

OCEANA COUNTY
JUNIOR MARKET
GOAT RECORD BOOK – 2024
(for ages 5-7 years old)



IF YOU ARE A LITTLE BUDDY PLEASE CHECK HERE: _____

My big buddy is: _____

As a member of the Junior Market Animal Project, you are required to submit your records as part of an educational project notebook in order to show your animal at the Oceana County Fair. **This notebook must be shown to the Goat Superintendent or designated Small Market Weighmaster at the time of weigh-in and then entered by you in the Educational Notebook Division at the Oceana County Fair on Entry Day.**

AGE: _____

The age you enter depends on how old you were on January 1, 2024

NUMBER OF YEARS IN PROJECT: _____

Use this sheet as the first page of your project record book. Fill it out completely.
Please print or type neatly.

NAME _____

4-H CLUB _____

LEADER _____

DATE RECORDS STARTED _____ DATE ENDED _____

JUDGE'S SCORE/COMMENT SHEET

(PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE, PLACE THIS SHEET IN SHEET PROTECTOR OR GLUE TO COVER). This sheet must be kept free to the judge to write their comments.

This sheet should help each junior market member understand their ribbon placing.

A. **Specific educational value or worth**

- All questions were answered completely
- All calculations were correct
- Calculations were incorrect
- Questions were not completely answered
- Questions were not answered (missed questions)

B. **Notebook contains all project records**

- Notebook contained all project records and were fully completed
- Notebook contained additional project related information (research materials etc.)
- Project records were incomplete
- There was no additional project related information

C. **Accuracy, neatness and general appearance**

- Notebook was neat in appearance (typed/hand printed)
- Notebook pages were clean and stain free
- Notebook pages were in order and complete
- Notebook pages were out of order and missing pages
- Notebook was difficult to read and messy
- Notebook had wrinkled and stained pages

Other Comments: _____

OBJECTIVES

1. To let members experience love of animals.
2. To members to experience the obligations and responsibility required in a livestock enterprise.
3. To let members experience and cope with the “values” and “attitudes” of responsibility in a relatively unsupervised environment. Supervision will be provided on a periodic basis.
4. To allow the member to provide meat for the family table and/or to experience the marketing process and system through sale of his project.
5. To let the member experience competition by fitting and showing their animal at local or area organizational sponsored shows and the Fair.

This record book is part of your Junior Market Goat project. By keeping records up-to-date you will be able to see how much progress you make as you set goals and work to accomplish them. Write or type neatly and clearly. Please keep the pages in order. Feel free to add extra pages at the end of your notebook.

SCORING CRITERIA

The following breakdown will be used during the judging process of all market livestock notebooks.

A.	Specific educational value or worth	30%
B.	Creative way of showing what has been learned	10%
C.	Notebook contains all project records	50%
D.	Accuracy, neatness and general appearance	10%

The Oceana County Agricultural Society encourages parent assistance with your project and project notebook. If you should have any questions, please contact the MSU Extension Office.

If a parent or an adult helped you in filling out your notebook please have them sign below that the answers are YOUR answers and that they assisted you in the writing of the answers and the understanding of the questions only.

(Signature of person helping with notebook)

(Printed name of member)

ABOUT YOUR GOAT:

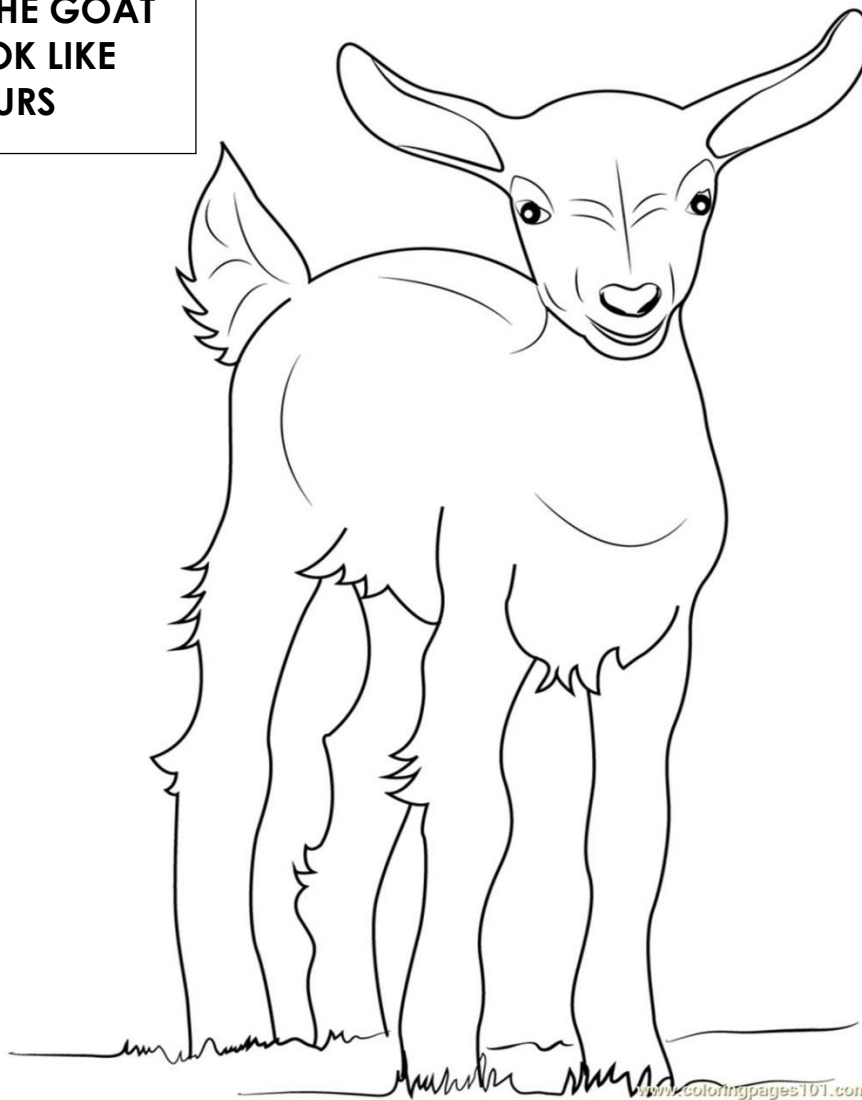
My Goat's Name: _____

My Goat's Breed: _____

My Goat's Color(s) are: _____

My goat is a (circle one): **Wether** (boy) **Doe** (girl)

**COLOR THE GOAT
TO LOOK LIKE
YOURS**



WEIGHT CHART

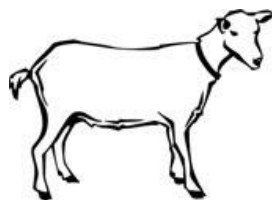
(have a parent, grandparent, leader, older youth, etc. help you with the next sections)

BEGINNING WEIGHT _____ AGE _____ DATE _____

WEEK	AGE	WEIGHT

FINAL WEIGHT (FW) _____ AGE _____ DATE _____

*final weight may have to be estimated depending upon Covid 19 restrictions in summers of 2021.



ANIMAL CARE AND MANAGEMENT

Your project requires regular care and management. List the things necessary to take care of your project animal(s).

Include the following:

- ✓ Feeding and watering practices
- ✓ Grooming (clipping, hoof trimming, etc.)
- ✓ Health practices and medicines
- ✓ General Management (cleaning living area, etc.)













Daily- Things done once or twice a day
Weekly- Things done once or twice a week
Monthly- Things done once a month
Yearly- Things done one time or occasionally throughout the year

MARKETING

One of the most important parts of any market animal project is marketing. This may include writing letters and talking to prospective buyers. Color in the face, a smiling face is a good action, a frowning face is a bad action. (see the example)

Good Marketing Practice

Poor Marketing Practice

	Send a picture to your potential buyers	
	Send a reminder to attend the auction	
	Let an adult talk to the buyer instead of you talking to them	
	Know what kind of feed you used if asked	
	Make sure to visit your previous buyers	
	Only thank those who agree to be listed as a potential buyer	

WHAT DOES YOUR GOAT NEED?

(have an adult help you read the following & then **circle those items that your goats** need below)

All living creatures need certain things to survive, like *food*, *water* and *shelter*. *Farmers* take care of their animals to make sure they are healthy and comfortable. If any animals are sick the farmer will treat them with the help of the *veterinarian*. Goats need roughage such as *grass* to keep their digestive system working correctly. Some plants such as *Lily of the Valley* & *Oleander* are **not** good for your goat to eat.



FARMER



VETERINARIAN



JAPANESE YEW



WATER



COOKIES



BARN

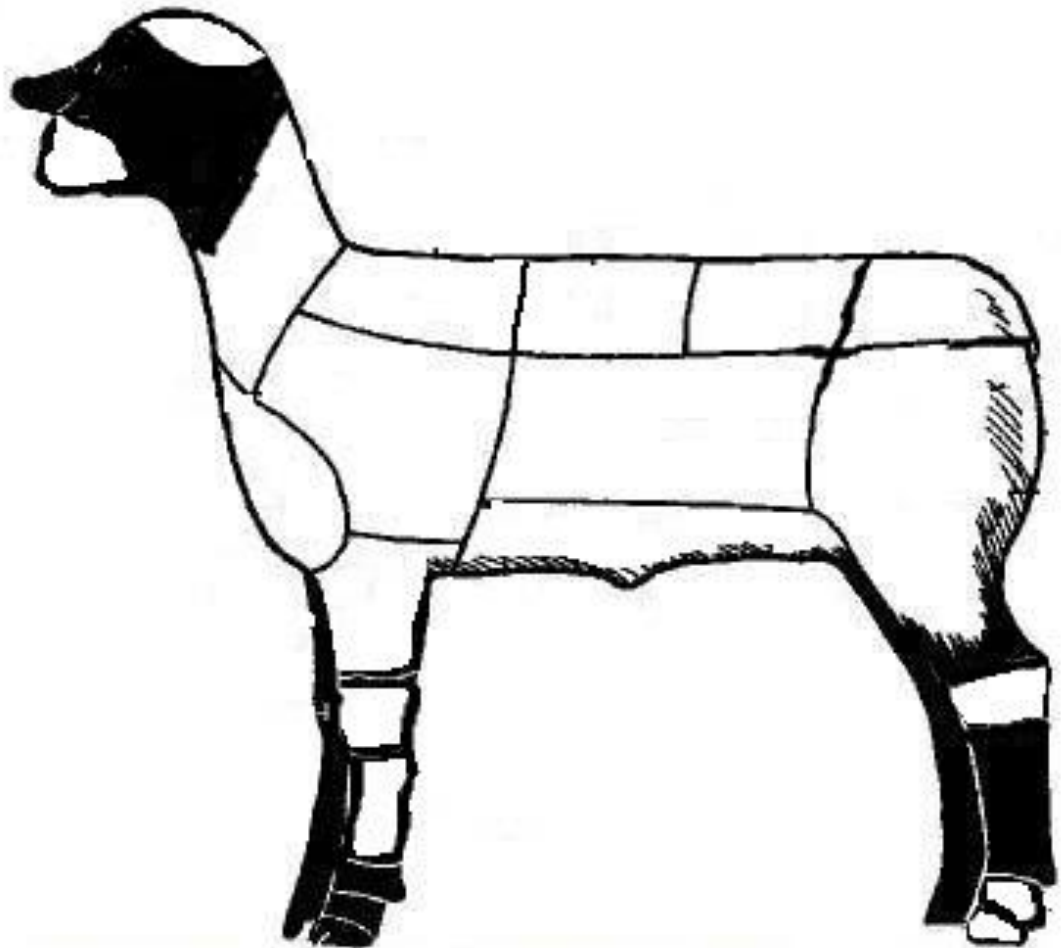


GRASSES



MILKWEED

PARTS OF A GOAT



COLOR THE PARTS OF THE GOAT

Back or Rack- Red

Cannon- Purple

Hock- Red

Leg- Blue

Muzzle- Blue

Poll- Red

Belly- Yellow

Dock- Pink

Hoof- Orange

Loin- Green

Neck- Yellow

Shoulder- Green

Breast/Brisket- Pink

Forearm- Purple

Knee- Red

Middle- Orange

Pastern- Brown

Top of Shoulder- Purple

PROJECT KNOWLEDGE

MATCH THE ANSWERS TO THE CORRECT QUESTIONS

(draw a line from the question to the correct answer)

- | | |
|--|--------------|
| 1. A goat of either sex under one year old | A. Water |
| 2. A goat's hair or wool is called | B. Doe |
| 3. A female goat | C. Yearling |
| 4. Most important part of a goats diet | D. Fleece |
| 5. The first milk, it is full of antibodies for the kids | E. Colostrum |
| 6. A goat between the age of one and two years old | F. Kid |

Match Them Up

(write the letter that answers the question on the line before it)

- | | |
|---|--|
| _____ 1. Meat goats prefer what type of grazing? | A. Small shed or barn |
| _____ 2. Who you might call when a goat gets sick | B. Sportsmanship |
| _____ 3. What kind of housing does a goat need? | C. Electric fence or woven wire 4 feet high |
| _____ 4. How is goat milk used? | D. Clean, dry straw |
| _____ 5. The most important food your goat needs | E. Good-quality hay and grasses |
| _____ 6. What do goats sleep on? | F. Browse |
| _____ 7. How would you keep a goat fenced in? | G. Veterinarian |
| _____ 8. A goat eats grain and . . . | H. Drink it, sell it or make cheese & butter |
| _____ 9. Honest & Courteous when competing | I. Water |

PROJECT INFORMATION

What Does Not Belong?

In each statement one word does not belong, X (cross) out that word.

- 1. Goats have: **teeth, eyes, withers, feathers**

- 2. For a goat's fencing use: **barbed wire, woven wire, electrical fence**

- 3. The people who help me take care of and learn about my goats are:
my parents, the veterinarian, my principal, my club leader

- 4. Goat breeds: **Boer, Kiko, Nubian, Cornish Rock**

Finish the Sentences

- 1. My goat always needs clean, fresh _____ to drink.

- 2. When I grow up I want to be a _____.

- 3. The best, or most fun, part of my project was: _____

- 4. The hardest part of my project was: _____

Identify Good & Bad Character Actions

Color in the face, a smiling face = a good action, a frowning face = a bad action.
(see the example)

RAISING and SHOWING an ANIMAL with CHARACTER

RAISING and SHOWING an ANIMAL without CHARACTER

	Feed Animals on Time	
	Complete your record book honestly	
	Thank the judge no matter how you placed	
	Leave animals outside without shelter	
	Help others if they need it	
	Leave your pen for your parents to clean	
	Leave manure on the barn floor	
	Always try your best	
	Take others equipment without asking them	

How did you show good character this year? Did you help someone, or maybe you treated your animals extra special?

4-H KNOWLEDGE



The 4-H Pledge- *Draw a line to the picture that fills in the blank* (see the example)

I pledge...

My _____ to clearer thinking,

My _____ to greater loyalty,

My _____ to larger service, and







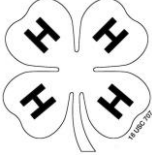

My _____ to better living,

for my _____,

my _____,

my _____,

and my _____.

	HANDS
	HEALTH
	HEAD
	HEART
	WORLD
	COUNTRY
	CLUB
	COMMUNITY

Number of club meetings held: _____ Number I attended: _____

MY STORY

(Interesting things that happened to me and my animal this year, challenges, highlights of my year or **ANYTHING** I would like to share about my overall experience. You can even draw a picture of you and your animals if you prefer).



POTENTIAL BUYERS NAMES

As part of your 4-H Small Market Livestock Project, you must personally contact at least three potential buyers before the Oceana County Fair. You are encouraged to seek two new buyers that have not been asked or submitted before. **You also must have at least three different buyers than those of your siblings in the market livestock project.** Please confirm with your buyers their accurate mailing address (example: post office box vs. a street address). The information on page 14 must be completed and taken to the Oceana County MSU Extension Office on or before the due date where it will be **copied** and used to send out letters to your potential buyers. This page will remain in your notebooks. This is a Market Livestock Committee rule. Failure to comply will result in not being able to sell your animal in the 4-H Market Livestock Sale.

JUNIOR MARKET/SMALL MARKET POTENTIAL BUYER'S LIST
GOAT PROJECT (AGES 5-7)

Name _____ Club _____

Please print business names and complete addresses clearly.

1. Contact Name _____

Business Name _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ After Hours Phone _____

Mailing Preference (Please Check One): Email _____ Postal Delivery _____

Email _____

Signature _____

2. Contact Name _____

Business Name _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ After Hours Phone _____

Mailing Preference (Please Check One): Email _____ Postal Delivery _____

Email _____

Signature _____

3. Contact Name _____

Business Name _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ After Hours Phone _____

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Email _____

Signature _____

(Must be stamped by the MSU Extension Office)

PICTURES OF YOUR PROJECT

(Please use this page for your project pictures. Add additional pages if you would like. The judges appreciate you labeling the pictures so they know what the picture shows.)

