

Market Swine Information

Estimated Budget for the Year:

- Pig - \$500+
- Feeder - \$20
- Buckets for feed/water \$10
- Show brush \$10
- Show Stick - \$20-40
- Pen rent - \$75
- FFA Dues
- Entry Fees - \$ based on show and number entered.
- Validation Tag - \$20
- Feed - \$150 - \$300 (approximately \$28/bag - 8 lbs/day = 2 lbs of gain)
- Shavings - 2 bags a week x \$12 a bag (\$200/pen approximately through January) *This amount can increase or decrease depending on the pig's size and brand of shavings.*
- Daily care supplies including shampoo, Sudden Impact, Renew for skin, a large brush, pump sprayer, foam soaker to put on the end of the hose (Sullivans) \$75.00 plus shipping (this is almost 50% off buying these items separately)
- Champions Choice skin conditioner \$25.00-30.00/bottle is also recommended

Expectations and Requirements:

- The animal must be fed 2x per day/check the water also. Check to see what type of feed they are eating and how much at the start and build that up to 8 lbs a day when they are bigger. 8 lbs of feed should equal 1.5-2 lbs of gain/day)
- All animals will need to have all of their shots prior to entering the barn. Foster a PRRS vaccine, Brucellosis and Pseudorabies vaccine, Flusure XP - 2 shots over 2 weeks. These boosters will help prevent illnesses.
- Deworm every three weeks to help with gain. (Dectomax or Safeguard) We suggest scheduling a consultation with mobile vet Dr. Hebel (512-656-8979). IF your animal does get sick please contact a vet.
- The animal must be walked every day - 10 minutes at least
- The animal's pen must be cleaned - pick out manure daily; deep clean weekly.
- The animal should be rinsed daily (conditioner each day/washed every other day; this should take less than 5 minutes)
- Pen rent is due before the animal moves in
- You must attend validation with a parent/guardian
- Shows that are available - TCYS, Fort Worth, San Angelo, San Antonio, Houston, Austin. We cannot guarantee that these shows will take place.