

**YOUR  
EMMET COUNTY  
OPEN CLASS  
BUCKET  
LAMB  
PROJECT**



## **Introduction**

Any Emmet County youth completing Kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> (pre 4-H) by fair, enrolled in the Bucket/Bottle Lamb Project can exhibit in this class.

## **Objectives**

1. To learn proper health care and nutritional requirements of lambs.
2. To learn basic lamb management skills.
3. To learn basic livestock record keeping skills.

## **Guidelines**

1. Open to youth that have completed kindergarten through third grade at the time of the show.
2. Any orphan or newborn lamb, ewe, or weather lambed between January 1 and May 15 of the current year may be shown.
3. Lambs must be identified on a bottle lab ID sheet before July 1.
4. Lamb must be ear tagged with the official scrapie program tag from the farm of origin, with tag identification on the ID sheet.
5. You can identify up to 3 lambs but is limited to only show 1 at the fair. It is recommended that no other livestock are on the premise and that you purchase 2 lambs for better survivability.
6. A photo of the lamb and youth must be included with the ID sheet.
7. Lambs should be in possession of the exhibitor within one week of birth. Lambs should be bottle or bucket fed. **NO NURSING PERMITTED.**

8. All lambs are to be halter broke and will be shown on the halter.
9. Lambs must be slick sheared to be eligible to be shown in the bottle lamb class. No shearing is allowed on fairgrounds during fair.
10. Judging will be based on:
  - a. Participant interview: what the exhibitor has learned about the care and raising of the lamb.
  - b. Cleanliness and overall appearance with the emphasis on what the exhibitor has learned.
  - c. General health, condition and management of the lamb and the exhibitor's knowledge in this area.
  - d. Showmanship: will be asked to set the lamb up, will be asked to walk the lamb around show ring, be able to tie the lamb to a post and ability to keep lamb between themselves and the judge.
11. Supporting information and photo will be allowed, but not necessary.
12. Bottle lambs will not be sold at the 4-H auction.

# Emmet County Fair Open Class Bucket/Bottle Lamb Identification Sheet

*This class is for youth completing Kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade by fair.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Grade In School \_\_\_\_\_

Lamb Birth Date	Breed	Open Ear Tag #	Scrapie Tag #

***May identify up to 3 lambs but only one will be shown at the fair.***

Please attach a photo of you and each of your lambs.

**Mail/Drop Off by July 1<sup>st</sup> to either:**

Katie Harris  
303 N Jackson Ave  
Graettinger IA 51342

Krista Masters  
305 N Walnut  
Graettinger IA 51342

David Solberg  
150 Golf Course Dr  
Armstrong IA 50514

Emmet County Extension  
26 S 17<sup>th</sup> St  
Estherville IA 51334

# Emmet County Fair Open Class Bucket/Bottle Lamb Questionnaire

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete the following questions and bring to your interview.

1. How old was your lamb(s) when it was purchased or put on the bottle?
2. What do you feed your lamb(s)?
3. When was the lamb weaned from the bottle?
4. What do you plan to do with your lamb(s) after fair?
5. What would you like the judge to know about your project?