PRE 4-H BOTTLE/BUCKET CALF SHOW

SPONSORED BY CEDAR COUNTY FAIRBOARD

FUN SHOW – NON COMPETITIVE

PURPOSE:

1. To start learning proper health care, environmental needs and nutritional requirements of young animals.
2. To begin learning basic record keeping and communication skills.

GUIDELINES:

1. Show open to youth, age 5 through 3rd grade during 2018 - 2019 school term.
2. Any newborn or orphan calf born between January 1 and April 30 of current year. Calves must be in possession of the youth within 2 weeks of birth. **No bull calves allowed.**
3. Calf must be bottle or bucket fed. No nursing permitted.
4. Youth may **identify up to three animals** but will be limited to exhibiting one at fair. These are only eligible to be shown in the Pre 4-H bottle-bucket calf class.
5. Calves must be identified with herd ear tag or tattoo and recorded on Pre 4-H Bottle/Bucket Calf Identification Form OR online at: [https://goo.gl/forms/XGtjZDBEoDryzrBC2](https://goo.gl/forms/XGtjZDBEoDryzrBC2). Side photo of each animal (with ear tag showing) must accompany the identification form or be emailed to cedar4h@iastate.edu. Identification form and photo(s) due in the Extension office MAY 15 by 4:00pm (NO EXCEPTIONS).

LEARNING EXPERIENCES:

1. The project includes skill learning experiences in the following areas:
   - Basic Record Keeping
   - Oral Interview
   - General Health/Fitting
   - Showmanship
2. Written records should be completed and brought to the interview session which will be held on June 24th. You will receive a schedule in the mail with your interview time prior to June 24th.
3. General health, fitting and showmanship will be evaluated during the fair in a show ring experience.
PRE 4-H CLASS COUNTY FAIR REQUIREMENTS:

1. Calves will be shown at halter and fitted according to beef or dairy guidelines.
2. Participants will receive a participation ribbon. There will be no premiums for the Pre 4-H Bottle-Bucket show. This is strictly a fun show.
3. Entries may arrive Tuesday starting at 8am or Friday 2-6pm. Check in is available Tuesday 6-6:30pm OR Friday 5-6pm. Release time is Sunday at 11am.
4. Show ring experience will occur on Sunday morning, July 14th following the 4-H Bottle Bucket show at the fair.
5. See health requirements online (https://www.extension.iastate.edu/cedar/4h).
6. Areas looked at in the Pre 4-H Bottle/Bucket fair experience:
   A. What youth has learned about care and management of raising the calf.
   B. The fitting and showing of the calf (according to beef or dairy guidelines) with emphasis on what the youth has learned.
   C. General health, condition and management of the calf and youth knowledge of this area.
   D. Basic records of the project.
   E. Quality or conformation of the calf will not be considered in the bottle/bucket calf project since purchase should not be on this basis.
7. An entry fee of $4.00 per head along with a stall form will be due by June 30th without a late fee. After June 30th, there will be an entry fee plus $25.00 per head late fee.
8. Animals are to be housed on the grounds during the fair and will be included in barn assignments.

PROJECT DATES:

January 1 – April 30: Youth must purchase and have calf/calves in possession within 2 weeks of birth.

MAY 15: Pre 4-H bottle/bucket ID forms need to be turned in.

JUNE 24: Interviews for Bottle/Bucket calf project (evening). Schedule will be sent to participants. (Bring your written records with you).

JUNE 30: Bottle/bucket entry fees and stall form are due without late fee.

JULY 9 or 12: Weigh-in of bottle/bucket calves at the fair.

JULY 14: Pre 4-H Bottle/Bucket calf show in the morning, in the cattle show ring.