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## 2024 Dairy Cattle Project Information

Attention: Dairy Cattle Members and Leaders  
From: Bailey Schilling, 4-H Youth Development/Livestock Agent

*This letter contains the highlights of the 2024 Dairy Cattle Project guidelines. Once the Fair Book & schedule are posted online, each member and leader is responsible for reading, understanding, and abiding by all rules and regulations. [4-H and Open Class | The Ranch, Larimer County Fairgrounds & Events Complex \(treventscomplex.com\)](#).*

Key Leaders: Shari Stroup, Stan Heeney, Amanda Dye, & Jennifer Wildman

### 4-H Project Completion Requirements

To complete the Dairy project, members must meet these minimum requirements. Please be aware that some clubs may have additional requirements.

- Participate in a 4-H related (subject matter or audience) demonstration or other speech presentation.
- Participate in a 4-H sponsored community service activity.
- Complete county level requirements such as a record book, Club meeting attendance, etc.

### Premises ID

**Same as 2023: All livestock animals are REQUIRED to have a valid Premises ID prior to the fair entry date of July 8th, in order to show at the 2024 Larimer County Fair. This does apply to breeding animals. In the instance that a family needs to move an animal from the premise ID that is on file to an alternative premise, the Extension**



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**Office must be notified immediately, and the new premise ID needs to be recorded. Members who house there animals at the same location will share a premise ID. If you have a leased animal please check with the land owner, stable, dairy, etc. to see if a Premise ID or Federal Identification has been established.**

If you don't remember your number, you can call the number below and they can provide it to you, or you can contact the Extension Office for your number. If you did not show an animal last year, you will need to obtain a Premises ID. It's easy (and free) to obtain a Premises ID. Your fair entries will not be approved until your Premise ID is uploaded to 4-Honline. You may need to call the Extension Office for assistance if you have already completed your enrollment. You can register by calling 303-869-9130 or go to:

<https://ag.colorado.gov/animals/colorado-location-identification-lid-registration-premises>

### **Animal Care and Housing Form**

This form is intended for any members participating in the Livestock or Horse Projects that keep an animal at a location other than the address documented on 4-Honline. This includes any location where the animal may reside for an extended period of time. This form needs to be uploaded under "other documents" to 4-Honline and a hardcopy must be turned into the Extension Office. [Microsoft Word - AnimalCareForm.doc \(colostate.edu\)](#).

### **Meat Quality Assurance Program and Jr. Livestock Sale Information**

- 1) **Meat Quality Assurance Program (MQA)** - All 4-H members must have completed the Meat Quality Assurance Program requirements to exhibit at the 2024 County Fair. MQA requirements and other available training dates are listed in the Clover Connection.

#### **For 2024 Dairy Cattle**

All Dairy Cattle must turn in a copy of proof of ownership, or lease agreement to the Extension Office by April 1, 2024. Acceptable forms of proof of ownership/lease agreement include original registration papers, brand inspection, bill of sale, or other proof of ownership document. A scanned copy of the acceptable proof of ownership will be retained by the extension office for records.

**Animal information will also need to be uploaded in the Animal ID section of the enrollment system by May 1, 2024.**



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## **Tentative Dairy Workshop Schedule & Opportunities**

Subject in workshops below is tentative; information may change based upon audience needs or current events. Workshops following the orientation will have a showmanship component where kids are welcome to bring their animal to practice with.

- ❖ January 26<sup>th</sup> 6:30-7:30 p.m.- General Meeting (McKee Building)
- ❖ February 23<sup>rd</sup> 6:30-7:30 p.m.- More Project Information (McKee Building)
- ❖ February 24<sup>th</sup>, 9:00-4:00 p.m.- Livestock Field Day & MQA (McKee Building)
  - Schedule for event will follow (check your email)
- ❖ March 29<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:00 p.m.- Progress with Your Project Animal (McKee Building)
- ❖ April 26<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:00 p.m.- Growing and Feeding Your Animal (New Community Youth Building)
- ❖ July 10<sup>th</sup>, 4pm-7pm, Round Robin Workshop (All Species Invited), New Community Youth Arena- Arena Space

### **Round Robin Clinic**

This year there will not be a Round Robin Clinic during the county fair but rather a social for the members that have qualified for the Round Robin. This is an opportunity to get information from fellow showmen about the animal they qualified with. A Round Robin Clinic will be hosted on July 10th in the New Community building from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. This will be an opportunity for all members to gain hands-on experience and learn more about each of the species.

## **Tentative County Fair Information**

### **Record Books**

For all Livestock projects, record book checks will take place during species designated “set up” time. A member can come to any of the set up times to get their record book checked. Exhibitors must have completed a record book check before they check-in of their project animal. If you wish to enter your project record book in the Record Book Contest, books must be turned in to the Extension Office by September 23, 2024. Individual Clubs may have an earlier deadline.

### **Animal Release**

Members who want to take their animals home following the show will be able to do so. There will be a time designated for animals to be released (refer to the Fair schedule when it comes out for these times). Species are not required to leave following their show, they can be released at any of the designated release times. For example, John shows goats and hogs. He keeps his goats on the grounds until his hogs show, both species can be released during the release time following the hog show. In order for livestock to be released, they will need to contact the superintendent to get a signed release slip. The Agent or a member of the show committee will be in the livestock office in case a superintendent cannot be reached.



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## **Tentative County Fair Dairy Cattle Show Schedule**

**Friday, August 2, 4:00-7:00pm**

Barn Set-up & Record Book Checks

**Saturday, August 3, 9:00-11:00am**

Check-in

**Sunday, August 4, 5:00-6:00pm**

Check-in for Milking Cows

**Monday, August 5, 11:30am-3:30pm**

Dairy Show followed by

Showmanship



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