



ADAMS COUNTY

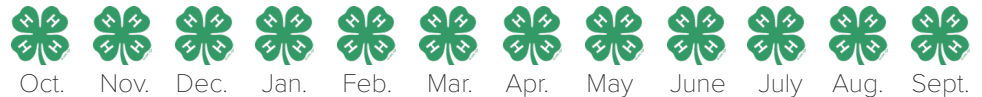
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

Project Information - *Swine Challenge*

Important Dates

- **November 8, 2024:** Applications Open
- **January 1, 2025:** Applications Close (must be registered and approved on 4-H online for 4-H before this date)
- **Month of January:** Extension Staff Visit housing locations for swine
- **February 1, 2025:** Winners are announced
- **March 2025:** Welcome Meeting and Swine Workshop
- **Early April 2025:** Swine Draw and Pickup
- **Late April 2025:** Meat Quality Assurance Training
- **May 1, 2025:** Swine ID due on 4-H Online
- **June 4, 2025:** Swine Bootcamp
- **Late June 2025:** Record book interviews
- **Early July 2025:** Fair Entry Due and stall requests due
- **Mid July 2025:** Fair arrival time opens
- **July 28, 2025:** Swine Arrival
- **July 29, 2025:** Showmanship Class
- **July 30, 2025:** Market Class, Demonstration, and Interview
- **August 5, 2025:** Sale
- **August 6, 2025:** Written Test

Project Timeline



Project Requirements

Purpose: To give members more in-depth knowledge in nutrition, health care, management, and give them an opportunity to showcase what they learn.

1. Interested youth need to fill out an application by 11:59PM on January 1, 2025 to be eligible for the contest
2. A committee will review all applications.
3. Once selected the individuals will need to attend the "draw" for the pig that will be their responsibility until exhibition at the 2025 Adams County Fair.
4. To successfully complete the project, participants have several requirements. Some for a score some to keep in compliance with Adams County 4-H rules.
5. Only animals provided to the youth via the Swine Challenge Draw and have an appropriate ear tag in place may exhibit as a Swine Challenge project.
6. Adams County Fair is a terminal show for all Swine Challenge pigs.
7. All Swine Challenge pigs must arrive to fair during the allotted time for Swine Check-in on Monday July 28th. Here they will be checked in, weighed, and receive a free vet check.
8. All Swine Challenge pigs that meet requirements for sale, must sale with other livestock at the Junior Livestock Sale. This will be the only animal they can sell unless they meet the other requirement of getting Grand or Reserve in another market species.
9. All Swine Challenge pigs that do not meet requirements for sale will be sold at market value either to a buyback buyer or at a sale barn.
10. Youth who fill out an application, must meet with the Adams County Livestock Specialist and be able to show that they have appropriate housing.
11. Youth must sign up for Market Swine on 4-H online.
12. Youth must ID their Swine Challenge pig on 4-H online.
13. Youth must be between the ages of 8-18 years of age as of December 31, 2024
14. Youth must attend an MQA training approved by the Adams County Livestock Specialist.
15. Youth must attend record book interviews in June.
16. Youth must sign up their Swine Challenge pig for the 2025 Adams County Fair.

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Project Requirements (continued)

17. Youth must be a member in good standing in an Adams County 4-H Club.
18. Contestants must be able and eligible to compete at the 2025 Adams County Fair.
19. Youth may not participate if they have been awarded Champion or Reserve Champion Gilt or Barrow at a previous Adams County Fair.
20. Youth who do not follow through with the above requirements, forfeit their animal and any premiums acquired through Adams County 4-H. A transfer fee of \$200 will also be charged to the youth and is expected to be paid at the time of animal pick-up.

Scoring

All areas will be given a rank and a score based on a judges decision except Workshop, Bootcamp, ADG and the Written Test.

Project Area	Points
Record Book	100
Swine Challenge Showmanship	100
Sponsor Letters	100
Demonstration	50
Interview	50
Average Daily Gain (ADG)	30
Carcass Class	30
Written Test	25
Live Placing	25
Welcome and Workshop	20
Swine Bootcamp	20
Total	550