

**OCEANA COUNTY  
JUNIOR MARKET  
GOAT RECORD BOOK – 2026**  
(for ages 5-7 years old)



As a member of the Junior 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 Goat 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, 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** \_\_\_\_\_

**LEADER** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE RECORDS STARTED** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE ENDED** \_\_\_\_\_

## 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 to the judge to write their comments.**

This sheet should help each junior market member 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: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## OBJECTIVES

1. To let members experience love of animals.
2. To members to experience the obligations and responsibility required in a livestock enterprise.
3. To let members experience and cope with the “values” and “attitudes” of responsibility in a relatively unsupervised environment. Supervision will be provided on a periodic basis.
4. To allow the member to provide meat for the family table and/or to experience the marketing process and system through sale of his project.
5. To let the member experience competition by fitting and showing their animal at local or area organizational sponsored shows and the Fair.

This record book is part of your Junior Market Goat 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. | Notebook contains all project records         | 50% |
| D. | Accuracy, neatness and general appearance     | 10% |

The Oceana County Agricultural Society encourages parent assistance with your project and project notebook.

***If you needed extra help in filling out your notebook please have whoever helped sign below that the answers are YOUR answers and that they assisted you in the writing of the answers and understanding of the questions only. The judges prefer to see the youth's handwriting over the adults in most cases.***

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***(signature of person helping with writing if needed)***

**ABOUT YOUR GOAT:**

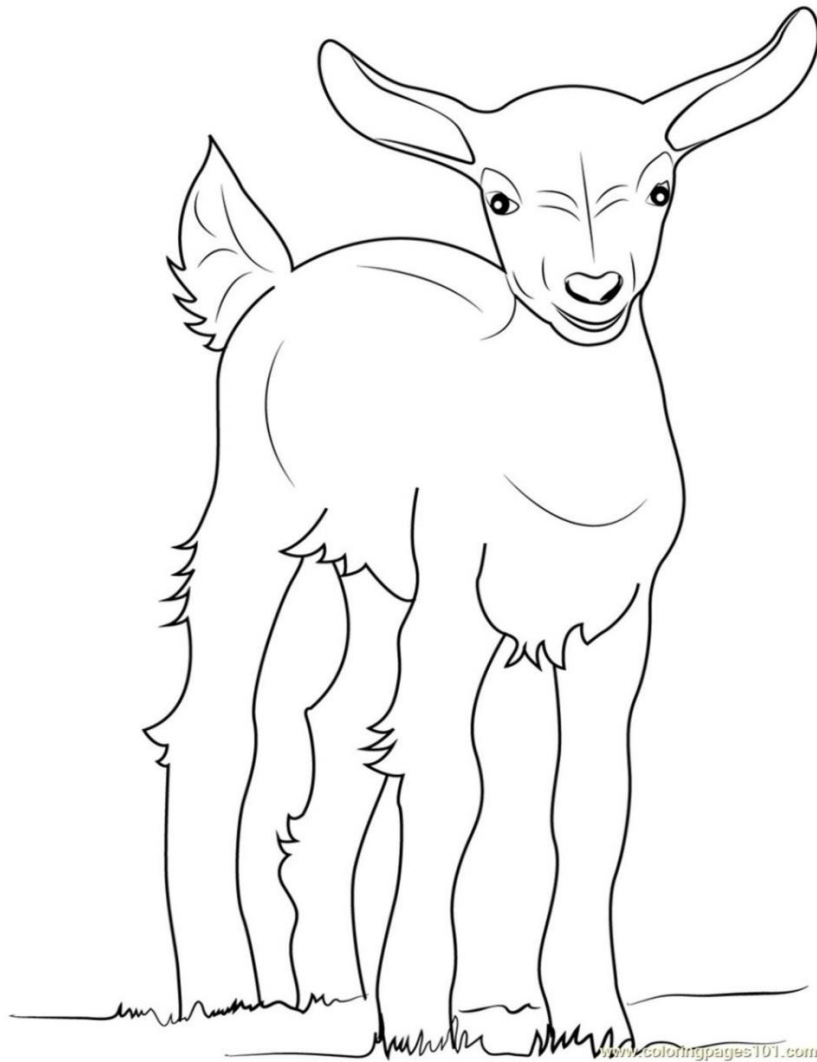
**My Goat's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**My Goat's Breed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**My Goat's Color(s) are:** \_\_\_\_\_

**My goat is a** (circle one):      **Wether** (boy)      **Doe** (girl)

**COLOR THE GOAT TO LOOK LIKE YOURS**



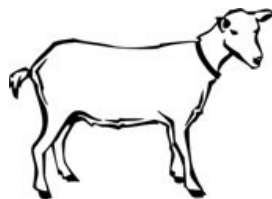
**WEIGHT CHART**

(have a parent, grandparent, leader, older youth, etc. help you with the next sections)

BEGINNING WEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

| WEEK | AGE | WEIGHT |
|------|-----|--------|
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FINAL WEIGHT (FW) \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_



## EXPENSES

**(A) Cost of kid \$\_\_\_\_\_**

| DATE | LBS. OF FEED | FEED- VARIETY/TYPE      | COST |
|------|--------------|-------------------------|------|
|      |              |                         | \$   |
|      |              |                         |      |
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|      |              |                         |      |
|      |              | (B) TOTAL SPENT ON FEED | \$   |

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

**GRAND TOTAL OF ALL EXPENSES (TE):** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (TE)  
(total of A,B, and C)

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

(or total cost per pound to raise your animal)\*\*

***\*\*have your parent, leader or an older teen in your club help you figure out your breakeven price (BE). The breakeven price is the price that you need to get at the Junior Market animal auction in order to not lose money on your market project\*\****

**ANIMAL CARE AND MANAGEMENT**

Your project requires regular care and management. List the things necessary to take care of your project animal(s).

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Grain-Name of Feed/Pellet that was fed. (Glue a few pieces here too)</b>         |
| <br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br>                                            |
| <b>Hay- How much hay was fed each day? (Glue a few pieces here too)</b>             |
| <br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br>                                            |
| <b>Water- How many times a day did you check your animal's water?</b>               |
| <br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><br>                                            |
| <b>Supplements/Other (anything else given to your project? Include treats even)</b> |
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### **PROJECT INFORMATION**

1. The best, or most fun, part of my project was: \_\_\_\_\_

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2. The hardest part of my project was: \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Would you do the goat project again? \_\_\_\_\_

Why or why not? \_\_\_\_\_

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### **POTENTIAL BUYERS NAMES**

As part of your Jr. Market Livestock Project, you must personally contact at least five potential buyers before the Oceana County Fair. You are encouraged to seek two new buyers that have not been asked or submitted before. **You also must have at least three different buyers than those of your siblings 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 8 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 Market Livestock Committee rule. Failure to comply will result in you not being able to sell your animal in the Jr. Market Livestock Sale.



**JUNIOR MARKET/SMALL MARKET POTENTIAL BUYER'S LIST**  
**GOAT PROJECT (AGES 5-7)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_  
***Please print business names and complete addresses clearly.***

1. Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Name \_\_\_\_\_  
**Mailing** Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ After Hours Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Preference (Please Check One): Email \_\_\_\_ Postal Delivery \_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

2. Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Name \_\_\_\_\_  
**Mailing** Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mailing Preference (Please Check One): Email \_\_\_\_ Postal Delivery \_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

(Must be stamped by the MSU Extension Office)

## **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

### JUNIOR MARKET/SMALL MARKET ANIMAL ASSOCIATION PROJECT ATTENDANCE RECORD

*(this must be filled out when presenting for signatures at the office)*

| MEETING NAME | LOCATION | DATE | POINTS | SIGNATURE OF LEADER,<br>SUPERINTENDENT OR MSU<br>STAFF |
|--------------|----------|------|--------|--------------------------------------------------------|
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Please note: This form must be included with your 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 these 9 points are non-club points must be earned from attending various 4-H events and activities. **One (1)** of these 9 points must be a fairgrounds workbee point. See your leader, the MSUE office, or online at [https://www.canr.msu.edu/oceana/oceana\\_county\\_4\\_h/oceana\\_4\\_h\\_market\\_livestock](https://www.canr.msu.edu/oceana/oceana_county_4_h/oceana_4_h_market_livestock) for a listing of approved nonclub points.

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**JUNIOR MARKET/SMALL ANIMAL ASSOCIATION PROJECT**  
**ATTENDANCE RECORD**

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