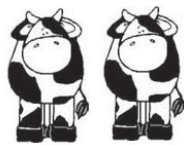
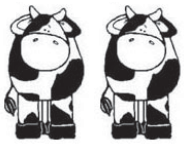


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Dear 4-H Dairy Youth and Families:

We are pleased to bring you information about 4-H Dairy activities here in Iowa. The 4-H Dairy Program offers many opportunities for you to be involved in dairy activities other than your own operation.

Sincerely,

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## 2009 Upcoming Dairy Events

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| May 15          | Deadline to file Dairy ID forms with your county extension office  |
| June 1          | Quiz Bowl entries due to State 4-H office  |
| June 16         | State 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl<br>Oelwein Community School, Oelwein   |
| June 30-July 2  | 4-H Dairy ROUNDUP and Iowa 4-H Conference, ISU Campus  |
| July 1          | Deadlines, Deadlines, Deadlines<br>• Submit State 4-H Dairy Recognition Application<br>• Submit State Fair livestock entries to your county extension office<br>• Submit National 4-H Dairy Conference Application |
| July 17         | State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest Entries due to Iowa 4-H office   |
| August 12       | State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest  |
| August 13-23    | Iowa State Fair  |
| August 13       | Iowa State Fair Youth Dairy Show<br>4-H Dairy Recognition Program  |
| August 20       | Iowa State Fair 4-H Dairy Goat Show  |
| September 10    | Tri-State Dairy Expo, Calmar   |
| Sept. 27-30     | National 4-H Dairy Conference in Madison, Wisconsin  |
| Sept. 29-Oct. 3 | World Dairy Expo, Madison, Wisconsin   |
| October 4-10    | National 4-H Week  |
| November 7-20   | North American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, Kentucky  |

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# Iowa 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl Set for Tuesday, June 16 at Oelwein

The Iowa 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl is set for Tuesday, June 16, 2009, at Oelwein High School in Oelwein, Iowa.

Entry forms are available at your county extension office and are due **June 1** to the State 4-H Office.

Divisions will include junior (completed grades 4-6), intermediate (completed grades 7-9), and senior (completed grades 10-12) .

**All written exams must be taken at your county extension office. ALL participants from a given county team must take the exam at the same time before 1 p.m. Friday, June 12. Contact your local extension office for details.**

Contest rules are available from your local extension office or on the 4-H Ag webpage at <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/Agriculture/livestockhandbookDairy.htm>.

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## Dairy Recognition Application Forms Now Available – Pick Yours Up Today

Use the State 4-H Dairy Recognition Form to apply for the following awards:

- Iowa 4-H Performance Contest
- Iowa Breed Promotion Awards
- National 4-H Dairy Conference

This is one application for all three awards.

Copies of the application form are available from your county extension office or from the State 4-H Office in Ames. You also may download the applications from the 4-H web site at <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/Agriculture/livestockhandbookDairy.htm> under “Dairy Recognition Application.”

A description of each of the three awards follows:

### ***Dairy Performance Award***

The 4-H Production Contest encourages 4-H dairy project members to develop good record keeping habits and to use those records to make profitable management decisions.

The top senior team will represent Iowa at the National 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl. The quiz bowl is held in conjunction with the North American Livestock Exposition in Louisville, Kentucky, scheduled for November 7-20, 2009.

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## 4-H Dairy ROUNDUP is June 30–July 2, 2009

Each year ROUNDUP is held in conjunction with the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference in Ames. It is an opportunity for older 4-H’ers to gain hands-on learning on dairy topics from Iowa State University instructors.

Participants attend workshops on reproductive anatomy and physiology, heifer growth and selection, dairy nutrition, manure management, animal comfort, calf management and biosecurity.

Last year, the majority of activities took place at the new ISU Dairy Farm. In the evening, participants attend the same recreational events as those attending the Youth Conference — dances, bowling, picnics, and other fun stuff.

This is a great opportunity and a fun experience for anyone who is planning a future in the dairy industry. If you are interested in attending 4-H Dairy ROUNDUP, contact your county extension office for registration information. Inquire early, as some counties have a selection process.

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### ***State Breed Awards***

Each year, the six dairy breed associations may select and recognize an outstanding 4-H member who has had an outstanding 4-H dairy career and has contributed to the promotion of the breed in some way.

### ***National 4-H Dairy Conference***

Attending the conference can be an exciting opportunity for those looking toward a future in the dairy industry. Those who have attended the National 4-H Dairy Conference often rank it as one of their favorite 4-H experiences. 4-H dairy members age 15 but no older than 18 years before January 1 of the current year are encouraged to apply.

## *July 1 – The Magical Date*

As indicated in the calendar of events, July 1 is the magical date to have applications and entries to the appropriate places for Iowa Dairy Recognition Awards, which includes the production contest, the state breed awards and National 4-H Dairy Conference. State Fair entries for 4-H livestock also are due on July 1. Again in 2009: State Fair Premium Books are available only online at [www.iowastatefair.org](http://www.iowastatefair.org).

### **Sign Up to Exhibit in the Iowa State Fair Youth Dairy Show**

The Iowa State Fair Youth Dairy Show is an educational event to help 4-H'ers learn how to properly fit and groom their animals. It also is an experience in learning about animal health and well being, confirmation and genetics.

State fair entry forms are due at your county extension office on or before July 1. All 4-H livestock entries must be made through the county extension office. Make sure to fill out your dairy entry cards completely and accurately.

**NEW for 2009:** Your dairy/dairy goat entry cards must be **brought with you** to the State Fair check-in. Cards are NOT to go to your county extension office. Blank entry cards will be included with the exhibitor letter that's mailed out in late July to all 4-H/FFA State Fair exhibitors.

The Iowa State Fair will be held August 13-23. 4-H and Youth dairy cattle may arrive between 4 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11 and 11 a.m. on Wednesday, August 12. All cattle

must be on the grounds by 11 a.m. The Youth Dairy Show will begin at 7:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 13.

All 4-H dairy and 4-H dairy goat entries must be made through the county Extension Office by July 1. No late entries will be accepted.

Dairy goats may start arriving at 3 p.m. Wednesday, August 19. Check-in will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Dairy goats will be shown at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, August 20. Plan to attend a pizza party for 4-H Dairy Goat Show exhibitors. Time and location will be announced during the show.

Please make sure your Dairy and Dairy Goat ID Form is filled out carefully and completely, and filed with your county extension office **by May 15**. Information must include tattoo numbers, birth dates and registration numbers. Animals not listed on the Dairy ID Form will not be allowed to show. Keep a copy of the form when you make your livestock entries.

**Dairy & Dairy Goat ID Forms – Due May 15**

**State Fair Entry Deadline – Due July 1**

**Again for 2009: State Fair Premium Book  
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# State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest Is August 12 at Iowa State Fair

The State 4-H Dairy Judging Contest will be Wednesday, August 12 at the Iowa State Fair.

Registration will begin at 2 p.m. The contest includes senior and junior divisions, with juniors competing for ribbons only. Senior contestants must be at least 14 and under 19 by January 1, 2009. Junior members are those who are not 14 and have completed fifth grade by the contest year.

Seniors will give oral reasons on three classes of cows and one class of heifers; juniors will give oral reasons on two classes of cows.

A county may enter more than one team in both the junior and senior divisions. Teams may consist of three or four members (four is preferred) from the same county. Counties can combine to form a team if permission is obtained

prior to July 17 and if the county does not have sufficient numbers to enter a county team. Refer to the Iowa State Fair 4-H premium book for additional details.

The winning county team will represent Iowa in the National 4-H Dairy Judging Contest at the World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin, set for September 29-October 3, 2009. The four highest scoring individuals in the senior division who are not on the champion team will be invited to participate at the regional contest in Louisville, Kentucky, scheduled during the North American Livestock Exposition November 7-20, 2009.

Entries are due July 17, 2009, and are available at your local county extension office and also on the web at <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/Agriculture/livestockhandbookDairy.htm>.

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