

EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

Exhibitor Name	
Age (December 31)	
Parent/Guardian Name(s)	
4-H Club Name	

PIG INFORMATION

Name	
Ear Notches	
Ear Tag (EID Number)	
Birth Date	
Sex: <u>Gilt</u> or <u>Barrow</u>	
Breed	
A. Weight & Date Start of Project	
B. Weight & Date – End of Project	
C. Pounds of Gain (B-A)	

SUMMARY OF AVAILABLE POINTS

<i>Item</i>	<i>Maximum points</i>	<i>Point Summary To be completed by Extension Staff</i>
Fair Interview	45	
Record Book	35	
Final Weight	30	
Rate of Gain	30	
Live Placing	25	
Showmanship	25	
Bonus #1	5	
Bonus #2	5	
Bonus #3	5	
Total	205	

~2 MANDATORY classes for all Catch-A-Pig participants.  
Introduction, Feeding & Care Class completed online with test.  
Showmanship & Fitting Class.

\*If unable to make it to the meetings, please contact staff so other arrangements can be made! Failure to complete two classes results in inability to compete in Catch-A-Pig Contest at Saunders County Fair!

Feel free to attach up to four (4) Pictures with captions at the end of this record book.

## Purpose of project:

- ✓ To teach live animal evaluation and selection process.
- ✓ To teach proper health care, environmental needs and nutritional requirements of meat g
- ✓ To teach basic management skills without a large investment.
- ✓ To teach basic record keeping and communication skills.
- ✓ To teach proper and current showmanship skills.
- ✓ To provide a better understanding of the industry.

## Catch-A-Pig project guidelines:

- Project is open to 4-H members who are enrolled Saunders County 4-H Members.
- 4-H member must be enrolled in the Market Swine project.
- The pig must be acquired from the pigs purchased for the Catch-A-Pig project.
- The pig must be identified with ear notches and 4-H EID tag.
- Exhibitor must have completed a Quality Assurance Training class prior to the fair.
- Record Books are due to the Saunders County Extension Office area of the Gayle Hattan Pavilion at the Saunders County Fairgrounds by deadline listed in fairbook.
- Catch-An-Animal participants can offer **2 animals on the Saunders County Auction**, 1 market animal and 1 catch-an-animal. Catch-An-Animals MUST meet weight criteria for sale

## Explanation of Requirements

1. **Fair Interview** All participants of the Catch-A- Pig program must take part in an interview during the county fair. Time sign-ups will be available in the Fair 4-H office
  
2. **Evaluation of record book.** The record book will be judged based on completeness. The week of the Saunders County Fair, the Saunders County Extension Office will determine the final market price for figuring the profit or loss in Table 6 of this Catch-A- Pig record book.
3. **Producer Form:** Questions will be completed by youth to give producers updates on their animals. The producer is then able to provide feedback to youth.
4. **Rate of Gain.** Points will be awarded for Rate of Gain made by the pig. This number can be found in Table 6, Letter L under "Average Daily Gain" below.

5. **Evaluation of record book:** The record book will be judged based on completeness. The week of the Saunders County Fair, the Saunders County Extension Office will determine the final market price for figuring the profit or loss in Table 6 of this Catch-A-Pig record book.

6. **Final Weight** of the pig will be assigned the following points:

<u>Average daily gain, lbs.</u>	<u>Assigned points</u>
< 230	5
231-264	15
265-285	30
286-310	20
>310	5

7. **Bonus Points.** Bonus: Up to 15 bonus points are available for the project. This can include participating in progress shows, livestock judging, industry visit, job shadow, etc. Please list bonus activities & dates here:

- Bonus 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- Bonus 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- Bonus 3 \_\_\_\_\_

8. **Live placing in show ring.** The judge will assign points at their discretion. It is possible for more than one animal to receive full points.

9. **Showmanship.** The judge will assign points at their discretion. It is possible for more than one youth to receive full points.

**Narrative about your Catch-A-Pig project:**

1. Explain why you chose this project.

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2. Describe the facilities where your pig was housed.

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3. Describe the feeding program you followed during the first month after you received your pig (Type of feeds, amount of feed given per day, etc.).

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4. Describe the feeding and management program you used during the second month after receiving the pig.

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5. Describe the feeding program you were currently using when the pig was brought to the Saunders County Fair.

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6. Did your pig have any health problems? (Describe the problem(s) and what you did to treat the problem).

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7. What did you do to prevent health problems? What management practices did you follow to help keep the pig healthy and growing?

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8. What was the biggest problem you had during this Catch-A-Pig project and what did you do to solve it?

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9. What have you learned during this project? What would you do differently? What did you enjoy?

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Table 5. Record of income:

The sale price to use for your pig will be provided by the Saunders County Extension Office during the Saunders County Fair. The pig will be weighed when they are checked in at the Saunders County Fair.

Date	Sale price (\$ per pound)	Weight of pig (pounds)	Value of pig (\$)

Table 6. Profit and Performance Summary

<b>Costs for my Project:</b>	
A. Purchase price	\$
B. Total health costs (Table 2)	\$
C. Total feed costs (Table 3)	\$
D. Total other costs (Table 4)	\$
<b>E. Grand total of investment (Costs) in project (A + B + C + D)</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>How much did my animal gain?</b>	
F. Starting weight	lbs.
G. Ending weight	lbs.
<b>H. Total pounds gained (G - F)</b>	<b>lbs.</b>
<b>Feed Efficiency:</b>	
I. Total days on feed (START DATE + END DATE IN DAYS)	days
J. Total pounds of feed fed (ITEM 3 FROM TABLE 3)	lbs.
K. Pounds of feed per pound of gain (K ÷ H)	
L. Feed cost per pound of gain (C ÷ H)	\$
Average daily gain {ADG} (H ÷ I)	lbs./day
<b>Value of My project:</b>	
M. Value of animal at end of project (VALUE FROM Table 5)	\$
N. Value of animal per pound of weight gained (P ÷ H)	\$
O. Breakeven price per pound sold (E ÷ G)	\$
P. Monetary gain or loss on project (P - E)	\$

# Signature Page

I \_\_\_\_\_, verify that the information in this record book is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that I have followed the guidelines as set for this 4-H Catch-A-Pig project, the Saunders County Fair, and those set forth in the Saunders County Fair Book or appendix as published.

4-H Member: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

I verify that all the information is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that the 4-H Exhibitor so named has followed the guidelines set forth for this 4-H Catch-A-Pig project, the Saunders County Fair, and set forth in the Saunders County Fair Book or appendix as published.

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Parent or Guardian Signature

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4-H Leader Signature

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Date

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Date





