



- **Anterior** - near or toward the head
- **Posterior** - near or toward the tail
- **Dorsal** - referring to the back
- **Ventral** - referring to the belly
- **Lateral** - referring to the side
- **Median** - referring to the midline
- **Cranial** - referring to the head
- **Caudal** - referring to the tail
- **Proximal** - toward the attached end of a structure
- **Distal** - toward the free end of a structure
- **Longitudinal** - in the axis from head to tail
- **Transverse** - across the longitudinal axis
- **Pectoral** - chest or shoulder area
- **Pelvic** - hip region
- **Inferior**- toward or closer to the tail (caudal region) or something located below another structure
- **Superior**- toward or closer to the head region or something located above another structure