

State Fair Policies & Procedures

- ◆ Exhibitor requirements to exhibit at State Fair:
 - In order to show at State Fair, an exhibitor must be 12 and no older than 19 as of January 1 of the year they intend to exhibit at the Fair.
 - The exhibitor must be a member of 4-H, FFA, Junior Holstein Association or any other youth organization approved by the State Fair. Youth are selected through the Washington County Dairy Committee based on their participation in dairy project activities and the quality of their animal.
 - **All State Fair exhibitors must attend:** two educational programs; one educational must be coordinated by the Washington County Dairy Committee. All educational program requirements must be turned in by May 15 to be eligible to show at State Fair.
 - Participants for State Fair will be selected based on the following:
 - Each exhibitor is eligible to take one animal. Additional animals to be sent will be determined by placing order at the Roundup until the quota is filled.
 - The top animals selected at the Roundup (determined by the county quota) will go to State Fair.
 - The exhibitor that owns an animal selected (or with a managerial agreement with the owner of the animal) will be able to show that animal at the State Fair.
 - The Washington County Dairy Committee will select additional exhibitors (number determined by county quota) on overall participation in dairy project activities, showmanship ability, and age.
 - Alternates; counties may make alternate entries each in the name of a specific exhibitor to substitute for scratches. Counties with a quota of nineteen animals or less are allowed five, counties with a quota of twenty or over are allowed eight.
 - **All State Fair exhibitors and parent(s)/ guardian(s) must attend the State Fair informational meeting.** The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m., Monday, June 13, 2005. The purpose of the meeting is to hand out information pertaining to your stay at the State Fair. The following things will be covered:
 - Printed regulations, dorm and meal reservations, entry blanks, fees and committees will be assigned.
 - Entries will be filled out.
 - Bring along animal registration papers.
 - Two blank checks.
 - If unable to attend the meeting, the youth must contact a member of the Dairy Committee and UW-Extension Office. The Dairy Committee will deal with each case on an individual basis. No missed meeting without prior approval will be accepted.
 - **All exhibitors are required to be in showmanship class at the Washington County Fair in order to show at the State Fair.**

2. Animal Requirements to exhibit at State Fair:

- Calves and heifers that are owned by the exhibitor must be registered in the member's name by June 1. Cows must be registered in the member's name by January 1. No cows may be shown "Managerial" at the State Fair.

-An exhibitor can only show one managerial animal. An exhibitor may enter three dairy animals at State Fair, one animal may be managerial, and the other animals must be owned by the exhibitor. No more than one animal may be exhibited in any lot number. **All managerial animals must be led by the showman prior to State Fair.**

-All managerial animals must have the following forms: Wisconsin Youth Dairy Project Agreement and Release of Liability completed and in UW-Extension Office, P.O. Box 2003, West Bend, WI 53095 by June 1. Both sheets are needed for each animal.

3. While at State Fair:

-Chaperones:

-The Dairy Committee and the UW-Extension office will screen and select chaperones.

-Any person taking on this responsibility will be required to attend a meeting to go over the regulations and expectations of the chaperones.

-Chaperone Guidelines:

-Must be at least 21 years of age.

-Must meet State Fair requirements for chaperones.

-Must have completed the youth protection program.

-Herdspersons:

-The herdspersons will be selected following the State Fair Roundup.

Nominations will be accepted following the Roundup selection. Silent ballots will be cast and tabulated. The top two nominees will then be announced as the herdspersons for the 2005 Wisconsin State Fair.

-Exhibitors and parent(s) or guardian(s) must read and sign the expectation statement and behavioral agreements. Violations of the agreements will be handled by the chaperone; herdsperson, Washington County Dairy Committee and UW-Extension or as outlined in the agreements.

-State Fair youth exhibitors are required to stay at the Wisconsin State Fair Park during the duration of the Junior Dairy Show. However, any youth needing to leave State Fair **must** submit a letter requesting to do so prior to the event and receive approval from the Washington County Dairy Committee. Copies of the letter must be provided to the chaperone and/or herdsperson and the UW-Extension Office. Youth must be transported to and from State Fair by their parent(s)/guardian(s) only.

-Teams will be set up for feeding, watering and other care. Exhibitors not preparing animals or showing their animal should support others by watching and supporting the show.