## Mini 4-H Farm Animal Project – Exhibitor Enrollment Form

## Please print all information.

Mini 4-H'er Name:		
Parent/Guardian Name:		
Address:		
Phone:	_Email:	

**<u>SOME</u>** livestock species committees choose to provide their Mini 4-H members that participate with a t-shirt. Please provide the t-shirt size of your Mini 4-Her.

\*\*Again, not all species provide this so a t-shirt is NOT guaranteed.\*\*

Choose up to two (2) species that the Mini 4-H member would like to exhibit at the Montgomery County 4-H Fair.

Swine	Goats	Sheep
Rabbits	Poultry	Dog

I, the Mini 4-H member and my family, understand that I must have a mentor to help me when exhibiting. I understand that my mentor must be at least a 5 year member in the livestock project I am exhibiting. I also understand that if I choose to exhibit two species, I may need two mentors (*for example, if I choose to exhibit both sheep and rabbits, and my mentor only exhibits sheep, then I would need another mentor who is at least a 5 year member in the rabbit project to assist me as well*). I also understand that I (the Mini 4-H member) am required to complete 3 one-hour sessions with my mentor for EACH specie I choose to exhibit. Returning to our previous example, I would need to spend 3, one-hour sessions with my sheep mentor and another 3, one-hour sessions with my rabbit mentor.

I understand it is the responsibility of me and my family to contact and set this arrangement up with my mentor(s) before submitting this enrollment form.

Specie #1:	
Mentor address:	
	Email (if applicable):
Specie #2 (if applicable):	
Mentor name:	
Mentor address:	
Mentor telephone:	Email (if applicable):

I agree to allow my child to exhibit at the Montgomery County 4-H Fair, in the non-competitive Mini 4-H Farm Animal Project. By signing below, I state that I have read and agree to the safety policy for Mini 4-H members (located on the back of this enrollment form).

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

## Safety Policy for Mini 4-H Members:

The safety and well-being of our 4-H youth is of the utmost importance. Although kindergarten is specified as the time when a child may begin participation in some 4-H events and activities, parents are encouraged to take into consideration their child's physical and mental development before agreeing to let the child begin to show, work with, or care for animals. Each child matures at a different rate, and children in grades K-2 may still be too young to begin showing, working with, or caring for animals.

Purdue Extension 4-H Youth Development allows Mini 4-H members in grades K-2, to participate in some animal projects subject to certain conditions. These conditions are specified below.

Each county may determine its own **NON-COMPETITIVE** programs, classes, and participation requirements subject to the following safety guidelines:

Mini 4-H members, in grades K through 2, will be allowed to show, work with, or care for animal projects after their parent or legal guardian has signed a Mini 4-H liability release. Mini 4-H members may independently show, work with, or care for animals that weigh 300 pounds or less. All animals on exhibit should meet the regulations of the Indiana Board of Animal Health Requirements for Exhibition of Domestic Animals in Indiana and meet the vaccination requirements set by Indiana 4-H.

If the guidelines stated in this policy are not followed for a particular event or activity, then such event or activity shall not be considered to be a 4-H event or activity and shall not be under the auspices of Extension 4-H Educators or covered by Purdue University.

NOTE: Purdue University and the Indiana 4-H Youth Development Program do not support, endorse, or encourage 4-H programming for children prior to Kindergarten. 4-H Youth Development Extension staff members and 4-H Volunteers may not offer, or encourage others to offer, programming for children prior to Kindergarten.