

2021 4-H/FFA YOUTH SWINE SHOW & SALE

SUPERINTENDENT: Zach Lassiter Cell: 904-673-0667

Assistant Superintendent: Robert Lovell

All Swine must go to slaughter after exhibition.

NEW – 100 SWINE PARTICIPANTS

MANDATORY SWINE MEETING:

Date: Saturday, October 31, 2020 at 8:30 A.M.

Location: Clay County Agricultural Center

MANDATORY TAG-IN:

Date: Saturday, January 2, 2021 at 8:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

Location: Behind Fair Office (log cabin) enter main entrance take first left
(weather permitting- location subject to change)

CLINICS: Highly Recommended to Attend

Dates: TBD

Location: TBD

It is recommended that each participant attend at least 2 clinics. Those who attend at least 2 clinics will get an incentive at the fair. A list of clinics and webinars will be emailed at a later date to all market steer and swine exhibitors. Clinics and webinars will have some type of follow-up documentation that exhibitors must submit to the fair office to receive credit towards your incentive.

FAIR ARRIVAL & FINAL WEIGH-IN:

Date: Wednesday, March 31, 2021 at 4:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Location: Clay County Fairgrounds

ENTRY FEE:

\$25.00 DUE MARCH 31, 2021 WHEN YOU WEIGH-IN YOUR ANIMAL. CASH OR CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO THE “CLAY COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION”.

Exhibitor's animals not qualifying do not have to pay. Any returned checks will pay all bank fees.

SWINE SHOW:

All exhibitors must be ready and attend a meeting with Zach Lassiter at 6:30 P.M.

Date: Monday, April 5, 2021 @ 7:00 P.M.

Location: Livestock Pavilion

SWINE SALE:

Date: Friday, April 9, 2021 @ 7:00 P.M.

Location: Livestock Pavilion

ELIGIBILITY:

1. ALL EXHIBITORS MUST FULLY COMPLETE THE APPLICATION AND MEET THE ENTRY/DRAWING RULES TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR PARTICIPATION. APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE CLAY COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION WEBSITE at WWW.CLAYCOUNTYFAIR.ORG. “ONLINE ENTRIES ONLY”.
2. Exhibitors must be 8 years old by September 1, 2020.
3. All 4-H/FFA members who wish to exhibit a Hog in the 2021 Fair must attend the Mandatory Swine Meeting on Saturday, October 31, 2020 at 8:30 AM at the Agricultural Center Auditorium unless prior arrangements have been made with Zach Lassiter. Rules, Regulations and Requirements will be discussed at this meeting
4. Exhibitors must reside in Clay County or attend a Clay County School. High school graduates are ineligible. Exhibitors must be in good standing in school. Exhibitors not in good standing will not be allowed to participate.
5. School FFA Chapters are allowed only 1 swine or 1 steer unless the school has 2 FFA Chapters.
6. Exhibitors must be a bonafide member of a Clay County 4-H Club or FFA Chapter at the time of the application before 10/1/2020. The Fair cross-references the list of applicants who have submitted applications to exhibit swine. 4-H or FFA members must have been a verified member in good standing to earn eligibility to show a swine in the Clay County Fair. Individuals who are not verified members in good standing are not eligible to exhibit. 4-H Members at Large do not qualify.

OWNERSHIP:

All swine project animals must have been owned and under control of each 4-H or FFA member on his/her premises (land under his/her control) on or before January 2, 2021. If an animal is to be kept at any place (including the FFA barn) other than the exhibitor's residence, prior written approval from the Superintendent is required. **ONLY ONE HOG IS ALLOWED PER PEN.** Ownership decisions of the Superintendent will be final.

MANDATORY TAG-IN:

1. There will be a mandatory tag-in on January 2, 2021 behind the Fair Office (Log Cabin) between 8:00 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. An official tag number that clearly identifies the animal will be assigned by the Swine Superintendent or the Swine Superintendents designee and it will be inspected.
2. First year exhibitors must bring a ½” hog water nipple.
Every exhibitor must bring a piece of plywood (no particle board) at least ½

inch thick and cut to ***48 inches by 58 inches***. Alternates do not need to turn in plywood unless they are moving into the program. Put your hog's ear tag number with magic marker on both sides of your plywood before stacking it on the pallet.

3. Participants are required to write letters to three (3) potential buyers and include addressed, stamped, unsealed envelopes. Letters must be submitted at the tag-in on January 2 2021. **This is a requirement!** These letters will be mailed by the Fair Office.
4. It is recommended that you start with a pig on January 2, 2021 that weighs a ***minimum of 100 pounds***.
5. Entries are open to barrows and gilts.
6. All Exhibitors must have picture taken for Exhibitor Pass Badge. Two (2) badges, for parents, per family of market animal exhibitors are allowed. Badges will not be issued to siblings.
7. Any alternate that purchases a pig and desires to tag their pig in on January 2, 2021 may do so. At the final weigh-in on March 31, 2021, any pig not making weight will be replaced from the alternate list, providing the alternates have made weight, in the order they were selected during the October 2020 drawing.

FINAL WEIGH IN:

1. All swine must weigh a **minimum of 220 and a maximum of 325 pounds** on the day of the final weigh in and must be a quality hog. The Swine Superintendent and a Livestock Committee member will make final decisions of a quality hog. Animals not meeting the minimum weight requirement or exceeding the maximum weight requirement or not a quality hog will be sent home. All swine will only be weighed one time.
2. Exhibitors must provide one (1) 50-pound bag of feed for their hog with hogs ear tag number clearly and boldly marked on both sides of the bag and a rubber feed pan at the final weigh in.
3. **Only the 100 participants in the swine program must turn in a completed Market Livestock Record Book (to that point of the project), and \$25.00 entry fee is due at this time. All record books must be picked up the night of the show or by the end of the last night of the fair. Record books not picked up will jeopardize your slot in the next year's show & sale.**
4. Any Exhibitors not making weight or not completing all requirements will have to submit an application and go through the lottery drawing for the next year's program.

Alternate pigs will fill slots of those pigs not making weight according to where they are on the alternate list.

GENERAL RULES:

1. Each 4-H and FFA participant must have the ability to control their animal independently or will be disqualified. Each participant must assume all liability in case of injury or damage to, or caused by exhibitor's animal, relieving Clay County Fair Association, Inc. from all liability.
2. Exhibitors may only show and sell one market animal. Both Junior High FFA Chapters and Senior High FFA Chapters may show and sell one market animal.

3. Each 4-H or FFA swine must be cared for by its exhibitor only. This means friends, relatives, teachers, leaders or advisors cannot raise hogs for an exhibitor. Animals kept at FFA Barns must be fed and cared for by the exhibitor only.
4. **CLIPPING:**
 - Clipping of hogs is not a standard industry practice because it causes problems with the slaughter process.
 - Any hog whose hair length appears to be less than 1/2" may have length of hair checked. Hogs with hair that has been clipped to less than 1/2", will be disqualified.
 - The Livestock Director and the CCFA Board of Directors reserves the right to check any hog for hair length by running a marked comb over animal.
 - Disqualified hogs must be removed from the Fairgrounds immediately after check-in.
5. All entries in the market swine show shall be subject to the State of Florida Livestock Health Regulations and Requirements which are published in the 2021 Swine Rules (www.claycountyfair.org)
6. All exhibitors are responsible for the daily cleaning, removal of wet shavings and manure, of their own pen. If an exhibitor cannot be there to clean their own pen, they are responsible for making arrangements to have someone else clean their pen. Manure and wet shavings are to be placed in designated areas only. No rakes, pitch forks, wheel barrows, etc. are to be left out. All walkways are the responsibility of every exhibitor and we must work together to keep our area clean, safe and attractive to the public. **Hand washing is very important and is not only recommended but required after animal contact and pen cleaning.** **KEEPING YOUR PEN CLEAN IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY.**
Each day, pen cleaning must be completely finished before:
Thursday, April 1, 2021 - before 5:00 P.M.
Friday, April 2, 2021 – before 5:00 P.M.
Saturday, April 3, 2021 – before 12:00 noon
Sunday, April 4, 2021 – before 12:00 noon
Monday, April 5, 2021 – before 5:00 P.M. **“Show Night”**
Tuesday thru Thursday, April 6-8, 2021 – before 5:00 P.M.
Friday, April 9, 2021– before 5:00 P.M. **“Livestock Auction Night”**
Saturday - April 10, 2021 - before 10:00 A.M.
Sunday – April 11, 2021- Rubber feed pans, etc. must be removed from your pen between 6:00 PM and 10:00 PM. All pans left in the pens will be given away.

FAILURE TO CLEAN PEN WILL RESULT IN A \$25.00 FINE THE FIRST TWO TIMES AND AFTER THAT ALL AWARDS AND PREMIUMS WILL BE FORFEITED AND YOU MAY NOT QUALIFY TO ENTER AN ANIMAL IN THE 2022 FAIR.

7. Any swine that are sick or disqualified during the fair must remain at the fair or taken directly to slaughter. Slaughter expenses and hauling expenses will be the responsibility of the exhibitor. The Swine Superintendent's decisions are final concerning animals.

8. **FEEDING:** All hogs will be fed at **5:00 P.M.** daily and feeding will not start until the superintendent or one of the superintendent's designees is there. **ALL EXHIBITORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR FEEDING THEIR OWN HOG.** It is your responsibility to have someone feed your hog if you will not be there. Hogs not fed will result in a \$10.00 fine for that exhibitor.

NO PEN CLEANING WHILE HOGS ARE BEING FED.

PENS MUST BE COMPLETELY CLEANED AND FINISHED AND TOOLS PUT AWAY NO LATER THAN 4:30 PM DAILY!

9. Livestock Exhibitors are an ambassador of the Clay County Agricultural Fair. Remember to be courteous to other participants, leaders and to all the visitors of the Fair. Remember to keep your area and the Clay County Fairgrounds clean and safe at all times. Remember to use and encourage the use of the Hand Sanitizers and Hand Washing Stations.

10. **GIFTS: Mandatory for livestock swine / steer participants:** All livestock participants are required to provide one (1) buyer gift per participant to include a thank you card for the main buyer of their animal on auction night. (This thank you card does not take the place of the buyer thank you letter due after the fair; see page 8 of the rules "After the Fair" #1 for clarification). The gift must be checked in at the sale arena prior to the sale. (a table will be setup at the arena for checking in the gifts)
Participants must provide a 3x5 card with the participants name, sale # and animal tag #.
Gift prices range from \$25.00 - \$75.00.

Gift ideas:

- b. Fruit basket
- c. Gift cards with a thank you card:
 - 1. Restaurant
 - 2. Store
 - 3. Visa card (to be used anywhere)

Participants not providing gifts for their buyers the night of the sale, will be penalized a \$50.00 fee from their sale check.

11. Livestock Buyer Dinner- The dinner is provided for Livestock Buyers and special guest only. Tickets and information are available through the Clay County Fair Association office.

GRADING:

NO SWINE CROSSED WITH FERAL or WILD HOGS WILL BE ACCEPTED INTO THE 4-H/FFA PROGRAM.

We guarantee our buyers quality market hogs.

Final decisions rest with the Swine Superintendent and/or Director.

LIABILITY:

The exhibitor assumes all liability in the case of death, or injury to his/her animal until the close of the Fair. No show official or member of the Clay County Fair Association, Inc. may be held liable for the loss of any animal or damage caused by exhibitor's animal.

SHOW AND JUDGING:

1. Only swine that were tagged and inspected on January 2, 2021 and exhibitors that meet all minimum requirements will be allowed to show at the 2022 Clay County Agricultural Fair Swine Show.
2. **Show canes are permissible and must be used properly.**
WHIPS CAN BE USED, BUT WILL BE REMOVED IF IMPROPERLY USED.
3. Exhibitors must wear clean jeans or black pants with no holes and a white long sleeve shirt or FFA attire during the show and auction. No hats allowed during the show. Hats are allowed during the auction.
4. All exhibitors must be at his or her pen and ready to show his or her hog when classes are called.
5. All animals will be graded by the Judge at the Swine Show using the Modified Danish System. They will be awarded a Blue, Red or White Ribbon, and receive premium money in each division.

SALE:

1. **IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE EXHIBITOR TO FIND A BUYER FOR HIS/HER ANIMAL.**
The Clay County Fair Association is not responsible for providing buyers. **Exhibitors should not solicit fair vendors as potential buyers.**
2. Multi-Buyer(s) Form (One Animal per sheet)
Please complete ALL information in full including Email for billing purposes (Please use pen or pencil to complete the form. NO Markers)
Please do not list any buyers under \$1.00 (Anything below \$1.00 a pound the participant is responsible for collecting.)
3. Swine will be sold in order starting with Grand and Reserve Champions then by placement in class as determined by the Swine Superintendent.
4. All hogs will be sold to the highest bidder, and all animals must be slaughtered following the sale.
5. Three Percent (3%) will be deducted from the total sale of the animal and put in the Livestock Fund. This will be used to bring any sale animal up to minimum sale price or to buy a sale animal that has received no bids. The minimum sale price will be determined at the sale by the Clay County Agricultural Fair Livestock Director. If the expense does not exceed the 3% income for that year, the remaining 3% balance will remain in the livestock account. Excess money will be used for the same purposes in future Clay County Agricultural Fairs. Other expenses such as the hauling fee, Buyer Dinner expenses and the Auctioneer fee will be deducted from this account; any other expenses may be deducted from this account only by the Livestock Director and approved by the CCFA Board of Directors.

SWINE AWARDS: Danish System Premium Money:

Blue	\$15.00	Red	\$10.00	White	\$5.00
Grand Champion		\$75.00		Trophy	
Reserve Grand Champion		\$50.00		Trophy	

Superintendent's choice awards will also be awarded for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion.

EACH WEIGHT DIVISION:

1st Place	\$25.00	Rosette
2nd Place	\$20.00	Rosette
3rd Place	\$15.00	Rosette
4th Place	\$10.00	Rosette
5th Place	\$ 5.00	Rosette
6th Place	\$ 5.00	Rosette

SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST:

There will be a Showmanship Contest following the Swine Show that will have a Junior Division (members 12 years of age and under as of September 1, 2020) and a Senior Division (members 13 years and over as of September 1, 2020). Youth will be judged on how well they show their animals.

Awards for Junior & Senior Showmanship Divisions:

1st Place	\$25.00	Plaque
2nd Place	\$20.00	Plaque
3rd Place	\$15.00	Plaque
4th Place	\$10.00	Plaque

RECORD BOOK AWARDS:

All record books must be picked up the night of the show or by the end of the last night of the fair. Record books not picked up will jeopardize your slot in the next year's show & sale.

Blue Ribbon - \$20.00 Red Ribbon - \$ 10.00 White Ribbon – ribbon only

All premium award money will be forfeited if not collected by the end of the Fair.

AFTER THE FAIR:

1. The exhibitor must turn in their completed Record Book to the Clay County Agricultural Fair Office no later than the close of the business day **Friday, April 30, 2021**. Any Record Books received after this date or not complete will result in the 4-H/FFA Exhibitor being fined a \$100.00 penalty from their final check that will be put into the 3% Livestock fund and they will have to go into the drawing for the next year. The exhibitor will sign in at the fair office acknowledging their book is at the fair office. After all books are received, the swine and steer superintendents will turn all 4-H books over to the 4-H office which will complete the fair project. FFA books are returned to each FFA participant. **Write thank you letters to all buyer(s) and turn them in with your project book in an addressed, stamped, sealed envelope. The Fair Association**

- will mail the letters.** An exhibitor who met all requirements on time and meet all current Clay County Fair requirements will be eligible for the same animal project. (Participant can have the option to switch programs one time only.)
2. **BUYER PLAQUES:** Plaques must be picked up from the Fair Office **after** May 21, 2021 by the exhibitor or parent and delivered to their buyer(s). A Livestock Buyer Follow up Form must be completed when delivering the plaque and returned to the Fair Office when you are picking up your check. If a correction has to be made on a plaque, the participant could be responsible for the price of the replacement.
An email will be sent out to notify you that the Buyer Plaques are ready for pick-up.
 3. **Checks: Checks will be issued after June 21, 2021 providing “ALL” Livestock Buyer payments have been received. If anyone of your buyers do not pay their bid amount it will be deducted from your check.** An email will be sent out to notify you that the checks are ready for pick-up. No checks will be disbursed until all requirements have been completed. Checks will only be given to exhibitors with proper identification, such as photo ID, Fair ID Badge or 4-H/FFA card. Parents listed on application may pick up checks with proper ID. ****The swine project requires that all checks must be deposited within 30 days of receipt. If a check is not deposited within this timeframe the checks will be voided and your slot in the next year’s show & sale will be jeopardized.

“THE CLAY COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION “LIVESTOCK DIRECTOR AND THE CCFA BOARD OF DIRECTORS” The Livestock Director and the CCFA board of Directors will have the final judgment in regard to the interpretation of all rules and regulations. During the creating/typing/printing of these rules, changes, errors, deletions, or omissions may occur, in which case the “Clay County Fair Association” reserves the right to construe its own rules and regulations, and to decide all matters and differences in regards thereto including amendments. The Clay County Fair Association also reserves the right to refuse exhibitors.