

LEAVENWORTH COUNTY FAIR 2026

4-H / FFA SWINE

Superintendent: Randy Heim

Exhibit Check In: Monday, July 27th, 6pm; Swine Barn

Exhibit Judging: Tuesday, July 28th; 6pm; Show Arena

The 4-H Swine Project is a hands-on educational program where youth raise, manage, and show pigs, typically starting with a feeder pig (40-50 lbs.) and finishing at market weight (220+ lbs). 4-Hers learn about nutrition, health, breeding, and industry, while developing skills in responsibility, decision-making, and record-keeping.

General Swine Rules

1. Read General Rules. Violation of any of the following rules may result in disqualification. All decisions will be made by a county agent and their decision is final.
2. All swine must be tagged by an extension agent or designee at countywide tagging day with official EID tags and registered on the Swine Family Identification worksheet. Worksheets will be turned in to the Extension Office by Small Animal Tagging (1st Sunday in May).
3. From swine registered on the Swine Family identification worksheet, each exhibitor is limited to enter through Fair Entry a total of 4 animals.
4. Swine are to be on the fairgrounds and checked in at the designated day and time according to the Fair 4-H Schedule.
5. Swine have to be washed and ear tags readable before swine are unloaded to be weighed at fair check-in. Otherwise, the Extension Agent or superintendent can refuse check-in until animal is washed and ear tags are readable.
6. Swine Superintendent has the authority to close the wash rack when deemed necessary.
7. Animals used for showmanship must be owned by the exhibitor and entered in the market or breeding classes. In the final showmanship drive, all showmanship finalists must show the pig they were showing when selected. Showmanship classes will be limited to a maximum of 15 animals.
8. Classes will be determined by breed and weights.
9. For Market and **Breeding**, a minimum of 3 head will be required to make a breed class. If less than 3 head are exhibited at the fair, they will be combined in an All-Other Breeds (AOB) class. If less than 3 head are in the AOB class, they will be added to the crossbred class. If necessary, market classes will be divided by weight. ~~The Breeding Division will recognize all breeds regardless of the number being exhibited.~~
10. Clipping of swine is allowed on fairgrounds. Swine may **NOT** be restrained while clipping.
11. The Judge is not required to award a champion in each class.
12. An Extension Agent and swine superintendent will clarify breed characteristics and have the right to move an animal from one breed class to another based on characteristics.

Market Swine Rules

1. Market Swine weighing less than 220lbs will be moved to a **Prospect** class and shown in that class by weight. The prospect class is not eligible for Championship or Livestock Auction. At the exhibitor's discretion, prospect swine may leave the fairgrounds at time of weigh-in.
2. Any incisions due to castration or other procedures must be completely healed.

Classes

BREEDING GILT

Purebred

Crossbred

MARKET SWINE

Market Swine Breed

Crossbred