

2021 Tennessee State Junior Swine Show Virtual Event

As close as possible in a virtual environment, all rules will be followed in the 2021 State Junior Swine Show Handbook located at <https://animalscience.tennessee.edu/animal-exhibitions/#Swine>.

Any breeding gilt or market hog that was entered into the 2021 State Junior Swine Show is eligible for the virtual event. There is no entry fee. Just like in the live show, youth may enter up to 6 hogs. One of the hogs entered into the virtual event must be used as the showmanship hog.

Show videos should be between 60-90 seconds in length. Video examples, resources and requirements are located at the end of this document and at the above swine project page.

Breeding Gilts

Breed classes will be offered for (these breeds had a least 8 entered into the live show):

- Berkshire
- Duroc
- Hampshire
- Spot
- Yorkshire
- AOB
- Crossbred

Registered breeding gilts will show by age within breed. The top 5 breeding gilts will be chosen from the breed champions and respective breed reserve champions. Crossbred breeding gilts will show by weight ranges (see below). It is understood that many families will not have access to scales, so youth are asked to self-select the most appropriate weight range for their crossbred breeding gilts. Depending on number of entries into the virtual event, crossbred classes could be further subdivided into smaller classes.

Data to be collected at the time of entry:

- Youth name
- County
- Grade in school (as of Jan 1)
- Email address
- Phone number
- Each animal
 - Tag # (last 4 digits of 840-RFID tag number)
 - Picture of 840-RFID tag
 - Breed
 - Date of birth

- Registration number (registered gilts only)
- Weight range (crossbred gilts only)
 - Light – 230-259 pounds
 - Low Mid – 260-284 pounds
 - High Mid – 285-309 pounds
 - Heavy – 310-335 pounds

Market Hogs

Breed classes will be offered for (these breeds had a least 8 entered into the live show):

- Berkshire
- Duroc
- Yorkshire
- AOB
- Crossbred

Market hogs will show by weight range (see below) within breed. It is understood that many families will not have access to scales, so youth are asked to self-select the most appropriate weight range for their market hogs. The top 5 market hogs will be chosen from the breed champions and respective breed reserve champions. Depending on number of entries into the virtual event, market hog classes could be further subdivided into smaller classes. The champions of the prospect division will not be eligible for the Top 5.

Data to be collected at the time of entry:

- Youth name
- County
- Grade in school (as of Jan 1)
- Email address
- Phone number
- Each animal
 - Tag # (last 4 digits of 840-RFID tag number)
 - Picture of 840-RFID tag
 - Breed
 - Registration number (registered hogs only)
 - Weight range
 - Prospect – 195-229 pounds
 - Light – 230-255 pounds
 - Mid – 256-280 pounds
 - Heavy – 281-305 pounds

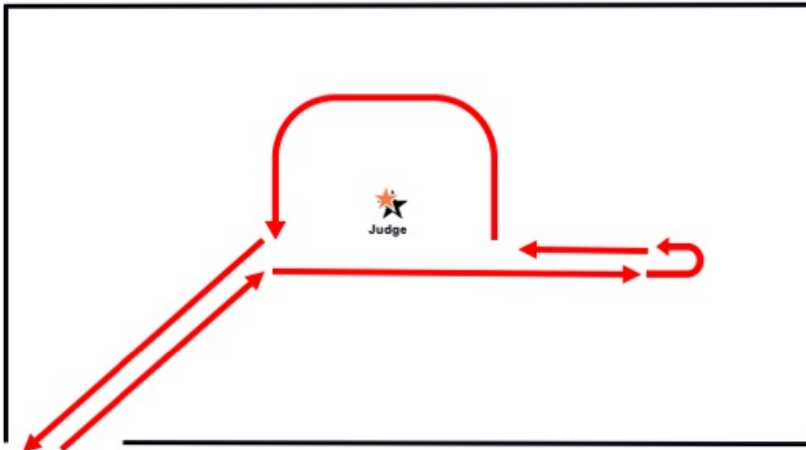
Showmanship

Showmanship will be offered based on typical grade classifications (Explorer=4th grade; Junior=5th-6th grades; Junior High=7th-8th grades; Senior 1=9th-10th grades; Senior 2=11th-12th grades). Only hogs that youth have entered into the virtual event may be used for

showmanship. For consistency, youth should record themselves completing the below showmanship pattern (<https://4h.unl.edu/virtual-fair-show-resources>).

Youth are encouraged to practice the pattern multiple times before recording to learn the pattern and to get the timing correct. Just like the show videos, showmanship videos should be 60-90 seconds. Feel free to use a person, cone, gallon jug or anything else that is easily visible as the “judge” in the below pattern. Check out video examples, resources and requirements at the end of this document and at the above swine project page.

Swine: Showmanship Pattern 1



Data to be collected at the time of entry:

- Youth name
- County
- Grade in school (as of Jan 1)
- Email address
- Phone number
- Showmanship animal
 - Tag # (last 4 digits of 840-RFID tag number)
 - Picture of 840-RFID tag

Skillathon

The Skillathon will be conducted via virtual technology separate from the Virtual Stock Show program. Skillathon competition material will be separated as it normally is with different material for Junior (grades 4-6), Junior High (grades 7-8) and Senior (grades 9-12). The link for completing the skillathon will be published the week of January 11. Swine skillathon educational resources are available at <https://animalscience.tennessee.edu/youth-resources/>.

Premier Exhibitor

The Premier Exhibitor Program will be conducted using the same divisions as showmanship. Details on the Premier Exhibitor Program are located in the 2021 State Swine Show Handbook.

Show Dates and Deadlines

Virtual Entry and Video Submission: The entry process for the virtual event will be open from 7 AM CST/8 AM EST on Thursday, January 14 to 7 PM CST/8 PM EST on Saturday, January 16.

Entry Link: The entry link will be published prior to January 14. To enter multiple animals as well as showmanship, simply complete the entry process for each animal and/or showmanship.

Judging Day: Planned for January 19.

Results Posted/Announced: Planned for January 21.

Terms and Conditions Verbiage

Online submission of data requires that you agree and will abide to the terms as defined in the published show rules and regulations found in this document as well as the 2021 State Swine Show Handbook at <https://animalscience.tennessee.edu/animal-exhibitions/#Swine>. By entering the virtual event, you hereby give permission for images of my child, uploaded via this form, to be used solely for the purposes of VirtualStockShow.com promotional material and publications, and waive any rights of compensation or ownership thereto.

Important Reminders

- The Tennessee Pork Producers Association along with many other sponsors provide funds for premiums for youth who excel in multiple aspects of the swine show. Those funds are still being made available for the virtual event.
- While the virtual entry window is Jan 14-16, youth are free to (and encouraged to) record their videos at any time prior to the deadline on Jan 16. Youth are encouraged to check out the example show video located on the swine project page and practice your expected pattern multiple times to ensure the correct timing of the video (60-90 seconds) and that the hog can be seen from all sides like in the example video.
- Youth can show their hogs in any live show that is hosted in the near future and still compete in this virtual event. Youth are encouraged to take advantage of all opportunities to show off their swine project.
- Be sure to follow the recording requirements on the next page. Other tips include:
 - If available, use a tripod or steady surface to help hold phone as still as possible.
 - Be sure to have proper lighting to improve image quality.
 - Be mindful of the background, make sure it is free of distractions.
 - Be sure to record using a flat surface. If recorded on grass, be sure it is mowed.
 - Do not use the zoom on the recording device - get physically closer instead.

Show Contacts

- For questions about the show, Aaron Fisher: fisher@utk.edu and 865-974-7260
- For issues with the VSS entry site: Kaley Bontrager, Virtual Stock Show: kaley@virtualstockshow.com and 765-586-5603

VIRTUAL STOCK SHOW

VIRTUAL STOCK SHOW VIDEO REQUIREMENTS

- The focus should be on the animal not the exhibitor. However, you must include a shot of the exhibitor and the animal with the exhibitors face visible at some point in the video.
- For shows with an entry card, please make sure you show the card then pan up to the exhibitor in one motion.
- Please show all views and angles of the animal.
- Your animal must be clean.
- Fit your animal as if you were going into a live show ring.
- Appropriate show attire must be worn.
- No previous awards, banners, etc. may be in the background of the video. Belt Buckles can be worn.
- Do not state your name, club, breeder or any details about your project. No talking is permitted in the submitted video.
- Do not alter the raw video by placing any overlays, etc.
- Sheep and goat videos must be between 30 and 60 seconds, and no more than 500 MB.
- All other specie videos must be between 60 and 90 seconds, and no more than 500 MB.
- All videos need to be submitted in a horizontal 16x9 aspect ratio. To do this, simply rotate your phone to “Landscape Mode” - see explainer image below.

IMPORTANT: THIS IS MEANT TO BE A LEARNING EXPERIENCE - HAVE FUN - BE COMPETITIVE & GOOD LUCK! YOU HAVE WORKED HARD FOR THIS MOMENT!

