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TO: All 4-H & FFA Youth with Swine Projects

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FINAL NOTICE
County Fair 4-H/FFA Market Swine Identification
&
State Fair 4-H Market Swine Identification
SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2015
9:00 AM (Please arrive before 10:00 AM)
Great Jones County Fairgrounds
Small Animal Barn

This swine process site is ONLY for 4-H/FFA County Market Swine (not Derby) that have not yet been nominated for the county fair AND the NEW State Fair 4-H Market Swine identification (There are NO State Fair 4-H Derby Swine). This is the LAST opportunity to nominate Market Swine. Swine WILL NOT be weighed but will be tattooed and ear tagged.

County Market Swine are at $1.00 per ear tag, and State Fair 4-H Market Swine are at $8.00 per ear tag. The same pigs can be nominated for both county fair and State Fair, but you MUST designate prior to being ear tagged and pay the State Fair ear tag fee.

If you have any questions, please contact the Extension Office at (319) 465-3224.

The fees for service will be used to off-set direct expenses and to support the 4-H Youth Development County Extension Programs.

We are making every attempt to protect the biosecurity of this process. We will continue to monitor and upgrade biosecurity measures. It is of utmost importance that all participants read and follow all instructions for participation in the swine weigh-in and identification process. Failure to do so may result in your loss of eligibility to exhibit in the 4-H/FFA swine show at the fair.

Extension programs are available to all without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, or disability.

MANDATED BIOSECURITY PROCEDURES:
To reduce the possibility of transmission of diseases, please follow these guidelines:

1. Bring enough people so that you are able to handle your own pigs.

2. **DO NOT** exit your vehicle until you put on disposable boots that will be distributed in the parking lot.

3. **DO NOT** enter your trailer without putting on a second layer of disposable boots which will be removed upon exiting the trailer.

4. **Remove** disposable boots before re-entering farm vehicle.

5. Only **members of the family** handle the pigs. Volunteers should not hold the pigs.

6. Volunteers doing the processing (especially those touching the pigs) **MUST WEAR** disposable boots, rubber gloves, and coveralls.

7. **Disinfect** tattoo pliers, tagger, and support equipment after processing all the pigs from one farmstead.

8. Catch basins as well as sprayers containing **disinfectant** will be used wherever necessary around the work area and doorways.

9. If pigs come in with **FRESH BLOODY WOUNDS** (from ear notching, castrating, etc.) they **WILL NOT** be identified.