

Jefferson County 2020-2021 Meat Animal Project Handbook

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MAP CALENDAR

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the restrictions placed by UW-Madison, please note that the programs and activities listed below may change as circumstances change. 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.

June 1, 2020	Start of the 2020-21 MAP year for earning educational points	Prior to March 1, 2021	Enrollment due for New 4-H Members to participate in 2021 County Fair
September 8 October 6 November 10 December 8 January 12, 2021	2020-2021 MAP Meeting Dates	March 9, 2021*	Meats Judging Meeting (Carcass Point Opportunity) 6 p.m. Extension Office
February 9 March 9 April 13 May 11 June 8 June 22 July 6 August 17	2nd Tuesday of month Extension, Jefferson County Office 864 Collins Rd, Jefferson 7 p.m. (Unless otherwise noted or publicized)	April 11, 2021*	Sheep Weigh-in (1-2 p.m.)
November 1, 2020	4-H Enrollment due for all returning members through 4honline	April 13, 2021*	Meats Judging Meeting (Carcass Point Opportunity) 6 p.m. Extension Office
November 12, 2020* or November 17, 2020*	Beef Project Kick-Off Meeting 6:30pm - 7:30pm (pending approval) Attend in-person (limited) or virtually	April 15, 2021	All 4-H project changes MUST be made in 4honline.
December 12, 2020	Beef Weigh-in (9-10:30am) Cancelled at 10/13/2020 mtg	May 3, 2021	Sheep & Swine Project DNA & Project Agreement Forms Due to EXT by 4 pm
January 4, 2021	Beef DNA Due & Beef Project Agreement Forms Due to EXT by 4 pm	TBD*	Project Learning Day Fair Park, Jefferson
January 18, 2021	Beef Weigh-in Recording Errors due	May 17, 2021	Sheep & Swine Recording Errors Due
January 12, 2021*	Meats Judging Meeting (Carcass Point Opportunity) 6 p.m. Extension Office	May 11, 2021*	Record Book Training 6 p.m. Extension Office
February 9, 2021*	Meats Judging Meeting (Carcass Point Opportunity) 6 p.m. Extension Office	May 28, 2021	Point Cards, YQCA Certificate & Buyer Cards due to Extension Office by 4 p.m.
February 15, 2021*	Swine Project Kick-Off Meeting 6-7 pm, Activity Center, Fair Park	Early June 2021	Youth notified of sale eligibility by letter from MAP Committee.
February 15, 2021*	Sheep Project Kick-Off Meeting 7-8 pm, Activity Center, Fair Park	June 11, 2021	Buyer Packets Mailed
		July 6, 2021*	Grading, Weigh-ins & Ultrasound at Fair
		July 6, 2021*	Required Exhibitor MAP Meeting 7 pm, MAP Building
		July 7-11, 2021*	Jefferson County Fair
		July 10, 2021*	MAP Sale at Fair
		July 20, 2021*	MAP Awards Program, 6 p.m. at Fair Park Thank You Notes Due; Committee elections
		September 1, 2021	Project Record Books due to Extension Office by 4 pm

***Indicates that the program is currently scheduled for in-person but due to COVID-19 may need to move to virtual or be postponed or canceled.**

2020-2021

Meat Animal Project Committee Representatives

Officers of the Committee

Chair: Justin Thom
Vice Chair: Scott Keppen
Secretary: Katelyn Thom
Treasurer: Rachel Thom
Reporter: MacKenzie Thom

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone</u>
Beef Representative, Adult	Scott Keppen*	920-988-2306
Beef Representative, Adult	Justin Thom	262-490-1313
Beef Representative, Youth	Morgan Bauer*	916-308-8933
Beef Representative, Youth	Anna Koehler*	920-728-6040
Sheep Representative, Adult	Karl Winkelman*	920-253-9541
Sheep Representative, Adult	Bob Knapp	920-988-5761
Sheep Representative, Youth	Ellie Winkelman*	920-261-8486
Sheep Representative, Youth	Dakota Knapp*	920-988-5761
Swine Representative, Adult	Rachel Thom	920-728-5144
Swine Representative, Adult	Scot Strauss*	920-988-8101
Swine Representative, Youth	MacKenzie Thom*	920-723-7998
Swine Representative, Youth	Mackenzie (Mack) Mattke*	920-650-0297
Dairy Representative, Adult	Zach Tolzman	
Dairy Representative, Youth	Lilly Kamenick	920-674-2487
Member-at-Large	Katelyn Thom*	920-728-4561
FFA Representative	Brian Bauer*	916-308-8933
Business Representative	Cheryl Splinter*	262-490-3039

*positions up for election at end of project year

The Meat Animal Project (MAP) Committee receives educational support from the 4-H Educator;
Extension, Jefferson County Office
864 Collins Road, Jefferson, WI 53549
Phone: 920-674-7295

Contact kimb@jeffersoncountywi.gov or kbroedlow@jeffersoncountywi.gov

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 a Jefferson County 4-H, FFA or Breed Association led by a qualified adult leader; recognized by the Jefferson County Fair as a Youth Organization and currently enrolled in a beef, sheep or swine MAP project. Project members must be a member in good standing as of the date of first weigh-in or initial DNA submission for their species.
2. 4-H Project members must be in 3rd through 13th grades. FFA, Breed Association, or other youth organization members will follow current Fair Book guidelines for age.
3. MAP Logo, Letterhead and Buyer's List is for the exclusive use of conducting business for the MAP committee. Any use of these for a member's personal gain is prohibited and will result in loss of sale privileges for a time to be determined by the committee.
4. Member agrees to assume the risk of property damage, personal injury or bodily harm and release the MAPC and Jefferson County from all liability for personal injury and loss of property.
5. Immediate family is considered father, mother, brother, sister and/or those raising children in the immediate household.
6. By signing the MAP agreement, MAP members must comply with the Code of Conduct as defined in the Jefferson County Fair Book. If the MAP agreement or Code of Conduct are violated, the MAP Committee will review the situation and assess an appropriate penalty.

LATE OR MISSING DOCUMENTS

1. A late document will result in a **\$100 penalty fee.**
 - a. The first late project document must be turned in within 10-days of the initial due date. Any document received more than 10-days after the due date will not be accepted, and the member will be ineligible for the 2021 MAP Sale.
 - b. The second late project document will not be accepted by the MAP Committee and the member will be ineligible for the 2021 MAP Sale.
 - c. The \$100 fee will be obtained from the exhibitors MAP sale check. If the animal is ineligible for the current years sale an invoice will be issued. This invoice must be paid in full prior to the beginning of the next 4-H year. Failure in payment will result in ineligibility for the next years MAP sale.
 - d. Project documents include, but are not limited to – MAP Agreement, DNA Forms, Buyer Card, Declaration Card, Point Card, YQCA Certificate, Thank You's and Record Book.

PROTEST POLICY

Any MAP member or their immediate family may file a protest with the MAP Committee through the Extension Office. Protests may be filed against any violation of the MAP Rules or Requirements as stated in this handbook. A protest is filed when someone is accused of breaking the rules of this handbook.

The protest must be made in writing, clearly stating what you observed, time and date of incident and pertinent information. Protest must state the rule that was broken. If the rule is an ethical issue, please state why you think it is unethical. Your name will be kept confidential unless found necessary that you be revealed.

APPEAL POLICY

Any MAP member or their immediate family may file an appeal with the MAP committee through the Extension Office. An appeal can be filed when the committee has already made a decision and the member would like to overturn that decision.

- a. An appeal must be made in writing **at least two weeks prior to a MAP meeting.**
- b. The project member and parent/guardian must appear in person before the committee at the next meeting held.
- c. All appeals filed during the Jefferson County Fair will be handled by the committee during a special meeting on Friday morning at 8 a.m. Appeals must be filed by 5 p.m. on Thursday of fair.

MAP MEMBER AGREEMENT FORM

1. A signed MAP member agreement form is a *required* document to become an active MAP member. Refer to the MAP Calendar for due dates.
2. Terms listed on the MAP Member Agreement are as follows:
 - a. I have received a 2020-2021 MAP Project Handbook.
 - b. I will complete an Educational Point Card and turn it in by May 28, 2021.
 - c. I will complete YQCA certification and turn in my certificate by May 28, 2021.
 - d. I will turn in at least two buyer cards by May 28, 2021.
 - e. I will turn in at least two thank you cards by Tuesday, July 20, 2021.
 - f. If I weigh-in an animal at Fair, I will turn in a record book by September 1, 2021.
 - g. I agree to abide by the rules in the MAP Handbook and the requirements to participate in the MAP sale at County Fair.
 - h. I agree to abide by the Code of Conduct that is detailed in the Jefferson County Fair Book.
 - i. I understand that my animal(s) must be halter/whip-broke and able to be handled safely at both weigh-ins and the duration of the fair.
3. Member agreements turned in after 4pm on due date will be considered a late document and penalized accordingly.

RECORD BOOK

1. A record book is a *required* document by active MAP members. Refer to the MAP Calendar for correct due date.
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 2021 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.
 - a. A record book less than 50% complete will be penalized with a late fee.
 - b. If your record book is deemed 50% incomplete, the MAP Committee will review your record book as a committee. Members who turn in record books that are deemed incomplete will be penalized \$100.
4. Record books will be judged by adult committee members.
5. Record books turned in after 4pm on due date will be considered a late document and penalized accordingly.

EDUCATIONAL POINT CARD

****Educational Point Card runs from June 1, 2020 – May 28, 2021. ****

1. A point card is a *required* document by active MAP 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. Members in grades 3rd-8th must earn at least four points.
 - b. Members in grades 9th-12th must earn at least six points.
 - c. Members in grades 13+ are exempt from completing an educational point card but are required to complete the YQCA certification.
 - d. Events not listed on card but are educational must be pre-approved, by a committee member or Extension office before the MAP monthly meetings.
 - e. Dairy Judging, Dairy Bowl and Project Animal Sales etc, do not count for MAP points.
3. All members are required to complete:
 - a. YQCA certification - Certification is required to sell in the sale, but not a point requirement.
 - b. Carcass education – All members must obtain one carcass educational point; grade 13+ members are exempt.
4. Youth that are on currently serving on the MAP committee are exempt from completing an educational point card.
5. All completed events require legible signatures.
 - a. When available the MAP committee will use an approved stamp with initial/date at end of events.
 - b. 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.
 - c. To receive a point from Herd Management a signature from a club project leader, club general leader or MAP committee member must be obtained.
 - d. Parents and youth signatures are not accepted.
6. Adult MAP committee members will regularly verify points and signatures at MAP meetings.

YQCA CERTIFICATION

YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals) is *required* throughout all of Wisconsin. Youth are required to receive YQCA certification to be eligible for the 2021 sale.

****NEW for 2020-2021: There will not be an opportunity to complete the YQCA certification in person due to uncertainties with COVID-19 and meeting size requirements. Youth are encouraged to complete the online modules (detailed below) as soon as possible.**

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.
6. In order for the MAP Committee to verify that you have completed the YQCA Training, you must submit a copy of your certificate to the Extension office by May 28, 2021. You may email your certificate to kbroedlow@jeffersoncountywi.gov or kimb@jeffersoncountywi.gov or you may turn in a hard copy. Refer to MAP Calendar for due date.

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 has 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.

WEIGH-IN / IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

All species are *required* to either be weighed in or complete a DNA sample, see information below.

1. Weigh-In Option Beef and Sheep Only:

*****Update: Beef Weigh-In was cancelled at the October 13, 2020 MAP Committee meeting. All beef exhibitors must utilize DNA option for 2020-2021 project year.***

- a. At initial species weigh in date two RFID tags are provided per youth member.
- b. If weighing in more than two animals, members must pay for additional RFID tags at cost.
 - i. Members can weigh up to 5 animals.
- c. Tags cannot be transferred from youth member or species.
- d. Each member/family need to be available to lead or push their own animal on the scale.
- e. MAP committee members will tag and record information and weights.
 - i. Beef recording errors must be reported to the Extension Office by January 18, 2021.
 - ii. Sheep recording errors must be reported to the Extension Office by May 17, 2021.
- f. Re-weighs are not allowed unless scale is malfunctioning.
- g. Youth may weigh in animals under farm name or personal name.
 - i. Animals entered under farm name must be declared in correct youths name within 15 minutes post species weigh in at fair.
 1. Once an animal has been identified under an individual project member's name at initial weigh-in, it must be exhibited and sold by that individual.
 2. Failure to complete name declaration by deadline will result in MAP assigning animal to youth members.

2. DNA Option- All Species:

- a. All swine must utilize DNA option.
- b. Tags and DNA envelopes are available for purchase from Extension, Jefferson County Office.
- c. An envelope is needed for each animal identified.
- d. RFID tags should be placed in the animal's left ear.
- e. Submit DNA sample to Extension, Jefferson County Office by 4pm on the required date.
 - i. Allow ample time to receive, tag and return envelope.
 - i. Beef DNA is due by January 4, 2021.
 - ii. Sheep and swine DNA is due by May 3, 2021.
 1. Recording errors must be reported to the Extension Office by May 17, 2021.

3. Other Information:

- a. There is no minimum or maximum weigh in weight for initial weigh in.
- b. All animals meeting species criteria will receive Jefferson County identification.

- c. In the event your animal loses their ear tag, you must notify a MAP committee member immediately.
 - i. The MAP committee member will provide a new tag and must retag the animal.
 - ii. All retags must be completed prior to Friday before beginning of County Fair.
- d. Exhibitors tampering with animal identification will forfeit their over market bonus and be barred from all future MAP activities.
- e. All animals need to be brought to County Fair weigh in clean and dry with readable ear tags.
- f. All market animals must be in place by Tuesday of Fair week before your species weigh-in or specific species requirement.
- g. Animals that show evidence of having contagious or infectious diseases will not be allowed to participate in weigh-in due to the spread of disease. Such animals should not attend weigh-in.
 - i. Contagious or infectious diseases include, but are not limited to, ringworm, mange, warts or scab.
 - ii. DNA submission is recommended for animals with contagious or infectious diseases, no weigh in option will become available.
- h. It is strongly suggested that all animals are in the form of healing from castration at initial weigh in.

FAIR REQUIREMENTS – ALL SPECIES

1. Premise ID

- a. A premise ID is required for all locations housing any livestock and poultry.
- b. List your premise ID on all fair forms
- c. ID is received from the Wisconsin Livestock Identification Consortium (WLIC).

2. Mandatory Exhibitor Meeting

- a. All MAP members must attend the Exhibitor meeting on Tuesday at 7pm at the Jefferson County Fair.

SALE REQUIREMENTS – ALL SPECIES

1. Buyer Cards



- a. **Each member is *required* to turn in two buyer cards.**
- b. Members are required to promote the MAP sale by talking with prospective buyers and inviting them to attend the MAP sale.
- c. Buyer cards must be turned in by 4pm on given due date.
- d. Buyer cards may be emailed to the Extension office by due date.
- e. Buyer cards turned in after 4pm on due date will be considered a late document and penalized accordingly.
- f. Each buyer submitted from a buyer card will receive (2) complimentary gate tickets and lunch vouchers.
 - i. Buyers who purchased an animal from the last year's sale will automatically receive a buyer packet.
 - ii. Contending bidders that did not purchase an animal at previous sale will not automatically be sent a buyer packet.
- g. If a buyer does not receive their buyer packet please contact the Extension office at 920-674-7295.
- h. Buyers who are identified after due date are encouraged to attend the sale, but buyer packets will not be provided.

2. Sale Set-up and Take Down

- a. All MAP members are required to help with set up or take down for the sale. Sale set-up time will be posted in the barns on Tuesday after the Fair meeting.

3. Other Information

- a. Random DNA samples will be pulled for each species at the conclusion of each show. Exhibitor names and animals will be selected at random and posted prior to each show.
 - i. Parents of youth **must be present** when the sample is being collected.
- b. A member may withdraw an animal from the sale if the youth chooses to show the same animal in a future show. Notification must be done by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday of the fair.



- c. Youth requesting Future Show Rights must complete a request on their Declaration Card by Thursday at 5pm. Youth must make arrangements with their buyers after the sale.
- d. If an animal is injured during the fair, the member must notify a member of the MAP committee immediately.
- e. Each member will only be allowed to sell one animal.
 - i. Exception to the rule - Overall Grand Champions and Overall Reserve Grand Champions must sell – all project, sale and species requirements must be met.
- f. All MAP animals that sell must be ultra-sounded.
- g. **All youth must** designate which animal they are going to sell by Thursday afternoon at 5:00 p.m. (even if only exhibiting one animal.)
 - i. Every exhibitor will receive a Declaration Card at the fair weigh-in. This card must be turned in at your species bulletin board and placed in the box by 5:00 pm on Thursday.
 - ii. **Youth failing to turn in a card or turning in a card late will be charged a \$100 penalty fee.**
- h. The rotation for the 2021 MAP sale will be sheep, swine, beef followed by dairy. One quarter distribution of each species will sell in a rotating order. This rotation will continue until all animals are sold.
- i. All sale catalog information will be posted in advance of the sale.
 - i. A draft sale catalog will be posted upon completion in each barn on Thursday night of fair.
 - ii. Any errors should be brought to the attention of the MAP species representative **immediately; no later than 8 a.m. on Friday morning of fair.** No changes will be made after 10 a.m. on Friday. The sale catalog is final once it goes to print. No corrections or substitutions will be accepted once the sale is in progress.
- j. All animals listed in the catalog and entering the sale ring must be sold.
- k. All animals being sold must be presented by exhibiting youth. Unless prior approval has been granted from the MAP Committee.
 - i. All animals sold in the sale that are bought by the buyer must be the animal delivered to the buyer. No substitutions allowed.
- l. Any carcass exhibiting evidence of recent drug administration or other forms of alteration will be held as suspect and ownership will remain with the seller.
 - i. All expenses involved with the slaughter, testing and carcass disposal will be the sole responsibility of the project member.
 - ii. Forfeiture of the sale proceeds, over market bonus, and/or expulsion from all future MAP activities will be at the discretion of the Meat Animal Project Committee.
- m. The MAP Committee will deduct a commission, not to exceed 10 percent, from the over-market-bonus to pay for MAP related project expenses throughout the year.
- n. By law, the MAP Committee must collect W-9s for all exhibitors that receive a check or multiple checks totaling \$600 or more annually. After Fair, a link for an electronic W-9 will be sent to all exhibitors requiring a W-9. W-9s must be returned to the Extension Office in order for the exhibitor to receive their sale check.

4. **Buyer Stall Cards**

- a. All livestock sold are to be identified by a market sale information card (provided by the Meat Animal Project Committee.)
 - i. Cards must be properly displayed over the animals pen/stall **one** hour after the completion of sale. Failing to hang up buyers sign will result in **\$100 taken off of the seller's check.**

5. **Load out**

- a. Only MAP sale animals will be loaded onto the trucks.
- b. Exhibitors/designee of MAP sale animals must be present when their animals are being loaded. Youth must have their name checked off by the MAP Committee at load out.
- c. MAP Committee is not responsible for the loading or trucking of non-sale animals. In the case of the buyer not taking an animal, the **exhibitor** is responsible for trucking.
- d. Load out times will be posted as soon as possible on Saturday night after the sale.
- e. In the event your buyer does not purchase the animal for meat, exhibitors are responsible for the transportation of animals..
- f. All remaining animals will not be released before Sunday evening at 7:00 pm.

6. **Thank You Notes**

- a. Two thank you notes are *required* to be turned in by Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at the Awards Program.
 - i. Hard copies or pictures of thank you notes emailed to Extension office are acceptable proof of completed thank you notes. This must be done by the deadline.
- b. Each thank you note must be sealed, addressed, stamped and have return address labels on them.
- c. One thank you note must go to your buyer and another to anyone who helped you with your project (contending bidders, someone who provided assistance with project, trophy supplier, auctioneers, etc.)
- d. Exhibitor's sale check will not be issued until thank you notes are received.

7. **Photos**

- a. Photographs of the youth and their project will be provided electronically. A link will be sent by the Extension Office to all exhibitors.

ADDITIONAL SPECIES INFORMATION

1. Beef

- a. There will be 207 project days for beef animals.
- b. Market beef must be in place to be live graded at 7 a.m. on Tuesday of fair.
- c. Market beef will be weighed-in and ultra sounded at fair on Tuesday from 9:00 to ~11:00 a.m.
- d. To be eligible for the Meat Animal Project sale, the market beef:
 - i. Class G – Purebred beef and Crossbreeds must weigh more than 1,000 pounds.
 - ii. Class H - Dairy steers must weigh more than 1,200 pounds.
 - iii. All animals must qualify select plus grade or better to sell.
 - iv. Breed exemptions can be made with the MAP Committee.

2. Sheep

- a. There are 87 project days for sheep.
- b. Market lambs must be in place by 12:30pm on Tuesday of fair. All Sheep will be weighed-in and ultra-sounded after the beef weigh-in is completed ~1 pm.
- c. Minimum weight at fair weigh in is 110 lbs. to be eligible for the sale.
 - i. All white face breeds (Southdown and Cheviot) must weigh 100 lbs. or more to be eligible for the sale. White face status will be designated at the Fair weigh-in.
- d. Only wether and ewe lambs may be sold.
- e. All market lambs may not have more than ¼" of wool, and the pelt must be completely dry at the time of weigh-in.
- f. Scrapies tags should be in right ear of the animal.

3. Swine

- a. There are 65 project days for swine.
- b. All market hogs must weigh at least 230 pounds to be eligible for the sale.
- c. Market hogs must be in place by Noon on Tuesday of fair. Weigh in and ultrasound will be complete immediately after completion of sheep weigh in.
 - i. Hogs DNA'd as a family should bring all animals to the scale together to be weighed in as a group.
- d. Any hogs sold at the Meat Animal Project Sale that have unacceptable pork because of odor or taste due to masculine characteristics will be subject to an adjustment between the buyer and the seller under the guidance of the Meat Animal Project Committee.

AWARDS

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the restrictions placed by UW-Madison, please note that awards may change based on the programs and activities that are held throughout the project year. The MAP Committee and the Extension office will do their due diligence to communicate effectively and often as changes occur. Please follow the Extension website and emails to get the most up-to-date information.

1. Outstanding Record Books

- a. Three awards for each specie 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. Rate of Gain (Updated 10/13/2020 – No rate of gain award will be given for beef, dairy beef or swine for the 2020-2021 project year.)

- a. A plaque will be awarded to a MAP member of each species: beef, dairy beef, sheep and swine whose animal gained the most weight per day during the MAP Project.
 - i. Animal must be MAP eligible and have weighed in at initial weigh-in to receive this award.

4. Carcass

- a. A plaque will be awarded to a MAP member of each species: beef, dairy beef, sheep and swine whose animal placed highest in the carcass evaluation based on Fair ultrasound.
 - i. Animal must be MAP eligible to receive this award.

5. 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.

6. Supreme Champion

- a. A \$100 award and gift will be presented to a MAP member of each species: beef, dairy beef, sheep, swine.
 - i. Members and projects must meet all exhibitor and animal requirements.
 - ii. Animals must have weighed in to qualify to be eligible.
- b. Total evaluation includes:
 - i. Rate of Gain (33.3%)

- ii. Live Market Class Ranking at Jefferson County Fair (33.3%)
- iii. Carcass Contest Ranking based on ultrasound at Jefferson County Fair (33.3%)
 - 1. In case of a species tie, the tie will be broken in the following order: highest carcass ranking, highest rate of gain, highest market class ranking.

7. 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.

8. Youth Volunteer of the Year

- a. An award may be presented to one or more youth members who go above and beyond volunteering for the MAP project.
- b. To be considered, youth must be nominated by a MAP Committee member, General Leader, Project Leader or FFA Advisor.
 - i. The MAP committee will select an individual(s) from the nominations.
 - ii. Nominations are due by the 2nd MAP June Committee meeting.
 - iii. If no nominations are received, the MAP Committee will award this recognition as they see fit.

9. Adult/ Business Volunteer of the Year

- a. The MAP committee will award a plaque to an individual and/or business that has played an important role in helping with committee operations.
- b. This individual or business is nominated and selected by the committee.