



March 23rd, 2022

TO: 2022 Sheep, Swine, Meat Goat, and Dairy Goat Families, Project Leaders & Community Club Leaders

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WHAT: Tagging for Sheep, Swine, Meat Goat & Market Dairy Wethers

WHEN/WHERE:

SWINE: The Month of April by appointment only during the day Monday – Friday. You can either bring them to the office, or we can come to your location to tag. They can also be brought on April 28th during the times scheduled for sheep and goat tagging. Call the Extension Office to schedule a time with Charlene. (316) 321-9660.

SHEEP, MEAT GOAT, AND DAIRY WETHERS: Thursday, April 28th 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. at the Butler County Extension Office. No appointment needed on this date during these times.

You are also welcome to call and schedule a time to bring them in during the month of April beginning April 4th (Monday – Friday 8am – 5 pm). All county fair market animals must be tagged by 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 28th.

- **Special note for Market Dairy Wethers:** If you are planning to exhibit Market Dairy Wethers, they must be tagged by 6:00 p.m. on April 28th and enrolled in the Dairy Goats project by May 1st. All Dairy Wethers must have a tattoo in their tail or their ear when they are brought to the office for tagging. A tag will be issued and that tag is required to come with them to County Fair.
- **June 15th:** All Breeding Gilts (pedigreed and commercial), commercial ewes, and commercial meat goat does must be tagged by June 15th. Call the Extension Office to schedule a time to bring them in to get tagged.

****FFA Members** - reach out to your FFA Advisor to schedule tagging your FFA Animals by respective deadlines***

SPECIAL TAGGING NOTE for STATE NOMINATED ANIMALS: Due to LIMITED tags available, specifically those for State (going to KSF and KJLS) nominated animals– all county market sheep, meat goat, swine and market dairy wethers will be tagged with a NON-EID tag. If you have animals that need STATE NOMINATED tags, you must call the Extension Office and let them know the number you will be nominating for each species. Please note, state nominated animals (ONLY STATE nominated animals) do NOT need to be tagged by April 28th! Only those animals exhibiting at County Fair must be tagged by April 28th. If you have an animal that you will be taking to County Fair and State shows – those animals (all species) will be required to come to county tagging on April 28th due to EID tag shortages.

Tag Cost: All county tags (Non-EID tags) are being sponsored by Hodes Veterinary Services. Please write them a Thank You! Hodes Veterinary Services, Attn: Dr. Brian Hodes, 1060 N. Rose Hill Rd., Rose Hill, KS 67133. State nominated EID tags will be \$3.

Requirements:

- ✓ **YQCA:** YQCA is REQUIRED to be eligible to exhibit ALL ANIMAL EXHIBITS (Except Horses) at the 2022 Butler County Fair and must be completed by June 1st, 2022 to be eligible to participate at the Butler County Fair. YQCA information can be found at: <https://www.butler.k-state.edu/4-h/YQCA.html>
- ✓ **ENROLLMENT:** Please double check that your 4-Her ('s) are enrolled in 4-H for the 2021-2022 year and are also enrolled in the Market and/or Breeding Project by May 1st, 2022.
- ✓ **TWO (2) FORMS FOR ALL MARKET ANIMALS:** Animal Care & Housing and Owner Certification of Market Animals. Please refer to the enclosed packet and each form for additional information. Make sure all 4-H / FFA members and Parent/Guardians sign the form. Household nomination has been included with the Animal Care and Housing Form.
- ✓ **ONE (1) FORMS FOR ALL BREEDING ANIMALS:** Animal Care & Housing. Make sure all 4-H / FFA members and Parent/Guardians sign the form.