

General Swine Information 2015

Budget (Hint: This goes in your recordbook)	
Expense Item <i>(Expenses shown for one hog)</i>	School Farm
Purchase of Animal	\$ 300
Insurance (Through School)	\$ 30
Fair Entry	\$ 10/hog
Bedding	\$ 30
Initial Project Cost per hog	\$ 370
Other Expenses	
Feed	\$ 225
Auction Fee 6%	\$ 50
Grand Total Project Expense Budget	\$ 645

*Varies by purchase location



Income

Last years average price was around \$4.00 per pound. Your hog should weigh between 220-270 pounds, giving you a gross estimated income of \$880-\$1020 (max pay is 255lbs), more or less depending on the auction. The prices at the fair this year could be lower or higher, we just don't know. To ensure a profitable price, secure a buyer before you sell at the auction.

Thank You Letters and Recordbooks

These thank you letters need to be finished in order to receive your check at the **Awards Dinner (Date To Be Determined) in the Veterans Memorial Hall**. As well, recordbooks need to be completely up to date at the last fair meeting the week after the fair. If you attend the weekly meetings on a regular basis this will not be a problem.

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SAE Project Report

At the completion of your project you are required to write a one page summary of your experience. Included in this report, but not limited to, should be a detailed description of your project, what you've learned, and a conclusion. In addition to your paper, include 2-4 pictures of you working with your project and give a brief explanation of what is occurring in each photo.

This report should be typed and photos can be in color or black and white. A hardcopy and/or an electronic copy of this summary will be turned in at the discretion of your advisor.

Important Reminders

* Some loans are available for first year students. Parents can help their student receive these by visiting a local Sonoma County Grange Credit Union or American Ag Credit office.