

2025 Market Lamb and Goat Project Estimated Budget & Guidelines

Your son/daughter has shown interest in raising a market lamb or goat for the 2025 Santa Barbara County Fair Show & Sale. Your student has attended an informational meeting that has given them direction as to where this project will lead and benefit them. The project is one of great value in terms of developing a sense of responsibility, time management, accounting skills and livestock husbandry. A budget is outlined below to let you know what is expected monetarily.

| Estimated Expenses: | Lamb/Goat |
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| Cost of Lamb/Goat | \$600 |
| Feed | \$200 |
| Veterinary Fees | \$40 |
| Insurance | \$33 |
| Entry Fees | \$20 |
| DNA Fees | \$10 |
| Bedding | \$30 |
| Shearing fee | \$10 |
| Total expenses | <u>\$943</u> |
| *FFA Jacket | \$70 |

Full payment is required to the business office by Friday, January 24, 2025. Estimated Income \$1000

| Estimated Income | \$100 |
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| Estimated Profit | \$57 |

Project Guidelines:

- Students showing livestock animals are required to purchase an FFA Jacket.
- Due to the Santa Barbara Fair Livestock Limitation, students may only show one animal at the 2025 Santa Barbara County Fair with the Santa Maria FFA.
- Students raising a market animal should be in good academic standing.
- The above budgets are only estimates based on last year's costs, students may spend more or less on the project and they may receive more or less for the sale of the animal. It is dependent on the particular situation, for all projects students and the parents are financially responsible for all profit or lose occurred.
- There are areas to keep the project out at school farms; however, there are a few stipulations. Feeding and watering daily, exercising animals, showmanship practices and keeping the area clean are required by all students. Students will be removed from the project and required to remove their project from the school farm if these stipulations are not met, in addition the student/parent is still financially responsible for the project. A completed AET record book is required before receiving your fair check.
- Students will be receiving 5 units of summer school credit with a grade based on attendance of meetings, showmanship practices and daily management of your project.

It is the beginning of an exciting project that could let your child grow. Sheep/Goat projects are raised from March-July approximately 100 days and the Proposed Santa Barbara County Fair this year is from July 6th-14th. If there are any questions or concerns, we can be reached at ext. 3332/3337/3244. Thank You,

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Student Signature X _____

Student Name:

Parent Signature X_____