



MEMORANDUM

TO: 4-H Livestock Leaders, 4-H Livestock Members, FFA Instructors, and FFA Members

FROM: Brittany Pearson, 4-H Program Manager

DATE: May 24th, 2021

RE: **Sheep & Goat Clinic/Weigh-In**
Swine Weigh-In

PLEASE READ THIS CAREFULLY AND SAVE IT FOR FUTURE REFERENCE!

Weigh-In Dates

June 12	Kittitas County Sheep Weigh-In & Clinic- 7:00 a.m. -Weigh and tag feeder lambs
June 12	Kittitas County Goat Weigh-In & Clinic - 8:00 a.m. - Weigh and tag feeder meat goats
June 13	Swine Weigh-in at Kittitas County Fairgrounds, Bloom Pavilion- 7:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m
June 7-14	Sheep & Goat Judging Contest - Online

Prior to arrival – morning of weigh-in...

- **Adults, guardians & youth need to complete and sign an attestation by following this link: <https://extension.wsu.edu/kittitas/covid-attestation/>**
- If a member feels ill, *for any reason, please choose to stay home.* (Let your leader know too, please). It is a good idea to have a back up plan for getting animals weighed & tagged if you are unable to attend due to illness.

General considerations:

- **Wear masks always when outside your personal vehicle.** (This applies for adults/parents/guardians outside the barn/pavilion area, not part of the team, but outside their personal vehicle.)
- **Maintain 6’ feet** between family “pods” and individuals at all times. Should the need to be closer to complete a task be necessary in an inter-family pod situation, complete the task quickly, safely, and minimize the time you are inside your fellow team member’s 6’ bubble.
- Warning will be given to any persons not in compliance, followed by **dismissal if swift action to align with policy isn’t taken.**
- Food and drink can only be consumed in your vehicle.



*** Animal Health Record Required ***

The 4-H/FFA Livestock Committee requires a copy of the updated **Producer/Breeder Affidavit & Market Animal Health Record (single form)** be submitted online before the spring weigh-in for each species. By federal law meat processors must identify the origin of animals entering the food supply; state law requires animal disease traceability made possible through the transfer of health records from one owner to the next. Without this record turned in you will not be able to sell your animal at the Kittitas County Fair Livestock Sale. These forms are available from your 4-H leaders, FFA advisors, or online at <http://www.kittitas.wsu.edu> under 4-H Forms & Policies.

Each member weighing an animal at steer, lamb, goat, and swine weigh-in are required to have a copy of the up-to-date animal Producer/Breeder Affidavit & Market Animal Health Record with the original Producer/Breeder affidavit SIGNED and submitted online by the time of Weigh-In.

Upload Health Records here: <https://extension.wsu.edu/kittitas/animal-health-records/>

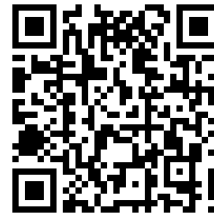
SWINE PROJECT INFORMATION

SWINE WEIGH-IN

In order to sell a hog at the Kittitas County Fair, 4-H and FFA members are required to weigh and ear tag a hog (limit of two per member) and submit a COPY of the swine SIGNED original Producer/Breeder Affidavit & Market Swine Health Record online prior to the Swine Weigh-In on **Sunday, June 13 from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** at the Kittitas County Fairgrounds. If it is not possible for the member to be there, another member of the family or someone from that club or chapter may bring the hogs in.

Upload Swine Health Records here or scan the QR code:

<https://extension.wsu.edu/kittitas/animal-health-records/>



Swine Weigh-In Instructions

Please turn your vehicle off when waiting in line inside Bloom Pavilion. Drivers stay in your vehicle to drive ahead after unloading pigs. The youth or helper will need to help unload their pigs. Volunteers will be there to move the hogs through ear tagging and weighing. To avoid congestion and a more orderly movement of vehicles, please use the following directions to enter the fairgrounds.

Directions: Go east on 8th Avenue past entrance to the Rodeo Arena, Turn right at the Rodeo Contestant Office; Go through gate onto asphalt around the east side of the rodeo arena; Keep left after the Rodeo Arena and go along the south side along the hill; Turn right between the Frontier Village and Poultry/Rabbit Barn; turn left and go along north side of the Poultry/Rabbit, Horse, Beef, Swine barns. Enter Bloom Pavilion from north; unload your pigs; ear tag & weigh; Load your pigs back up and go out south end of Bloom and go out to 5th Avenue. (**Map enclosed**)



LAMB PROJECT INFORMATION

LAMB PRE-SHOW

In order to sell a market lamb at the Kittitas County Fair, 4-H and FFA members **are required to weigh and ear tag a lamb (limit of two per member) and submit a COPY of the lambs SIGNED original Producer/Breeder Affidavit & Market Lamb Health Record** online prior to the Lamb Weigh-In on **Saturday, June 12 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:15 a.m.** at the Kittitas County Fairgrounds. This clinic will provide an opportunity for exhibitors to learn how to properly show their animals and practice showmanship. Sheep members are to exhibit ear tagged lambs in respective feeder classes.

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Sheep Weigh-In & Fitting & Showing Clinic Schedule

7 AM Sheep Weigh-in

9 AM Feeder Classes

12 AM Fitting & Showing Clinic (approximately 30 minutes per family/club group)

*Group Meeting in front of Bloom Pavilion with judge

Clinic Group 1 Session

Clinic Group 2 Session

Clinic Group 3 Session

Clinic Group 4 Session

*Groups will be sent by email the week of weigh-in, and posted at the event, times & activities may change

PARKING AT LAMB PRE-SHOW

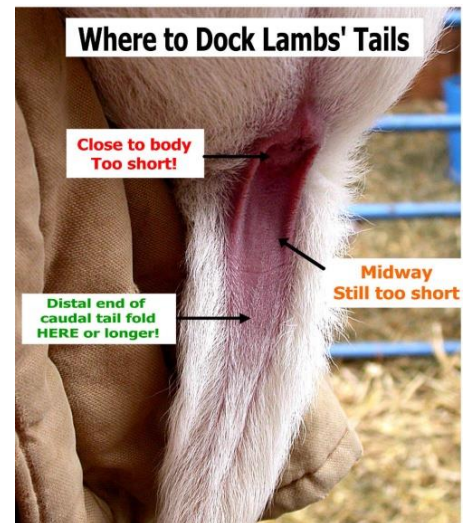
Sheep project members and parents should enter at the 5th Avenue gate, unload and park their pickups and trailers north of the livestock barns, south & west of Umtanum & Teanaway Hall or the Maintenance parking lot south of Bloom Pavilion.

LAMB TAIL DOCKING POLICY

All Market Lambs are required to exhibit appropriate tail docking. Appropriate tail docking practice is to remove the tail at the distal termination of the caudal fold. Docking should be performed within two weeks of birth for optimum animal health and the tail must be healed at the time of the Sheep Pre-Show.

Docking is done to aid in animal health. A long tail tends to accumulate soft feces and attract parasites. When properly docked, the caudal folds (beneath the tail) direct fecal material away from the body to maintain hygiene. In this way, the tail prevents fly strike on the sensitive tissues of the hindquarters (can result in fatality) and provides physical protection of the anal and vulvar area. A tail that is too long results in fecal accumulation, a tail too short significantly increases the risk of dangerous rectal prolapse since nerves and muscle attachments can be severed.

Exhibitors should ask breeders if they appropriately dock their market lambs. In any case, market lambs tails will not be measured at either the Sheep Pre-Show or at the Kittitas County Fair.





The Kittitas County 4-H Livestock Committee is committed to eliminating the incidence of scrapie in Washington State, therefore, **all 4-H and FFA market lambs entered in the Kittitas County Fair must have an approved Scrapie flock tag**. **Scrapie flock tags for individual breeding sheep for sale are required by law**. Clubs may apply for a scrapie flock number. Kittitas County is encouraging enforcement of this law by breeders through this policy.

GOAT PROJECT INFORMATION

In order to sell a market goat at the Kittitas County Fair, 4-H and FFA members **are required to weigh and ear tag a meat goat (limit of two per member) and submit a COPY of the meat goats SIGNED original Producer/Breeder Affidavit & Market Goat Health Record** online prior to the Meat Goat Weigh-In on **Saturday, June 12 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.** at the Kittitas County Fairgrounds. Meat Goat project members are to participate in the educational workshops and Showmanship classes. This pre-show will provide an opportunity for exhibitors to learn how to properly show their animals and practice showmanship. Market Meat Goats must have an **average daily gain from Goat Pre-Show to Fair of .25 a day**. They must also weigh a **minimum of 70 pounds**.

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NON MARKET GOATS

Non market goats – Dairy, Novelty, Pygmy, and Utility projects are required to attend the Goat Clinic on June 12. Members are required to bring one animal representing each project area they will have at Fair. This is a good opportunity to prepare your animal for Fitting and Showing this fall and to ask questions you might have. Non-Market goats are not required to submit a health form at weigh-in, but we encourage youth to practice record keeping with their goats. Specific records can be found on our website or by following the links below.

Dairy goat health record: <https://s3.wp.wsu.edu/uploads/sites/2080/2014/12/DairyGoatHealthRecord1002-20111.pdf>

Individual goat health record: <https://s3.wp.wsu.edu/uploads/sites/2080/2014/06/Individual-Goat-Record1.pdf>

Goat Weigh-In & Clinic Schedule

8 AM Goat Weigh-in

9 AM Showmanship Clinic by groups, approximately 20 minutes per family/club group

Group 1

Group 2

Group 3

Group 4

Group 5

Group 6

*Groups will be sent by email the week of weigh-in, and posted at the event, times & activities may change



2021 Goat & Sheep Judging Contest

Contest opens June 7th at 8 AM and closes June 14th at 11:59 PM

Who needs to complete this contest?

This contest is a required portion of the Sheep & Goat weigh-in & clinic, participation in both is required by all sheep & goat members to be eligible to exhibit and sell at the Kittitas County Fair and Livestock Sale.

Other livestock members are encouraged to participate in the judging contest.

Individual scores and placings will be used for qualifying for the county judging team.

Need Help? We understand that these are different times for all, and difficult times for many. Not everyone may be able to participate for a variety of reasons. We are here to help—please reach out to your leader or the 4-H office if you aren't able to participate in the online judging contest. If you suspect you won't be able to participate by June 14th at 11:59 pm please reach out to your leader or the 4-H office for assistance.

Contest Instructions:

The contest is hosted on Livestockjudging.com— you will need to make an account to access the contest. **Please make sure to make your username your first and last name so our office can identify you and your score.** An email is required to make an account, if you do not have access to an email, please let me know and I can create an account for you – no email required.

Link to Contest:

<https://www.livestockjudging.com/contest/details.aspx?id=375>

Contest Code:

2xhs

Please remember this contest is to be completed only by you, as with an in-person contest there is no sharing answers or helping others, please be honest.

General Livestock Information

LIVESTOCK STATE FAIR JUDGING TEAM

Youth interested in participating on the State Fair Livestock Judging team need to plan on participating at the Beef Clinic, Swine Clinic or Sheep & Goat Pre-Show Judging Contests. The top 3 blue placing exhibitors at the Beef Clinic and Swine Clinic Judging Contests and the top 4 blue placing exhibitors at the Sheep & Goat Judging Contest in the intermediate and senior 4-H divisions will automatically qualify to participate on the Kittitas County State 4-H Livestock Judging team. If there is not a complete team from the top qualifiers then the next top placing blue ribbon judging scores from the clinic's and pre-show will be invited to participate on the Kittitas County State 4-H Livestock Judging Team. This team will be eligible to judge at the State 4-H Fair in Puyallup. Breaking ties for qualifying for the judging team will be determined by the highest oral reasons score, followed by highest parts score. Kittitas County 4-H Livestock may send up to 10 intermediates and 10 seniors in the Livestock Judging contest at the Washington State 4-H Fair.

OWNERSHIP AND CARING FOR LIVESTOCK PROJECT ANIMALS

According to the "Washington State 4-H Youth Development Program Policy" EM0758 (rules and regulations that 4-H follows) animals must be under the 4-H member's regular care and management for the following periods of time prior to the official county exhibit activity, including junior livestock shows: Market Beef – 120 days; Breeding Beef – 90 days; Sheep and Swine (Breeding and Market) 60 days, Goat – 60 days, and Llama/Alpaca – 90 days. Animals raised by the 4-H member from birth are exempt from the minimum time periods.