MECOSTA COUNTY 4-H POULTRY PROJECT AREA

NOTEBOOK GUIDELINES

POULTRY EDUCATIONAL NOTEBOOK #5

Items A, B, C, D and E are required for all notebooks:

A. Decorative cover
B. Title page
C. Table of contents and Notebook Guidelines
D. Your 4-H story – tell us about your Poultry Project (to be completed each year)
E. Place the year that you complete each page in the lower right corner of each page.

You must complete at least six of the twelve items to be considered a complete project notebook for the year. However, you do have the option of completing all twelve if you wish.

Please remember to keep the pages from Notebook #1, 2, 3 and 4 in your binder as this is a progressive project notebook and should illustrate the knowledge you have gained over the years in your project area.

Year 
Completed

____ 1. Describe and explain the important characteristics of 10 breeds of poultry (i.e. Japanese bantams, Isa Brown, Bronze Breasted Turkey, Pekin Duck, etc.) Examples of important characteristics includes, but are not limited to:
   a. Average weight (male and female)
   b. Color(s) of feathers, feet, skin, eggs, etc.
   c. Comb type

____ 2. Define the following terms as they refer to poultry:
   a. Incubator
   b. Gallus domesticus
   c. Genus
   d. Sex-linked
   e. Straight Run
   f. Blastodisc
   g. Cuticle
   h. Fertilization
   i. Chick Tooth
   j. Pip

____ 3. Describe the feeding ration for pullets, laying hens and fryers.

____ 4. Explain the market procedure from producer to consumer.

____ 5. Describe the use of chicken manure as a fertilizer and what compounds must be added for a balanced fertilizer.

____ 6. Label the parts of a Chicken Skeleton.

____ 7. Label the parts of a goose

____ 8. Explain the importance of ventilation, regular cleaning, etc. in your aviary. Provide a sample of your coop maintenance schedule.

____ 9. Continue your record of expenses (feed, bedding, housing, purchase of new poultry)

____ 10. Include ribbons, awards, etc., from your poultry project area.

____ 11. Add pictures of you and your poultry.

____ 12. Define biosecurity as it relates to poultry flocks. List at least four (4) standard measures that poultry producers might use on their farms to increase biosecurity of their flocks.
PARTS OF A GOOSE

A. ____________________  N. ____________________
B. ____________________  O. ____________________
C. ____________________  P. ____________________
D. ____________________  Q. ____________________
E. ____________________  R. ____________________
F. ____________________  S. ____________________
G. ____________________  T. ____________________
H. ____________________  U. ____________________
I. ____________________  V. ____________________
J. ____________________  W. ____________________
K. ____________________  X. ____________________
L. ____________________  Y. ____________________
M. ____________________  Z. ____________________