



**Northern District Fair
Swine
Record Book
Senior (15-18)**



Project Year _____

Place Beginning Project Picture Here

Place Ending Project Picture Here

Name: _____

Number of years in the Project: _____

Fair Age as of January 1, of the current year: _____

4-H Club: _____

4-H Leader: _____

Record Started: _____ Record Closed: _____
Month/Day/Year Month/Day/Year

****RECORDS BOOKS ARE DUE ON FIRST DAY OF FAIR****

WHY KEEP RECORDS?

Keeping records on your project can be interesting and fun – not dull or boring.

Good records will:

- Help you learn about animals, their rate of growth, the feed they require, the cost of the feed and their habits.
- Help you plan future projects.
- Let you know if you made or lost money and how much.
- Improve your management practices.
- Give you a record of your project activities.

Keep this record as part of your Personal Records. This information is helpful for you to plan future year's market projects, as well as if you ever apply for awards or a scholarship.

Remember – Records are no better than what YOU put into them!

I understand that this is a **completed** Swine Market Project Record Book as required.

Exhibitors Signature: _____

Leader's Signature: _____

Objectives for Members:

- Experience the obligation and responsibility required in a livestock enterprise.
- Experience and cope with the “values” and “attitudes” of responsibility, in a relatively unsupervised environment. Supervision will be a periodic basis.
- Contribute to the family table with meat, or to experience the marketing process and system, through sale of the product.
- Experience competition through showing the animal at local area organization sponsored shows the fair and state-wide shows.



My Market Swine Project Animal

PLEASE PRINT OR WRITE CLEARLY

Name and/or description of animal(s): _____

Breed(s): _____

Identification of animal(s) (Tattoo/Ear tag): _____

Estimated Birth date of animal(s): _____

Date of ownership or purchase date: _____

Estimated beginning value of animal(s): _____
(the cost of your animal)

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

_____ Purchased my project animal(s)

_____ Project animal(s) are bred & owned (from an animal on my family farm)

_____ Other (please explain): _____

Please explain three goals that you have for your animal project:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

My Project Feed Record and Expenses

In this section, you will calculate your cost to feed your project animal. Record by months and the amounts of feed purchased, weighted out, of fed during each month. This report should be for the animal you are planning to take to fair.

Feed Type*										
	Lbs.	Cost	Lbs.	Cost	Lbs.	Cost	Lbs.	Cost	Monthly Lbs.	Total Cost
Oct.										\$
Nov.										\$
Dec.										\$
Jan.										\$
Feb.										\$
March										\$
April										\$
May										\$
June										\$
July										\$
Aug.										\$
Totals		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$

Note: **Record Feed as it is fed to your animal.**

Total

*Type of feed should be expressed in pounds and include grains, Supplements, mixes, hay, silage, etc

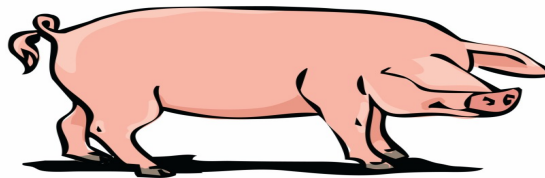
The estimated value of homegrown feed needs to be included.

My Project Expenses

In this section, you will calculate your cost to prepare your market project for the fair and auction.

Expense Items	Vet. Charge	Med used	Bedding	Equipment	Registration Fees	Trucking	Advertising/Marketing	Buyer Recognition	Monthly Totals
Oct.									
Nov.									
Dec.									
Jan.									
Feb.									
March									
April									
May									
June									
July									
August									
Totals									

Total
Expenses



My Market Animal Project

Why did you select this project? _____

What Breed or type of project animal did you select and why? _____

Where did you get your project animals? Reasons for selecting that breeder, farm or business? _____

What factors did you consider when selecting your project (breed, age, price, disposition)?

How many and what kinds of animals did you care for? (Examples: 2 crossed hogs, 1 steer)

What type of housing did you provide your animals? _____

List three things you have learned in your project this year.

a. _____

b. _____

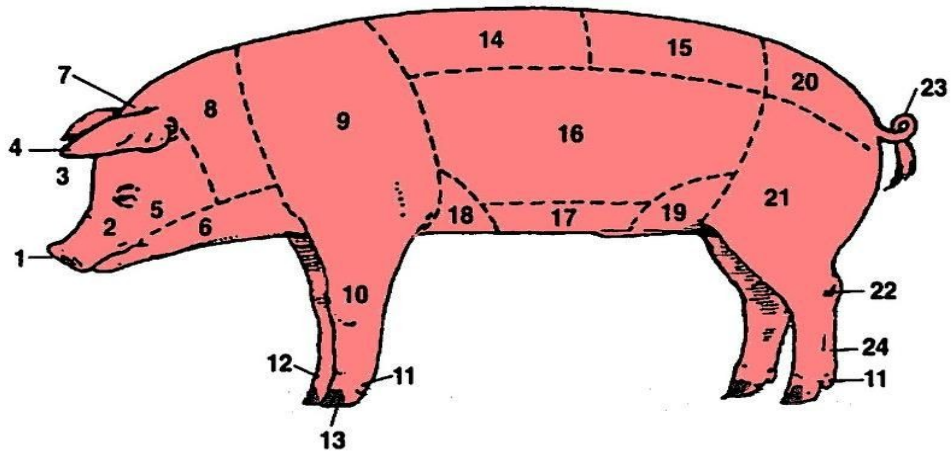
c. _____

What is the average rate of gain for a pig? _____

What percent protein should you feed your pig? _____

List 3 potential buyers you contacted about the Livestock sale for this project:

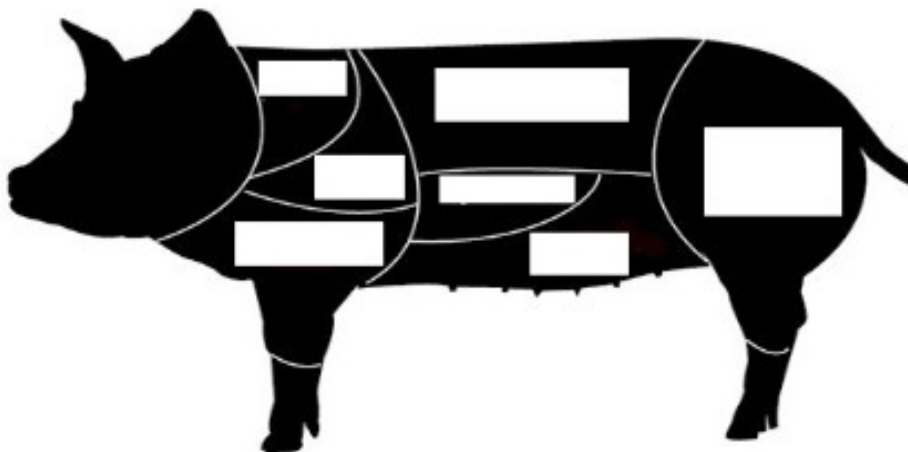
Parts of a Hog



Put number next to name

Dew Claw	Ear	Eye	Cheek	Back	Belly
Pastern	Rear Flank	Rump	Shoulder	Loin	Neck
Fore Flank	Ham	Hock	Jowl	Poll	Toes
Tail	Face	Rear Leg	Foreleg	Side	Snout

Label the cuts of meat in each box



Weight Record (Add additional pages if needed)

It is recommended to weigh your animal(s) at least once each month or more as appropriate for your species. Use one of the charts below for each market animal.

Month	Date	How	Weight
October			
November			
December			
January			
February			
March			
April			
May			
June			
July			
August			

NOTE: weight can be determined by weight tape, scale at home or at the fair grounds.

My Project Animal:

Ear Tag Number: _____

Sex: _____

Breed: _____

Date Acquired: _____

Beginning Weight: _____

Final Weight: _____

Page	Description	Point Possible	Your Points
Front	Cover Sheet	5	
	All Information is neat and complete; Youth and Adult signatures are complete		
2	Why Keep Records	5	
	Youth and Adult signatures are complete		
3	Market Swine Project Animal	10	
	Record is neat and complete		
4	Feed Record and Expenses	10	
	Record is neat and complete		
5	Project expenses	10	
	All questions answered neatly and completely with totals		
6	Market Animal Questions	10	
	All questions answered neatly and completely with totals		
7	Parts of a Hog	5	
	All questions answered neatly and completely with totals		
7	Label Cuts of Hog	5	
	All questions answered neatly and completely		
8	Weight Record	10	
	All questions answered neatly and completely with totals		
9	Project Story	10	
	Answers to questions are neat, correct, and written in complete sentences		
	****Addendum Page****	10	
	Will be given at fair for auction and due Noon on Thursday		
ALL	Quality	10	
	Records are in appropriate order and in good condition, and answers are neatly written in ink in complete sentences.		
TOTAL		100	

Comments

Total Points

A – 90 -- 100

B – 70 -- 89

C – 10 -- 69

Record Book Judge: _____