

Jefferson County 2021-2022 Meat Animal Project Handbook

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MAP CALENDAR

The MAP Committee and the Extension office will do their due diligence to communicate effectively and often if the 4-H year does not go as scheduled below. Please follow the Extension website and emails to get the most up-to-date information.

November 9	2021-2022 MAP Meeting Dates 2nd Tuesday of month Extension, Jefferson County Office 864 Collins Rd, Jefferson 7 p.m. (Unless otherwise noted or publicized)	February 15, 2022	Sheep Project Informational Meeting 7-8 pm, Activity Center, Fair Park
January 11		March 8, 2022	Meats Meeting (Carcass Point Opportunity) 6 p.m. Extension Office
February 8		Tentative March 12, 2022	UW-Madison Meat Science Building Tour
April 12		March 15, 2022	YQCA in-person opportunity 6 p.m. Extension Office
June 14		April 8, 2022	Project Learning Day Fair Park, Jefferson (includes skill-a-thon, species workshops, and YQCA opportunity)
September 13	November 16, 2021	April 12, 2022	Record Book Training 6 p.m. Extension Office
	Beef Project Informational Meeting 6:30pm - 7:30pm	April 15, 2022	All 4-H project changes MUST be made in 4honline.
	Meats Meeting (Carcass Point Opportunity) 6 p.m. Extension Office	May 27, 2022	Point Cards due to Extension Office by 4 p.m.
	Meats Meeting (Carcass Point Opportunity) 6 p.m. Extension Office	July 13-17, 2022	Jefferson County Fair
	Swine Project Informational Meeting 6-7 pm, Activity Center, Fair Park	September 1, 2022	Project Record Books due to Extension Office by 4 pm



2021-2022

Meat Animal Project Committee Representatives

Officers of the Committee

Chair: Justin Thom
Secretary: Katelyn Thom
Treasurer:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone</u>
Beef Representative, Adult	Justin Thom	
Beef Representative, Adult		
Beef Representative, Youth		
Beef Representative, Youth		
Sheep Representative, Adult	Cheryl Splinter	
Sheep Representative, Adult	Megan Splinter	
Sheep Representative, Youth		
Sheep Representative, Youth		
Swine Representative, Adult	Drew Hansen	
Swine Representative, Adult	Katelyn Thom	
Swine Representative, Youth		
Swine Representative, Youth		

The Meat Animal Project (MAP) Committee receives educational support from the 4-H Educator;
Extension, Jefferson County Office
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Please contact a committee member or Jefferson County Extension Office with any questions.

MEAT ANIMAL PROJECT (MAP) MEMBERSHIP GOALS

All MAP Project Members shall...

1. Prepare for citizenship responsibilities.
2. Develop desirable character traits.
3. Develop pride and responsibility associated with managing animals.
4. Receive training in the care, feeding, management and costs associated with animal production.
5. Practice sound livestock feeding and management practices.
6. Develop skill in identifying livestock types and grades.
7. Understand and use sound marketing practices.
8. Gain appreciation of outdoor living and animal care as recreation.
9. Develop skill, patience and understanding in handling animals.
10. Learn and practice safety precautions for humans and animals.
11. Develop a clear understanding and appreciation of the livestock meat industry.
12. Understand the importance of meat in human nutrition and develop a basic knowledge of meat cuts and carcass judging.

GENERAL MAP RULES AND GUIDELINES

1. All participants must be current members of Jefferson County 4-H and currently enrolled in a beef, sheep or swine project. Project members must be a member in good standing as of the date of the point card submission in order to exhibit at the Jefferson County Fair under the 4-H emblem.
2. 4-H Project members must be in 3rd through 13th grades (no older than 19 by December 31st).
3. Immediate family is considered father, mother, brother, sister and/or those raising children in the immediate household.

RECORD BOOK

1. A record book is a *required* document by active MAP members. Refer to the MAP Calendar for correct due date. Record books received in the drop box after 4 p.m. on due date will be considered late.
2. A record book is *required* by each project member who weighs in an animal at the Jefferson County Fair.
 - a. The required record book must be completed for the animal sold in the MAP Sale.
 - b. If you did not sell in the 2022 MAP Sale, your record book can be completed for any animal you identified.
 - c. Only one record book is required per exhibitor.
3. Record books must be turned in complete.
4. Record books will be judged by adult committee members.

Record books were not required in 2020-2021. The record book requirement starts after the 2022 Jefferson County Fair is complete.

EDUCATIONAL POINT CARD

****Educational Point Card runs from June 1, 2021 – May 27, 2022. ****

1. A point card is a *required* document by active MAP 4-H members. Refer to the MAP Calendar for correct due date. Point cards received in the drop box after 4 p.m. on due date will be considered late.
2. Refer to the Educational Point Card for eligible opportunities and point values.
 - a. 4-H members must earn at least four (4) points.
 - b. Members in grades 13 are exempt from completing an educational point card but are required to complete the YQCA certification.
 - c. Events not listed on card but are educational must be pre-approved, by a committee member or Extension office before the MAP monthly meetings.
3. All members are required to complete:
 - a. YQCA certification
 - b. Carcass education – All members must obtain one carcass educational point; grade 13 members are exempt.
 - c. Record book
 - d. 1 additional point
4. All completed events require legible signatures.
 - a. Any MAP member or the Extension office may sign the point card.
 - i. Preapproved events require a signature, along with printed name and phone number of event coordinator or equivalent.
 - b. To receive a point from Herd Management a signature from a club project leader, club general leader or MAP committee member must be obtained.
 - c. Parents and youth signatures are not accepted.

YQCA CERTIFICATION

YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals) is *required* throughout all of Wisconsin.

Online Modules

In the online version, the youth exhibitor will complete three interactive online modules and corresponding quizzes. The modules will provide new information every year. The modules take roughly 60 minutes to complete each year.

1. Online modules cost \$12.00 to complete.
2. Youth must register and pay for YQCA at <http://yqca.org> and follow the step by step instructions. Youth in 4-H must sign in with their 4honline account. Youth in FFA or Other Youth Organization must use the FFA or Independent sign in option.
3. Project Members must complete:
 - a. Knowledge Builder (background information on the topic)
 - b. Skills Lab (online interactive labs)
 - c. A Quiz for three different topic areas
 - i. Quizzes need to be passed before moving forward to next section.
 - ii. If a section is failed, the member will have to wait 20-30 minutes before retaking.
 - iii. Once the knowledge builder, skills lab and all three quizzes are passed a certification will be available.
4. Project Members ages 19-21 are required to complete the online module training.
5. Project members younger than 19 years old have the option to attend in-person trainings in other counties IF they are offered. Pre-registration is required for the event.

YQCA Test Out Option

An online test out option for YQCA certifications is available. Youth can only take these tests when they are 12, 15 and 19 (on December 31 of the previous calendar year). The test has 50 questions and you need to answer 80% correctly to pass. Youth can only take the test ONCE at the beginning of the age group. If youth don't pass, you must take the online course every year. The credit card is billed when the youth passes the test. To find the test out option, scroll to the bottom of the course list when you are logged into your YQCA account. Cost is \$36.00. 15 -16 -17 -18: You can only take the test as 15 year old. Cost is \$48.00 19 -20 -21: You can only take the test as a 19 year old. This is available for those who exhibit in breed shows until they reach the age of 21. Cost is \$36.00.

Project Days (for reference in the Record Book)

1. **Beef:** For reference in the Record Book, the beef project starts on the second Saturday in December. There are 218 project days for beef.
2. **Sheep:** For reference in the Record Book, the sheep project starts on the second Saturday in April. There are 99 project days for sheep.
3. **Swine:** For reference in the Record Book, the swine project starts on the second Saturday in April. There are 99 project days for swine.

AWARDS

1. Outstanding Record Books

- a. Three awards for each species will be given.
 - i. First Place will receive \$100
 - ii. Second Place will receive \$50
 - iii. Third Place will receive \$20

2. Top Point Cards

- a. Two members in each grade group (3-5, 6-8, 9-12) will receive a \$50 award for earning the most points.
- b. To be considered for this award, grades 3-8 must earn a minimum of 10 points and grades 9-12 must earn a minimum of 15 points.

3. Skill-a-Thon Award

- a. A plaque will be awarded to the top junior and senior skill-a-thon test participant for beef, sheep and swine.

4. Premier Exhibitor

- a. An award will be presented to one MAP project member of each species: beef, sheep and swine.
 - i. Members and projects must meet all exhibitor and animal requirements to be eligible.
 - ii. Members must participate in showmanship to be eligible for this award and complete a Skill-A-Thon.
 - iii. Animal shown must be MAP Sale eligible to receive the Premier Exhibitor Award.
- b. Total evaluation includes:
 - i. Live Market Class Ranking at Jefferson County Fair (33.3%)
 - ii. Live Showmanship Ranking at Jefferson County Fair (33.3%)
 - iii. Individual Placing from Skill-A-Thon held during Jefferson County Fair (33.3%)
 - iv. In case of a species tie, the tie will be broken in the following order: highest Skill-A-Thon ranking, highest show showmanship ranking, highest live show ranking.