

June 30, 2020

Dear 4-H Friend:

We would like to invite you to attend the 2020 **Virtual 4-H Livestock Auction!** The auction this year will take place online at our Fair Entry website: <https://washtenaw4h.fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/14762>. Directions for creating a buyer account and logging in can be found on the back of this letter. You **must** have an email in order to create a buyer account. If this will be an issue, please contact Natalie Holbrook: 734-249-9124. Another change this year due to our virtual format is that all animals will be sold by the head or lot, not by the pound. Payment this year can be made online or by check.

This virtual auction will be silent auction style, where bids are placed over a period of time. The online auction will open at **noon on Wednesday, July 29 and close at 10 pm on Thursday, July 30**. All of the animals for sale, small and large, will be pictured with the exhibitor's name on the auction website. If you would like to view animals prior to the auction opening, go to our public results web page where all exhibits can be viewed after the close of our virtual showcase registrations on July 20: <https://fairentry.com/Fair/Results/14762>.

This auction is the culmination of a year-long project for 4-H'ers who have raised market animals. This is your opportunity to invest in the future of Washtenaw County young people, plus purchase top quality meats for your freezer or animals that can be resold at local livestock yards.

4-H members greatly appreciate their buyers. Your name or business will be listed in next year's show book as a 2020 buyer, on the display board posted at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds and in newspaper coverage we are able to secure. You should also receive a thank-you note from the youth exhibitor.

Free animal trucking to local processors and stockyards is available to all buyers. Processing options are limited this year on account of the processing back-ups: all large animals will go to Jerome's Country Market and all small animals will go to Munsell's Poultry Processing. Buyers still have the option to resell animals through Napoleon Livestock or UPI in Manchester. Swine CANNOT be resold this year due to ractopamine (Paylean) restrictions.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either Ashley Walds or Natalie Holbrook.

Thank you for your continued support of our county 4-H!

Sincerely,

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