

ANIMAL SCIENCE ACTIVITIES

Project Enrollment: In order to participate in Animal Science activities, each member must be a member in good standing of a 4-H Club, FFA Chapter, Jr. Holstein Association or any other youth group of Washington County and be enrolled in an Animal Science project. A list of these organizations will be available at the UW-Extension Office in West Bend.

Project Changes: If a 4-H member wants to enroll in a project, they must contact their general leader. The changes must be made by March 1.

Animal Science Association Meetings: The meetings offer both educational programs and opportunities for all families to discuss needs for the Association.

Carcass Evaluation: Participants have the opportunity to evaluate beef, swine and lamb carcasses. A qualified judge makes a final evaluation of carcasses.

Judging Programs: These workshops are set up to give the youth practical experience in on-the-hoof and carcass evaluation.

Showing and Fitting: This meeting is held to give the project member a demonstration on the correct ways to fit their animals for showing. We will also demonstrate the proper methods of showing their project to the judges on show days.

Area Animal Science Days: This event is offered to allow project members a chance to compete with other counties in livestock and carcass evaluation as well as other events. All Animal Science members may participate.

Spring Preview Show: This livestock show is a statewide exhibition for all three Meat Animal species. It will be held in Beaver Dam, and has been an excellent early show for experienced exhibitors. Contact the UW-Extension Office for information.

State Fair Sign-up: This is a time set aside for youth planning to show their animals at the Junior Division of the Wisconsin State Fair. You will be instructed in how to fill out your entry forms and hand in fees. All members must attend or contact the UW-Extension Office.

Washington County Fair: This is the chance to show the animals that you have worked so hard on all year. The individual species are shown on Wednesday and Thursday. The livestock sale is held in the evening in the Farm Progress Show Arena. **County Fair entries are due by June 30.**

Wisconsin State Fair: Junior exhibitors, 12-19 years, are allowed to show their animals in competition with junior showman from other counties. Youth are given the opportunity to stay in the youth dorms located on the fairgrounds. State Fair animal exhibitors are required to attend the State Fair sign-up meeting.