SWINE - Breeding

Project # and Name	Skill Level, Age Time Commitment	Project, Skill-a-thon/Judging and Fair Requirements For County Participation	4-H Competitive and Educational Opportunities

140   Breeding Swine
 	
Required Project and Record Book:
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Required Resource Handbook:
134R Swine Resource Handbook
 	
Repeating Project:
May be repeated with the same or different breeding hogs.
 	
Skill Requirements:
Skill-a-thon/project judging based on general information of breeding swine contained in the Swine Resource Handbook and skills in the Swine Skill-a-thon Kit.
	Age 8 to 18
	
	Minimum of 12 weeks Project Work Time.
	
	STATE FAIR REQUIREMENT: You must be enrolled with a 4-H breeding swine project to show in the Jr. Fair Breeding Swine Classes at the Ohio State Fair.
	
	2024 Skill-a-thon Stations
	• Body Parts
	• Nutrition
	• Biosecurity
	• Meats
	• Ear Notching & Breeds
		Project Requirements:
		♦ **Breeding Swine Animal Requirements:**
		  A. In the possession and care of the member by May 1st.
		  B. Minimum of one gilt or sow with the goal of farrowing a litter after completing one year in the breeding swine project.
		♦ **Ear Notching:** Breeding hogs must be ear notched for identification purposes.
		♦ **Skill-a-thon/Project Judging:** You **must participate** in the Clark County 4-H Skill-a-thon/Project Judging to complete your project and show market hogs raised from your breeding project in county farrowed, market gilt, market breed, market barrow shows at the Clark County Fair or to show breeding stock at the Ohio State Fair.
		♦ **Project Book Work:**
		  A. Select a minimum of five activities in your project level to complete.
		  B. Complete the Quality Assurance and Animal Records Section based on project level.
		  C. Participate in learning, leadership and citizenship activities.
		  D. Study one or more topics of interest in the Swine Resource Book.
		Skill-a-thon/Project Judging Requirements:
		♦ **Project Book:** Bring project and record book with completed activities to project judging/skill-a-thon.
		♦ **Feed Info:** Attach feed tag(s) or farm ration fed to your breeding swine in your project and record book.
		♦ **Project Interview:** Answer questions about your project experience including general 4-H knowledge, project book knowledge and breeding swine care.
		♦ **Study:** Use your project book, Swine Resource Handbook, Swine Skill-a-thon and QA Kits to prepare.
		Fair Requirements:
		♦ **Show Opportunities:**
		  A. No show opportunities for breeding swine at the Clark Co. Fair.
		  B. You may show a gilt or barrow you have raised in your breeding swine project in the market hog shows and/or county farrowed show if also enrolled in the market hog project.
		  C. See Market Hog Project Requirements for more details.
			<u>**County Events**</u>
			
			Skill-a-thon/Project Judging
			Tues., June 11, **5 PM – 9 PM**
			Wed., June 12, **5 PM – 9 PM**
			Complex, Clark Co. Fairgrounds
			
			Outstanding Project Book
			Submit - at Skill-a-thon
			Pick-Up - Check-In or show
			
			<u>**State Fair**</u>
			http://www.ohiostatefair.com/
			
			Possession: May 22
			Entry Deadline: June 20
			
			Session 1: Youth Crossbred Market Gilts, Breeding Gilts, Youth Prospect Gilts and Barrows Arrival: 7/22/24
			Showmanship: 7/23/24
			Youth Market Gilt Show: 7/23/24
			Youth Breeding Gilt Show: 7/24/24
			
			Session 2: Jr. Purebred Gilts
			Arrival: 7/25/24
			Proctored Virtual Skill-a-thon: 7/26/24
			Jr. Swine Showmanship: 7/26/24
			Jr. Purebred Gilt Show: 7/27/24