

**OCEANA COUNTY
4-H SMALL MARKET
CHICKEN RECORD BOOK – 2022
(for ages 8 and up)**



As a member of the Small Market Animal Project, you are required to submit your records as part of an educational project notebook in order to show your animal at the Oceana County Fair. **This notebook must be shown to the Poultry Superintendent or designated Small Market Weighmaster at the time of weigh-in and then entered by you in the Educational Notebook Division at the Oceana County Fair on Entry Day.**

AGE: _____

The age you enter depends on how old you were on January 1, 2022.

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.

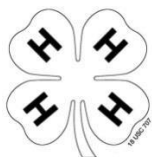
NAME _____

4-H CLUB _____

LEADER _____

DATE RECORDS STARTED _____ **DATE ENDED** _____

CHICKEN BREED VARIETY _____



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 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 was difficult to read and messy

___Notebook had wrinkled and stained pages

Other Comments: _____

OBJECTIVES

1. Develop desirable work habits, sportsmanship, and ability to cooperate and express ideas through participation in projects, discussions, method demonstrations, judging teams, and exhibits.
2. Experience the pride and responsibility of leasing/owning and caring for poultry.
3. Learn how to feed, fit, show, breed and raise poultry.
4. Learn proper handling procedures to prevent injuries to 4-H members and their poultry projects.
5. Appreciate and use scientific information in poultry production and marketing.
6. Improve knowledge of grading, marketing and merchandising of poultry and poultry products.
7. Improve knowledge of the nutritive value of poultry meat and eggs and how they contribute toward good health.
8. Learn the importance of the poultry industry to the local, state, and national economies.
9. Acquire information on the opportunity that poultry offers as a career.

This record book is part of your Small Market Chicken 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 or type neatly and clearly. Please keep the pages in order. Feel free to add extra pages at the end of your notebook.

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.	Notebooks contains all project records	50%
D.	Accuracy, neatness and general appearance	10%

ANIMAL MANAGEMENT/JOURNAL OF CARE

The 4-H SMAA Committee requires all 4-H Market Livestock members to complete the "Journal of Care" so the judge may see the time, effort and care you have put into learning about your animal. What did you do to prepare for Fair each month?

- ✓ **Feeding and watering practices**
- ✓ **Health practices and medicines (vaccinations, etc.)**
- ✓ **General Management (building a cage, cleaning living area, feed pans, etc.)**

MAY-JUNE**JULY-AUGUST**

If not housed at your home, have the property owner sign. If housed at your home, please have your parent sign.

I do attest and certify that this 4-Her has cared for this animal in a responsible manner while housed on my property. I also understand that integrity and responsibility are important to this 4-H experience.

Signature of Property Owner or Parent
If housed on own property

Date

Describe the type of chickens being used in this project. List breed and variety. Why did you choose this breed?

WEIGHT CHART

Date	Age	Weight

FINAL WEIGHT (FW)_____ **AGE**_____ **DATE**_____

EXPENSES**(A) Cost of chicks \$ _____**

DATE	LBS. OF FEED	FEED VARIETY	COST
			\$
(B)		TOTAL SPENT ON FEED	\$

DATE	OTHER EXPENSES, VET, SUPPLIES, HOUSING, ETC.	COST
		\$
(C)	TOTAL SPENT ON OTHER EXPENSES	\$

GRAND TOTAL OF ALL EXPENSES (TE): \$ _____
 (total of A+B+C)

$$\frac{\text{Total Expenses (TE)}}{\text{Final Weight (FW)}} = \text{Break Even Price (BE)}$$

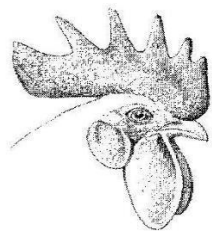
(total cost per pound to raise your animal)

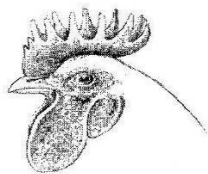
**** The breakeven price is the price that you need to get at the
 Small Market animal auction in order to not lose money on your market project ****

MARKETING

One of the most important parts of any market animal project is marketing; this is how you get someone to come to the auction to buy your animal. It may include things such as writing letters and talking to possible buyers.

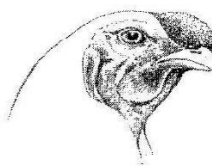
- What did you do to market your animal?
- If you had a market project in the past what did you do differently this year?

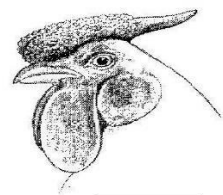








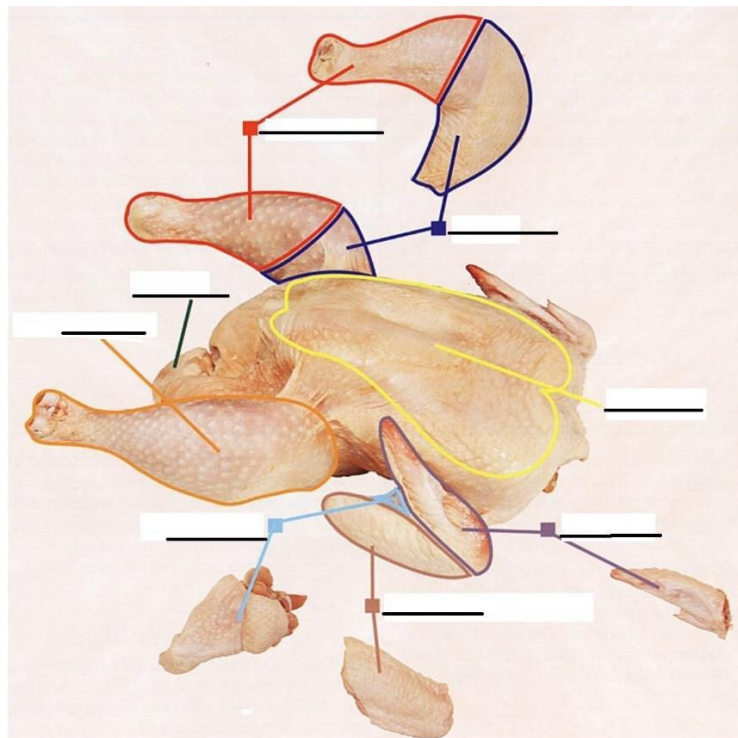




COMBS

(write the correct letter of the comb under its picture)

- A. ROSE COMB
- B. CUSHION COMB
- C. PEA COMB
- D. SINGLE COMB
- E. STRAWBERRY COMB
- F. BUTTERCUP COMB

**RETAIL CUTS:**

(write the correct letter of the part on the line it represents on the picture)

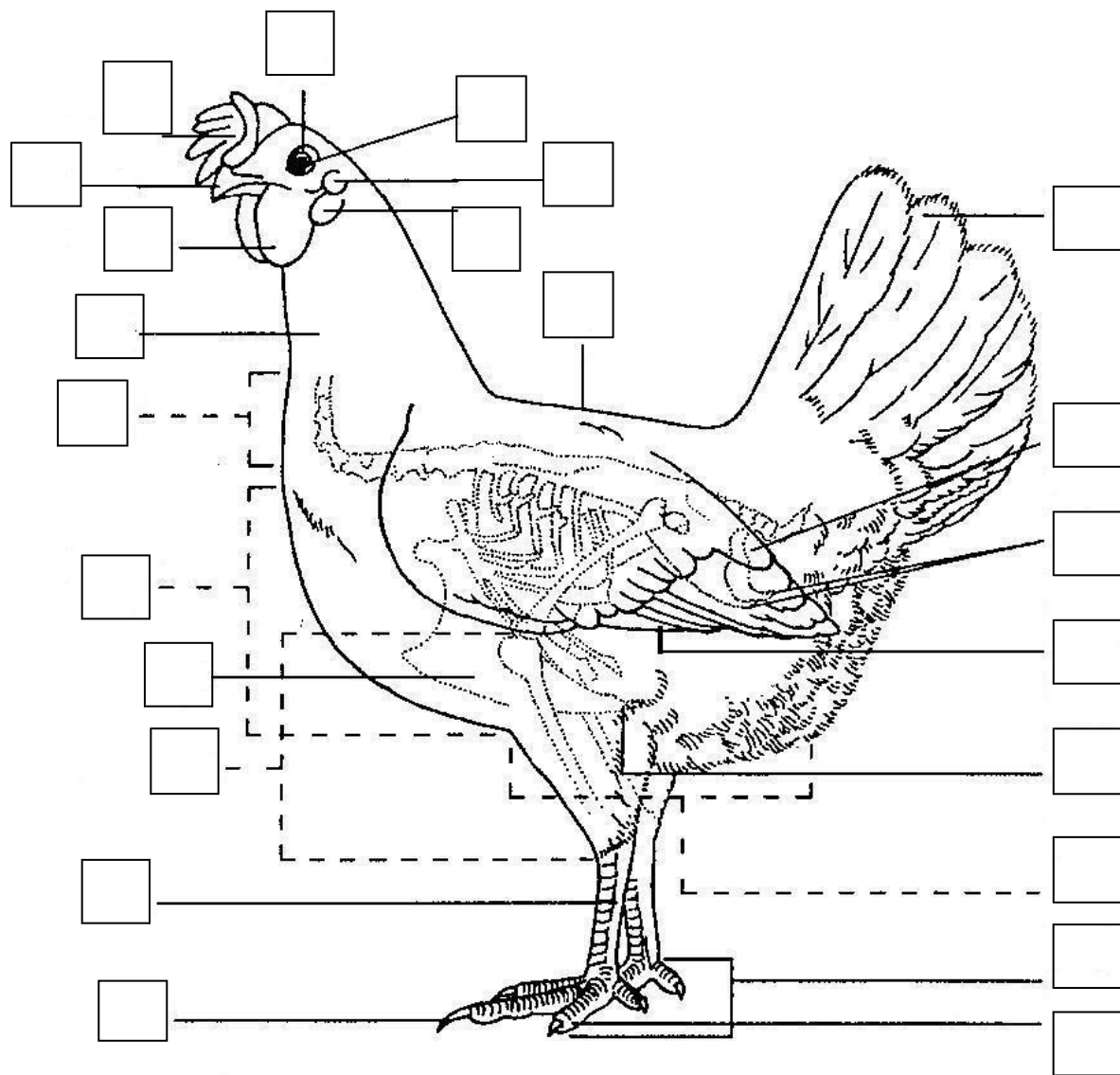
- A. DRUMSTICK
- B. BREAST
- C. WING TIP
- D. THIGH
- E. WING FLAT (midjoint)
- F. DRUMMETTE
- G. TAIL
- H. WHOLE LEG

PROJECT INFORMATION**WRITE THE LETTER FROM THE CORRECT DEFINITION IN THE SPACE BELOW:**

- ___ CROP
- ___ PULLET
- ___ PINNING
- ___ BROILER
- ___ COCK
- ___ ROASTER
- ___ WATER
- ___ VENT
- ___ WEB
- ___ GIZZARD
- ___ HEN

DEFINITIONS:

- A. A young, meat-type chicken, usually processed Before eight weeks of age.
- B. Place between the neck & body where food is temporarily stored and softened for digestion.
- C. Process of removing protruding pinfeathers of poultry.
- D. The single body opening in birds
- E. Skin growing between the toes, also triangular area of skin in front and between the joints of the wing.
- F. A female chicken one year old or older
- G. A young, meat type chicken, usually processed at 3 to 4 months of age weighing 4 to 6 pounds.
- H. A male chicken more than one year age.
- I. Grinds up the food before it enters the stomach
- J. Which nutrient, besides oxygen, should poultry have access to at all times.
- K. A young hen, especially one under a year old



WRITE THE CORRESPONDING NUMBER WITH THE PART BELOW

- | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|
| _____ BACK (saddle or cushion) | _____ EYES | _____ TAIL |
| _____ BEAK | _____ HACKLE FEATHERS (male) | _____ TAIL FEATHERS |
| | _____ NECK FEATHERS (female) | |
| _____ BREAST | _____ FLIGHT FEATHERS | _____ THIGH |
| _____ COMB | _____ HOCK JOINT | _____ TOES |
| _____ COVERT FEATHERS | _____ KEEL BONE | _____ WATTLES |
| _____ EAR | _____ LEG | _____ WING |
| _____ EARLOBE | _____ SHANK | |

PROJECT PROGRESS AND MANAGEMENT REPORT

1. What part of your project did you enjoy the most? _____

2. What was the hardest part of your project? _____

3. Would you recommend the breed that you chose for a market project? _____

Why or why not? _____

The 4-H Pledge

Complete the Pledge

I Pledge:

My HEAD to clearer _____,

My HEART to greater _____,

My HANDS to larger _____, and

My HEALTH to better _____,

For my _____, my _____,

My _____, and my _____.

The 4-H Mottos is: _____.

4-H ACTIVITIES

Number of club meetings held: _____ Number you attended: _____

List any club activities in which you have:

- **participated in**
- **responsibilities which you have assumed**

(for example: Community service events, workshops, judging contest, clinics, offices held, parades representing 4-H, etc., if none, write none)

Activity	Date	Location	Placing, Position or Comments

MY 4-H STORY

(Interesting things that happened to me and my animal this year, challenges, highlights of my year or anything else I would like to share about my overall 4-H experience. Use an additional page if needed.)

**POTENTIAL BUYERS NAMES**

As part of your 4-H Small Market project, you must personally contact at least 3 (three) potential buyers before the Oceana County Fair. You are encouraged to try to seek at least 1 new buyer that have not been asked or submitted before. **Three different buyers than those of your siblings are required, in the market livestock project.** Please confirm with your buyers their accurate mailing address (example: post office box vs. a street address). The information on page 12 must be completed and taken to the Oceana County MSU Extension Office on or before the due date where it will be **copied** and used to send out letters to your potential buyers. This page will remain in your notebooks. This is a SMAA rule. Failure to comply will result in not being able to sell your animal in the 4-H SMAA Sale.

SMALL MARKET POTENTIAL BUYER'S LIST
CHICKEN PROJECT (AGES 8 & up)

Name _____ Club _____
Please print business names and complete addresses clearly.

1. Contact Name _____
Business Name _____
Mailing Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ After Hours Phone _____
Email _____
Signature _____

2. Contact Name _____
Business Name _____
Mailing Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ After Hours Phone _____
Email _____
Signature _____

3. Contact Name _____
Business Name _____
Mailing Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ After Hours Phone _____
Email _____
Signature _____

(Must be stamped by the MSU Extension Office)

If you would like to contact additional buyers you can use this page. If not please throw this page out.

Contact Name _____
Business Name _____
Mailing Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ After Hours Phone _____
Email _____
Signature _____

Contact Name _____
Business Name _____
Mailing Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ After Hours Phone _____
Email _____
Signature _____

Contact Name _____
Business Name _____
Mailing Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ After Hours Phone _____
Email _____
Signature _____

Contact Name _____
Business Name _____
Mailing Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ After Hours Phone _____
Email _____
Signature _____

PICTURES OF YOUR PROJECT

(Please use this page for your project pictures. Add additional pages if you would like. The judges appreciate you labeling the pictures so they know what the picture shows.)

NON-CLUB POINTS

4-H SMALL MARKET ANIMAL ASSOCIATION/JUNIOR MARKET PROJECT ATTENDANCE RECORD

(must be filled out by participant before requesting signatures from the office)

MEETING NAME	LOCATION	DATE	POINTS	SIGNATURE OF LEADER, SUPERINTENDENT OR MSU STAFF
SMAA Annual Meeting	Shelby Road Baptist Church	10/25/21	1	

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CLUB POINTS
4-H SMALL MARKET ANIMAL ASSOCIATION/JUNIOR MARKET PROJECT
ATTENDANCE RECORD

MEETING NAME	LOCATION	DATE	POINTS	SIGNATURE OF LEADER

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