



Mecosta County

Youth Livestock

Beginner Record Book (ages 6-8)

My name is _____ Age (as of July 1st) _____

My Club is _____ Year (ex. 2025) _____

This is a record book for my:

Species: Beef ☐ Sheep ☐ Swine ☐ Goat ☐
Feeder Calf ☐ Poultry ☐ Rabbit ☐ Other ☐

I hereby certify that, as the exhibitor of this project, I have personally been responsible for the care of this animal, record keeping, and have completed this record book. I am aware that this record book may be on display during the auction and/or fair, and thus all content will be appropriate.

I hereby certify that any drug, antibiotic or biological substance which may have been administered by myself, or any other person, was done so in strict compliance with the manufacturer's label requirements.

Youth Signature: _____ Date: _____

I, the parent/guardian, certify that my son/daughter has completed this project and completed this record book and will comply with all rules and regulations. I give permission for this record book to be displayed to the public and will ensure that all content is appropriate.

I hereby certify that any drug, antibiotic or biological substance which may have been administered by myself, or any other person, was done so in strict compliance with the manufacturer's label requirements.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Refer to the Mecosta County Fair Book to determine when your record book needs to be submitted and any additional guidelines or rules for completion. RECORDS START WITH POSSESSION OF YOUR ANIMAL(S) AND END WITH FAIR WEEK ESTIMATES**

Why Keep Records?

By keeping records, you will be able to see how much progress you make this year and over the course of your career as you set goals and work to accomplish them.

Good records will:

- Help you learn about animals, their rate of growth, the feed they require, the cost of the feed they require and their habits.
- Increase understanding of your project's financial outcome.
- Assist you in gathering information to market your animal.
- Improve your management practices.
- Keep track of your project activities and learning experiences.
- Allow you to better plan for future livestock projects.

If you have questions or need help on this record book, please contact your leader, parent/guardian, project superintendent, or Mecosta County MSU Extension Office.

PLEASE PRINT OR WRITE CLEARLY
(Submit one completed record book for each market species)

PROJECT INFORMATION

My animal's name is:_____

I got my animal from:_____

My animal cost:_____

I feed my animal:_____

My total feed cost was:_____

Did you need any items to help take care of or to show your animal? Please circle what you needed:

buckets

feed tubs or trays

bedding (straw or sawdust)

cage

soap

fly spray

water hose

show stick

whip/cane

halter

coat

nail/hoof clippers

hair clippers

water bottles

My total cost for the items I needed was:_____

My favorite part of this project was:_____

The worst part about this project was:_____

PROJECT HABITAT

Take a picture or draw a picture of where your project animal(s) live.

PROJECT PHOTOS

Take a picture of your project animal(s) at the beginning and end of your project. This will indicate how your animal has grown and developed.

Date of beginning photo: _____

Date of ending photo: _____

MARKETING MATERIALS

Attach any marketing materials you utilized to promote the sale of your project.

(ex. buyer letter, social media posts, elevator pitches, flyers, etc)

You can make copies of this page if additional pages are needed.

SCORE SHEET

THIS TOP SECTION IS FOR EXHIBITOR USE
Exhibitor Name (first & last):
THIS BOTTOM SECTION IS FOR JUDGES USE ONLY

SECTION	POINTS POSSIBLE	SCORE
1. Cover Page Information	5	
2. Cover Page Signatures	5	
3. Project Information	10	
5. Project Feed Expenses	10	
6. Project Non-Feed Expenses	10	
7. Project & Financial Summary	20	
8. Project Photos	15	
9. Marketing Materials	10	
10. Neatness & Accuracy	15	
TOTAL SCORE	100	
RIBBON AWARD		
A-(90-100 points)	B- (70-89 points)	C- (69 points or less) NO SELL

Judge's Comments:
