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



#### **LITTLE BUDDY LAMB PROJECT - 2026**

#### AGES 5 – 6 YEARS

As a member of the 4-H Market Livestock Little Buddy Lamb 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 <u>must</u> 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
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
LAMB'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 LAMB NOTEBOOK TABLE OF CONTENTS

Please keep your notebook in Table of Contents order.

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

#### APPENDIXES (OPTIONAL):

- A. PICTURES OF YOUR PROJECT (additional pictures)
- B. FEED INFORMATION (example: feed labels)
- C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR PROJECT
  - a. Information you found in reference materials
  - b. Worksheets done with your 4-H Club or on your own
  - c. Information you located off the internet
  - d. Information from your feed representative
  - e. Any other information
    - \* Include notes as to why you researched this information and found it valuable, link it to your project if possible.

This record book is part of your 4-H Market Lamb Project. By keeping records up-to-date you will be able to see how much progress you make as you set goals and work to accomplish them. Write neatly and clearly. Feel free to add extra pages.

#### **FAIR ENTRY RULES**

If you are between the ages of 5 and 6 years old and elect to participate in a 4-H class at the Oceana County Fair you will be awarded a participation ribbon for your efforts.

In order to compete for an "A"," "B" or "C" Ribbon you will have to enter you record book in the "Open Educational Notebook Class".

If you have questions, please contact your leader or the MSU Extension Office as fair approaches.

#### PROJECT PICTURES

Pictures are a required part of this notebook. Taking pictures of your project animal throughout the project will indicate how your animal has grown and developed. Add pictures to your notebook on a separate piece of paper.

#### **SCORING CRITERIA**

The following breakdown will be used during the judging process of all market livestock notebooks.

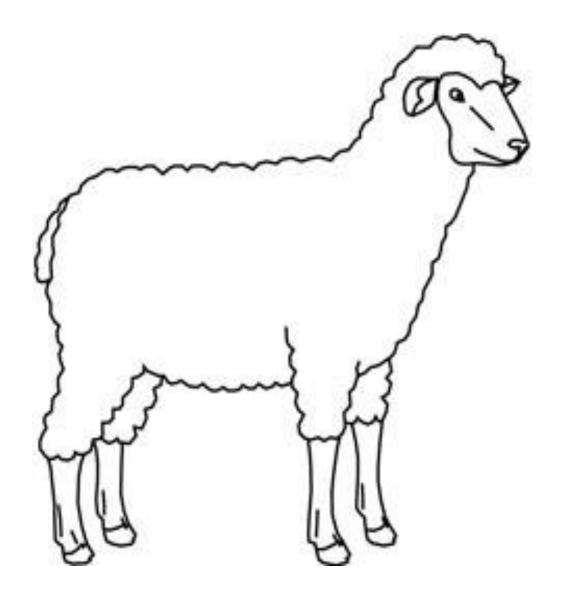
A.	Specific educational value or worth	30%
B.	Creative way of showing what has been learned	10%
C.	Notebook contains all project records	50%
D.	Accuracy, neatness, and general appearance	10%

The Oceana County 4-H Market Livestock Committee encourages 4-H Leader and parent assistance with your project and project notebook. If you should have any questions, please contact the MSU Extension Office.

I, assis	sted	in
Parent/Leader/Adult Name	4-Her's Name	_
understanding the questions and writing th 4-Her.	e answers. All answers are those	of the
Signature of person helping with notebook  If written help was needed		

## **ABOUT YOUR LAMB**

My Lamb is a (circle one)	Wether (boy lamb)	Ewe (girl lamb)
My Lamb's favorite thing to do is?		
What color is your Lamb?		
My Lamb's breed is:		
My Lamb's name is:		



### **ANIMAL CARE AND MANAGEMENT- JOURNAL OF CARE**

Your project requires regular care and management.

Include the following:

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

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### **PROJECT INFORMATION**

The start of the project will be the date the 4-Her placed the animal on feed, not any later than June 1<sup>st</sup> 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
What month was your lamb born?		

Please complete the following chart about your project. Have your big buddy help you.

Ear Tag Number	Breed	Gender	Date of Purchase	Price or Value	Estimated Starting Weight	Ending Weight	Total Pounds Gained

Note: Total pounds gained = ending weight - starting weight

### **YOUR PROJECT**

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

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 lamb project again?				
Why or why not?				

YOUR PROJECT PICTURES

(Please use this page for your project pictures and tell anything special, that you might want the judge to know, about you and your project animal.

# 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.