



Entry Fees and Deadlines:

\$10 per entry Due May 15, 2026
 \$20 per entry After May 15, 2026

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DEPARTMENT 25

Youth Market Swine Show

Showmanship

American System of Judging

Cash Awards for classes 4, 5 and 6

Showmanship Rules

1. All exhibitors will be entered in Showmanship, no pre-entry required.
2. FFA members in Class 1 will automatically be entered in class 6.
3. Only animals owned, fitted and properly entered for competition by youth exhibitors are eligible, except those horses may be leased. Exhibitors must use their own animals for showmanship.
4. Exhibitors are to wear official show attire.
5. Exhibitor's birthdate must be on the entry form or entered in the online entry platform.
6. The winner of Junior Master Showmanship from previous years may opt to enter in an older age class and compete for a chance to qualify for Advanced Master Showmanship.

Special Awards

4-H Advanced Showmanship	Award, Rosette
4-H Intermediate Showmanship	Award, Rosette
4-H Junior Showmanship	Award, Rosette
4-H Beginner Showmanship	Award, Rosette
FFA First Year Showmanship	Award, Rosette
FFA Advanced Showmanship	Award, Rosette

AWARDS - Showmanship							
1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th
\$30	\$25	\$20	\$18	\$15	\$10	\$7	\$5

DIVISION

A. Showmanship

CLASS

1. FFA First Year Project Members (Ribbon Only)
Open to members exhibiting that species of livestock for the first time ever. If an exhibitor has exhibited the project in another organization, he/she is not eligible for this class. First year project exhibitors may show in class 6 as well.
2. 4-H Beginner (Ribbon Only)
Open to members 9-10 years old as of December 31, 2025. Top three winners in this class compete in the next age group.
3. 4-H Junior (Ribbon only)
Open to members 11-13 years old as of December 31, 2025. Winner of class qualifies for Junior Master Showmanship. Previous Junior Master Showmanship winners may show in Intermediate.
4. 4-H Intermediate (Ribbon and Cash Award)
Open to 4-H members 14-15 years old as of December 31, 2025. Top three winners in this class will compete in the next age group.
5. 4-H Advanced (Ribbon and Cash Award)
Open to 4-H members 16 and over as of December 31, 2025. Winner of this class qualifies for Master Showmanship.
6. FFA Advanced (Ribbon and Cash Award)
Open to FFA members. Winner of this class qualifies for Master Showmanship.

Market

American Judging System

Cash awards (non-sale animals only)

Market Ready: \$15

State Rule IV-6 Does Not Apply

Market Rules

1. Check in Requirement: All pigs, along with their corresponding ear tags, must arrive at the fairgrounds in a clean condition for health inspections. Exhibitors will be prohibited from penning their pigs and providing feed and/or water. Pigs must proceed directly from the truck to the veterinary check, weigh-in, and ultrasound stations.
 2. Market swine may be either gilts or barrows under 8 months of age.
 3. All market swine must weigh between 210 and 280 pounds. The maximum pay to weight for the Junior Livestock auction is 280 pounds.
 4. All breeds will be called at weigh in by an official breed caller. Animals will be transferred to the appropriate class if needed. Final classification is at the discretion of the breed classifier.
 5. At the discretion of management, each class will be broken down further by live weight. Management will determine the number of market classes to be judged after weigh-in.
 6. All divisions with fewer than five entries will be combined at the discretion of livestock show management. Swine breeds with 15 or more animals weighed in will receive their own division.
 7. The Champions and Reserve Champion will have their ear tags rechecked in the show ring.
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Special Awards

Supreme Champion Market Swine	Award, Banner, Rosette
Reserve Champion Market Swine	Award, Banner, Rosette
4-H Grand Champion	Award, Banner, Rosette
4-H Reserve Grand Champion	Award, Banner, Rosette
FFA Grand Champion	Award, Banner, Rosette
FFA Reserve Grand Champion	Award, Banner, Rosette
Breed Champion	Award, Rosette
Reserve Breed Champion	Award, Rosette

JUDGING STANDARDS MARKET SWINE SCORECARD

GRADE Market Acceptable and Not Market Acceptable

Market Acceptable: U.S. No. 1 and No. 2 hogs of average or greater conformation that are acceptable in leanness, muscularity and production traits.

Not Market Acceptable: Any hog of below average conformation including U.S. number 3, U.S. number 4 and utility grade hogs. **NOT ELIGIBLE TO SELL.**

Market Hog Breed Requirements

Hampshire

1. Must be black in color with a white belt starting on the front leg. The belt may partially or totally encircle the body. Animal is eligible if the head is black, and the body is totally white.
2. Must possess Hampshire breed character. Ears must be erect and not rounded.
3. Must NOT have any white hair or indications of streaking on the forehead.
4. Must NOT have any red hair.

Yorkshire

1. Must be white in color and possess Yorkshire breed character. Ears must be erect.
2. Must NOT have any colored hair other than white.
3. Must NOT have colored skin pigmentation larger than one U.S. minted silver dollar.
4. Must NOT have masking above the eyes larger than one U.S. minted silver dollar.

Duroc

1. Must be red in color and possess Duroc breed character. Ears must be down and medium size.
2. Must NOT have any white or black hair located on the animal.
3. Must NOT have more than three black spots on the skin and none of these spots can be larger than two inches in diameter.
4. Must NOT have any shading or indication of a belt.

Landrace

1. Must be white in color and possess Landrace Breed character. Ears must be down.
 2. Must NOT allow any color hair other than white.
 3. Must NOT allow more than three spots of skin pigmentation.
 4. Must NOT allow any spot of skin pigmentation larger than one U.S. minted quarter.
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Chester White

1. Must be solid white in color, no color on the skin larger than silver dollar, no colored hair and must possess Chester White breed characteristics.
2. Must not have more than five spots of any skin pigmentation other than white.
3. Ears must be down and medium sized with no signs of weighted ear tags.

Poland China

1. Must possess Poland China Breed Characteristics.
2. Must have white on at least three legs, face and tail (unless tail docked).
3. Must have ears down with no signs of weighted ear tags.
4. Must not have evidence of a belt formation.
5. Must not have red or sandy hair and/or pigment.

Spotted Breed

1. Must be black and white with Spotted Breed character.
2. Ears can't be erect or display signs of weighted ear tags.
3. Any red tinted or brown spots are ineligible.
4. No solid black head from ears forward.
5. No distinct white belt pattern (hair or skin) encircling and extending down and onto each shoulder.

Berkshire

1. A black and white animal with erect ears exhibiting Berkshire character.
2. A Berkshire must have white on at least three legs, face and tail (unless tail is docked)
3. A Berkshire must NOT have a solid white or a solid black face from the ears forward.
4. A Berkshire must NOT have a solid black nose (rim of nose).
5. White is allowed on the ears, but NO solid white ears.
6. Occasional splash of white may appear on the body.

Dark Crossbred

1. Those barrows possessing colors of the solid pattern from black, red, brown, or the variation of those colors in a distinct pattern and which do not fit other breed classification requirements.
2. A red-headed white bodied, black/ red spotted, or black-headed white bodied barrow will be classified dark cross.
3. This would include broken and off-belt black barrows.

Light Crossbred

1. Those barrows are possessing white hair and skin pigment, general light to deep blue coloring in any pattern located on the body, legs or head. Any color pattern of mixed red roan with blue colored variations located on the body, legs or head.
 2. The distinct coloring of a white body pronounced red and no presence of blue or mixed blue/ reddish tint will be classified dark cross
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DIVISION

- B. FFA Market Swine Show
- C. 4-H Market Swine Show

CLASS

- 1. Hampshire
- 2. Yorkshire
- 3. Duroc
- 4. Berkshire
- 5. Landrace
- 6. All Other Breed
- 7. Light Crossbred
- 8. Dark Crossbred

Pen of Three**American System of Judging**

Owned by one exhibitor and judged as Market Hog individuals

Special Awards

Champion each class
1st – 8th each class

Award
Rosette

AWARDS – Pair of Market Hogs				
1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10

DIVISION

- D. Pen of Three

CLASS

- 1. FFA Pen of Three Market Hogs
- 2. 4-H Pen of Three Market Hogs

Chapter/Project Group

No entry fee – Ribbon Only

No more than two owned by one exhibitor. Only one entry per group may be entered. Animals must have been judged as market individuals. Judged on uniformity and quality.

Special Awards

Champion each class
1st – 8th each class

Award
Rosette

DIVISION

E. Chapter/Project Group Awards

CLASS

1. Any Five FFA Market Hogs
2. Any Five 4-H Market Hogs

Bred by Exhibitor

No entry fee – Ribbon Only

Special Awards

Champion each class
1st – 8th each class

Award
Rosette

DIVISION

F. Bred by Exhibitor

CLASS

1. 4-H/FFA Bred by Exhibitor Market Hog
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Feeder Hog

American System of Judging

Special Awards

Champion each class
1st – 8th each class

Award
Rosette

AWARDS – Feeder Hog		
1 st	2 nd	3 rd
\$15	\$10	\$7.50

DIVISION

G. Feeder Hog

CLASS

1. 4 - H / FFA Feeder Hog