

## Department 103 – Jr. Swine

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### Registration Deadline: June 10, 2026

### Animal Check in 8:00-10:00AM Tuesday

### Judging: Wednesday 4:00 PM

#### Rules/Guidelines:

1. There will be no Breeding Division for Swine at the Fair. The swine show is terminal for 2026. Upon release from the fairgrounds, self-hauls are not permitted.
2. Tack areas are limited, please bring only necessary items.
3. Check-in: All hogs must arrive at the Fair with a certificate of veterinary inspection (health papers) and be checked in with the Superintendent by 10:00 AM on Tuesday. Hog check-in begins at 8:00 AM. Any hogs unloaded before being checked in with the Superintendent, will forfeit show rights. Health papers must have the Washington County Fair ear tag numbers written on them and be dated with-in the last 30 days. The certificate of veterinary inspection must state that all animals in the herd have been inspected on the farm within 30 days prior to the fair and no disease has been present in the herd for the last 30 days. All Fair paperwork will be collected at time of unloading, this includes health papers, consignment/ethics/antibiotics.
4. All hogs must be single RFID tagged with Washington County Fair Identification Day issued tag **upon arrival** at the fair. All unofficial tags (including sale or breeder tags) must be removed. If a tag is missing, the animal will not be eligible to show in a market class. **If a tag is lost during the feeding period, the superintendent, or the livestock committee chairman must be notified within one week.** Arrangements will be made to retag the animal.
5. Weigh-In: Swine will be weighed pen by pen immediately following the Exhibitor meeting at **10:30 AM on**
6. Conduct: No one is allowed in the show ring except those approved by the Superintendent.

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7. Exhibitors must do their own work; this is part of the learning process. Any mentoring by a project leader or breeder should be complete by the time of the Fair. Exhibitors need to get written permission from the Swine Superintendent to have anyone other than an immediate family member touch, handle, or prepare their pig. This includes going into the animal's pen. This rule will be in effect from **8:00 AM on Tuesday** to until all judging has been completed on Wednesday evening. This rule applies to anywhere on the fairgrounds. Other Washington County Junior Fair swine exhibitors and their family members can assist any exhibitor in penning or moving animals at any time. The immediate family is defined as brother, sister, parent/guardian, stepparent/guardian, or grandparent.
8. Exhibitors and their families shall conduct themselves in an ethical manner and maintain honesty throughout this competitive environment before, during, and after the event. Should misconduct be discovered, the entry and exhibitor will not be allowed to compete. Should misconduct be discovered after the show, the exhibitor will be required to forfeit ribbons, championships, and premiums awarded.
9. Barn hours are posted in the barn. No one is allowed in the barn during closed hours, without Superintendent permission.
10. A maximum of one pen will be allotted for each swine exhibitor. Please pen your fair pigs together prior to the fair to eliminate fighting.
11. Exhibitors who violate any of the rules may be prohibited from competition at future events and/or loss of premiums.

Recommendations for 2026:

- Feeding your pigs before 8:00 AM in the morning and between 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM at night.
- Clean your pens before 8:00 AM not during the day to avoid a lot of contact with the general public.

## Division A – Market Class

Class No:

1. Market Hog (1<sup>st</sup> Hog)
2. Market Hog (2<sup>nd</sup> Hog)
3. Home Bred and Raised Market Hog (1<sup>st</sup> Hog)
4. Home Bred and Raised Market Hog (2<sup>nd</sup> Hog)

Division Rules:

1. 225 lbs. minimum weight.
2. There will be no maximum weight for market class barrows or gilts.
3. If entering only ONE hog (not HBR): enter in Class No.1. If entering TWO hogs (not HBR): enter in both Class No. 1 and Class No. 2. If entering Home Bred and Raised (HBR): enter Class No. 3 for the first hog and Class No. 4 for the second HBR hog.
4. **If you have a MIX of purchased and home bred and raised hogs and have not decided which will go to the Fair, enter them as home bred and raised. They will be finalized/repositioned at the Fair when verifying qualifications. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to notify the swine Superintendent, which animals will be in the Home Bred and Raised class upon unloading at the Fair. If the HBR entries for recognition and ranking of the top two, after market classes are completed. In this scenario HBR Champion will not compete in the Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion drives.**
5. Exhibitors may enter a maximum of 2 animals in Division A
6. Exhibits that have been erroneously entered may, at the discretion of the department Superintendent, be transferred to their proper class prior to the judging.

**To qualify for the Market Classes:**

All hogs must be in compliance with all Identification Day rules and deadlines. Identification day will be Saturday April 25, 2026 at the Public Agency Center (PAC) in West Bend from 8 AM to 10 AM. Tags and instructions will be given on Identification Day. Exhibitors need to tag and take three (3) clear pictures of each animal according to instructions and fill out the Showman.app. Ear tag numbers must be readable in the head shot photo. All forms (including pictures) must be submitted by May 5, 2026 BY MIDNIGHT to the Showman.app. Check with the registration committee at the Identification Day.

A minimum of two (2) approved educational experiences must be completed and reported on the proper form. The educational form must be completed, signed and submitted to [wash.co.asa.1858@gmail.com](mailto:wash.co.asa.1858@gmail.com) by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Thank-you cards for the trophies (or other market class awards) and the Meat Animal Sale are very important to keep a positive image for the swine project. They need to be filled out with at least two sentences in the main message. The envelopes must be addressed clearly with both address and return address, be unsealed, and have a valid postage stamp. Thank-you cards must be turned into the Superintendent by noon on Saturday.

**To qualify for the Home Bred and Raised Market Class:**

The exhibitor or the exhibitor's immediate family must have full ownership of, and be in possession of, the mother (gilt or sow) of the animal entered at the time of breeding and maintain possession on the premises of the exhibitor or exhibitor's immediate family. Proof of ownership will need to be provided if requested. This proof of ownership may include, but may not be limited to, dated pictures, dated animal or semen receipts, dated and signed first-hand accounts of seeing the animals by a 4H project leader, an FFA advisor or the swine Superintendent. The immediate family is defined as brother, sister, parent/guardian, stepparent/guardian, or grandparent. Any exhibitor who cannot prove ownership or does not meet all these requirements will show in the regular market class and will not be eligible for the Home Bred and Raised Market Class. Meat Animal Sale committee definitions will be used for sale recognition only and do not prove eligibility for this class.

All market animals will be divided as equally as possible into weight divisions based on weights when weighted on entry day.

Market barrows, market gilts, and home bred and raised market hogs will all show separately in different classes at the discretion of the Superintendent. The Superintendent may put barrows, gilts, and/or HBR entries together in a class, if it would allow for more even classes by weight spread or to get the classes to better fit the Danish ribbon system. Animals cannot be shown more than one market class.

Non-Sale animals may show separately.

The Champion Barrow, Champion Gilt, and Champion Home Bred and Raised will compete for the Grand Champion. Top five of each (barrow, gilt, HBR) will be selected and receive ribbon only. No premiums are given for top five; they already would have a premium from class placing.

## Division B- Carcass – Hog

(Danish Judging) Carcass Shows – The Ultrasound on Friday will be used as our Carcass Evaluation.

One entry must be made to receive premiums. Time and dates are subject to change.

Class No:

1. Carcass  
Champion-Ribbon Only

## Division C – Swine Showmanship (Danish) – Age on Jan 1 of exhibit year.

Class No:

1. Senior, 17 and over
2. Intermediate, 14-16 years
3. Junior, 11-13 years
4. Beginner, 8-10 years

## Division D – Herdsmanship Award

### Class No:

1. Swine

### Division Rules:

This entry is for CLUBS or CHAPTERS. An exhibitor should check with their club or chapter before **June 10<sup>TH</sup>** to be sure they are entered. An exhibitor does NOT need to list this division on their entry form. Premiums will be awarded for keeping the animals on exhibit in neat appearance, bedding and boxes in the proper place and the walkways in the barn in the barn in good order and appearance. Any decorations erected during barn cards will be considered in the Judging. All decorations must be removed before any premiums are paid. Any group not participating in judging herdsmanship may be disqualified.

## Division E – Non-Animal Educational Exhibits

**\*\* See Dept. 110 Jr. Animal/Vet Science Division D\*\***

## Division F – Pot Belly Pig

Non-Animal Exhibits only – see Division E (above)

## Division G – Performance Class

### Class No:

1. Market Hog (1<sup>st</sup> Hog)
2. Market Hog (2<sup>nd</sup> Hog)

### Division Rules:

We will have a performance class in which hogs will be live scanned at the Fair. The scan data, combined with show results, will be entered into a spreadsheet. This will calculate a ranking.

## Little Squealers Showmanship

The contest is open to children five to eight years of age. Children/parents will be required to arrange to use one of the Jr. Project swine show animals that are already in the swine barn at the fairgrounds. You are asked to use animals that tend to behave well during the Jr. Show. Children will be divided into groups based on their basic showmanship skill.

The comments made from the judge will include tips on improving these skills. Ribbons will be awarded to all Participants. An Application Form / Permission Slip is required. Forms are available on the last page of Dept 103 Premium Book Instruction [below] or at the Fair Park Office. Forms are due by **June 10<sup>th</sup>** to the Name and Address listed on the Application Form. No late entries will be accepted.

**Show time is approximately 10:30 AM Sunday in the Washington County Fair Park Farm Progress Arena.**

## Premiums Chart:

Dept.	Division group	Class number	Class description	1st	2nd	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4th
103	A		ALL CLASSES	\$6.00	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$3.00
103	B	1	Carcass	\$6.00	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$3.00
103	C	1	ALL CLASSES	\$3.00	\$2.50	\$2.00	\$1.50
103	D	--	Herdsmanship	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$3.00	\$2.00
103	G	1	ALL CLASSES	\$6.00	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$3.00

A	Market Class
B	Carcass-Hog
C	Swine Showmanship
D	Herdsmanship Award
G	Performance Class

# Little Squealers Showmanship Contest

**\*Please note time & bolded items\***



The Little Squealers Swine Showmanship contest is on **Sunday** of the County Fair at **approximately 10:30 AM**, in the Washington County Fair Park Farm Progress Arena. The contest is open to children 5-8 years old who are not yet old enough to have a livestock fair entry.

Children/Parents/Guardian will be required to arrange to use one of the Junior Project Swine Show animals that are already in the swine barn at the fairgrounds. Safety is important, so you should use animals that behaved well during the junior show.

The children will be divided into groups based on age or at the discretion of the Swine Superintendent. Children will be judged on their basic showmanship skills. The comments made by the judge will include tips on improving these skills. Ribbons will be awarded to all participants.

Registration due **by June 10<sup>th</sup>**. Parents should come one hour early to help set up the ring and walkway. **Mandatory meeting** in show ring one half hour before the event.

PLEASE SEND YOUR ENTRY BY **JUNE 10<sup>th</sup>**. Return the completed and signed Application and Permission Slip to Emily Pfeifer W4200 Tagay Tay Ter, Fredonia WI 53021.



## Little Squealers Showmanship Application/Permission Slip

CHECK ONE

- I need a pig assigned to me.
- I am using a pig from \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

I give my child permission to enter the Little Squealers Showmanship contest on **Sunday of the County Fair, approximately 10:30 AM**, in the **Washington County Farm Progress Arena**. I accept the risks and agree to release the Washington County Fair from any liabilities.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent/Guardian Signature)

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(Date Signed)

**RETURN BY **JUNE 10** TO:**

Emily Pfeifer  
W4200 Tagay Tag Ter  
Fredonia, WI 53021