Processing Information for Poultry and Rabbits

It is the seller’s (4H or FFA youth) responsibility to arrange processing/butchering of turkeys, chickens and rabbits.  The following are options for this, but the seller must make the arrangements.  You do not have to use these options, you can process yourself or find someone you know.  The auction committee does not endorse any processor.  Also, your animal does not have to be processed, but make sure you are prepared to take it back home or have arrangements made.

Harringtons Poultry, harringtonpoultry.com  Boring, OR  503-367-2861 seller is responsible for transport and arrangements. Call for an appointment, generally a couple weeks out.

Helvetia Poultry, helvetiapoultry@gmail.com Hillsboro, OR  Helvetia Poultry has reserved Monday, July 22nd for Columbia County.  Seller is responsible for transport and reserving a spot. Helvetia Poultry asks that you reserve by July 14, limited appointments for that day.

Auction Day for Poultry and Rabbits

Today is the day!  Have your animal in show condition all day. It's great to wear your auction t-shirt during the day so potential bidders know you will be participating in the auction.  Invite people to the auction. Be present around your animal so potential bidders can talk to you. Be prepared to answer questions about your animal.

As auction time gets closer, be dressed in your show clothes.  Talk to the barn superintendent for your sale order and any updates or changes.  Superintendents have the sale order, they are your best resource for that information.   You may be nervous/anxious, ask your fellow 4H club members for help or advice.  Be ready at your time to sell your animal.

Selling time!  The auctioneer will do their part to help you, but you need to present yourself and your animal as the best there is to buy!  Make eye contact with the audience, smile,  show your animal off.  After your animal has sold,  return it to it's pen and retrieve your auction photo to give your buyer.   A volunteer will have auction photos near the registration/cashier table.  If possible, it's a good idea to have someone notice who buys your animal, so it's easier for you to thank them and give them your photo.

That's it!  You have done it!