



November 30, 2022

TO: All 4-H or FFA Clinton County Youth with Market Beef Project  
RE: Market Beef Weigh-In

Market Beef Weigh-In will be on December 17 at the DeWitt Vet Clinic. We will weigh in all market beef animals (county fair, state fair, carcass) as they arrive from 8 am to Noon.

All market beef animals weighed on December 17 will be eligible for the performance beef show or market beef show at the fair. You must still enter your animal in the class through Fair Entry between May 15-July 1, 2023.

### **Before Arriving**

1. Enroll in 4hOnline (<http://v2.4honline.com>)
2. Pay enrollment fees
3. Review 4H 202 (Animal Identification, Weighing and Exhibiting Requirements) found at <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/194>

### **During Weigh-In on December 17**

1. Bring someone with you to watch your cattle.
2. If a trailer includes cattle for more than one youth, please separate by youth. It makes it much easier for those that are recording the information.
3. Sign your Beef Identification form and place in basket.
4. Pay all fees. Checks can be made out to "Clinton County Extension" or exact cash preferred!
  - a. STATE FAIR CALVES: \$2/EID tag, \$5/retinal scan (\$7 total)
  - b. COUNTY FAIR ONLY CALVES: \$2/ tag
5. Keep all exits and entrances open to traffic.

### **After Weigh-In**

1. **Reminder:** Families (YES, FAMILIES) will log in to 4hOnline and input the market beef data before Feb 1. Corrections cannot be made after Feb 1.
  - o A help sheet will be mailed to families after weigh-in with a copy of your Beef Identification form
2. Once the animal data is put in, the animal will be "active."
3. County Staff will review information to verify accuracy. County Staff will contact the family if there is a discrepancy. This means nothing will be changed without notifying the family.

## **Record Book Entries**

The record book process starts now! For Clinton 4-H record book overview, please visit <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/clinton/content/4-h-record-keeping>. For Market Animal worksheets visit, <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/record-keeping>. Reach out with questions!

## **YQCA Training (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals)**

All 4-H livestock exhibitors are required to be YQCA certified for county and State Fair exhibition for beef. The certification is good for one year. A help sheet is posted at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/yqca>. PLEASE remember to log in with your 4hOnline login. This will auto-populate in FairEntry.

## **Continue Learning**

More resources to develop your beef project are available online at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/beef>. Including the Beef Project Hot Sheet! Find tips to expand your knowledge and start working on an indoor exhibit for the county fair.

## **FFA Youth**

Please confirm with your advisor for state fair entries. County fair identification will be done on a Google Spreadsheet. Reach out to your advisor for the link.

As always, reach out with any questions,

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