



Fair Prep in the Swine Barn - 2022

REMINDERS:

August 6, 2022 – Weigh-In Day @ 6:00 a.m.

Minimum Weight @ Fair: 225 lbs.
Maximum Weight @ Fair: 315 lbs.

Reminder! Don't feed projects on the morning of Picture Day

Fair Prep in the Swine Barn!
The countdown is ON!

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Communication for Swine Barn

Reminder, we have a barn e-mail for the swine barn communications. This email can be passed along to new species chairs each term. The e-mail is swinebarn4H@gmail.com

Please know, that I usually work on my 4H work on Sunday afternoon, if it is an EMERGENT issue, please feel free to call or text throughout the week.

Parent Volunteer Sign Up

Parents of Swine Barn 4Hers are asked to volunteer during fair week! Barn activities are not able to run without our parent volunteers. On August 1st, we will be releasing the sign-up sheet via Sign Up Genius. Please use that link to sign up for different jobs throughout the barn that we will need help on. I am asking the parents of the 4-Her to please sign up for three different positions during fair week. If you have any questions, please let us know!



Swine Record Books

All three record books have been uploaded to the website.

Swine Barn Pen Decorations

Remember, decorations that go over the pen, need to have airflow and must also be secured to your backing to prevent items from falling into the pig pens. No lights. All pens must display a 4-H Livestock Council Pen Card with youth and animal information. White signs are for market animals and green signs are for Cloverbud and/or show only animals.

Swine Barn Pen Assignment

The swine barn pen assignments are attached to this e-mail and will be posted in the back of the barn on July 29th. Please note, that an error was made, and Nicki will be renumbering pens 44 – 138 on that Friday.

Weigh In Day

Just a reminder for weigh-in, have your health record filled out, signed, and present at unloading. Make sure your swine's ear tag is clean and readable. Youth must be present at the time of unloading. For those who have two swine registered, the pig you weigh is the pig that stays.

Physical Swine Barn Changes

When you are in the barn for the first time, LOOK UP and see all the improvements that happened this year. We have new LED lights and a ventilation system that is being installed. Thank you, Johnson Foundation, for making this happen! If you have not taken the time yet, please take a moment, and write a thank you letter to the Johnson Foundation. Their mail address is on the homepage of the Livestock Council Website.

Waterers

Please remember it is the 4Hers responsibility to secure a watering option for their animal. You will also need to supply the materials for connecting your waterer to the fencing. Please note, that we do not have the large zip ties like we had last year. This will be a trial-and-error year in securing the waterers, please be mindful of your neighboring pens. Above all else, please make sure your project has water. Check on them frequently. Leaders, if you notice a swine project is out of the water, we will

make sure to reach out to you to alert you. If you have any questions concerning this, please let me know.

Caps for Waterers

If you still need a cap from the watering clinic, please let me know and I will have them at check-in.

Barn Duty

Barn Duty will be posted in the barn the morning of drop-off. Each club will need to sign up for 2 hours during the week. These hours can be in one shift or broken up by increments of 1 hour. Please note that this is not assigned this year like it was last year. If you are not signed up by the mandatory barn meeting, I will assign you a spot.

Unloading Day

Unloading for swine will begin at 6:00 a.m. and end at 12:00 p.m. Our entrance is Gate 4. Please make sure to have the following:

1. Species Specific Health Form – completed.
2. Animal Health Agreement - completed.

CHANGES TO THE SWINE GUIDEBOOK

Please look over the Swine Guidebook: www.northwestlivestockcouncil.org/swine

Changes are highlighted in the document.

If you have any questions regarding the Guidebook, please feel free to reach out!

3. CLEAN ear tags
4. 4-Her must be present
5. Weights are 225 minimum and 315 maximum
6. If you have two pigs, the pig that you weigh is the pig that stays

REMINDER: You must have CLEAN pigs at drop-off. If not, you will be asked to go clean your project and return to the back of the line.

Mandatory Meeting

The Mandatory Meeting will be in the Grandstands on Saturday, August 6, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. Please note the word mandatory... Pen cards and back tags will be handed out then.

