



Preparing your 4-H'ers to be Premier Exhibitors

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Premier Exhibitor Program

- Scholarship program held during the Dixie National Junior Round-Up
- Senior 4-H / FFA educational contest (14-18 years of age)
- Entries postmarked to ADS Office by December 4, 2018
- Optional contest for exhibitors

\$2,000 scholarship

Which species are eligible to compete?



DAIRY CATTLE



MEAT GOAT



LAMB



SWINE



BEEF CATTLE



DAIRY GOAT

Premier Exhibitor Program – History



Species	2015	2016	2017	2018	4-year average
Beef cattle	24	25	38	43	32.5
Dairy cattle	2	2	5	8	4.25
Dairy goats	5	4	5	4	4.5
Meat goats	16	13	11	11	12.75
Sheep	3	4	2	6	3.75
Swine	17	20	21	34	23
TOTAL	67	68	82	106	80.75

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Premier Exhibitor Program R&R



Exhibitors

- Must qualify and exhibit their own animal at the DNJR
- May enter more than one species (resume required for each species)
- May only win in one species per year
- May win in each species only once

Premier Exhibitor Program – Points



	<u>%</u>	<u>Points</u>
Resume (Entry Form)	5	50
Written Exam	20	200
Showmanship	20	200
Animal Quality	10	100
Skill-a-thon	30	300
Interview	<u>15</u>	<u>150</u>
	100%	1000 points

Premier Exhibitor – Resume (5%)



- Reflect species-specific project work for past 3 years
- Sections to complete
 - A. Academics
 - B. Participation in animal project
 - C. Participation in 4-H club / FFA chapter, school, and church activities
 - D. Essay about impact of animal project

Premier Exhibitor – Resume (5%)



- Sections A. Academics
 - National test scores (SAT / ACT)
 - Grades attained in school
 - Mostly A's, B's C's, D's and below
 - High school GPA

Premier Exhibitor – Resume (5%)



▪ Sections B. Participation in Animal Project

- Years exhibited / # animals owned
- Animals exhibited in past 3 years
 - County, regional, national, District, State Fair, Dixie National Junior Round-Up
 - Champions received
 - Showmanship participation / results

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Premier Exhibitor – Resume (5%)



▪ Sections B. Participation in Animal Project

- Judging contests
- Visual presentations
- Other livestock-related contests
 - Meats Judging; Livestock Bowl; Dairy Bowl; Dairy Products Judging; Others

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Premier Exhibitor – Resume (5%)



- Sections C. Participation in 4-H club, school, and church activities
 - Offices held in clubs of various levels
 - School organizations / clubs
 - Church-related activities
 - Community service / citizenship activities

Premier Exhibitor – Resume (5%)

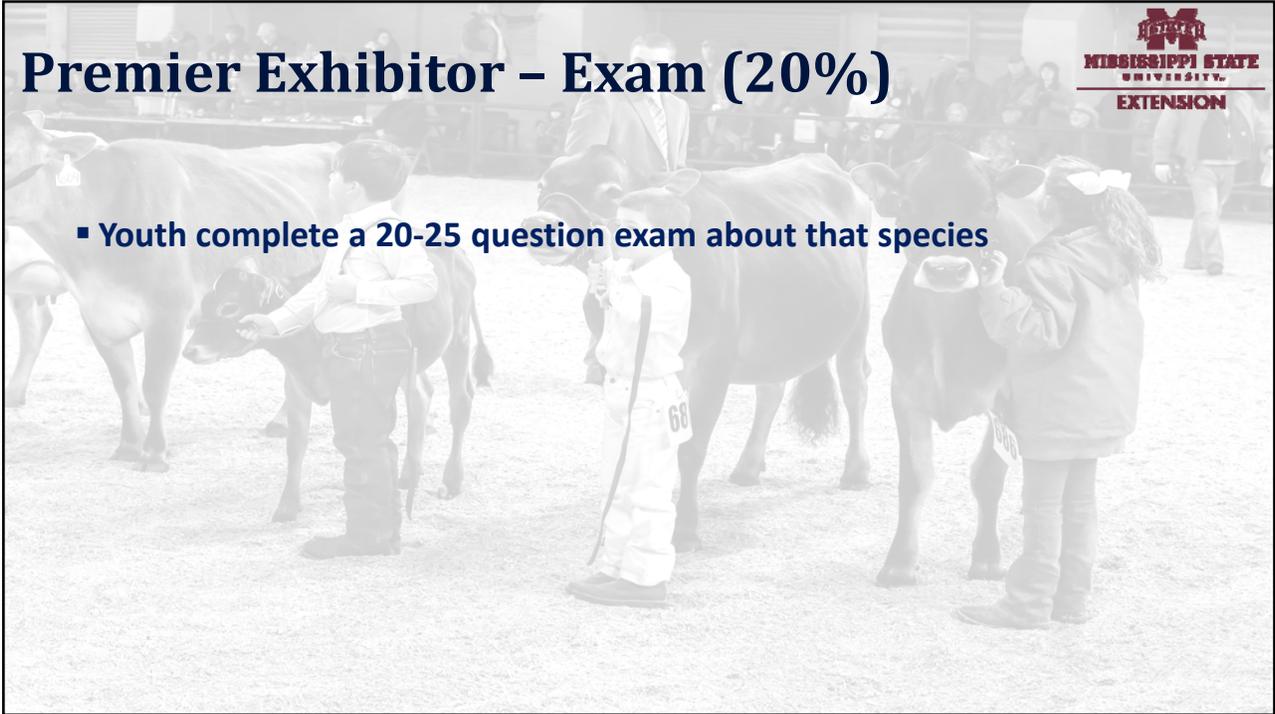


- Sections D. Write a two-page report
 - Describes impact of animal project (species-specific) on your life

Premier Exhibitor – Exam (20%)



- Youth complete a 20-25 question exam about that species



Premier Exhibitor – Exam (20%)



BEEF CATTLE RESOURCES

- Beef Learning Kit
- Mississippi 4-H Meat I.D. Card (F-816)
- Beef Showmanship (P-2210)
- National 4-H Curriculum (www.4-hcurriculum.org)
 - Beef 1 (BU-08143), 2 (BU-08144), 3 (BU-08145)
- MS 4-H Livestock Judging Manual (P-2289)
- Jeffers Catalog

Premier Exhibitor – Exam (20%)



DAIRY CATTLE RESOURCES

- Dairy Learning Kit
- Dairy Products Judging Manual (P-1423)
 - Judging Quality Defects (F-798)
 - Judging Cottage Cheese (F-799)
 - Judging Ice Cream Score Card (F-800)
 - Judging Cheddar Cheese Score Card (F-801)
 - Judging Milk Score Card (F-802)
- 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging (P-194)
- Preparing to Show Your Dairy Animal (P-1759)
- National 4-H Curriculum
 - Dairy 1, 2, 3
- Jeffers Catalog

Premier Exhibitor – Exam (20%)



DAIRY GOAT RESOURCES

- Goat Learning Kit
- National 4-H Curriculum (www.4-hcurriculum.org)
 - Dairy Goat 1 (BU-08352), 2 (BU-08353), 3 (BU-08354)
- 4-H Goat Guide (P-2264)
- Market Goat Showmanship (P-2263)
- Jeffers Catalog

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Premier Exhibitor – Exam (20%)



LAMB RESOURCES

- Sheep Learning Kit
- Mississippi 4-H Meat I.D. Card (F-816)
- Lamb Showmanship (P-2211)
- Market Lamb Project Guide: Health Care Management (P-2477)
- Market Lamb Project Guide: Nutrition (P-2478)
- Market Lamb Project Guide: Show Lamb Selection and Development (P-2479)
- National 4-H Curriculum (www.4-hcurriculum.org)
 - Sheep 1 (BU-06367), 2 (BU-06368), 3 (BU-06369)
- MS 4-H Livestock Judging Manual (P-2289)
- Jeffers Catalog

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Premier Exhibitor – Exam (20%)



MEAT GOAT RESOURCES

- Goat Learning Kit
- National 4-H Curriculum (www.4-hcurriculum.org)
 - Meat Goat 1 (BU-07909), 2 (BU-07910), 3 (BU-07911)
- 4-H Goat Guide (P-2264)
- Market Goat Showmanship (P-2263)
- Jeffers Catalog

Premier Exhibitor – Exam (20%)



SWINE RESOURCES

- Swine Learning Kit
- Mississippi 4-H Meat I.D. Card (F-816)
- Swine Showmanship (P-2212)
- National 4-H Curriculum (www.4-hcurriculum.org)
 - Swine 1 (BU-08065), 2 (BU-08066), 3 (BU-08067)
- MS 4-H Livestock Judging Manual (P-2289)
- Jeffers Catalog

Premier Exhibitor – Exam



- Sample exam questions ahead



Premier Exhibitor - Exam



- Hogs need to be as _____ as they can while maintaining good _____.
- A. fat, muscling
- B. muscled, fat cover
- C. lean, muscle
- D. fat, structure

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Premier Exhibitor – Exam



- During which stage of swine production is the amount of feed needed the greatest for each pig?
 - A. Gestation
 - B. Lactation
 - C. Starter
 - D. Grower-finisher

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Premier Exhibitor – Exam



• If you give a pig a subcutaneous injection, this means you gave the injection where?

- A. Under the skin
- B. In the muscle
- C. Into the blood
- D. Into the peritoneal cavity

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Premier Exhibitor - Exam



- Each grandparent contributes _____ of the DNA to its offspring.
 - A. 25%
 - B. 50%
 - C. 75%
 - D. 100%

Premier Exhibitor - Exam



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Premier Exhibitor – Exam



- Which breed of swine is black with white belts across the shoulders, covering the front legs around the body?

- A. Berkshire
- B. Hampshire
- C. Landrace
- D. Yorkshire

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Premier Exhibitor – Showmanship (20%)



- Permitted to show any animal they own that has qualified for the DNJR to earn points toward showmanship

- Earn 100 points for participating in showmanship
- Earn up to 100 points for actual placing in showmanship

▪ 1 st – 100 points	2 nd – 90 points	3 rd – 80 points
▪ 4 th – 70 points	5 th – 60 points	6 th – 50 points
▪ 7 th – 45 points	8 th – 40 points	9 th – 35 points
▪ 10 th – 30 points		

Premier Exhibitor – Animal Quality (10%)



- Must show animal nominated on entry form (resume); may change animal until end of check-in for that species

- Earn up to 100 points for actual placing of animal in its class

▪ 1 st – 100 points	2 nd – 90 points	3 rd – 80 points
▪ 4 th – 70 points	5 th – 60 points	6 th – 50 points
▪ 7 th – 45 points	8 th – 40 points	9 th – 35 points
▪ 10 th – 30 points		

Premier Exhibitor – Skill-a-thon (30%)



- Consists of different stations related to that species
- Allows contestant to demonstrate knowledge of the species they are showing

Premier Exhibitor – Skill-a-thon (30%)



- Breed I.D.
- Equipment I.D.
- Forage Quality
- Quality Assurance
- Feed Ingredient I.D.
- Meats I.D.
- Meats Judging
- EPD Performance
- EPD Evaluation
- Milk Products Judging
- Animal Evaluation
- Keep/Cull Decisions

Premier Exhibitor – Interview (15%)



- Contestant interviews with one or two judges
 - ADS Department Head; ADS recruiter; industry professional; Extension employee
- Questions relate to experiences gained through livestock project
 - Describe a typical day of care for your animal
 - Describe how to get more youth involved in the livestock project

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Premier Exhibitor Program R&R



- Contest rules & regulations found in DNJR premium book
- Applications and reference materials to be emailed
- Written exam, skill-a-thon, and interview phases occur at the Farmers Market on the fairgrounds
- In the event of a tie
 - Higher score in skill-a-thon phase
 - Higher score in exam phase
 - Higher score in interview phase

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Premier Exhibitor Program – Tentative Schedule



- Contestants must check-in within first hour of the contest
 - Dairy cattle – Thursday, 1/31, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
 - Swine – Friday, 2/1, from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.
 - Beef cattle – Sunday, 2/3, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
 - Lamb – Sunday, 2/3, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
 - Meat goat – Monday, 2/4, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
 - Dairy goat – Wednesday, 2/6, from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.

Premier Exhibitor Program – Winners



- Contestant receives a \$2,000 scholarship and plaque presented at the Sale of Junior Champions
- Scholarship must be used in the state of Mississippi
 - Dairy cattle winner
 - All-expense paid trip to National 4-H Dairy Conference in Madison, WI

Premier Exhibitor Program – Winners



- Top youth in beef cattle, sheep, swine, and meat goat premier exhibitor contests will have a chance to be on the team to represent Mississippi 4-H at the 2019 NAILE Skill-a-thon competition
 - Will work with top individuals to prepare for this contest
 - Each winner will get support toward the expenses of the trip

Premier Exhibitor – Beef Kit



BEEF CATTLE RESOURCES

- <http://www.ohio4h.org/books-and-resources/learning-lab-kits/beef>
- Cost: \$429 for kit; \$99 for beef learning lab CD
- ANATOMY: beef body parts
- BREEDS: breed images and traits
- CONFORMATION: feet and leg structural differences
- MEAT CUTS: retail and wholesale meat cut images and body locations
- MEDICINE LABELS / INSERTS: parts identification and interpretation, proper injection sites
- ANIMAL HANDLING: safe animal handling and management

Premier Exhibitor – Dairy Cattle Kit



DAIRY CATTLE RESOURCES

- <http://www.ohio4h.org/books-and-resources/learning-lab-kits/dairy>
- Cost: \$429 for kit; \$99 for dairy learning lab CD
- ANATOMY: dairy cow body parts, mammary structures
- BREEDS: breed images and traits
- CONFORMATION: feet and leg structural differences
- MEDICINE LABELS / INSERTS: parts identification and interpretation, proper infusion sites
- ANIMAL HANDLING: safe animal handling and management

Premier Exhibitor – Goat Kit



DAIRY GOAT RESOURCES



MEAT GOAT RESOURCES

- <http://www.ohio4h.org/books-and-resources/learning-lab-kits/goat>
- Cost: \$529 for kit; \$99 for goat learning lab CD
- ANATOMY: dairy and Angora goat body parts, skeletal system, mammary structures
- BREEDS: breed images and traits
- CONFORMATION: feet and legs, topline, mammary structures
- HOOF TRIMMING: hoof parts, tools, trimming technique
- IDENTIFICATION SYSTEMS: reading tattoos, proper tattooing techniques (template)
- SCORING: junior doe, senior doe, showmanship
- MEDICINE LABELS / INSERTS: parts identification and interpretation, proper injection sites
- MEAT CUTS: wholesale cuts of Chevon *
- ANIMAL HANDLING: safe animal handling and management

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Premier Exhibitor – Sheep Kit



LAMB RESOURCES

- <http://www.ohio4h.org/books-and-resources/learning-lab-kits/sheep>
- Cost: \$429 for kit; \$99 for sheep learning lab CD
- ANATOMY: sheep body parts and skeleton
- BREEDS: images and traits
- CONFORMATION: feet and leg structure
- MEAT CUTS: retail and wholesale cuts of lamb
- MEDICINE LABELS/INSERTS: parts identification and interpretation, proper injection sites
- ANIMAL HANDLING: safe animal handling and management

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Premier Exhibitor – Swine Kit



SWINE RESOURCES

- <http://www.ohio4h.org/books-and-resources/learning-lab-kits/swine>
- Cost: \$499 for kit; \$99 for swine learning lab CD
- ANATOMY: swine body parts and skeleton
- BREEDS: images and traits
- IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM: ear notching procedures and techniques
- MEAT CUTS: retail and wholesale cuts of pork
- MEDICINE LABELS / INSERTS: parts identification and interpretation, proper injection sites
- ANIMAL HANDLING: safe animal handling and management



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