



## Project Title: Small Animal

### Description:

This project and related activities provide youth a fun and hands-on learning experience directly related to animal care, feeding, housing, and management. Youth develop important life skills such as decision making, goal setting, record keeping, time management and communication.

### State Fair Entries:

No State Fair Exhibit.

### Exhibit Guidelines:

An Allen County 4-H General Record Sheet must be completed, signed and turned in at the beginning of check-in for All Exhibit Building Projects. One sheet regardless of number of projects.

**ALL LEVELS:** Each member may enter up to three (3) different project exhibits (Live and Educational Poster combined)

All Live exhibits must be in a completely enclosed environment (container/cage). Includes the following animals: hamster, gerbil, guinea pigs, turtles, snakes, birds, etc. Pet Rabbits should be enrolled in the Pet Rabbit project. You must have cared for your small animal for a minimum of 30 days prior to exhibition.

All posters, notebooks, and display boards must include a reference list indicating where information was obtained, giving credit to the original author when using outside sources, to complete the 4-H member's exhibit. This reference list should/might include web site links, people and professionals interviewed, books, magazines, etc. It is recommended this reference list be attached to the back of a poster or display board, be the last page of a notebook, or included as part of the display visible to the public. A judge is not to discredit an exhibit for the manner in which references are listed.

**NOTE: You are responsible to feed and water your small animal while it is on display during the Fair.**

### Exhibit Class Guidelines:

#### Live option:

##### *Beginner (grades 3-5)*

Exhibit (1) one or two animals of the same species.

##### *Intermediate (grades 6-8)*

Exhibit (1) one or two animals of the same species.

##### *Advanced (grades 9-12)*

Exhibit (1) one or two animals of the same species.

#### **Educational Poster Option:**

### ***Beginner (grades 3-5)***

Create an educational poster, notebook or display about a small animal topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate.

### ***Intermediate (grades 6-8)***

Create an educational poster, notebook or display about a small animal topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate.

### ***Advanced (grades 9-12)***

Create an educational poster, notebook or display about a small animal topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate.