BUCKET BOTTLE CALF DEPARTMENT
Superintendent: Linda Wiese

General Rules and Guidelines

1. A maximum of 1 calf may be exhibited and must come from those identified by May 15 on an FFA I.D. form or in 4hOnline, however, two calves may be identified. Calf must be identified with an ear tag by May 15.

2. Calves must be born between December 15, 2015 and April 30, 2016. Calves must be purchased and in possession of the 4-H’er within two weeks of birth and must be bucket or bottle fed until weaned; no nursing permitted.

3. Project will be evaluated on a three-part, 500 points possible system. Written records must be submitted in a three-ring folder (not in a binder) and are *due at the Extension Office no later than Monday, June 20, 2016*. If written records are turned in after June 20, 2016, the exhibitor will be deducted 50 points from the written portion of their total.

4. *Interviews will take place on Monday, June 27, 2016*. Fitting, general health and showmanship will be evaluated in the show ring during the Club Show. Quality or conformation of the calf will not be considered in the class.

5. Calves will be shown on halter and should be fitted according to either dairy or beef standards.

6. Classes will be divided depending on the number of members in each grade bracket (Juniors: 4-6, Intermediates: 7-8, and Seniors: 9-12).

7. Bucket/bottle calves, which are dairy heifers, may also be shown in the regular dairy show. To do this, an entry must be made in the Fair Entry online program in both the bucket/bottle class and the appropriate dairy class. These calves must meet the age requirements and will count toward the dairy division quotas.

8. If the beef calf was born from a cow previously identified, it is eligible to be shown in the feeder calf class. If the calf is not from a cow previously identified, it may be put in the open feeder calf class. Calves need not be castrated.

9. Bucket/bottle exhibitors should wear uniform listed under beef or dairy division based on the type of calf being exhibited. For safety reasons, if a Junior has not practiced using a show stick, one should not be used in the show ring.

9. Exhibitors must be F.S.Q.A. certified to show.

**Division:Class**

203:00 Bucket/Bottle Calf Jr.
203:01 Bucket/Bottle Calf Int.
203:02 Bucket/Bottle Calf Sr.

**Premiums for classes in division 203:**

Purple - $4.00  Blue - $3.00  Red - $2.00
Clover Kids Bucket Bottle Calf Division

Purposes:
A. To design a developmentally appropriate beef/dairy project to fit the physical and maturity level of young children in Kindergarten–3rd grade.
B. To introduce children to health, nutrition, and environmental needs of bucket bottle calves.
C. To nurture children’s understanding of the beef/dairy industry.

Rules:
1. All Kindergarten–3rd grade animal exhibit opportunities will be cooperative and not competitive.
2. Project is open to all Clover Kids in Kindergarten–3rd grade.
3. Calves must be purchased and in possession of the child within two weeks of birth. Any newborn or orphaned calf – steer or heifer – dairy or beef – purebred or crossbred – calved between March 1 and June 15 of the current year can be a part of this project. Bull calves will be allowed at the fair.
4. Calf must be bucket or bottle fed; no nursing permitted.
5. An exhibitor is limited to a maximum of one calf exhibited at the fair.
6. Clover Kid exhibitors must enter by submitting the Clover Kid Club Show Entry form by June 20, 2016.
7. All calves will be shown on halter and should be clean and groomed.
8. No show sticks will be allowed in the Clover Kids Class.
9. Children will be asked 5-6 questions regarding:
   a. Care and management of raising the calf.
   b. Showing/handling of the calf.
   c. Fitting, general health, and condition of the calf and child’s knowledge of the project.
   d. Appropriate record keeping.

NOTE: Quality and conformation of the calf will NOT be considered in the bucket bottle program.
10. Bucket bottle calf exhibitors must follow the fair’s rules and health requirements as stated in the fair book. These include, but are not limited to, the following:
    a. No evidence of warts, ringworm, pinkeye, or other infectious conditions will be allowed.
    b. All exhibitors must show his/her own animal in partnership with a caring adult.
    c. Each exhibitor is responsible for the care of his or her animal in partnership with a caring adult.
11. Calves will be brought to the fair on the day of the show and return home the same day or they may be stalled at the fair in a designated area for the duration of the fair and will be dismissed between 3-4 p.m. on Sunday, July 10, 2016. Exhibitors planning to stall a calf at the fair must indicate so on the entry form, by June 20, 2016.
12. A participation ribbon will be awarded to all K–3 exhibitors.

Division: Class
204:00 Exhibitors in grades K-1
204:01 Exhibitors in grades 2–3