

## GUIDELINES FOR STORY COUNTY ADVANCED CATTLE FEEDER PROJECT

1. Members may feed a pen up to two pens of three (3) to five (5) head of cattle, either heifers or steers.
2. Calves are to be started on feed between October 1st and the winter beef weigh-in with records kept as soon as calves are purchased.
3. A beginning price on the project will be the actual purchase price provided the member can produce a sales slip.
4. The Advanced Cattle Feeder project must be started by **the winter beef weigh-in**. They should be at appropriate market weight on the sale date.
5. Advanced Cattle Feeders do not need to be broke to lead. These animals cannot be shown as market beef animals at the County Fair.
6. **One feeder can be entered into the Performance Carcass Class. The whole pen can go to the packer.** You will note your tentative plan to do this when you make your county fair entries. Your final decision will be needed at the fair by 8 pm Saturday. **Any feeder you want eligible for this opportunity must be weighed and identified at the winter beef weigh-in.**
7. Calves are to be fed separate from other cattle on the farm. 4-H Market Beef Project animals may be fed with them **if** space isn't available to keep them separate. Records are important in this project, therefore, it is your advantage to feed feeders separately from your other 4-H market beef animals.
8. These animals will be exhibited at a show during the Story County Fair. These animals will be brought and checked in at the Story County Fair on Saturday at 8 pm and weighed. This weight will be used as the **sale weight**.
9. All calves enrolled in the project should be exhibited at the show.
10. **Feeders and market beef animals designated for the carcass class will be sold to the same packer (packer to be determined). All other feeder cattle may be marketed with the carcass steers.**
11. At the beginning of the project, complete the Enrollment form and keep it for your records. Keep monthly feed records with the Monthly Record Sheet. The Completion Form should be completed at the end of the project and brought to the fair with all exhibitor records for the project.
12. Interview times will be scheduled with the judge for Sunday morning of fair (interview time will be announced at fair weigh-in).
13. Award evaluation criteria is equally based on three aspects: feed records, cattle, and the interview. The winner will be announced Sunday during Supreme Showmanship.