

# **YOUTH MARKET LIVESTOCK AUCTION**

## **Note: This will be a Premium Sale ONLY**

Each enrolled Mercer County 4-H and FFA member that exhibits large market livestock (beef, sheep, or swine) or small market animals (rabbits and poultry) may choose one animal to sell in the auction. That is only one (1) animal per 4-H or FFA youth. Only members that are present will be able to sell their livestock at the auction.

Sale order of individual large market species is determined by the rank in the County performance classes. Animals will be sold in reverse order of placing (3<sup>rd</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 1<sup>st</sup>). The lowest average daily gain will be first and the champion will be last. Rabbits and chicken market animals will draw for sale order. All animals sold must have been shown in the county.

There will be a 10% commission on all animals sold to cover advertising and other auction expenses. This will be subtracted from exhibitors auction check.

## **Clover Kids Entries**

Officially 4-H no longer has junior members. Therefore, for a youngster too young to be a regular member to show non-animal exhibits, he/she must be a clover kid in Mercer County. Clover Kids cannot show special open classes for youth under 8 to show livestock.

## **Premium Payments System 4-H/FFA Exhibits**

The 2002 Danish system will be used. Horsemanship premiums or halter classes will be paid equivalent of steer placing. This system allows greater points for degree of difficulty, degree of investment and ribbon received. The total points awarded at the fair will be divided into the total premium money available per exhibit group to determine the money per point to be received.