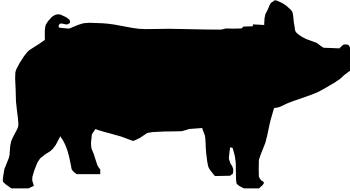
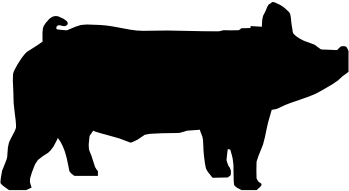
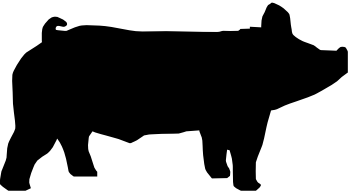


4-H SWINE PROJECT



Quick Reference Guide

Types of Swine Projects

Market Hogs	Registered Breeding Swine	Commercial Gilts
		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shortest-term swine project. • Any breed or combination of crossbreeding qualify. • Gilts and barrows. • Shown by breed type and weight (200-285 lbs.). • Will require health papers. • Moderate-cost livestock project. • Animal raised for meat. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long-term swine project. • Purebred or association accepted percentage. • Only females shown. • Breed association registration papers required. • Will require health papers. • Shown by age. • Moderate-cost livestock project. • Animal raised for breeding purposes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short- or long-term swine project. • Any breed or combination of crossbreeding qualify. • Gilts only. • Shown by weight (220 lbs. min.). • Will require health papers. • Moderate-cost livestock project. • Animal raised for breeding purposes.

Estimated Timeline: Eight months to one year.

Estimated Cost: \$700 to \$3,000-plus.

Estimated Space Requirement: 50 to 120 sq. ft. with covered areas if outdoors.

Estimated Production Outcome:

280 lbs. live weight = 201 lbs. hot carcass weight (HCW) = 141 lbs. boneless cuts = \$780 retail value.

Estimated Youth Outcome:

Goal setting, record keeping, critical thinking, decision making, communication, responsibility, marketable skills, self-discipline, leadership.

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For more information about this project, or 4-H in general, contact your local parish LSU AgCenter Office or visit the Louisiana 4-H website: www.LSUAgCenter.com/4H

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