

MIFFLIN COUNTY 4-H & FFA LIVESTOCK SALE
REEDSVILLE YOUTH PARK - SHOW BUILDING
SATURDAY, AUGUST 12 2017 10:00 AM

SALE ORDER: STEERS - DAIRY FEEDER - POULTRY - CHAMPION MILK - RABBITS - GOATS - LAMBS - HOGS

WHAT'S THE SALE FOR?

Our youth Livestock Sale features Mifflin County 4-H and FFA members market livestock projects, which were raised to appropriate weight. The project steers were purchased last fall and the lambs, dairy feeder steers, rabbits, market goats, and hogs this spring. Since that time, youngsters have spent time preparing their animals for market at the Livestock Sale. The experience and knowledge gained from raising their animals is priceless. Some skills learned include: care and feeding for the animal, marketing strategies, preparing animals for show and market, quality assurance and animal ethics training.

Our youth livestock sale is a great opportunity for you to help support this valuable experience. Mifflin County's youth, our future leaders, would appreciate your participation at the sale. Remember: **YOU DON'T HAVE TO BUY A CHAMPION!** You can support the sale by buying any animal.

WHAT DOES IT COST?

Youth Livestock Sales are based on current open market prices. In order for you to know the current open market price, the auctioneer will announce the current week's price per hundred weight/lb. for each species respectively. Of course the animals are sold at auction with the highest bidder gaining possession of the animal.

EXAMPLES:

Steer: A 1,000 lb. market steer brings \$0.85/lb. on the market. Total price=\$850.00. At the Youth Livestock Sale, for every 1 cent bid above market price, it will cost you \$10.00 on total price.

Hog: A 200 lb. market hog brings \$0.51/lb. on the market. Total price=\$102.00. For every 1 cent bid above market price, it will cost you \$2.00 on total price.

Lamb: A 100 lb. market lamb brings \$0.78/lb. on the market. Total price=\$78.00. For every 1 cent bid above market, it will cost you \$1.00 on total price.

The higher the bids, the greater the profit margin for the youth. Any profit made by the youth will help to pay for next year's project animal and for future educational opportunities. Why not go with a friend or neighbor and buy one half of a steer, lamb, or hog and help our area youth?

WHAT CAN YOU DO WITH THE ANIMAL YOU PURCHASE?

Buyers may use their purchase(s) for personal meat use at home. Those buyers not wishing to keep purchase(s) for own use, arrangements can be made to resell the animal through our buy back program the day of the sale. In this case, the buyer will only have to pay the difference between the buy back program price and the price bid of the buyer.

EXAMPLE: You buy a market hog weighing 200 lbs. from the sale price final bid of \$0.95/lb. The buy back program will offer market price that day of \$0.51/lb. You would then pay \$0.44/lb. for a total cost of \$88.00.

BUY BACK PRICES WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN THE SALE BOOKLET AND DURING THE SALE.

Local transportation will be provided free of charge. Delivery arrangements should be made at the time of payment on sale day.

HOW CAN BUYING AN ANIMAL BENEFIT YOU?

People want to know who helped to support the Youth Livestock Sale and they are told through several forms of communication: newspaper, advertising, radio, and word of mouth are the main ones.

Contact the Extension Office at **717-248-9618** to receive more information about becoming a buyer at the Mifflin County Youth Fair.