship 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders** as of January 1, 2023 and anyone who was won Junior Showmanship. Once an exhibitor is the overall Intermediate showman, the 4-Her is only eligible to compete in the Senior showmanship class the following year.
- c) Senior Showmanship 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders as of January 1, 2023 and anyone who has previously won Intermediate Showmanship. The winning 4-Her is eligible to compete in the Champion of Champions classes in the same year and future years once he or she has won senior.
- Champion of Champions Showmanship All previous Senior Division Champions, including the 2023 Senior Division Champion.

#### STATE FAIR INFORMATION:

- a) Entries required by June 1st or by the date set by the Indiana State Fair on the Exhibitor Corners website (https://bit.ly/3SMqDra).
- b) All hogs must have an RFID tag number listed on the 4-H Enrollment to be eligible.
- c) Hair samples must be submitted for each hog that you want eligible for the Indiana State Fair. DNA samples will be due to the Extension Office by May 15<sup>th</sup>.

# **YQCA**

To exhibit <u>beef cattle</u>, <u>dairy cattle</u>, <u>swine</u>, <u>sheep</u>, <u>goats</u>, <u>poultry and rabbits</u>, 4-H members must be certified through the Youth for the Quality Care of Animals. This is an annual program that can be completed via online modules or in-person trainings. More information about YQCA is available at <a href="http://yqca.org">http://yqca.org</a> or via the Extension Office.

Please keep an eye on emails from the Extension Office for training dates and information.



# **CLAY COUNTY 4-H LIVESTOCK AUCTION:**

The Livestock Auction/Benefit for the Barns Event will be held upon the conclusion of the fair. In order to be eligible, you must show an animal at the fair and have a designated animal for auction. A small percentage auction fee will be deducted from each member's check. Detailed auction information will be finalized closer to fair.

Minimum weight for market hogs will be based on the market truck assigned.

## **ACTION DEMONSTRATION:**

An Action Demonstration gives you a chance to show off your swine skills and abilities. You will give it during the Swine Show at the fair.

# **MANUALS:**

Find these project books for FREE at the Extension Office!

- Swine 1: The Incredible Pig
- Swine 2: Putting the Oink in Pig
- Swine 3: Going Whole Hog

## **REFERENCES:**

- Purdue Extension Swine Project <a href="https://bit.ly/3C4Hy1s">https://bit.ly/3C4Hy1s</a>
- Indiana State Fair Book https://bit.ly/3SMqDra



## **IMPORTANT SWINE DATES:**

May 15, 2023	Deadline to enroll swine online—The enrollment will not be complete if the swine are not enrolled online. Exhibitors who fail to register their animals online before the May 15th deadline will not be enrolled and therefore will not exhibit at the county or state fair.	
May 15, 2023	DNA Samples must be returned to office if going to State Fair.	
June 15, 2023	Mini 4-Her's must be signed up to participate in the swine show.	
July 1, 2023	Fair Entry due	
TBD	Deadline to register swine online for the State Fair.	
July 15-22, 2023	Clay County Fair	
July 15, 2023 (6 AM-12 PM)	Swine check-in at Clay County Fair	
July 17, 2023	Swine show at Clay County Fair	
July 20, 2023 (9 PM)	Swine released	
TBD	Clay County livestock auction	
July 28 – August 20, 2023	Indiana State Fair	
August 4-6, 2023	State Fair Barrow shows	
August 11-13, 2023	State Fair Gilt shows	