



# POULTRY PROJECT RECORD BOOK

## 2021

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club/FFA Chapter/Open: \_\_\_\_\_

Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Age (as of January 1): \_\_\_\_\_

Years in Project Area: \_\_\_\_\_

Record Started: \_\_\_\_\_ Record Closed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Month / Day / Year Month / Day / Year

Check One

☐

**Junior:**  
8-11 years old

☐

**Intermediate:**  
12-14 years old

☐

**Senior:**  
15-19 years old

## Record Book Instructions:

### DON'T CHANGE THE PAPER:

Completed record books must be on standard letter sized (8.5"x11") white paper and HANDWRITTEN. There are classes in still exhibits for scrapbooks so please leave these types of books there. Minor embellishments are allowed and neatness is encouraged. Books must be fastened with a staple in the upper right hand corner or secured inside a 3 ring binder or folder.

Complete all sections of the record book that apply to your exhibited species.

Market chickens, ducks, turkeys and geese are expected to be weighed during the project. Egg pullets do NOT need to be weighed.

## All about my poultry project:

**For this section use the animal the exhibitor will exhibit at the fair.**

Name (or identification) of my animal: \_\_\_\_\_

Tag Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Color(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Actual Birthdate

Estimated Birthdate

Special Markings: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one: ☐ Purchased ☐ Raised Date of purchase: \_\_\_\_\_

Check all that apply: ☐ Chickens ☐ Ducks ☐ Turkeys ☐ Other

Purchase: \_\_\_\_\_ If you raised your animal, list the estimated market value.

**Below, attach a beginning and ending picture of your projects. Please label the photos.**

## My general poultry knowledge:

Ages 8 to 19 complete the following questions:

Define the following terms:

Pullet \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Cockerel \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Wattles \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Plumage \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Fowl \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

How did you obtain your market chickens?

\_\_\_\_\_ Hatched and raised my own birds.

\_\_\_\_\_ Purchased them from a 4-H exhibitor or other poultry grower. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Purchased from a hatchery. Name of hatchery: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the content of your poultry feed? Protein % \_\_\_\_\_ Fat % \_\_\_\_\_ Fiber % \_\_\_\_\_

How did you house your chickens? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What type of bedding did you use? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the hatch date for this year's project, according to the fair book? \_\_\_\_\_

**Ages 12 to 19 complete the following questions:**

How many birds did you start with for your project? \_\_\_\_\_

How many birds were raised to market weight? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you have any problems raising your birds? (disease, wild animals, heat, cold) Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What would you do differently next year to improve your project? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the proper way to hold a bird? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the proper way to put your bird in or out of the cage? \_\_\_\_\_

**Ages 15 to 19 complete the following questions:**

What are two (2) general defects that you should look for when selecting your birds to take to the fair?

A) \_\_\_\_\_

B) \_\_\_\_\_

What is your favorite product made from a poultry and what part of the animal does this come from?

What are measures we can take to prevent our visitors from becoming ill after visiting the fair? \_\_\_\_\_

What is biosecurity? \_\_\_\_\_

What biosecurity measures do you take at home before and after the fair (or if you go to other shows before the fair)?

What is meant by a withdrawal time on a medication? \_\_\_\_\_

**Listed below are common health problems in poultry. List symptoms and treatments.**

Marek's Disease: \_\_\_\_\_

Pullorum: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Newcastle Disease: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

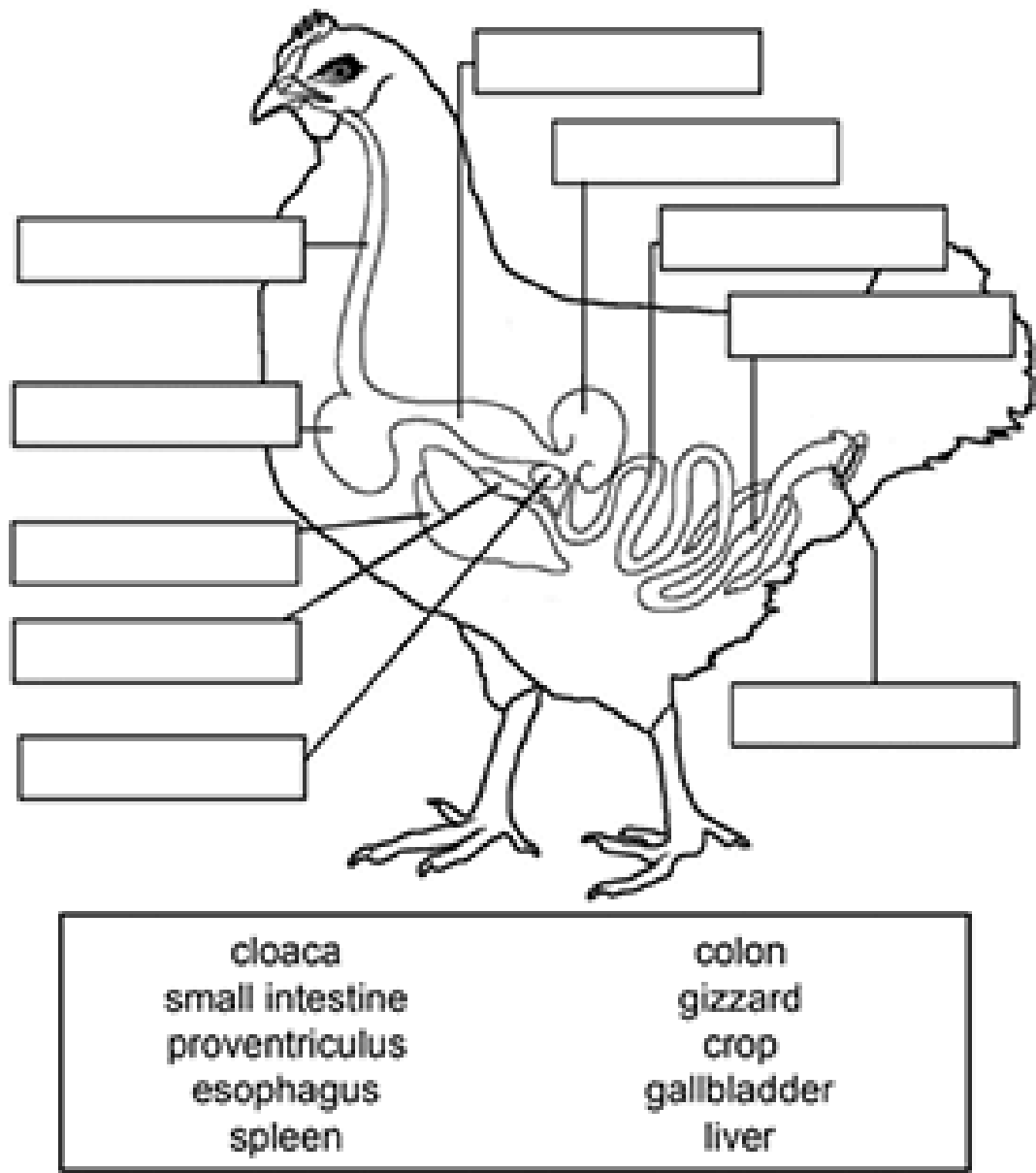
Avian Influenza: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

A zoonotic disease is ... \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Digestion & Nutrition:

All exhibitors: Label the following bird digestive system.

**Bird Digestive System**



Intermediate & Senior exhibitors:

Describe the function of the gizzard. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Senior exhibitors:

What types of feeds are necessary to keep the digestive tract functioning properly?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Project Animals:

Identification of Animal (legband)	Sex	Date of Hatching	Date of Purchase	Purchase/Value at start of project	Value at the end of the project.*

\*Value at close of your project would be how much your bird cost if you were to sell it or the price when your birds sold at the auction.

## Miscellaneous Income:

Animals or projects sold or used at home.

Date	Kind (eggs, meat)	Amount (doz. Lb.)	Price per unit (doz. Lb.)	Value
				Grand Total \$



Please describe your feeding program in as much depth as possible. List any supplemental foods and/or vitamins etc. Describe all brands and types of feed you used at different times in your project and give your reasons for choosing this type of feed program.

## Expenses: Grain and Supplements

[illegible]

**Other Expenses:**

[illegible]

## Weight Gain Record:

Identification of animal	1.	2.
	3.	4.
	5.	6.
Beginning Weight	Date weighed:	
Ending Weight	Date weighed:	
Days on feed—number of days between beginning weight and		
Average Daily gain—total ounces gained divided by the days on feed = the average		
Total Weight gained  Final weight minus beginning weight = the total weight gained		

## Project Financial Summary

Income and value at the close of your project.

Value of animals at close of project (page 8) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Miscellaneous income (page 8) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL A \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Expenses and value at start of your project.

Value of animals at start of record (from top of page 8) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Feed costs (page 9) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other expenses (page 10) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL B \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Net profit (or loss \*) A minus B GRAND TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Keep in mind that if you show a negative balance that it does not necessarily mean that you did a poor job!

**My project story ... (please write about your poultry project)**