



March 14, 2024

TO: All 4-H/FFA Clinton County Youth with Swine Project
RE: County Derby Swine Weigh In and 4-H State Fair Information

The process for county and state fair are similar but not identical. Underlined items are 4-H State Fair only. FFA state fair, talk to your advisor.

Derby Weigh In

March 30 from 9:00-10:00 a.m. at the Central DeWitt Bus Barn.

1. Notify the office you plan to attend by email or phone.
2. Information for each **derby** pig or state fair pig (tag #, sex, breed, ear notch) gets written down on ID form at weigh in
3. Pigs will get an EID tag and DNA tag
4. Staff collects tag fees from 4-H'er (\$2/ EID tag, \$8/ DNA tag)
5. Exhibitor leaves with a copy of their weigh in form.

Non-Derby Tag Pick Up

Any non-derby pigs in that want to be exhibited must be tagged between April 1-May 5. Note, if you would prefer to bring your pigs to weigh-in, we can tag them without weighing them for the derby show. Just tell us before weigh in!

1. Call/Email the Extension Office to request tags and tagger. Amanda will prepare a packet for you to pick up.
2. Pick up ear tags, tagger, ID forms and DNA tags
3. Return tagger, ID forms and DNA sample to Extension Office

Swine Department Rule Updates

The Extension Council has approved the rules included in this packet. The full fair book is posted online: www.extension.iastate.edu/clinton/county-fair Changes include:

-#4 – updated date to March 30, 2024

-#7 added - Any artificial means of removing or remedying physical defects of conformation in animals exhibited will be considered fraud and deception. No unnatural means of providing an animal feed, air, water or other fluid (i.e. stomach pump, drenching, IV) will be allowed. All animals giving evidence of such treatment will be barred from exhibition.

-**Derby Division #1** – updated weigh in date to March 30, 2024

-**Breeding Division #2** – +1 to the year to read "...January 1, 2024 or after."

-**Obstacle Course Division** Eliminated due to time constraints.

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Important Deadlines!

Before May 15:

1. Attend derby weigh in if you plan to exhibit in that class.
2. 4-H members, must enroll in 4hOnline (<https://v2.4honline.com>)
3. 4-H members, must pay enrollment fees
4. 4-H AND FFA should review 4H 202 (Animal Identification, Weighing and Exhibiting Requirements) found at <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/194>
5. Drop off DNA envelopes (with samples inside and signatures) at the Extension Office. Staff (Amanda) will mail them to Iowa 4-H Office.
6. Identify your derby, market, or breeding swine.
 - a. If you want to exhibit as a **4-H member**,
 - i. Log into 4hOnline (<https://v2.4honline.com>)
 - ii. Identify your swine under the member's animal tab on the left side.
 - iii. Make sure you hit submit! You'll receive an email confirmation.
 - b. If you want to exhibit as a **FFA member**,
 - i. Log into FairEntry with a previously created account. If this is your first year AND you are not a 4-H member, create an account. If this is your first year and you ARE a 4-H member, use your 4hOnline login information.
 - ii. Website: <https://clintoniowa.fairentry.com> You'll see a Spy Your Potential logo.
 - iii. You'll register as an exhibitor and then be able to identify animals.
 - iv. Please note, you won't select your FFA chapter yet. That will happen in June. FairEntry does not send you a confirmation email. If you'd like to confirm your animal is identified, ask your advisor or contact me.

Between June 1 – July 1:

Both 4-H and FFA members must **create the entries** to exhibit. Creating an entry tells staff which class you plan to exhibit your animal in.

1. Log into FairEntry at: <https://clintoniowa.fairentry.com> You'll see a Spy Your Potential logo.
2. Your animal information will be there. Sign up for which class each specific animal will be entered in.

Additional Notes for Swine Exhibitors

YQCA Training (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals)

All 4-H/FFA livestock exhibitors are required to be YQCA certified for county and State Fair exhibition for swine. Youth have two options to complete this:

- 1) Instructor-Led Certification (\$3):
 - a. March 24 at 5:15 pm in DeWitt at Extension Office
 - b. April 11 at 6:00 pm in DeWitt at Extension Office
 - c. Notes
 - i. **Please** sign up at yqcaprogram.org before class!
 - ii. Training will last approximately 1.5 hours.
- 2) Online Certification (\$12): Members complete the certification online. A help sheet is posted at <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/yqca>.

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Premise ID

All 4-H/FFA swine exhibitors (either their family farm or property owner) MUST have a registered IDALS Premise ID Number by May 15 to exhibit swine at the county fair. It may take several weeks to receive the numbers, so it is important to complete the application right away. Want more information about Premise ID's?

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/files/page/files/premiseid.pdf>

Requirements/Limits

- Each exhibitor can weigh in up to 10 gilts and/or barrows for the derby show.
- Limited to exhibiting 3 in the Derby Show (Derby pens of 3 must include 1 barrow)
- Pigs must weigh less than 50 pounds at weigh in to be eligible.
- A maximum of 40 head can be identified.
- **Swine must have ear notches indicated by May 15.**
- ALL state fair swine (market and breeding) must have a DNA punch tag.
- Breeding gilts should be farrowed on or after January 1.
- Animals can only be identified under ONE 4-H member, and cannot be identified as both 4-H And FFA

Record Book Entries

The record book process starts today! For Clinton 4-H record book overview, please visit www.extension.iastate.edu/clinton/record-keeping.

Continue Learning

More resources to develop your dog project are available online at www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/swine. Find tips to expand your knowledge and start working on an indoor exhibit in the Swine Project Guide (<https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/224>)!

As always, please reach out with questions,



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