MECOSTA COUNTY 4-H SHEEP PROJECT AREA
NOTEBOOK GUIDELINES
SHEEP EDUCATIONAL NOTEBOOK # 3

Items A, B, C, D and E are required for notebooks 2-4

A. Decorative Cover
B. Title Page
C. Table of Contents and Notebook Guidelines
D. Your 4-H story (Tell about your sheep project- where you obtained, your goals etc.)
E. Place the year that you complete each page in the lower right corner of each page.

Level Three (3) Sheep notebook options:

Options #1 -Fifth year complete 6 of the following items.
            -Sixth year complete the remaining 6 items.

Option #2 - Fifth year complete all 12 items.

Year
Completed

_____ 1. Describe and tell the important characteristics of (2) “ewe breeds” and (2) “ram breeds”.
          Total of (11) breeds in notebook. Include body type, breed standard and country of origin.

_____ 2. Identify and label the parts of the reproductive system. Diagrams on page 2.

_____ 3. Define the following terms; ovary, cervix, uterus, oviduct, scrotum, testicles, epididymis and sheath.

_____ 4. List (6) lambing supplies you should have available and why you would use them.

_____ 5. List (4) possible lamb loss reasons and how to avoid them.

_____ 6. Describe (2) techniques for castrating and docking a lamb and the benefits of each.

_____ 7. Describe the desirable characteristics of the sheep’s loin, shoulders and legs.

_____ 8. Explain the difference between lamb and mutton and include (2) recipes containing either one.

_____ 9. List (6) sheep by-products and their uses.

_____ 10. List what techniques are used to deworm sheep. Explain liquid drench and how to administer it.

_____ 11. Continue your sheep records for breeding, feeding, and expenses. Include in notebook

_____ 12. Include pictures of you and your sheep and any ribbons/awards you may have won at fairs/shows.
Reproductive Systems

Ram Reproductive Parts
- Testicle
- Epididymis
- Sheath
- Scrotum
- Penis
- Sigmoid Flexure
- Retractor Penis Muscle

Ewe Reproductive Parts
- Oviduct
- Ovary (2)
- Uterus
- Cervix
- Vagina
- Vulva