Exhibitors will receive a halter from Bremer Co. Dairy Promoters. Bottle/Bucket Calf exhibitors in 4-6 graders must be FSQA certified by July 1 to exhibit at the 2016 Bremer County Fair.

Project requirements:

1. Projects open to 4-H members in grades K-6th grade.
2. Members must be enrolled in Bottle/Bucket Calf project by May 15th.
3. Class is open to any newborn or orphan calf, steer or heifer; dairy, beef or crossbred.
4. Calf must be born between February 1st and May 1st of the current year. The calf must be fed on a bottle/bucket before the calf is two weeks of age, by exhibitor.
5. The calf/calves must be properly identified. The identity of the calf must be entered in 4-H Online in the 4-H Extension Office by May 15, 2016.
6. Members are responsible for the care of the calf during the time put on a bottle/bucket until fair. Which includes: feeding, training the calf to lead, keeping track of health and safety.
7. Project worksheets need to be filled out and given to the Superintendent at entry on Tuesday July 28, 2016.
8. Calves will be entered on Tuesday, July 26, 2016 and will stay on the fairgrounds the duration of the fair.
9. The following criteria will be used for judging for K-1st graders.
   • What has member learned about the care and raising of the calf?
   • Getting calf ready for show day.
     o No need to Clip, but can if wishes to
     o Lead halter, no need for Show halter, but can if wishes to
     o Cleanliness
   • Exhibitors knowledge of the calf
     o Did the calf get sick?
       ▪ If so what did an Adult and Exhibitor do to help calf
     o Calf’s birthdate
     o Breed
     o Steps of feeding
       ▪ Just knowing the steps started on Bottle, then Bucket, then Weaning
10. The following criteria will be used for judging for 2nd-3rd graders.
   • What has member learned about the care and raising of the calf?
   • The fitting and showing of the calf
     o No need to Clip/Fluff, but can if wishes to
     o Lead Halter or Show halter
     o Cleanliness
     o Be able to explain how his/her calf is to be show ready to their breed
   • Exhibitors knowledge of the calf
o General health
  ▪ Did your calf get sick?
    • If so be able to explain what and how did you treat the calf

o Age
  ▪ Birthdate and how old in months

o Breed
o The steps of feeding
  ▪ Bottle (How many times a day, what calf drank)
  ▪ Bucket (How many times a day, what calf drank)
  ▪ Weaning process
  ▪ What the calf eats at the time of fair

11. The following criteria will be used for judging for 4th-6th graders

  • What has member learned about the care and raising of the calf?
  • The fitting and showing of the calf
    o Clipping
    o Show halter
    o Cleanliness
    o Show ready
    o Knowing how to show their calf the right way of their breed
  • Exhibitors knowledge of the calf
    o General health
    o Age
    o Breed
    o The steps of feeding
      ▪ Bottle (How much calf drank, how many times a day, what calf drank)
      ▪ Bucket (How much calf drank, how many times a day, what calf drank)
      ▪ Weaning process
      ▪ What the calf eats at the time of fair and how much grain and how many times a day do you feed the calf

12. Calves must meet the same health requirements as all other beef and dairy animals

You may do what you would like with the calves after fair. The 3rd-6th graders may keep the calf as a second year project. Show them next year as a dairy heifer or beef animal. Classes will be divided up according to the age of the exhibitor rather than the age or weight of the calf. The Bottle/Bucket Calf class is for fun. We would like the exhibitors to learn from the experience. Also for the experience in the show ring and having an animal at the fair. Please make sure the exhibitor is having nothing but FUN through this Bottle/Bucket Calf experience.

Department: Bottle/Bucket
Division: 204: Bottle/Bucket Calf
Classes:
20400: Bottle/Bucket Calves Clovers K-1st graders
20401: Bottle/Bucket Calves Clovers 2nd-3rd graders
20402: Bottle/Bucket Calves 4-Hers 4th-6th graders