Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes Reference List

The following is a list of references that will assist in preparing for the livestock quiz bowl contest that involves beef, sheep, meat goat, and swine. This list will also be helpful in preparing teams for the other knowledge-based livestock contests involved in livestock sweepstakes, such as the skillathon. Please note that actual references may deviate from this list in an effort to keep current with a rapidly changing livestock industry. We are committed to providing resources that are of easy access to 4-H’ers. No endorsement or advertisement is intended for any of the resources listed. Suggested study materials include but are not limited to:

**STANDARD REFERENCES**

4-H 134R [Swine Resource Handbook](#) for Market and Breeding Projects  
4-H 194R [Sheep Resource Handbook](#) for Market and Breeding Projects  
4-H 117R [Beef Resource Handbook](#) for Market and Breeding Projects  
4-H 4200 [Beef Resource Handbook](#) (University of Nebraska; replacing 4H 117R)  
4-H 135R [Goat Resource Handbook](#)

**NATION 4-H COUNCIL CURRICULUM (CCS Materials – Available at [www.n4hccs.org](http://www.n4hccs.org))**

BU-6158/CCS8065 Swine 1: The Incredible Pig  
BU-6159/CCS8066 Swine 2: Putting the Oink in Pig  
BU-6160/CCS8067 Swine 3: Going Whole Hog  
BU-6161/CCS8068 Swine Helpers Guide  
BU-6351/CCS8143 Beef 1: Bite Into Beef  
BU-6352/CCS8144 Beef 2: Here's the Beef  
BU-6353/CCS8145 Beef 3: Leading the Charge  
BU-6354/CCS8146 Beef Helpers Guide  
BU-6367 Sheep 1: Rams, Lambs and You  
BU-6368 Sheep 2: Shear Delight  
BU-6369: Sheep 3: Leading the Flock  
BU-6370: Sheep Helpers Guide  
CCS7909 Meat Goat 1: Just Browsing  
CCS7910 Meat Goat 2: Get Growing with Meat Goats  
CCS7911 Meat Goat 3: Meating the Future  
CCS7912 Meat Goat Helper's Guide

**Digital Downloads:**

Veterinary Science 1: Understanding & Applying Vet Science - Animal Behavior  
Veterinary Science 2: Understanding & Applying Vet Science - Animal Vital Signs  
Veterinary Science 3: Understanding & Applying Vet Science - Disease Transmission  
Veterinary Science 4: Understanding & Applying Vet Science - Principles of Bio-Security  
Veterinary Science 5: Understanding & Applying Vet Science - Advanced Concepts in Animal Care

4H131 Veterinary Science Unit 1: The Normal Animal  
4H48 Veterinary Science Unit 2: Animal Disease  
4H133 Veterinary Science Unit 3: Animal Health and its Relationship to Our World

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ADDITIONAL REFERENCES

National Contest Resources
https://extension.umd.edu/locations/charles-county/4-h-youth-development/animal-projects

Iowa Beef Center
https://www.iowabeefcenter.org/

The 4-H Meat Goat Project: An Introduction

North Carolina State University Meat Goat Materials
https://youthlivestock.ces.ncsu.edu/youthlivestock-resources/youthlivestock-meat-goats/

Penn State University Meat Goat Materials
https://extension.psu.edu/programs/courses/meat-goat

Beef Cattle Handbook
http://www.iowabeefcenter.org/beefcattlehandbook.html

Beef Quality Assurance Manuals
http://www.bqa.org/resources/manuals

Sheep Production Handbook
https://www.sheepusa.org/shop

Sheep 101
http://www.sheep101.info/

Sheep 201
http://www.sheep101.info/201/

Sheep Care Guide

Pork Industry Handbook
https://www.usporkcenter.org/jobs-resources/pork-industry-handbook/

The Pork Store – Youth Education

PQA Plus Education Handbook, Version 3
https://d3fns0a45gcl1a.cloudfront.net/sites/all/files/documents/PQAPlus/V3.0/BinderMaterial/Tab%202/1%20PQAhandbook.pdf

Pork Checkoff Quick Facts publication
http://www.pork.org/pork-quick-facts/

Biosecurity at Pig Shows and other Pork Checkoff Educational Resources
https://porkcheckoff.org/pork-production-management/biosecurity/biosecurity-at-pig-shows/

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA)
https://yqcaprogram.org/

Secure Food Supply

Youth in Ag
https://www.cfsph.iastate.edu/course/blue-not-flu/

Journey of Wool – Mountain Meadow Wool
DVD (available from the KSU YLP)

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**Breeds of Livestock**
http://www.ansi.okstate.edu/breeds/

**Equipment Examples**
Nasco Farm and Ranch Catalog - [https://www.enasco.com/t/Farm-Ranch-Ag-Sciences/&ref=breadcrumb](https://www.enasco.com/t/Farm-Ranch-Ag-Sciences/&ref=breadcrumb)
Valley Vet Supply - [https://www.valleyvet.com/](https://www.valleyvet.com/)

**CURRENT EVENT REFERENCES**

Some questions will relate to current events in the livestock industry. Since studying from these may appear to be overwhelming, keep these points in mind. Think about major issues that have affected the livestock industry in many ways such as: animal diseases, exports, bio-security, environmental issues, and regulatory changes. The following on-line resources maybe used to develop questions. *These resources also provide quality basic information regarding various aspects of the livestock industry to use as supplemental information for youth educational efforts and preparation.*

American Sheep Industry Association website at [www.sheepusa.org](http://www.sheepusa.org)
National Pork Board website at: [www.pork.org](http://www.pork.org)
North American Meat Institute website at: [https://www.meatinstitute.org/](https://www.meatinstitute.org/)
Beef Magazine (questions related to industry issues, current year publications) website at: [http://www.beefmagazine.com/](http://www.beefmagazine.com/)
National Hog Farmer Magazine (questions related to industry issues, current year publications), website at: [http://nationalhogfarmer.com/](http://nationalhogfarmer.com/)
Meatingplace.com (an on-line community for red meat and poultry processors in North America, questions related to industry issues, current year publications) website at: [www.meatingplace.com](http://www.meatingplace.com)
Drovers (questions related to industry issues, current year publications) website at: [http://www.cattlenetwork.com/](http://www.cattlenetwork.com/)
Western Livestock Journal (questions related to industry issues, current year publications) website at: [http://www.wlj.net/](http://www.wlj.net/)
American Boer Goat Association (questions related to industry issues, current year publications) website at: [http://www.abga.org/](http://www.abga.org/)
United State Boer Goat Association (questions related to industry issues, current year publications) website at: [http://www.usbga.net/](http://www.usbga.net/)
Kansas Department of Agriculture (Kansas related facts and current industry issues) website at: [http://agriculture.ks.gov/](http://agriculture.ks.gov/)
United States Department of Agriculture (regulations and current industry issues) website at: [https://www.usda.gov/](https://www.usda.gov/)
Kansas State Youth Livestock Program (educational materials and specie resources) website at: [http://www.asi.k-state.edu/students-and-programs/youth-programs/](http://www.asi.k-state.edu/students-and-programs/youth-programs/)
Feedstuffs (questions related to current industry issues) website at: [https://www.feedstuffs.com/](https://www.feedstuffs.com/)

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