



Extension
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON
OUTAGAMIE COUNTY

February 2024

TO: OUTAGAMIE COUNTY 4-H LIVESTOCK PROJECT FAMILIES, LEADERS and FFA ADVISORS

Welcome to the 2024 Outagamie County Youth Livestock Program. Project information and educational activities for beef, swine, sheep and goats have been planned by your county youth livestock committee and are included in this mailing. We hope that our 4-H and FFA livestock program projects provide a meaningful and fun experience for your family this year. The County Youth Livestock Committee looks forward to working with you this year.

Officers of this year's committee are:

- Chair – Steve Hackl
- Vice-Chair – Therese Schroeder
- Secretary – Keira Leitemann
- Treasurer – Diane Jarvais

Your county resource leaders are:

- Beef – Steve Hackl
- Swine – Steve Green, Pat Rynish
- Sheep –Therese/Tim Schroeder
- Goat –Terry Wolter, Morgan Wolter

The swine show is a non-terminal show

All members who plan to have their animals in the market sale have educational meeting and YQCA certification requirements met.

Educational Requirement: *All Youth must complete an educational activity for each livestock project enrolled in or another approved educational meeting in the state or region.* Virtual or non-virtual activities will meet this requirement, however all members must have a completed Project Meeting Attendance Verification Form and submit to the Outagamie County Extension office. You can find this form at <https://outagamie.extension.wisc.edu/files/2020/02/livestock-verify-meeting-2020.pdf>.

Youth that would like to submit a research paper on a topic, please verify the topic with the resource leader of your project species and upon completion, submit the paper to the resource leader and send a copy to the Extension office, Attn: Livestock Education, 3365 W Brewster St, Appleton WI 54914.

Additional opportunities for Educational Requirements include:

- meats judging
- meat processing workshop
- livestock judging
- fitting & showing clinics

YQCA Requirement: All members must be YQCA certified by June 13, if you wish to sell in the market sale. YQCA is not required to show at the Outagamie County Fair, but is highly recommended. If you are selected as a grand or reserve champion, you cannot sell if you are not YQCA certified, regardless of age or years showing.

All YQCA information was emailed to all members in December. Youth may choose either in-person or online training. To become certified, all youth must register, pay for and complete the training. Details on navigating the YQCA website was included in the email. Any questions, please contact Amy Beck at amy.beck@outagamie.org

We hosted 2 in person trainings at the Seymour High School on January 4 and February 5. **All youth must pre-register** for in person trainings at <https://YQCAprogram.org>. Other local in person trainings will be offered at:

- Saturday, March 9, 8:30, Lakeshore Technical College
- Saturday, March 9 in Pulaski
- Saturday, March 23, 12:45, Manawa
- YQCA is also available to be taken online for ALL youth.

YQCA does not count as an educational meeting for beef sheep, swine or goat projects. Outagamie County Extension will verify all youth who have completed their certification. Make sure that you submit a copy of your certificate to amy.beck@outagamie.org.

Livestock Educational Meeting: March 23, 9:00-10:30 a.m., Seymour Municipal Building. This will be an education meeting that will meet the educational requirements for All Species. We will be learning about all species judging.

Annual Meat Processing Contest: If you attend the March 5 & 12 event, this will meet your educational requirements for all 4 species. Must pre-register and pay by February 23. Cost is \$40 per person payable to Haen's Meat Packaging. Go to <https://bit.ly/MeatProcessing24> to register. Send check to Extension Office, Attn: Meat Processing Workshop, 3365 W Brewster St, Appleton WI 54914.

Livestock Skillathon and Meats Judging Contest: More information can be found at this link <https://livestock.extension.wisc.edu/programs/wisconsin-youth-livestock/events-and-programs/>

Livestock Fitting & Showing Clinics, Seymour Fairgrounds: Your county youth livestock committee will be planning fitting and showing clinics. Dates are:

- Beef – Thursday, May 16, 6-7 p.m.
- Sheep – Thursday, May 16, 7-8 p.m.
- Swine – Saturday, May 18, 9-10 a.m.
- Goats – Saturday, May 18, 10-11 a.m.

The clinics will give you additional assistance in preparing your animal(s) for the county fair in July. Watch for updates in the 4-H family newsletters.

2024 Area Animal Science Day: Save the dates June 18, Shawano County and June 20, Green County. More information to follow.

Outagamie County Fair Activity June 26-30

- **It is recommended that livestock exhibitors have liability insurance.**
- Decorating may be done anytime after 1 p.m. Sunday, June 23
- Entry day for animals is Wednesday, June 26, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- For weight classes, check the fair premium book on the county fair website www.outagamiecountyfair.com.
- Pigs can be brought in on Tuesday, June 25 – contact the swine superintendents for more information.

Animal Fee: The following Animal Fee Schedule will be in place for each animal entry for the Outagamie County Fair.

Sheep	\$3.00/Entry	Beef	\$3.00/Entry	
Pig	\$3.00/Entry	Goat	\$3.00/Entry	Small Animal \$1.00/Entry

Drug History: All exhibitors must have a market animal drug history form per species of animal per exhibitor upon arrival at the county fair to weigh in animals. Forms are available at <https://outagamiecountyfair.com/wp-content/uploads/OCF-Dairy-and-Livestock-Check-in-form.pdf>
Please keep this form in your files until county fair.

County Youth Livestock Sale: The sale will be Friday, June 28, 6:30 p.m. The sale will be a live animal sale.

Scholarship Opportunity: United Veterinary Service will once again be offering a \$1000.00 scholarship to a graduating senior this spring. Half of the scholarship, \$500, is for the first year of college or technical school, and the second half, \$500, is paid for the second year of studies. The scholarship application is available to any student in Waupaca, Shawano, Outagamie, Waushara or Winnebago counties who was enrolled in a supervised animal project in 4-H, FFA or Scouting. There are no restrictions regarding the area of study the student pursues.

The scholarship application can be picked up at United Veterinary Service in Bear Creek, 715-752-4747. Applications are due March 31, 2024.

County Youth Livestock Committee: The committee will continue to work on details and plans for this year's program. Should you have further concerns or questions about our livestock program, please contact a member of the committee found on page 13 of the 4-H Family Handbook.

2024 WISCONSIN STATE FAIR

Junior show exhibitors **must** declare a Volunteer Adult Contact at time of entry. Options include either:

- A) Group
- B) Individual

For details and information regarding exhibiting at the 2024 Wisconsin State Fair Junior Livestock please visit: <https://wistatefair.com/competitions/category/junior-livestock/>