1st Year Bucket/Bottle Calf
Superintendent: Keri Oostra
1. Any 4-H'er is eligible to participate.
2. Any newborn or orphan calf (steer or heifer) that was calved between March 1 and May 15 of the current year may be shown in the first year bucket/bottle calf (BBC) class. The animal may be purchased.
3. First year bucket/bottle calves must be in possession two weeks after birth; tagged (4-H ear tag) and identified on the ID form by May 15.
4. The exhibitor may identify and show a maximum of 2 animals in 1st Yr BBC.
5. The animal must be a bottle/bucket calf, not a sucking calf.
6. Calves will be shown at halter.
7. Exhibitors will complete a report of their exhibit, due at the Extension Office the Wednesday before the fair.
8. Evaluation for first year bucket/bottle calves will be based on:
   a. What exhibitor has learned about care and raising of calf
   b. Cleanliness and proper showing (halter placement, etc.) of the calf (there will be no clipping)
   c. General health, condition and management of the calf and
   d. Exhibitor's knowledge of the project
   e. Conformation or quality of the calf WILL NOT be considered since purchase should not be on this basis*
9. Exhibitors are encouraged to keep the animals for breeding or market classes the following year.
10. Ribbons will be awarded to all 4-H'ers based on the evident care and health of the animal as well as the exhibitors record keeping.
11. Participants in the Bucket/Bottle class will be eligible to go through the Ribbon Premium Auction.
12. Should class breaks be necessary, they will be determined by weight and posted by 8:00 am, Monday of the fair.
13. Calves MUST be vaccinated at least one (1) month before coming to the fair with IBR, BVD Types 1-2, BRSV and PI3. A booster may be given 3 to 4 weeks later. Other vaccinations that are suggested could include: Clostridium, Haemophilis, Pasturella, Salmonella and Mycoplasma.
*Evidence of severe blemishes, deformities, injuries or ill health will result in disqualification and the animals will not be allowed to remain on the fair grounds. Determination will be made by the fair vet, superintendents and Extension Staff.

2nd Yr Bucket/Bottle Calf guidelines
Superintendent: Keri Oostra
1. All 4-H'ers who exhibited the previous year in the 1st Year bucket/bottle calf class are eligible.
2. Any 1st Year bucket/bottle calf may be exhibited as a 2nd Year BBC calf
3. All 2nd Year bucket/bottle calves must be weighed at the market beef weigh-in or before February 1 of the current year, excluding breeding heifers and dairy heifers.
4. Feed records must be kept from Market Beef Weigh-in Date until the Wednesday before the fair when they are due at the Extension Office (regardless of whether or not they need to be at the market beef weigh-in). These forms will be returned to the 4-H'er and may be added to their 4-H record keeping for the current year.
5. Calf must remain in the care of the 4-H'er from the beginning of the project until fair time.
6. The exhibitor may identify and exhibit up to two 2nd Yr. BBC animals.
7. Calves will be exhibited in their own class at the fair: 2nd Year bucket/bottle calf beef steers, 2nd Yr BBC beef heifers, 2nd Year BBC; Holstein steers will be incorporated into the beef show; 2nd Year BBC calf dairy steers will show in the dairy market steer class. 2nd Year BBC Dairy BREEDING heifers should be shown in their age appropriate class in the dairy show. 2nd year BBC Dairy MARKET Heifers may be a separate class if enough entries to warrant (not both). Dairy Market beef will be awarded class champions at conclusion of dairy steer classes. They will not be in contention for overall Market champion.
8. Exhibitors will complete a report of their exhibit, which will be due at the Extension Office on Wednesday before the fair. Forms will be available at the Market Beef weigh-in or at the Extension Office.
9. Placement will be based on Show ring evaluation and exhibitors record keeping.
10. Ribbon placement will be awarded after each class.
11. Division winners will be eligible to compete for grand champion.
12. Exhibitors of 2nd year BBC will show the animal in only one class, either as a 2nd Year BBC or in the appropriate age class in the Dairy show or corresponding class as market beef or breeding beef.