

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Buying for Processing vs. Buying and Selling for Support example:

Example: Bid \$4.00/pound for 1,200lb steer with \$1.25 support price

Buying for processing: \$4.00 x 1,200lbs = \$4,800 (will also pay butcher fees directly to processor)

Buying and selling for support: \$4.00 - \$1.25 = \$2.75
\$2.75 x 1,200lbs = \$3,300

Live Animal Weight vs. Hanging Weight vs. Packaged Weight

Live weight: How much the animal weighs on the hoof.

Hanging weight: Weight given by processor after hide, head and entrails are removed.

Packaged weight: Take home weight after bones are removed and meat is trimmed and packaged.

The table below shows approximate yields.

	Live Weight	Hanging Weight	Packaged Weight
Sheep	130 lbs	70 lbs	48 lbs
Swine	250 lbs	175 lbs	125 lbs
Beef	1,200 lbs	750 lbs	490 lbs

Please note: If you paid for gate admission or parking, please let an auction clerk know so that the Livestock Association can reimburse you.



For further information contact:

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Napoleon Livestock Commission, Auctioneer

SMALL ANIMAL AUCTION

will be held

Saturday August 15, 2026 at 11:30am

Lunch at 10:30am, Registration at 10:00am

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JACKSON COUNTY



4-H/FFA

LARGE ANIMAL AUCTION
SALE ORDER (SWINE, DAIRY BASKET, BEEF, SHEEP)

Thursday, August 13, 2026
2:00pm

Jackson County Fairgrounds
Covered Livestock Arena
200 W. Ganson Street
Jackson, MI 49201

JACKSON COUNTY 4-H AND FFA LARGE ANIMAL LIVESTOCK AUCTION



The Livestock Auction is the culmination of many 4-H/FFA members' yearlong project efforts. At the auction each 4-H/FFA member will bring their animal into the auction ring. The Auctioneer then auctions the animal to the highest bidder.

4-H and FFA members dedicate countless hours caring for their project animals while learning valuable life skills along the way. The auction is the final step in their livestock project where the educational marketing aspects come to life.

Thursday, August 13, 2026

Buyer Lunch : 12:00pm

Buyer Registration: 12:30pm

(You will need to provide your name, address, phone number and driver's license number)

Auction: 2:00pm

Sale order: Swine, Dairy Basket, Beef, Sheep



BUYER REWARDS

- Contribute to the betterment of Jackson County youth.
- Quality, locally raised and wholesome meat.
- Name recognition and free advertising. After the auction your name will be displayed above the livestock project, your business name will be displayed at the 2027 Fair and you will receive a Buyer's Banner to display at your business.
- Charitable tax deduction.

PURCHASE OPTIONS

- Buy the animal and send it for processing, you pay your per pound bid price times the weight of the animal. You will choose your processor during the check out process and will be responsible for contacting them the Monday after the Auction with your cutting order. The Livestock Association will transport the animal to the processor for you. You may also take the animal home.
- Buy the animal and sell it for support to a local livestock yard, you pay the difference between your per pound bid price and the support price noted in the sale catalog times the weight to the animal. The Livestock Association will handle marketing and transporting the animal to the livestock yard.
- Add-on a flat dollar amount to any 4-H/FFA member's animal by completing an add on form during the auction.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

- Cash or check the day of the auction.
- Credit card the day of the auction, buyer will be responsible for processing fees.
- Invoice after the auction, payment is net 30 days.
- Returned checks will be subject to a \$35 processing fee.

Please note that 4-H and FFA members only receive their auction checks once all their buyers have paid in full.

FAQs

- **Can I purchase an animal if I am unable to attend the Auction?** Yes, complete the enclosed proxy form and return it to the MSU Extension Office prior to the Auction.
- **What time should I arrive?** Plan to arrive early to view animals and talk to 4-H/FFA members. Lunch begins at 12:00pm and registration will begin at 12:30pm. **Auction begins at 2:00pm.**
- **Can more than one person purchase an animal?** Yes, all names and addresses for the group must be provided to an Auction Clerk for billing purposes.
- **Who will handle billing and/or payment questions?** The Large Animal Livestock Auction Coordinator.