

February 25, 2025

Dear 4-H Sheep Member:

It's that time of year again! The 2025 Howard County 4-H Fair is just a few months away. To exhibit your animal at the fair, please ensure that you meet the following requirements:

- **Identify animals in 4-H Online by May 15 at <https://v2.4honline.com/>.**
 - Siblings may co-enroll sheep, but the animals must be listed separately on each 4-H member's sheep identification in 4-H online.
- **Register animals in Fair Entry from May 17 through June 15 at <https://fairentree.com/>.**
- **Complete QLC (Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care) training by June 1.**
Information regarding this training is enclosed.

ALL market lambs must have a 5-digit county tag, and **ALL registered ewes** will be identified by flock tag or county ear tag. Lambs going to the state fair will need the green Shearwell tag.

Sheep check-in is **Sunday, July 6, from 7:30 – 9:00 PM**. The Howard County 4-H Sheep Show is **on Tuesday, July 8, at 6:00 PM**. Health papers are no longer required to exhibit animals at the Howard County 4-H Fair. However, the superintendent will inspect every animal, and any animal considered unhealthy or contagious **WILL NOT** be allowed to unload.

STATE FAIR

If you plan to exhibit your animal at the Indiana State Fair, visit <https://www.indianastatefair.com/p/state-fair/competitions--contests/4-h-competitions-entry-information> for more information. DNA envelopes are required and are due by May 15 in the Extension Office.

If you have any questions, please contact the Extension Office at 765-456-2313 or your sheep superintendent, Kenny Ortman, at 765-860-6454 for more information. We're here to help!

Sincerely,

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