

# Newaygo County Fair



Swine Department  
Information for 2026 Fair Year

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# Pre-Registration

Follow the QR code to pre-register if you plan to show a pig at fair this year. This is also what you will use to make pen requests.

The link will be available on Facebook and the Fair Website as well.

It has been updated to allow multiple responses from the same email.



# Fair Entry Registration

Registration begins in June and ends July 1st. Once registration opens, notifications will be sent out through the Fair Newsletter as well as being posted on Facebook.

You must register for both Market and Showmanship in order to show at fair. There are a lot of people available to help with registration questions. If you are struggling, please contact a committee member and they can get you in touch with someone who can help.

# Tag Requirements

All pigs must arrive at the fair with a clean, visible RFID tag in their ear.

If you need help tagging your pig, please reach out to a committee member to get this sorted out before weigh-in.

# Notebook Requirements

Copies of the 2026 Notebook will be available on the Fair Website next week.

Remember, these must be dropped off at the fair office by July 15th.

You can choose to do the feed/weight charts, pick 3 learning experiences to write about OR complete the entire notebook.

Whichever route you choose, you are required to supply start and end photos of your project as well as the exhibitor agreement.

All notebooks must be contained in a folder or binder. Loose packets get lost easily and if we don't have your notebook, you will not be assigned a pen.

# Weigh-In

Swine drop off will again be on Sunday afternoon.

A-L from 1-3 and M-Z from 3-5. If changes need to be made to your time, please contact Stephanie.

We plan to offload in the show arena again, where exhibitors will get their picture taken, then walk up to the pig barn to get weighed and check in before going to your designated pen.

Only committee members and designated helpers will be allowed to offload early.

We need your help to make this run smoothly. Trailers will not be allowed to off load until 1pm.

Please do not arrive until 1pm so that we can avoid congesting the driveway.

# **Fair Week Expectations**

Barn duty will be assigned again this year. We saw an improvement in the cleanliness of the barn and it is greatly appreciated!

Market Livestock Meeting will be announced once we have an idea of what shows we are working around.

Pen take down starts at 8am Saturday morning. Each exhibitor is expected to help take down at least one pen.

Any items left in pens at that time will be collected along the side of the barn.

# Pen Decorations

Decorations will need to be placed on the front or at back of the pen.

A lot of people had luck with decorations like this —> last year.

Zip ties and hose clamps can be used to attach things to the panels.



# Feed and Water

Exhibitors are responsible for providing waterers for their animal.

Please check often for leaks and remember to keep water in them at all times.

Animals also need to be fed regularly, even after the auction is over.



# Upcoming Events

Practice nights will begin in June and end in July. Keep an eye out on the Facebook page and newsletter for these dates and sign ups.

Pen set up will be during the 3rd or 4th week in July, and your help is much appreciated! Notifications will be posted on Facebook and in the newsletter.

We are still fundraising for new pens. We would love to replace the rest of the old green pens with new ones! If you are interested in ways to help with this project, please contact a committee member.

# **Animal Health/Wellness**

Before we turn it over to Brooke for her nutrition presentation, we wanted to touch on the importance of regular worming and weight tracking.

We understand that not everyone has access to a scale at home so we will make sure one is available during practice nights.

When you first pick your pig up, be sure to ask if/when it was last wormed. You should be repeating this every 2 months, keeping withdrawal periods in mind when it gets close to Fair.

**Questions?**