



# Livestock Record Book Tip Sheet

## Junior

<p><b>Project Goals</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Set goals that are project specific, realistic, and attainable. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Goals should be appropriate for member's age and skill level.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Create a realistic and useful plan to help you achieve your goal.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Other Expenses</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Record all other expenses. Items such as show supplies, entry fees, stall rent, etc. should be included.</li> <li>Do not include items such as farm utilities, gas to fair, or show clothes.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Market Performance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Calculate pounds of gain after each time weighed.</li> <li>Answer questions at the bottom of page based on your animal's performance.</li> <li>Ending Weight – Beginning Weight = Weight Gained</li> </ul>
<p><b>Beginning Inventory</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Only record items that you own at the beginning of project year.</li> <li>Do not include items such as show clothes, pickup, trailer, barns, etc.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Income Record</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Include any income you made throughout the year with your projects. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I.e., premium money, sale check</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Activity Log</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minimum of 1 community service activity should be a 4-H Club sponsored activity. Other community service activities may be listed in addition.</li> <li>At least 1 4-H Project specific demonstration should be given at a 4-H Club meeting.</li> <li>4-H specific leadership activities or events should be recorded <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4-H offers a large variety of leadership activities. There is no reason this section should be left blank or have N/A recorded.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Competitions participated in other than county fair should be recorded. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For example: jackpot shows, state fair, quiz bowl, judging.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Beginning Animal Record</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Raised Animals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Animals you raised or own at the start of your project.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Purchased Animals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Animals you purchased during project year.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Ending Animal Record</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>List animals that you still own at the end of the project year.</li> <li>The value of your animal(s) should increase over the course of the year as you have put feed and time into them.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Story</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tell about your 4-H experience over the year.</li> <li>Include details about your livestock from the beginning to end.</li> <li>When read by someone who has not been around your project, your story should give them a look into your experience.</li> <li>Utilize topics listed to help guide you, but other details and information should be included.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Health Record</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Record all health treatments with correct information.</li> <li>Cost for each treatment will be recorded in this section.</li> <li>Tasks such as cleaning pens or waterers do not classify as a health treatment. Discuss daily chores in your story.</li> <li>All animals will require some sort of health treatment. If you don't doctor your animal here are some examples: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hoof Trimming</li> <li>Clipping</li> <li>Fly Control</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Ending Equipment Inventory</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Record all equipment that you own at the end of the project year.</li> <li>If you purchased new equipment throughout the year, it should be listed here.</li> <li>Items you sold or used up should not be included on this page.</li> <li>Items such as show clothes, pickup, trailer, barns, etc. should not be included.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Photos</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minimum of 4 photos is required. More photos are acceptable.</li> <li>Photos should show progression of your project from beginning to end. Not all photos should be of just county fair.</li> <li>Captions must be included to help explain photos.</li> <li>Photos should be a visual aid to help explain your project and story.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Feed Record</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Record all feed that you purchase for your animals.</li> <li>If you rent stall space or board your animal, list this in Other Expenses.</li> <li>You do not need to calculate a total for units purchased just total feed cost.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Income Statement</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use data you recorded throughout the year to complete this page.</li> <li>All sections are color-coded to help you input the proper information.</li> <li>Answer questions at bottom of page based on information in your income statement.</li> <li>Be sure all totals are inputted correctly, and all math is correct.</li> <li>Income – Expenses = Profit/Loss</li> </ul>	<p><b>Goal Reflection</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss whether you achieved your goal or not.</li> <li>What helped you or kept you from reaching your goal?</li> </ul>