



MARKET Swine



Project Overview

The objective of this project is to develop 4-Her's skills with the selection, feeding, preparation, and showing techniques needed to exhibit market swine at the county, state, or regional shows. Members will also learn enterprise skills such as record keeping, management, and animal welfare.

Key Learning Topics:

- Breed identification
- Management and nutrition
- Health
- Judging criteria
- Showmanship
- Record Keeping

Expanding the Project

- Visit local swine producers, feed stores, packing plants, and livestock auctions.
- Livestock and Meats judging contests.
- Visit grocery store meat markets, veterinarians office, or with livestock inspector.
- Attend local events in which swine will be exhibited.
- Give demonstrations or illustrated talks
- Attend Livestock School

Resources

- New Mexico 4-H Market Swine Project Handbook
- Livestock Project Record Sheet 300L-5

Exhibit Guidelines

- Market Swine Exhibit
- Self-Determined advanced Sheep Exhibit including Self-Determined Project Record Sheet 300.SD.1
- Posters may be no larger than 14 X 22 inches. Posters are defined as any flat paper, foam board, cardboard, or other backing appropriate for hanging on the wall.
- Display Boards may be no larger than 18 x 48 inches. Display boards are defined as scored, freestanding science boards.
- Exhibits: Exhibit bases for three dimensional vertical displays may be no larger than 24 x 24 inches

Targeting Life Skills:

- Record Keeping
- Cooperation
- Problem Solving
- Empathy
- Resilience
- Critical Thinking
- Decision making
- Disease Prevention
- Self-discipline
- Character

