### Wayne County Junior

**Livestock Show and Sale**

**April 23 and 24, 2025**



Objective: Provide the opportunity for learning experiences in livestock production by developing basic skills in selection, management, exhibition and marketing.

**Schedule:**

**April 23 and 24th, 2025**

**EXACT SCHEDULE TO BE DETERMINED BY NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS AND ANIMALS.**

**General Rules**

1. Any boy or girl living in Wayne County or participating in Wayne County 4-H or FFA under the following age requirements as of **January 1, 2025** is eligible to enter livestock shows:

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| Meat Goat Exhibitors | 5-18 years of age |
| Market Hog Exhibitors | 5-18 years of age |
| Heifer Exhibitors | 5-18 years of age |
| Steer Exhibitors | 5-18 years of age |

1. **All animals must be in place and forms received by Feb 7 (75 days) prior to the Show and Sale (no exceptions).** Upon submission of the registration form, exhibitors should contact the County Extension Agent to have the animal seen and/or tagged, by calling (919) 731-1525.
2. All Intermediate and Senior exhibitors must submit a project record book to the Cooperative Extension Office. Novice and Junior exhibitors must submit a poster at the show and sale, to be displayed during the event.
3. **All exhibitors are required to write thank you notes to all the buyers. This includes T-shirt sponsors, all participant sponsors, support price buyer and your individual sponsors. Thank you cards must be turned into the office BEFORE you receive your check.**
4. **All exhibitors MUST attend 2 workshops (offered by the Show and Sale committee or others approved in advance). NEW participants are required to attend the new parent meeting as well (date TBD).**
5. All prospect steers, beef heifers, market hogs, and meat goats must be weighed **AT A TO BE DETERMINED TIME.** All entries must be properly identified.
6. Sick animals will not be allowed to participate in the show and sale and must return home. Exhibitors with healthy under or overweight animals will be allowed to participate in showmanship, but not eligible for Grand or Reserve Champion.
7. Market classes of goats, hogs, heifer calves and prospect steers will be determined the day of show according to the weight of animals.
8. **Showmanship classes will be determined by age of the child.**

**Showmanship Classes**

Novice 5 – 7

Junior 8 - 11

Intermediate 12 - 14

Senior 15 – 18

1. Judges placing of all classes will be final. Sportsmanship of exhibitors and adults will be held to the National Code of Show Ring Ethics Standard.
2. Each exhibitor or buyer assumes all liabilities in case of sickness, injury, or death to animals. The exhibitor is responsible until the animal is sold, returned and properly penned in the show barn at which time the buyer assumes liability.
3. **All exhibitors are required to participate in Showmanship**. To be eligible for the showmanship classes, each exhibitor must do their own fitting with minimal assistance from adults. Violations of this rule could result in disqualification from the Show and Sale.
4. During the shows no adults, with the exception of those adults assisting with the show, will be allowed in the show ring.
5. If an exhibitor has more than one animal in a class, the second animal must be shown by another show and sale exhibitor. Or the participant can choose to move the second animal UP to the next weight class.
6. In cases where questions arise that are not specifically covered by the rules and regulations of the Show and Sale, decisions of the Show and Sale Committee will be final.

**Prospect Steer Rules**

1. Each individual exhibitor is limited two (2) entries, entered in the exhibitor’s name.
2. Entries must be steers.
3. All entries must be without horns and of beef breeding.
4. **Prospect steers must weigh between 300-1,500 pounds at time of the Show and Sale weigh-in.**
5. **Entries may be sold and go to market OR exhibitors may choose to take the calf home.**
6. Prospect steers must be thoroughly halter broken and properly trained. Calves becoming wild after entering the show ring will be removed and cannot participate further in the Show and Sale. The Show and Sale Committee has the final decision on the eligibility of any animal in order to protect the safety of other exhibitors.

**Additional Beef Heifer Rules**

1. Heifers must be thoroughly halter broken and properly trained. An animal becoming wild after entering the show ring will be removed and cannot participate further in the Show and Sale. The Show and Sale Committee has the final decision on the eligibility of any animal in order to protect the safety of other exhibitors.
2. **Heifers** **must be less than two years of age at Show and Sale.**
3. All heifers will show together, regardless of breed, classes will be determined by age.
4. **Entries may be sold and go to market OR exhibitors may choose to take the heifer home.**

**Meat Goat Rules**

1. Meat goats must be less than one year old as of **April 23rd, 2025**. Age will be determined by the presence of baby teeth.
2. Meat goats will be judged as market animals.
3. Entries must be wethers or does.
4. Meat goats with horns will be allowed to show although horns must be tipped, for safety reasons, to at least the diameter of a dime.
5. **Meat goats** **must be 30-120 pounds at the Show and Sale weigh-in.** Meat goats must be tagged with an approved USDA scrapie tag prior to registration for the Show and Sale.
6. **Entries may be sold and go to market OR exhibitors may choose to take the animal home.**

**Market Hog Rules**

1. Hogs must be barrows or gilts.
2. **Hogs must weigh between 200-300 pounds** at the time of Show and Sale weigh-in.
3. **Any clipped hogs must have ½” or more of hair due to packer requests. In addition, exhibitors are prohibited from using oil on hogs. Animals not meeting these requirements could be disqualified from the show.**
4. **Entries may be sold and go to market OR exhibitors may choose to take the animal home.**