



4-H Livestock Auction Checklist

4-Her's and Families, we hope that you are starting to get your fair livestock projects or are working with the ones you have to show off in August!! Below you will find a checklist of a few reminders to think about as you prepare for fair and specifically the livestock auction. This list is not 100% but if you have questions, we encourage you to reach out and ask.

- Purchase an animal to exhibit in a market class at the Johnson County Fair (animal must be shown in market class or it cannot sell)
- Have your animal tagged with a 4-H tag by an Extension Agent on or before tagging deadlines. (April 8th-Beef 6:00-7:00pm, June 3rd-Sheep, Goats, Swine, and Bucket Calves 5:00-7:30pm)
- Monitor your animal's weight as the season progresses to make sure you are on track to make weight to sell.
 - Market Steer minimum weight- 1000 pounds
 - Market Heifer minimum weight-900 pounds
 - Market Hogs minimum weight-220 pounds
 - Market Lamb minimum weight-90 pounds
 - Market Goat minimum weight-50 pounds
- As you are raising your project go out and visit with prospective buyers about the livestock auction and invite them to come to the Johnson County Fair.
- When doing your entries into the fair be prepared with your social security number.
 - After weighing in on Tuesday fill out your auction form and have it turned in by Wednesday, August 3, 2022, at 10:00am to the fair office. (Remember to also fill out a little bio notecard of you and your livestock.)
- Prior to the auction on Saturday there is a Buyers Luncheon for 4-Hers to show their appreciation to those coming to support their projects. It is highly encouraged that each kid takes a moment help where they can and visit with those in attendance.
- The add-on option for those that would like to support our 4-Hers will be available. That form is being included with this checklist for 4-Her's to use as a tool in educating buyers.
 - Start brainstorming ways to thank your buyer.

Again, this year the Johnson County Fair will be hosting a PREMIUM ONLY auction. This means the buyers are paying a premium only to the 4-Her to show their support of the kid's hard work throughout the year. 4-Hers and their families will be responsible for selling the animal itself. If as a family, you do not have a buyer to sell your animal to you may reach out to Joe Bichelmeyer-(913)342-5945 or Dale Lanham-(620)637-2487. They have agreed to pick animals up on Sunday, August 7, 2022, if prior arrangements have been made. It will be the responsibility of the 4-Her and his/her family to load the animal on the appropriate trailer.

Throughout the year if you have any questions please reach out and we will be happy to help.

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