



Goat Projects

Objectives

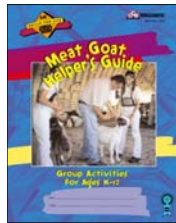
4-H'ers will learn to:

- develop positive attitudes and skills relating to working with adults.
- demonstrate the ability to judge and select quality animals.
- adopt the best management practices for animal care.
- adopt safe and ethical management practices for animal welfare.

Project Manuals & Other Resources

Goats (Ages 8-18)

This curriculum covers selection, housing, feeding, health, behavior and showing of goats. The guides include activities related to breeds, health care, grooming, production, reproduction, management, showmanship, marketing, and careers.



Dairy Goats - National (Ages 8-18)

- GO 1 Getting Your Goat
- GO 2 Stepping Out
- GO 3 Showing the Way
- GO H Goat Helper's Guide

Meat Goats - National (8-18)

- GOM 1 Just Browsing
- GOM 2 Get Growing with Meat Goats
- GOM 3 Meating the Future
- GOM H Meat Goats Helper's Guide

Pygmy Goats

- GO3 1 Pygmy Goat Basics

Additional Resources

- Goats Pattern
- Meat Goats - Set of 4
- Goat Learning Lab Kit Curriculum Guide & Video
 - Guide and Video
 - Learning Lab Kit
 - Interactive CD
- Your Goat - A Kid's Guide to Raising and Showing (Ages 8-18)
- 4-H Dairy and Dairy Goat Project Record

Supporting Events & Activities

Competitive Contests:

County, District, State or National Levels

Demonstration and Illustrated Talks

Part of the "Animal Industry" division, this area includes all presentations related to beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, layer, broilers, turkeys, rabbits, meat goats, dairy goats, quail, duck, geese and ratite.

Dairy Goat Judging Contest

This event provides 4-H'ers with an opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge and ability in the selection and evaluation of dairy goats. **Please see the back of this brochure for additional requirements and information.**

Public Speaking

Designed to give members of 4-H experience in the preparation and delivery of a 4-H related speech, this contest requires 4-H'ers to recognize, organize, and present information on a given topic. The timed speech must be orderly and thorough. For further information and requirements, visit <http://florida4h.org/events>.

Photo Exhibit

The General Photo Exhibit Contest provides a showcase for 4-H member's photographic accomplishments. Winning photographs are displayed for public view with the intent of increasing public awareness and understanding of the 4-H program. For more information and requirements, please visit <http://florida4h.org/events>.

Poster Art Program

The Poster Art Program gives 4-H members an opportunity to use the visual medium of poster art to promote public understanding and support of the 4-H program. Program goals encourage 4-H Club members to develop an awareness of visual imagery and its power to express thoughts and ideas. For more information and requirements, please visit <http://florida4h.org/events>.

Award & Recognition Opportunities

Ribbons and Awards for Competitive Events

Blue, Red, and White ribbons are awarded based on quality of performance during a competitive event using a standard scoring system. In addition to ribbons, youth may receive additional recognition for excellence, such as trophies, at the district, state and national levels.

4-H Project Reports

Certificates, pins and other county determined awards are available to youth who complete their project records annually at the county level. The project report forms are available for each age group (Junior, Intermediate, Senior). For copies of these materials, please visit our website <http://florida4h.org>.

4-H Portfolios

Senior 4-H'ers (ages 14 and up) are eligible to complete and submit a 4-H Portfolio of their 4-H experiences and activities. Youth in these project areas may compete in one of the following categories:

- **Animal Sciences** - (predominantly focused on experiences in animal science category)
- **Citizenship** - (if activities have been significantly focused on community and helping others)
- **Achievement** - (if 4-H activities include a broad spectrum of 4-H projects)
- **Leadership** - (if 4-H experiences have centered on leadership provided to other youth or teaching and leading project activities)

The award for 4-H Portfolio is a partially expense paid trip to National 4-H Congress.

College Scholarships

Graduating Seniors in 4-H are eligible to compete for a variety of educational scholarships.

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When: February and March
Where: Florida State Fair, Tampa
State 4-H Dairy Goat Show,
Central Florida Fair, Orlando

Participation Criteria:

- Junior 4-Her's must be 8-10 years old by September 1 of the current program year.
- Intermediate 4-Her's must be 11-13 years old by September 1 of the current program year.
- Senior 4-H'ers must be 14-18 years old by September 1 of the current program year.

Award:

The top 3 junior and senior individuals will receive rosettes. There is no national contest at the present time.

Contact your local 4-H office for these and other supporting project events, activities and award opportunities.