

# 4-H SWINE

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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**July 1, 9, 18, 31** Livestock Interview

### **Wednesday, August 14**

By 8:00 AM Hogs must arrive and are penned.  
8:00 AM Market Swine weigh in. Health papers must accompany animal to the scale. Choose show numbers.  
10:00 AM Exhibitor Meeting - Showplex

### **Thursday, August 15**

6:00 PM 4-H Swine Show – Showplex (Showmanship-Breeding –Market Swine & NYBBR Show)

### **Friday, August 16**

6:30 PM Swine Species Exhibitor Meeting- Showplex

### **Saturday, August 17**

11:00 AM Special Awards and Announcements prior to auction.  
11:30 AM 4-H/FFA Auction (Order: Swine, Goat, Lamb, Beef)  
6:00 PM Exhibitor Hot Dog Roast put on by the Erie County Fair Board of Directors- 4-H Parking Lot

### **Sunday, August 18**

1:00 PM Swine Dressing Contest – Swine Pens - Showplex  
6:00 PM 4-H Breeding Swine Released, per release ticket time assigned.  
8:00 PM Market Swine Released

## MARKET SWINE RULES

- a) All market swine must be owned and cared for by the exhibitor by May 1, 2024. All hogs must be born on or after January 1, 2024
- b) All swine health records must accompany animals to the Fair.
- c) Swine must possess an official USDA ear tag. (21 tag, Premise ID tag or an 840 RFID)
- d) All market animals must have been identified on the swine registration card and submitted to 4-H office by May 1, 2024 with proper photo ID.
- e) Boars may not be shown in the Market Show. In those cases where the pig is discovered to be a boar after it has been sold and slaughtered, the participant will forfeit the sale price of the swine by returning the purchase price in full to the buyer of said swine.
- f) If at any time an entered swine is found to be a boar before the sale, the entered swine MUST be removed from the fairgrounds immediately.
- g) Market Swine participants must be 9 years old as of January 1, 2024.
- h) Market Swine classes will be grouped into Light Weight, Medium Weight and Heavy Weight divisions with breaks being determined after official weigh in. The Champion Drive will consist of the Champion and Reserve Champion Hog from the Light, Medium and Heavy weight divisions and the judge will have the discretion to request a 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> place hog from a division to enter the ring in the final drive.
- i) Sale market hogs must be used for showmanship.
- j) Market hogs will be sold on Saturday, August 17, 2024 at 11:30 AM, ALL exhibitors are responsible for maintaining their exhibits until released by the 4-H program on Sunday, August 18, 2024. Failure to do so will result in not being able to participate at The Erie County Fair in the future and forfeit of premium checks. (See CCE regulations in your handbook)
- k) All exhibitors are eligible to bring 2 market hogs to the fair in 2024. Both hogs must meet the required weight of 220-290. Youth may show both hogs in the market show but will be able to sell only their highest placing animal in the sale. The second animal must return home with the member on Sunday, August 18, 2024.
- l) All exhibitors selling a market animal in the auction are required to attend at least 2 Marketing Workshops (held January-March) and at least 2 Erie County 4-H meetings, one being species specific, participated in Public Presentations prior to May 2024, and Livestock interview in July to be eligible to sell.

## NON-SALE MARKET SWINE RULES:

\*There is no class number for this section, all hogs will be signed up through class #5: Project Market Swine

Market hogs of exhibitors that do not make the sale weights of 220-290 pounds at the time of weigh-in will be eligible to stay at the fair to be shown in showmanship and a non-sale class provided:

- a) Exhibitors must meet all program requirements
- b) They must weigh 210-219 to be eligible for the non-sale light weight class or 291-300 to be eligible for the non-sale heavy weight class and are not eligible to compete in the Championship drive.
- c) Member will participate in the appropriate Showmanship class with other members.
- d) This market hog is not eligible to be sold through the 4-H/FFA Market Auction.
- e) Members may not post "for sale" signs on pens of non-sale market hogs.
- f) Hogs qualifying for the non-sale class must be removed from the fairgrounds by the exhibitor on Sunday, August 18, 2024 at 6:00pm, per release ticket.
- g) Non-sale market hogs are NOT eligible for transportation to a processor on a 4-H hired trailer.
- h) This opportunity has been put in place to educate members and parents for a positive outcome the following year.

## BREEDING SWINE RULES

- a) All registered animals must have a current valid registration paper with animal being owned by the exhibitor by May 1, 2024
- b) All commercial animals must have a 4-H breeding Swine Registration Card on file in the 4-H office as of May 1, 2024 with ear tag information.
- c) Animals exhibited in the breeding swine section may not have been exhibited as a market animal and cannot have been sold through 4-H/FFA auction
- d) Registration papers MUST be presented at check-in at the fair (official registration paper must be provided).
- e) The breeding swine program is open to all youth that are 5 years and older as of January 1, 2024.
- f) All breeding swine participants are required to participate in a livestock interview and at least 2 4-H meetings.
- g) CLOVERBUDS (5-7 years old) are eligible for showmanship and breeding classes, but will not compete in any champion classes.

## PROJECT MARKET SWINE

Awards: Blue \$ 7.00 Red \$6.00 White \$5.00

### Class #5 - Project Market Swine (Market Pig Class)

Members exhibiting 2 market hogs, please enter this class 2 times.

### Project Champion Awards

4-H Swine committee in memory of Mr. Phil Taylor and Mr. Chet Kruszka

Jacket Sponsored by: Mr. & Mrs. Dustin Wierzba, Happy Endings Farm, Boston

## MARKET SWINE SHOWMANSHIP

### Market Swine Showmanship:

Awards: Blue \$8.00 Red \$6.00 White \$4.00

All ages for showmanship are as of January 1 of the current year.

**Class # 12 - Senior Showmanship** – 16 – 18 years old as of 01/01/2024

**Class # 13 – Intermediate Showmanship** – 13 – 15 years old as of 01/01/2024

**Class # 14 - Junior Showmanship** – 9 - 12 years old as of 01/01/2024

**Class # 15 – Novice Showmanship** – open to first year exhibitors, with no prior experience in showing and fitting hogs, up to age 13 as of 1/1/2024

### Champion Market Showman

Previous winners of Champion Showman must compete in the age class in which they would normally compete. Entries for this class are limited to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place showman from classes 12-15.

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Awards: Blue \$8.00 Red \$6.00 White \$4.00

All ages for showmanship are as of January 1 of the current year.

\*No boars may be used for showmanship

**Class #17 - Cloverbud Showmanship** – 5-7 years old as of 1/01/2024

**Class # 18 - Senior Showmanship** – 14 – 18 years old as of 1/01/2024

**Class # 19 – Junior Showmanship** – 8 – 13 years old as of 1/01/2024

### Champion Breeding Swine Showman

Entries limited to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners from class 18-19.

## CHAMPION SWINE SHOWMAN

### Champion Swine Showman

To consist of 2024 Champion Market Swine Showman, and the 2024 Champion Breeding Showman.

## MASTER SWINE SHOWMAN

### Class #22 – Past Master Showman

Entries limited to previous Erie County Fair Market Swine Master Showmen and 2024 Champion Swine Showman.

## BREEDING SWINE

### Breeding Swine Classes:

Awards: Blue \$7.00 Red \$6.00 White \$5.00

**Section A-** Registered, specify on entry form

**Section B-** Commercial/ Grade

Class #

**#19 – Cloverbud** – Gilt under 6 months or Gilt 6-12 months either Registered or Commercial (all will show together)

**#20-** Gilt under 6 months old

**#21-** Gilt 6-12 months old

**#22-** Sow 12 months and over (All sows MUST have produced a litter)

**#23-** Junior Boar born after 1/01/2024

Champion Gilt- Award donated by NY Pork Producers

Champion Boar - Rosette

## OTHER SWINE COMPETITIONS

Awards Blue: \$3.00 Red: \$2.00 White: \$1.00

### Class # 26 – New York Bred, Born and Raised Swine

This class is for 4-H & FFA members that have purchased a market animal from a producer within New York State. Exhibitors must have presented the original dated receipt from the New York producer at the time animals were identified on swine registration card. Receipt should state the animal was born after January 1, 2022, that the sow was bred and farrowed in New York State. Open only to sale market hogs. Placings will be determined in the market hog classes, exhibitors with a NYBBR hog will have a colored sticker on your show number.

**Class #27 – Swine Educational Poster** – Participants shall construct an educational poster to educate the general public about an aspect of the swine industry. Exhibitors may use any suitable materials or photographs on their posters with accurate information. Posters will be evaluated on content, illustration, organization, clarity, visual appeal and readability.

Erie County Fair Dates: August 7-18, 2024

**Swine Herdsman Contest**

A \$20.00 premium, donated by the Fair, will be awarded to exhibitors selected as the outstanding herdsman in the Jr. Swine Show.

**Franny Gernatt Award** - A trophy in memory of Francis Gernatt, will be awarded to the Market Swine Showman who is judged to possess the most outstanding personal qualities of leadership, sportsmanship and cooperation. Paid employees who assist with the market swine area are not eligible. Selection of the recipient will be done by an adult volunteer committee.

**Brad Fleckenstein Memorial**- Presented to a first-year exhibitor with the highest number of project points. This award is in memory of swine producer Brad Fleckenstein. Presented by the Fleckenstein Family and Wierzba Family.

CLASS #23		
The Erie County Fair Swine Dressing Contest		
Sunday, August 18, 2024 at 1:00 PM - Showplex		
Judging to take place in the 4-H Swine Barn		
Open to all 4-H & FFA Exhibitors in the Fair		
Prizes will be awarded to the best-costumed animal		
Fair Theme: Carnival Fun		
Junior	Intermediate	Senior
Exhibitors Ages 8 – 12	Exhibitors Ages 13 – 15	Exhibitors Ages 16 – 18
1 <sup>st</sup> place - \$15.00	1 <sup>st</sup> place - \$15.00	1 <sup>st</sup> place - \$15.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> place - \$10.00	2 <sup>nd</sup> place - \$10.00	2 <sup>nd</sup> place - \$10.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> place - \$5.00	3 <sup>rd</sup> place - \$5.00	3 <sup>rd</sup> place - \$5.00
4 <sup>th</sup> place - \$5.00	4 <sup>th</sup> place - \$5.00	4 <sup>th</sup> place - \$5.00
Cloverbuds will receive a Rosette		
For further information call 652-5400, ext. 132		