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 Poultry 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.

IF YOU ARE A LITTLE BUDDY PLEASE CHECK HERE: _____

My big buddy is: ________________________________

NUMBER OF YEARS IN PROJECT: _________

AGE: _______
Your age you enter depends on how old you were on January 1, 2018.

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:

__________________________________________________________________________________________
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OBJECTIVES

1. Develop desirable work habits, sportsmanship, and ability to cooperate and express ideas through participation in projects, discussions, method demonstrations, judging teams, and exhibits.
2. Experience the pride and responsibility of leasing/owning and caring for poultry.
3. Learn how to feed, fit, show, breed and raise poultry.
4. Learn proper handling procedures to prevent injuries to members and their poultry projects.
5. Appreciate and use scientific information in poultry production and marketing.
6. Improve knowledge of grading, marketing and merchandising of poultry and poultry products.
7. Improve knowledge of the nutritive value of poultry meat and eggs and how they contribute toward good health.
8. Learn the importance of the poultry industry to the local, state, and national economies.
9. Acquire information on the opportunity that poultry offers as a career.

This record book is part of your Junior Market Chicken 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. Pictures are a required part of your notebook. Taking pictures of your project animal throughout the project will indicate how your animal has grown and developed. Add pictures to your notebook on a separate piece of paper.

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. Notebooks 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 a parent or 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 writing of the answers and understanding of the questions only.

__________________________________________
(Signature of person helping with notebook)

____________________________________________
(Printed name by member)
ABOUT YOUR CHICKENS

*My Chicken’s Names are:* (if you did not name your market chickens, what is the name of your showmanship chicken)

________________________________________________________________________________________

*My Chicken’s breeds are:* ________________________________

*What color are your Chickens?* ____________________________

*My Chickens favorite thing to do is:* ____________________________

________________________________________________________________________________________

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FINAL WEIGHT (FW)___________ AGE___________ DATE___________
**EXPENSES**

(A) Cost of chicks $_______________________

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(C) TOTAL SPENT ON OTHER EXPENSES $ 

GRAND TOTAL OF ALL EXPENSES (TE): $ ______________________
(total of A, B and C)

\[
\frac{\text{Total Expenses (TE)}}{\text{Final Weight (FW)}} = \text{Break Even Price (BE)}
\]
(or total cost per pound to raise your animal)

** have your parent, leader or an older teen in your club help you figure out your breakeven price. The breakeven price is the price that you need to get at the Junior Market animal auction in order to not lose money on your market project. **
Your project requires regular care and management. Include the following:
- Feeding and watering practices
- Health practices and medicines (vaccinations, etc.)
- General Management (building a cage, cleaning living area, feed pans, 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)

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<td>Make sure to explain they are signing to be a potential buyer, they are NOT signing that they are required to buy your animal</td>
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<td>Send a picture to your potential buyers and keep in touch with them</td>
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<td>Make sure to visit your previous buyers</td>
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<td>Only thank those who agree to be listed as a potential buyer</td>
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WHAT DOES YOUR CHICKEN NEED?
(have an adult help you read the following & then circle those items that your chickens 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 chickens are sick the farmer will treat them with the help of the veterinarian, they may need vaccinations. Chickens like food such as corn kernels as they scratch the ground for food.
PARTS OF A CHICKEN
POULTRY, LEVEL I
Activity Sheet 2, Color a Rainbow Chicken

Color the parts according to this list.

1. Comb—red
2. Beak—yellow
3. Eye—blue
4. Ear—green
5. Earlobe—purple
6. Wattles—red
7. Neck—yellow
8. Breast—orange
9. Thigh—purple
10. Wing—purple
11. Hock—red
12. Shanks—green
13. Foot and Toes—yellow
14. Spur—orange
15. Abdomen—blue
16. Shoulder—green
17. Back—red
18. Tail—yellow
SHOWMANSHIP
(number the showmanship steps in the correct order)

___ Examining Undercolor
___ Measuring Depth of Abdomen
___ Showing Width of Body
___ Posing the Bird
___ Measuring Width of Pubic Bones
___ Checking the Breast
___ Examining Feet & Legs
___ Examining Wings
___ Examining Head
___ Carrying the Bird

LEARN THE LIFE CYCLE OF A CHICKEN AS YOU COLOR THE PICTURE
TRUE OF FALSE
(circle T for True or F for False)

1. Placing a bird in its carrying crate a couple of times before show day is a good way to train it to be calm when in its crate  
   T  F

2. When removing a bird from its cage, you should remove its head first.  
   T  F

3. If your bird moves both legs during posing, keep trying to repose it until you get it to stand still.  
   T  F

4. When cleaning your bird’s feathers, go from head to tail; do not go against the feathers.  
   T  F

5. A place where poultry are housed or exhibited is its stall.  
   T  F

6. During judging be alert & smile, look at the judge from time to time and be courteous. Answer the judge’s questions politely using the words “sir” or ma’am.”  
   T  F

7. A cloverbud is a 4-Her ages 5-8 who must have an adult close by when handling their poultry animals.  
   T  F

8. For your market project you must sell a pen of 2 chickens.  
   T  F

9. Each market chicken must weigh a minimum of 8 pounds.  
   T  F

10. Your poultry must be checked for pollorum on entry day of Fair at the Oceana County Fair?  
    T  F

11. You must accumulate 9 points in order to sell your animal, 6 from 4-H meetings and 3 from nonclub points.  
    T  F

12. You can learn the breeds by studying the Standards of Perfection. It will also tell what a “perfect” bird is.  
    T  F

13. Water is not very important to your chicken, if you forget to give it fresh water frequently it is okay.  
    T  F

14. You will show your market chickens during showmanship.  
    T  F
PROJECT INFORMATION

What Does Not Belong?

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

1. Poultry have: muzzles, eyes, beaks, crops

2. Poultry eat: insects, corn, pellets, hay

3. The people who help me take care of and learn about my flock are:
   my mail person, my parents, the veterinarian, my club leader

4. Chicken breeds: Cornish, Wyandotte, Leghorn, Angus

Finish the Sentences

1. My flock 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: ____________________________
   ___________________________________________________
   ___________________________________________________
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**IDENTIFY GOOD AND BAD CHARACTER ACTIONS**

Color in the face, a smiling face = a good action; a frowning face = a bad action.

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<td>Make sure your animal always has water</td>
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<td>Complete your record book yourself, the best you can (ask for help if needed)</td>
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<td>Insult competitors</td>
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How did you show good character this year? Did you help someone, or maybe you treated your animals extra special?

__________________________________________________________________________________________

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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 ________________

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 Junior Market project, you must personally contact at least five 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 an Oceana Agricultural Society rule. Failure to comply will result in not being able to sell your animal in the Junior Market Auction. Please have all buyers signatures on (1) one sheet as copies need to be made at the MSUE office.
JUNIOR MARKET/SMALL MARKET POTENTIAL BUYER’S LIST
CHICKEN PROJECT (AGES 5-8)

Name_________________________________________ Club_____________________________

Please print business names, phone numbers and complete addresses clearly.

1. Contact Name____________________________________________________________________
   Business Name____________________________________________________________________
   Mailing Address___________________________________________________________________
   Phone____________________________________________________________________________
   Signature________________________________________________________________________

2. Contact Name____________________________________________________________________
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5. Contact Name____________________________________________________________________
   Business Name____________________________________________________________________
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   Phone____________________________________________________________________________
   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.)
**NON-CLUB POINTS**

**JUNIOR/SMALL MARKET PROJECT**
(This must be filled out by participant before presenting for signatures at the MSUE office)

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