OCEANA COUNTY 4-H MARKET LIVESTOCK
EDUCATIONAL NOTEBOOK/RECORD

LITTLE BUDDY LAMB PROJECT - 2023

AGES 5 – 7 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, 2023

NUMBER OF YEARS IN PROJECT _____

Use this sheet as the first page of your project record book. Fill it out completely.
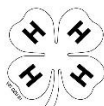**<u>Please print or type neatly.</u>**

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 keep free to 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: _____

_____

_____

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 & MARKETING

5) SPECIFIC PROJECT KNOWLEDGE
   a. Marketing
   b. Lamb Parts
   c. Fitting & Showmanship
   d. Wholesale cuts
   e. Sheep By-Products

6) YOUR PROJECT INFORMATION
   a. My 4-H Project
   b. 4-H Knowledge

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. Information you located off the internet
   c. Information from your feed representative
   d. Any other information
      * *Include notes as to why you researched this information and found it valuable, link it to your project if possible.*

Notebook Resources:

4-H Skills for Life Animal Series – Sheep 1, 2 & 3
 (All lamb leaders have a set of these booklets. There is also a set available on a check-out system at the MSU Extension Office)
Your Sheep – A Kid's Guide to Raising & Showing (National 4-H Supply)
Lamb Showmanship Handout – MSU Extension
Kansas State 4-H Online Website

**NOTE THIS AGE GROUP DOES NOT REQUIRE POTENTIAL BUYERS. IF YOU INCLUDE THOSE, PLEASE ADD IT TO THE BACK SECTION OF YOUR BOOK.

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 8 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, _____ assisted _____ in
        Parent/Leader/Adult Name   4-Her's Name
understanding the questions and writing the answers.   All answers are those of the 4-Her.

_____
Signature of person helping with notebook
If written help was needed

ABOUT YOUR LAMB

My Lamb's name is: _____

My Lamb's breed is: _____

What color is your Lamb? _____

My Lamb's favorite thing to do is? _____

My Lamb is a (circle one)   **Wether** (boy lamb)   **Ewe** (girl lamb)
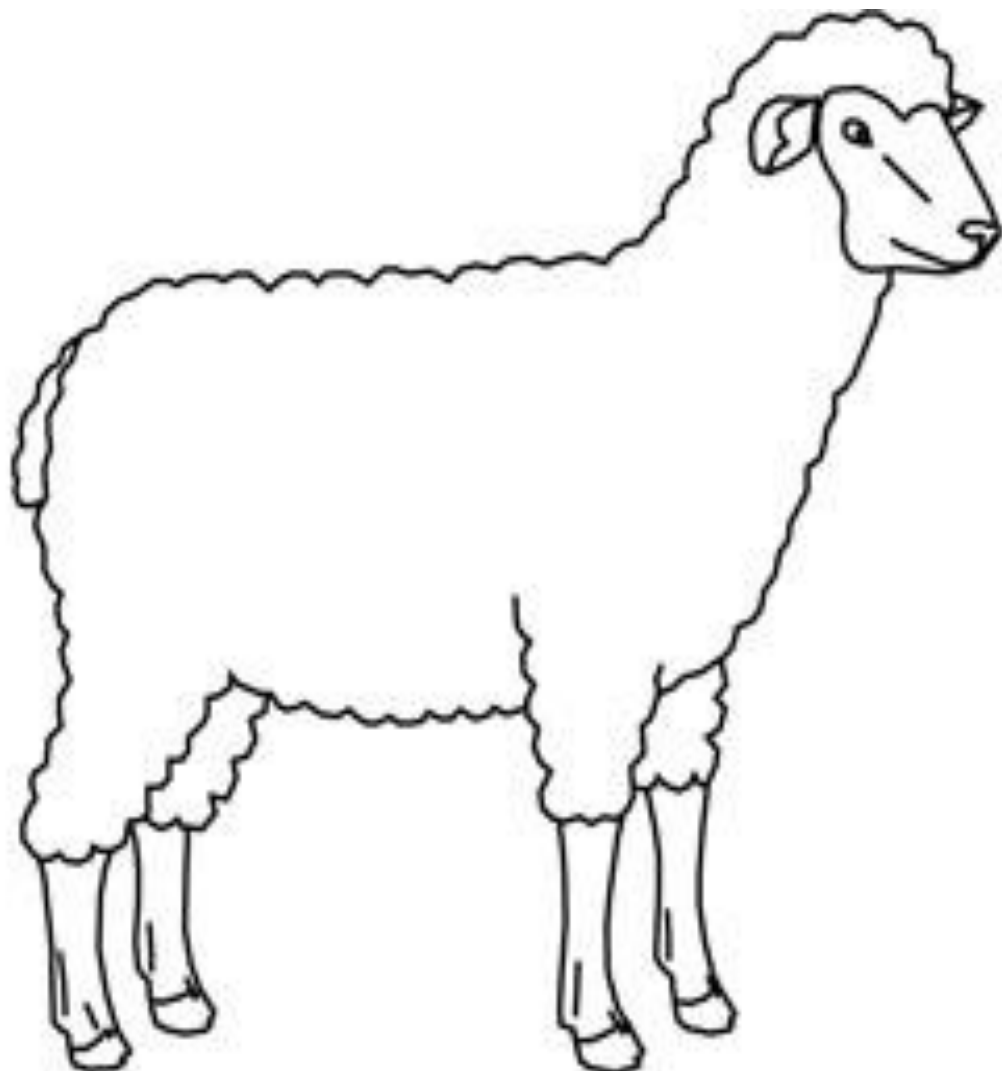
<u>ANIMAL CARE AND MANAGEMENT- JOURNAL OF CARE</u>

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.)

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 <u>June 1, 2023</u>   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

MARKETING

One of the most important parts of any market animal project is marketing. This may include writing letters and talking to prospective buyers. Color in the face, a smiling face is a good action, a frowning face is a bad action. (see the example)

Good Marketing Practice   **Poor Marketing Practice**

Good		Poor
🙂	Send a picture to your potential buyers	☹
🙂	Send a reminder to attend the auction	☹
🙂	Let an adult talk to the buyer instead of you talking to them	☹
🙂	Know the breed of your animal, if asked	☹
🙂	Only ask family members to be potential buyers	☹
🙂	Make sure to visit your previous buyers	☹
🙂	Only thank those who agree to be listed as a potential buyer	☹

LAMB PARTS- Color the lamb parts

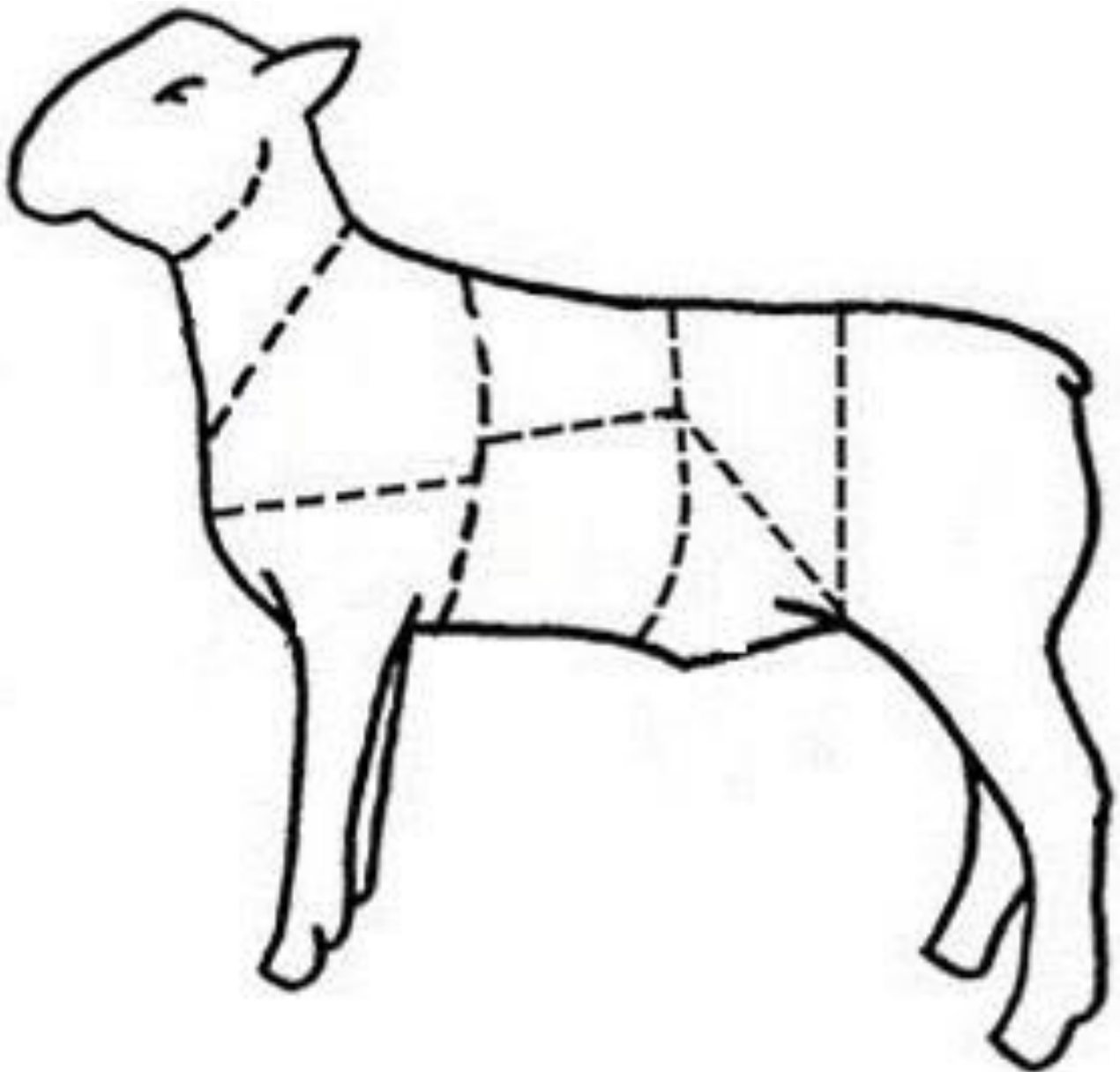Breast- Orange   Fore shank- Green   Neck- Black
Face- Blue   Leg- Purple   Rack- Pink
Flank- Red   Loin- Yellow   Shoulder- Brown

FITTING & SHOWING THE MARKET LAMB
Answer True or False for each statement

Proper fitting and grooming of a lamb can be done on show day.   T   F

Daily walks will help your lamb show better.   T   F

To get your lamb to move, you can pull up on the dock or
apply pressure behind the ears.   T   F

It is ok to hold your lamb by its fleece.   T   F

Practicing showmanship is not necessary until the actual day of
the showmanship classes.   T   F

It is best of use a mild soap or detergent to wash your lamb.   T   F

Bring your lamb into the show ring quickly as to not delay the
class getting started.   T   F

Apply a lot of soap to get a good lather to scrub out all the dirt
and dung from the lamb's fleece.   T   F

Always keep your animal between you and judge during the show.   T   F

Flip flops are good to wear when showing your lamb.   T   F

Always say thank you to the judge and congratulate the winnerT   T   F

It is okay if your lamb is still wet from washing it when you take it
into the show ring?   T   F

KNOWING YOUR LAMB-PROJECT KNOWLEDGE

WHOLESALE CUTS
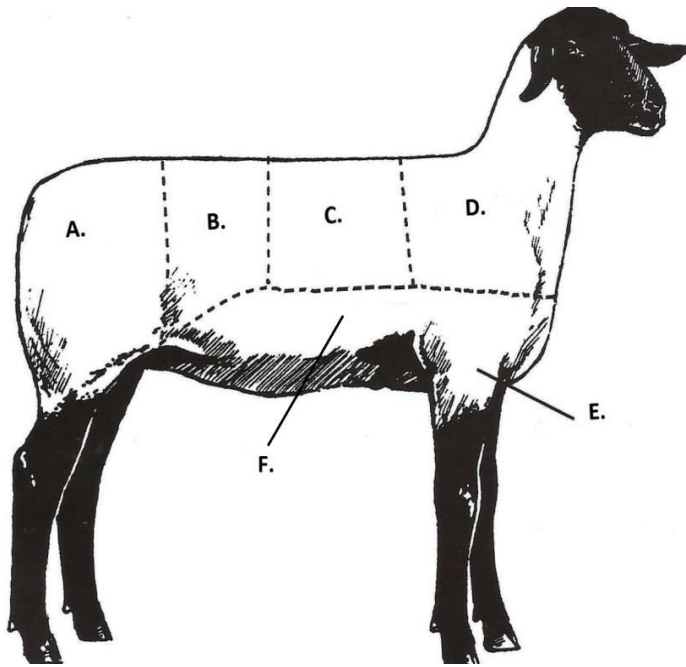
PLACE THE CORRECT LETTER NEXT TO THE WHOLESALE CUT

CUT	LETTER
SHOULDER	_____
FORESHANK	_____
LOIN	_____
LEG	_____
BREAST	_____
RACK	_____

SHEEP BY-PRODUCTS WORD SEARCH
Find the sheep by-products in the word search
Ages 5-7 find 10 words

F	I	L	M	A	B	S	H	O	E	S
C	E	D	P	L	Y	W	O	O	D	N
M	A	R	G	A	R	I	N	E	E	O
C	L	O	T	H	E	S	E	C	U	T
E	F	H	G	I	E	F	H	H	S	T
D	I	C	E	L	L	I	V	E	R	U
I	J	U	D	A	D	I	C	E	K	B
L	L	N	M	P	R	M	Z	S	N	O
G	A	I	A	P	Q	T	R	E	S	T
C	N	O	M	A	T	C	H	U	R	V
A	S	E	A	T	C	O	V	E	R	S

WORD BANK

Animal Feeds	Buttons	Candles	Cheese	Clothes	Dice
Fertilizer	Film	Glue	Heart	Liver	
Margarine	Match	Plywood	Seat Cover	Shoes	
Soap	Suede				

<u>YOUR PROJECT</u>

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

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

_____

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2. What was the hardest part of your project?

_____

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3. Will you do a lamb project again?

_____

Why or why not?

_____

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_____

4-H KNOWLEDGE

The 4-H Pledge- *Draw a line to the picture that fills in the blank* (see the example)

I pledge…

My _____ to clearer thinking,

My _____ to greater loyalty,

My _____ to larger service, and
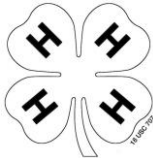
My _____ to better living,

for my _____,

my _____,

my _____,

and my _____.

	HANDS
	HEALTH
	HEAD
	HEART
	WORLD
	COUNTRY
	CLUB
	COMMUNITY
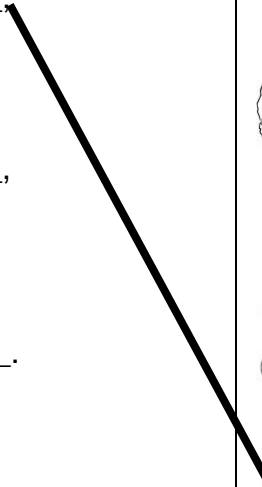
YOUR PROJECT PICTURES

(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- ALL AGES MUST COMPLETED.

Please note: This form must be included with your record notebook and turned into the weigh master on entry day of the fair. You need to accumulate **Six (6)** club meetings to be considered as completing your project.   Non-club points are optional for this age group and if included should be on separate sheet (available at MSU Extension) and included in the back of your book.

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