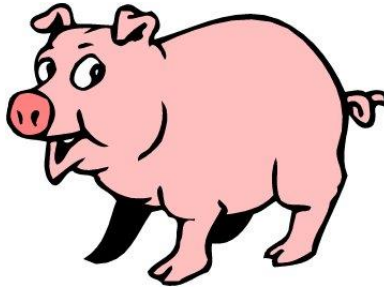


**OCEANA COUNTY 4-H MARKET LIVESTOCK
EDUCATIONAL NOTEBOOK/RECORD**



LITTLE BUDDY HOG PROJECT- 2026

AGES 5 – 6 YEARS

As a member of the 4-H Market Livestock Little Buddy Hog Project, you are required to submit your records as part of an educational notebook project in order to show your animal at the Oceana County Fair. This notebook must be shown to the Oceana County 4-H Market Livestock Committee's Weighmaster at the time of weigh-in and then entered by you in the Educational Notebook Division of the Oceana County Fair on Entry day.

AGE _____

Remember: The age you enter depends on how old you are on or will be on January 1, 2026.

NUMBER OF YEARS IN PROJECT _____

Use this sheet as the first page of your project record book. Fill it out completely.

Please print or type neatly.

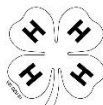
NAME _____

4-H CLUB _____

BREED _____

SWINE'S NAME _____

NAME OF BIG BUDDY _____



JUDGE'S SCORE/COMMENT SHEET

(PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE, PLACE THIS SHEET IN SHEET PROTECTOR OR GLUE TO COVER). This sheet must be kept free for the judge to write their comments.

This sheet should help each 4-H'er understand their ribbon placing.

A. Specific **educational value or worth**

- ☐ All questions were answered completely
- ☐ All calculations were correct
- ☐ Calculations were incorrect
- ☐ Questions were not completely answered
- ☐ Questions were not answered (missed questions)

B. **Notebook contains all project records**

- ☐ Notebook contained all project records and were fully completed
- ☐ Notebook contained additional project related information (research materials etc.)
- ☐ Project records were incomplete
- ☐ There was no additional project related information

C. **Accuracy, neatness and general appearance**

- ☐ Notebook was neat in appearance (typed/hand printed)
- ☐ Notebook pages were clean and stain free
- ☐ Notebook pages were in order and complete
- ☐ Notebook pages were out of order and missing pages
- ☐ Notebook was difficult to read and messy
- ☐ Notebook had wrinkled and stained pages

Other Comments: _____

LITTLE BUDDY HOG NOTEBOOK

TABLE OF CONTENTS

Please keep your notebook in Table of Contents order.

- 1) GENERAL GUIDELINE INFORMATION
- 2) ABOUT YOUR PIG
- 3) JOURNAL OF CARE
- 4) PROJECT INFORMATION
- 5) YOUR PROJECT
- 6) PICTURES OF YOUR PROJECT (1 page)
- 7) CLUB POINT SHEETS

APPENDIXES (OPTIONAL):

- A. PICTURES OF YOUR PROJECT (additional pictures)
- B. FEED INFORMATION (example: feed labels etc.)
- C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR PROJECT
 - * Include notes as to why you researched this information and found it Valuable, link it to your project if possible.***
 - a. Information you found in reference materials
 - b. Worksheets you did with your club or on your own
 - c. Information you located off the internet
 - d. Information from your feed store representative
 - e. Any other information

FAIR ENTRY RULES

PROJECT PICTURES

SCORING CRITERIA

A. Specific educational value or worth	30%
B. Creative way of showing what has been learned	10%
C. Notebook contains all project records	50%
D. Accuracy, neatness and general appearance	10%

Signature of person helping with notebook
If written help was needed

ABOUT YOUR BIG BUDDY'S PIG

The Pig's Name is: _____

The Pig's breed is: _____

What color is the Pig? _____

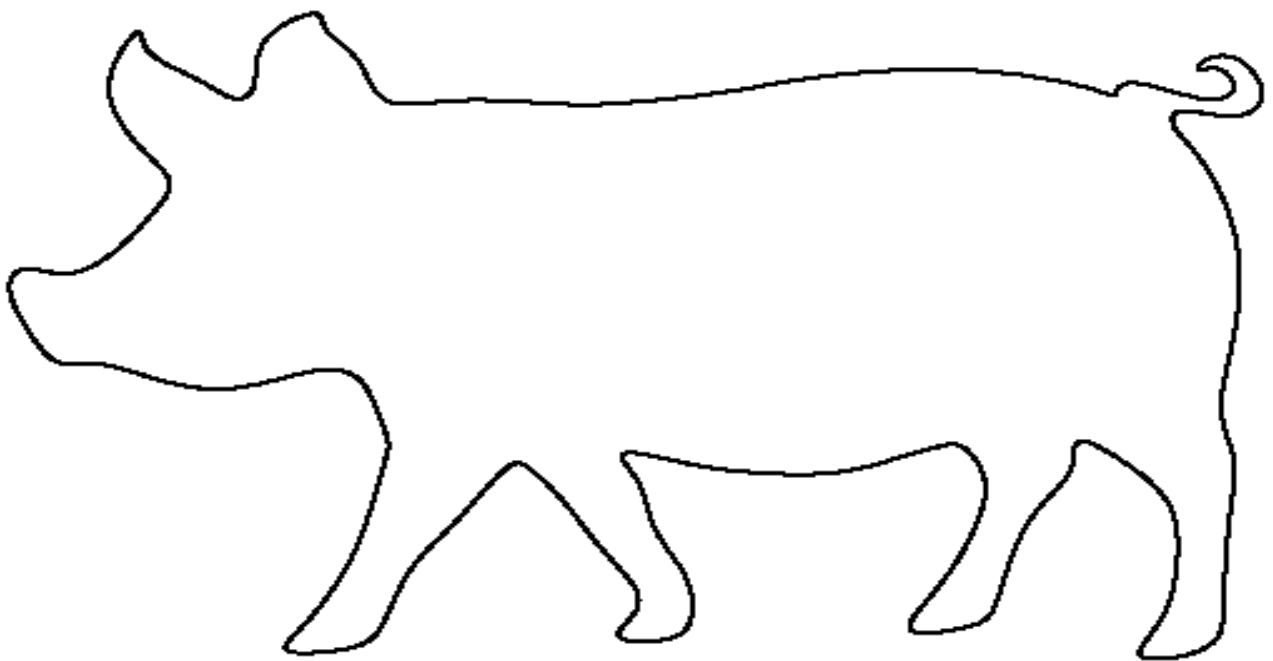
The Pig's favorite things to do are: _____

My Pig is a (circle one):

Barrow (boy pig)

Gilt (girl pig)

COLOR THIS PIG TO LOOK LIKE YOURS



ANIMAL CARE AND MANAGEMENT- JOURNAL OF CARE

Your project requires regular care and management. It is assumed that you helped walk & feed your animal but what additional things have you done?

Include the following:

- ✓ Feeding and watering practices
- ✓ Grooming (clipping, toenail trimming, washing, etc.)
- ✓ Health practices and medicines (vaccinations, etc.)
- ✓ General Management (cleaning living area, feed pans, etc.)

Daily- Things done once or twice a day
Weekly- Things done once or twice a week
Monthly- Things done once a month
Yearly- Things done one time or occasionally throughout the year

My little buddy helped me with the care and training of our project animal.

Signature of Big Buddy: _____ Date: _____

PROJECT INFORMATION

The start of the project will be the date the 4-Her placed the animal on feed, not any later than June 1st of the current year. The end of the project will be weigh-in day at the Fair.

Project Start Date _____ Project End Date _____
Fair Haul In Day

Pig Date of Birth _____

Please complete the following chart about your project. Have your Big Buddy help you.

4-H Tag Number	USDA Tag Number	Breed	Gender of pig	Price or Value	Estimated Starting Weight	Ending/ Final Weight (FW)	Total Pounds Gained

Note: Total pounds gained = ending weight – starting weight

YOUR PROJECT

Please answer the following questions to be the best of your ability.

1. What did you have the most fun doing with your project?

2. What was the hardest part of your project?

3. Will you do a swine project again? _____

Why or why not?

YOUR PROJECT PICTURES

Please use this page for your project pictures and to tell anything special that you might want the judge to know about you and your project animal. The judges like it if you caption your pictures so they know what they are viewing.

CLUB POINTS
MARKET LIVESTOCK ATTENDANCE RECORD

MEETING NAME	LOCATION	DATE	POINTS	SIGNATURE OF LEADER, SUPERINTENDENT OR MSU STAFF

Please note: This form must be included with your record notebook and turned into the weigh master on entry day of the Fair. **BEFORE SEEKING SIGNATURES AT MSU EXTENSION – MEETING NAME AND DATE MUST BE COMPLETED.** You need to accumulate **nine (9) points** to be allowed to sell your animal. **Six (6)** of these **nine (9) points** must come from club meetings. **Two (2)** of the 9 points are non-club points and must be earned from attending various 4-H events and activities. **One (1)** of the 9 points must be a fairgrounds workbee point. **No more than 2 non-club points** can be earned from fairground workbees.