

BUCKET/BOTTLE PROJECT INTRODUCTON

The Bucket/Bottle project is offered to all Clover Kids & 4-H'ers. You must be enrolled in the Bucket/Bottle project in 4HOnline by June 1ST to be eligible to exhibit a bucket/bottle project at fair.

Purpose:

- Learn proper health care and nutritional requirements of animals.
- Learn basic management skills without a large investment.
- Learn basic record keeping skills.
- Gain a better understanding of the animal industry.

Project Guidelines:

- Calf must be born between February 1 and April 30 of the current year and purchased within 2 weeks of birth. Must be in possession of exhibitor by May 15.
- Bottle Bucket Kid must be born between March 15th and May 15th of the current year.
- Bottle Bucket Lamb must be born between March 15th and May 15th of the current year.
- Project must be bucket or bottle fed, NO nursing.
- Bottle Bucket Projects must be identified in 4HOnline by June 1st (contact the Extension Office if you need assistance)
- Up to 2 animals may be identified, but only one of each (Bottle Calf, Lamb, or Kid) may be exhibited per member.
- Refer to your fair book for specific class details.

County Fair Guidelines:

- All animals will be inspected by the veterinarian on trailer at Livestock Check-in.
- The bucket bottle project should not be clipped or fitted.
- See General Livestock Rules in the fair book for suggested show attire.
- The classes will be divided according to last completed grade of the exhibitor.
- Judging will be based on:
 - What the member has learned about caring for and raising the animal. Interview judging will be done on show day.
 - The grooming and cleanliness of the animal. Recommended to use soap, water, brush, and rag.
 - General health, management and condition of the calf and the 4-H member's knowledge of this area.
 - Confirmation or quality of the animal is NOT to be considered.
 - Complete Bottle Bucket Forms b1, b2, and b3 (to be turned into the Extension office by June 30th)

END OF PROJECT REPORT is due June 30th

Must Include:

- Completed forms b-1 & b-2 (please also fill out the top of b-3 and submit with your report)
 - Keep records and fill out the form as the project progresses, do not wait until the last minute!
- A photo of you with your animal.

You may also include any other records or information that helps explain your project.

Above all, have fun with this project – it is a great learning experience!

CHICKASAW COUNTY BUCKET-BOTTLE PROJECT

(Complete and return to Extension Office by June 30)

Member's Name _____

Club _____ Grade Completed _____

Animal Date of Birth _____ Date Purchased _____

Actual or estimated value when animal was obtained \$ _____ Born on your farm? Yes / No

Estimated weight at fair _____ lb. Color of animal _____

Name of Animal _____ Type of animal: Calf Lamb Kid

My goal(s) for this project is (are):

Describe facilities where you housed your project:

Circle one: Barn Pasture Hut Other

What did you feed your animal when you first got it: (type of feeds, amount per day, etc)

What did you feed your animal in mid-June: (kinds, amounts per day, etc)

Did you bottle feed your animal? Yes / No

Did you train your animal to drink from a pail? Yes / No

Did your animal have any health problems? Yes / No

If yes, describe the health problem and what you did to treat it: _____

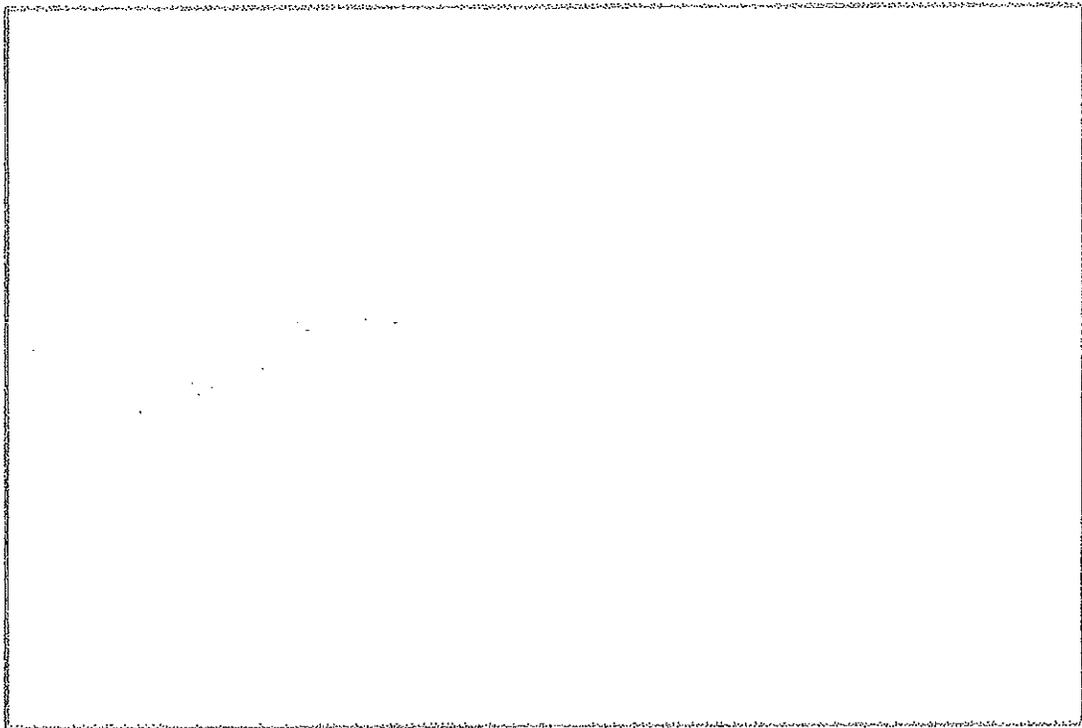
What have you enjoyed and learned through this project?

What was the biggest problem you had and what did you do to solve it?

What do you plan to do with your animal? (check all that apply)

- Sell it
- Breed it
- Feed it to market weight
- Show it next year as a 4-H project

Attach a photo of you and your animal to this form.



COST OF RAISING A BUCKET/BOTTLE ANIMAL

		Pounds	Cost per Pound	Total:
Feed:				
	Milk Replacement		\$	\$
	Starter		\$	\$
	Hay		\$	\$
	Other:		\$	\$
Medication:				\$
Veterinary Costs:				\$
Other Supplies: (halter, brush, feeding pails, etc)				\$
				\$
				\$
				\$
Total Input Cost				\$
Purchase Cost of Animal (value of animal at beginning of project)				\$
Total Invested				\$

SCORING SHEET
 (To be filled out by Bucket/Bottle Superintendents & Judge at Fair)

Name _____ Club _____

Years in Bucket/Bottle Project: _____

Circle One: (by grade completed)

Clover Kid (K, 1, 2, 3)

Junior (4, 5, 6, 7)

Senior (8, 9, 10, 11, 12)

	Points Possible	Points Earned
Member and animal information:	0-3	
Housing and feed:	0-5	
Describe health practices:	0-4	
Describe what you enjoyed, learned, and problems you had to solve:	0-4	
Record Keeping: cost of raising a bucket/bottle project	0-9	
Total Points	0-25	

_____ Total Points Project Report (25 Points)

_____ Health and Cleanliness (25 Points)

_____ Personal Interviews (25 Points)

_____ Barn stall kept clean and sawdust bedding hauled to manure spreader after the animal is released. (25 Points)

_____ Total Points (100 Points possible)