## Sale Name: San Joaquin AgFest Market Swine - CA

## LOT 127 - Kaitlyn Myers New Jerusalem 4H



First Name Kaitlyn
Last Name Myers
FFA Chapter or 4H Club Name New Jerusalem 4H
Validation Tag or Show reference# 748
County CA
City Tracy
Animal Weight (in Pounds) 257
Date of Reported Weight 06/16/2021

## **Description**

My name is Kaitlyn Myers, I am 13 years old and just graduated from 8th grade at Delta Charter School in Tracy. This is my first year as part of the New Jerusalem 4H Club, raising and showing market swine. My twin sister and I have taken the initiative to research as much as we could about owning, raising, and showing pigs on our own. This has been a difficult year, but I feel proud that we have done this mostly on our own with our family support. I will be attending Tracy High School next year as part of the Agricultural Science Academy, will be a member of the FFA Club. I also play competitive travel softball mostly as a 1st and 2nd baseman but I play anywhere if needed.

My pig is a Cross Gilt and is named Piggy. This year raising her I have learned many things including feeding, healthcare, barn maintenance, the cost of raising an animal, and training her for fair. When we first got her she was very shy but now she's like a pet dog. Piggy loves showers, rolling in mud, apples, running around in the exercise yard, and responds well to commands. She is kept with three other pigs and sometimes it is necessary to separate her during feeding time so she

makes progress with weight goals. I purchased my pig with family contributions and will use any proceeds from the auction to buy and maintain my next market animal. My family and I did not anticipate the expenses associated with raising a market animal and we were very surprised at the cost. All expenses were paid by my parents and my sister and I are very grateful for our family support.

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