

# Buy the Best

When you purchase a market animal from a Junior Livestock exhibitor, you're buying home-grown, high quality, and flavorful meat. The talent of our youth exhibitors can guarantee that you are truly buying the BEST! Here's what you can expect from your purchase of a market animal:

## Beef

Beef in the auction will range from 1,000 to 1,400 pounds in weight. A typical 1,200 pound steer will yield approximately 680 pounds of wrapped meat. It typically costs around \$5500 to raise a beef for the show.

## Goat

Goats in the auction will range from 65 to 130 pounds in weight. A typical 110-pound goat will yield approximately 41 pounds of wrapped meat. It typically costs around \$600 to raise a goat for the show.

## Lamb

Lambs in the auction will range from 100 to 160 pounds in weight. A typical 120-pound lamb will yield approximately 75 pounds of wrapped meat. It costs around \$700 to raise a lamb for the show.

## Swine

Swine in the auction will range from 210 to 285 pounds in weight. A typical 250 pound swine will yield approximately 180 pounds of wrapped meat. It costs around \$1000 to raise a pig for the show.

## Market Calf

A Market Calf in the auction will range from 250 to 350 pounds in weight. A typical 300-pound Market Calf will yield approximately 180 pounds of wrapped meat. It typically costs \$1200 to raise a calf for the show.

## **How to Participate**

You have two options for supporting our youth through the auction:

1. Purchase a market beef, goat, lamb, swine, market calf, poultry or rabbits that have been raised by a youth exhibitor.
2. Place an "Add-on" (cash donation) to one or more exhibitors. With both options, your financial support will be given directly to the exhibitor(s) you choose in order to help offset project costs and make their project profitable and successful.

## **Benefits of Participation**

- \*The satisfaction of supporting the successful leaders of tomorrow!
- \*A freezer full of the finest quality meat available on the market today
- \* Charitable tax deductions (please consult your CPA)
- \* Public recognition and advertising for your company or organization

## **Participation Options in Detail**

All buyers must register prior to making a bid or purchase during the auction. Registered buyers will receive a buyer number and auction program. To register, all buyers must fill out a 2025 Buyer Registration & Agreement Form.

1. Purchase an Animal - An individual or a group of several parties may purchase an animal at the auction by placing the winning bid. Animals are purchased on a price per head basis. If you choose to keep the meat for personal consumption, you will be asked to select a processing facility from the list located on the sales agreement slip. The facility that you choose will contact you after the auction regarding your personal preferences for processing and packing your meat. You will be notified by the processing facility when your meat is ready for pick-up. Processing fees are NOT included in the purchase price of your animal. All processing charges must be paid in full when you pick up your meat. If you do not wish to keep the meat for personal consumption, it can be donated.

Donation - The animal you purchase can be donated back for re-sale at the end of the auction. The re-sale value will go to the Jr. Livestock Committee Sponsorship Fund.

2. Add-On - An "Add-On" is a cash donation to the exhibitor(s) of your choice, and can be given to as many exhibitors as you wish to support. To participate in the add-on program, you must sign and complete the "Add-On Agreement Form." This form is available online at [www.sbcfair.com](http://www.sbcfair.com). Payment in full must accompany the add-on agreement form. For buyers participating/purchasing during the 2025 auction, add-ons may be invoiced with their auction balance.