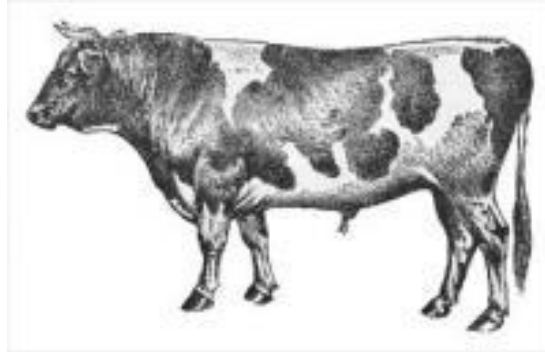


2024
JUNIOR FAIR - DAIRY MARKET STEER
RULES AND ENTRY FORM Online



Remember: You are responsible for your own entry!!

Entry Deadline is July 26, 2024
NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED

ALL ANIMALS MUST BE IN PLACE BY 10PM ON
MONDAY, AUGUST 26th, 2024

Please note 2024 Rule Changes!

ABSOLUTELY NO STALL CLEANING DURING LOAD-OUT!

Website: www.starkcountyjrfair4h.com
Committee Facebook Page: Stark County Jr. Fair Dairy Committee

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Important: Please Read!

2024 Rule Changes:

- **Purchase/Possession of Dairy Steer:** Must have on or before **Dec. 2nd** tag-in.

- **Carcass Show – General Rules & Requirements #1** – One dairy steer may be entered in the Junior Fair Dairy Market Steer Carcass show – per member. No change is made in the number of dairy steers that may be nominated on **December 2, 2023** for the Dairy Market Steer Program. Number of dairy market steers to be shown in carcass class must be identified on fair entry form, due **July 26, 2024**. **No changes will be permitted after entry deadline.** The Dairy Committee will strictly enforce all dates, rules and regulations.

- **Carcass Show – General Rules & Requirements #3** – Market beef weigh-in at **FAIRGROUNDS** on Monday, **August 19th** at 5:00 PM. **Project Member must be present at the time of carcass drop-off. Animals will be delivered to Polen Meats by a committee designee.**

- 1. **SALE OF DAIRY MARKET STEERS- #4.** To cover Auction, Promotional, “Thank you’s” and miscellaneous expenses, there will be **a 5% commission fee for Auction committee** plus \$37.00 flat fee (\$35.00 plus \$2.00 Beef Check-Off Fee) for the Grand Champion, a **2.5% commission fee for Auction committee** plus \$37.00 flat fee (\$35.00 plus \$2.00 Beef Check-Off fee) for the Reserve Grand Champion. For all other animals, \$37.00 flat fee (\$35.00 plus \$2.00 Beef Check-Off Fee) will be deducted from each check.

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I. JUNIOR FAIR GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS:

The Stark County Junior Fair operates under the authority of and in conjunction with the Stark County Senior Fair Board. The Junior Fair Board is a department of the Stark County Fair with its own objectives. These objectives in many instances require rules or guidelines that differ significantly from those of other Stark County Fair Departments. Any boy or girl enrolled in a Stark County Youth organization is eligible to participate in the Stark County Junior Fair. They must abide by the rules and age limitations of said youth organization (4H, FFA, Grange, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, etc.)

1. To participate in 4H activities, youth must comply with the State 4H membership policy. 4H eligibility begins at age 5 (AND in Kindergarten as of January 1) and ends December 31st of the year in which they attain the age of 19.
2. Exhibitors in 4H classes must be enrolled in 4H club work in Stark County. Exhibits must be from 4H projects approved by the State or Local Extension office.
3. FFA or FHA exhibitors must be enrolled in Smith-Hughes Vocational Course in Stark County during the current year. Exhibits must be from vocational projects certified by the department instructor.
4. All members are encouraged to show in open class events.
5. Health rules for the livestock exhibits are the same as those governing all open class exhibits. Health papers must be shown, if requested, to the proper person before an animal is assigned a stall.
6. The Board of Directors of the Stark County Agricultural Society will, to the best of their ability, safeguard persons, livestock and articles on the grounds, but will not be responsible for injury, damage, disease, theft or loss of any kind.
7. Animals released due to illness or injury must have a signed release from the Vet, Junior Fair Coordinator and/or barn superintendent. Anyone who removes an animal without permission will be subject to a 1-yr. suspension.
8. Members must clean stalls or pens daily and keep the area neat and attractive. The committee reserves the right to withhold payment if any exhibitor does not keep his/her area clean and/or feed and water livestock.
9. Anyone assisting with showing another exhibitor's animal must be enrolled as a current 4H or FFA or other youth organization member in Stark County.
10. All animals must remain on exhibit at the fair until 6:00pm on Monday, the last day of the fair, EXCEPT market animals.
11. All animals sold remain the property of the member and in the member's care until fair release time, 4:00pm, Monday, the last day of fair.
12. Animals sold are not eligible to be shown again by that exhibitor or any other 4H or FFA member in any Junior Show in the county or state or independent fair.
13. Exhibitors are responsible for their own veterinary bill.
14. Veterinarians assigned to the fair for check-in will decide all matters of health, presence of disease and stall release.

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15. Ribbons and suitable award will be provided by the Fair Board. It is the privilege of the Fair Board to prorate cash premiums if the budget is exceeded.
16. Eligible youth may be members of both 4H (clubs) and vocational agriculture (FFA) or of either group. In all cases, separate and different projects (also different animals and/or products) must be carried in 4H and in vocational agriculture by a member belonging in both organizations. Examples of different and separate projects are sheep breeding, market lambs; pullets, broiler. The same or similar animals or products cannot be shown in both organizations even though they may be carried under different projects or programs. An animal or product may not be shown in more than one county in 4H or FFA classes.
17. Stark County youth programs and the Junior Fair Board will not condone the use of alcohol or drugs by any of its members, volunteers or anyone else associated with the Junior Fair. The Junior Fair Coordinator, Junior Fair Board advisors, FFA advisors, Extension office and the Senior Fair Board will contact parents or legal authorities to handle individuals caught using or under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
18. If a project animal dies after the designated possession date, members will not be permitted to replace the animal for the purpose of exhibition or sale in any Junior Fair event.
19. **All entries are due on or before midnight of July 26, 2024 – NO EXCEPTIONS.**
20. All market animals to be shown, grooming must be done by Stark County Junior Fair exhibitor or the exhibitor's immediate family limited to mom, dad, brother, sister and grandparents. Also includes a Stark County Junior Fair show during the Stark County Fair – August 27th - September 2, 2024. Consequence of rule is no sale of animal.
21. No one is to handle a Junior Fair member's animal(s) without the permission of the Junior Fair exhibitor unless there is an emergency. Committee members may handle animals during the normal course of their duties (i.e., show, sale, weigh-in, pictures, loading, unloading).
22. Judge's decisions are final.
23. ***It is MANDATORY for all Junior Fair exhibitors to attend a QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING CLINIC prior to the fair AND complete a DRUG USE NOTIFICATION FOR (DUNF) for all market animals and lactating dairy animals prior to the show. Those who do not comply, all market animals and lactating dairy animals prior to the show. Those who do not comply, WILL NOT be allowed to show! Ohio Revised Code 901-19-06 and 901-19-07, mandated by the Ohio Department of Agriculture.***
24. ***All members will be responsible for the care of their animals until 4:00pm the last day of the Stark County Fair, or until the drug withdrawal period elapses, or if quarantined.***

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II. DAIRY STEER – GENERAL RULES

1. First year steer members may weigh in 2 dairy steer animals but may only bring ONE dairy steer to the Fair. Second year dairy steer members and over may weigh in 4 dairy steer animals but may only bring TWO dairy steer animals to the FAIR. (*See special rules regarding Carcass Show).
2. All members will be responsible for the care of their animals from the official date of enrollment, December 2, 2023 until 4:00pm the last day of the 2024 Stark County Fair (*See special rules regarding Carcass Show).
3. Steers will be tagged in by family (same address) and not project member. Dairy market steers **MUST** be 100% of one of the following breeds: Holstein, Jersey, Brown Swiss, Ayrshire, or Milking Shorthorn. Dairy steers may be crosses of any of these dairy breeds. **NO BEEF CROSSES WILL BE PERMITTED. Committee reserves the right to make the final decision on breeds.**
4. Market dairy steers must be castrated and de-horned before December 2, 2023. If the animal is not castrated and dehorned, the animal will **NOT** be tagged and will be disqualified from the 2024 Fair.
5. Market Dairy steers must weigh a **minimum of 900 pounds** and also must have gained an average of **at least 1.50 pounds per day**, average daily gain, between December 3rd , enrollment and Fair weigh-in. **Exhibitors whose animals weigh-in within five pounds under these limits will have the option to re-weigh their animals at the end of the weigh-in in order to qualify within the limits. Committee must be notified immediately at weigh-in if you choose to re-weigh.** Lightweight or under-gained market beef may enter competition in the show ring. (Unless other problems pertain) but may not qualify for Grand Champion or Reserve Champion.
6. **Market Dairy Steers to be show in the live show must be identified on the entry form due July 26th. No changes will be permitted after the deadline. The Dairy Committee will strictly enforce all deadline dates, rules and regulations.**
7. All grooming chutes and awnings must be at least twelve (12) feet from the Beef Barn.
8. All grooming chutes must be removed from the fairgrounds by 10am Sunday after the shows. All awnings must be removed by 10pm on Thursday after the shows.
9. All fans must be placed at the sides or at the heads of the animals. **Absolutely no “butt fans” will be permitted.**
10. *All pens must be cleaned out at the conclusion of the fair. THERE WILL BE NO PEN CLEANING DURING LOAD-OUT UNTIL AFTER 10PM. If you do not clean out your pen, you will be assessed a \$10 per animal fee (deducted from your check) and may be unable to show at FAIR the following year.* All pens must be cleaned out before September 5, 2024 at 5PM.
11. A member’s Dairy Market Steer project exhibit must be stalled in the area assigned for his/her project. No other stall location will be permitted.
12. All animals must stay with-in the designated area (barn area, wash racks) during the fair, Animals cannot be outside the fence. If the animal is taken outside the fence, you will not be permitted to bring the animal back inside the fence.

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13. Kickboards at least 8” high must be placed behind the animals. Members must clean stalls and keep area neat and attractive at all times while exhibiting at the fair.
14. Dairy Market Steers must be double restrained in the barn at the fair. One restraint is to be a halter; the second restraint is to be a collar or neck tie with lead rope.
15. Each exhibitor is responsible for his/her animal. **YOU MUST CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR ANIMAL WHEREVER THEY HAVE BEEN OR ARE GOING... (wash rack, aisles, milking parlor, show/sale arena, etc.) or you may be subject to a fine for each offense.**

III. PURCHASING/POSSESSION OF DAIRY STEER PROJECT ANIMAL

Project animals must be in your possession by December 2, 2023.

IV. TAG-IN

All Dairy Market Steers will be identified, ear-tagged and weighed by the Junior Fair Dairy Committee on December 2, 2023 from 8am – Noon at the Fairgrounds. (Bad weather date will be December 9)

- a. The exhibitor shall be required to sign an enrollment slip (weight card) acknowledging the breed and weight of the steer as it appears on the slip.
- b. The Dairy Committee reserves the right to make final judgement should any questions arise.
- c. If a dairy steer loses an ear tag, the Advisor and a Dairy Committee member must be notified immediately so the tag can be replaced (at the fairgrounds).

NOTE: ALL CARCASS DAIRY MARKET STEERS MUST BE BROUGHT TO WEIGH-IN. (*See special rules for Carcass Show)

V. SKILLATHON

Skill-a-thon and project record books are MANDATORY for all Dairy projects. Skill-a-thon and records must be completed by August 11, 2024 or member will be ineligible to show at Fair. BOOK REQUIREMENTS: Dairy Steer #117M. Books can be purchased through your club or at the OSU Extension office at R.G. Drage.

VI. CARCASS PROJECT

A. CARCASS PROJECT GENERAL RULES & REQUIREMENTS

All of the general rules and requirements of the traditional Junior Fair Dairy Market Steer Program pertain, including the following:

1. One Dairy Steer may be entered in the Junior Fair Dairy Market Steer Carcass Show per member. No change is made in the number of dairy steers that may be nominated on December 2, 2023 for the Dairy Market Steer Program. Number of dairy market steers to be shown in Carcass Class must be identified on the fair entry

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form, due July 26, 2024. **No changes will be permitted after entry deadline.** The Dairy Committee will strictly enforce all dates, rules and regulations.

2. To be considered for Grand and Reserve Champions, carcasses must weigh a minimum of 600 pounds. While there are no live-weight rules, exhibitors should keep in mind the relationship of carcass weight to live-weight. (Carcass weight is usually 55-60% of live-weight) **Subject to Change**
3. Market Beef will be presented on Monday, August 19, 2024 between 5:00 PM-6:00 PM. **Project member **MUST BE PRESENT** at the time of carcass Weigh in.**

B. CARCASS CONTEST (cooler evaluation)

1. All market beef eligible will be transported to Polen Custom Meats for slaughter.
2. Market beef will be graded, and the appropriate stamp will be rolled.
3. Final placing and awards for the Carcass Contest will be determined by the judge.
4. Carcass judging will be on Thursday, August 22, 2024 at 6pm at Polen Meats LLC. , East Canton
5. To be eligible for Grand and Reserve Champion, member must be present at the cooler evaluation.
6. All exhibitors are to dress in show attire as per Section VIII, rule 6 of these rules.

VII. LOAD-IN

All paperwork and DUNF **ONLINE** forms should be filled out prior to arriving at the fairgrounds. **All tack may be brought in on Sunday, with animals only on Monday.**

VIII. RULES FOR LIVE DAIRY MARKET STEER SHOW

1. Dairy steers must be broken to lead by Fair time
2. All Dairy steers must be shown by the club member who is enrolled in the project. Medical exceptions will be at the discretion of the Committee. **In the event that an exhibitor has two animals in the same class, the second animal must be shown by a member who is currently enrolled in a Stark County Junior Fair organization.** (Please see rule A1 regarding enrollment)
3. All Dairy Steer show grooming must be done by the Stark County Junior Fair exhibitors or their immediate family (mom, dad, brother, sister). This includes all projects entered in the Stark County Junior Fair show during the Stark County Fair.
4. Dairy market Steers should be fitted and shown in the same manner as a beef animal. The use of show sticks is permitted.
5. **A show halter (no rope halters),** show stick and number card holder (back or belt) must be used.
6. The members must wear clean clothes. Clean jeans and western shirt or blouses are recommended. Tee shirts, slogan shirts, hats or clothes with advertising on

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- them are highly discouraged. **Solid shoes or boots must be worn – NO tennis shoes.**
7. Each exhibitor is responsible for getting his/her animal in the correct class as announced.
 8. Dairy steers will be shown by weight classes.
 9. The Grand Champion will be chosen from all class winners. The Reserve Grand Champion will be chosen from the remaining champions. Placing ribbons will be awarded to all entrants.
 10. Animals with horns, skull attached or a growth more than a half an inch from the skin will be sent home. Also, animals with testicular tissue or unruly animals (to the point where the Dairy Committee considers it to be a safety hazard) will not be shown in the show ring. Any questions please contact a Dairy Committee Member.
 11. The Stark County Junior Fair Dairy Committee will make the **final decision on questions that are raised.**

IV. RULES FOR DAIRY MARKET STEER SHOWMANSHIP

Dairy Market Steer Showmanship will be held on Tuesday, August 27, 2024 immediately following the Dairy Beef Feeder Showmanship which starts at 9am.

1. Class order (age as of January 1 of the current year)
 - a. SENIOR DIVISION 15 years and up
 - b. INTERMEDIATE DIVISION 12 – 14 years
 - c. JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP 9 – 11 years
 - d. FIRST YEAR SENIOR SHOWMANSHIP 12 years and up
 - e. FIRST YEAR JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP 9 -11 years
2. Members may win in their class only once.
3. Members must use their own Dairy Steer.
4. Champion of Champions: The winners of each division are eligible for the Champion of Champion class until they become eligible for the next age division. They must win that division before they are eligible for the Champion of Champions class again. Winners can only win once in their age group, then they are eligible for Champion of Champions only until they reach the next age division. Second place age division winners MAY be eligible to compete in Champion of Champions **AT THE JUDGE'S DISCRETION.** Second place age division winners will compete in their appropriate age division the next year.

X. SALE OF DAIRY MARKET STEER

2. Dairy Market Steers will be sold in the order placed by the judge and Dairy Committee.
3. Any Dairy Steer not in sale place at the proper time will sell at the end of the sale.

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4. Clean attire, solid shoes or boots and a show halter are required to lead Dairy Steer in the sale ring.
5. To cover Auction, Promotional, “Thank you’s” and miscellaneous expenses, there will be a 5% commission fee for Auction committee plus \$37.00 flat fee (\$35.00 plus \$2.00 Beef Check-Off Fee) for the Grand Champion, a 2.5% commission fee for Auction committee plus \$37.00 flat fee (\$35.00 plus \$2.00 Beef Check-Off fee) for the Reserve Grand Champion. For all other animals, \$37.00 flat fee (\$35.00 plus \$2.00 Beef Check-Off Fee) will be deducted from each check.
6. Any animal not shown in the ring will not be permitted to be sold at the Fair.
7. On the night of the sale, each exhibitor will be receiving an envelope. DO NOT GIVE IT TO YOUR BUYER. Inside the envelope there will be instructions (PLEASE READ THEM) and Thank You card for your buyer(s). Cards will need to be filled out and deposited in the box at the display in the Dairy Barn at the Fair. **Deadline for turning in THANK YOU cards is 12:00pm (NOON), Sunday, September 1, 2024.** Missing the deadline will result in the delay of receiving your check for your project.

XI. SALE OF CARCASS MARKET BEEF

8. The Champion and Reserve Champion Market Beef Carcasses will be sold at the Live Dairy Market Steer Auction on August 29, 2024. To cover Auction, Promotional, “Thank you’s” and miscellaneous expenses, there will be a 5% commission fee for Auction committee plus \$37.00 flat fee (\$35.00 plus \$2.00 Beef Check-Off Fee) for the Grand Champion, a 2.5% commission fee for Auction committee plus \$37.00 flat fee (\$35.00 plus \$2.00 Beef Check-Off fee) for the Reserve Grand Champion. For all other animals, \$37.00 flat fee (\$35.00 plus \$2.00 Beef Check-Off Fee) will be deducted from each check.
1. . If carcass animal is first place Rate of Gain winner, exhibitor has the option to sell the carcass at the Dairy Steer sale on Thursday, August 29, 2024.

XII. ENTRY DATE

1. The entry dates and deadlines for the Carcass Contest are the same as for the traditional Dairy Market Steer Show and all deadlines will be strictly enforced. **OTHER RULES MAY BE ADDED, OR CLARIFICATIONS PROVIDED IF DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE COMMITTEE.** Number of dairy market steers to be shown in Carcass Class must be identified on the fair entry form, due July 26, 2024. **No changes will be permitted after entry deadline.** The Dairy Committee will strictly enforce all dates, rules and regulations.

****NOTE: Members taking a carcass project should make a poster to be displayed in the barn during the fair. Members displaying a poster will receive a premium for their carcass projects. ****

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The Carcass project is recognized as one of the most valuable learning experiences in beef production that exhibitors can take part in and is highly recommended. It is also noted that this program likely will not result in the high premium prices that exhibitors in the traditional market project have enjoyed in recent years. (Going market rate)

XIII. LOAD OUT

There will be NO CLEANING of pens during Load Out!

2023-2024 DAIRY MARKET STEER PROJECT DATES

December 1	Weigh-In set-up at Fairgrounds, 6pm
December 2	Dairy Market Steer Tag & Weigh-In at Fairgrounds, 8am-12 noon.
March TBD	Dairy Steer home visits (Date TBD)
July 22	ENTRY DEADLINE – Online Entries are due by midnight! No Changes will be permitted after the deadline date.
August 11	Dairy Skillathon and Project Books due at Fairgrounds – 1pm-3pm
August 19	<i>Dairy Market Steer Carcass Weigh-In, 5:00 – 6:00pm at Fairgrounds</i>
August 22	Dairy Market Steer Carcass Contest, Cooler Evaluation at Polen Meats, East Canton at 6pm.
August 27	Showmanship – Immediately following the Dairy Beef Feeder Showmanship which starts at 9am
August 28	Dairy Market Steer Show - Immediately following the Dairy Beef Feeder Show which starts at 9am
August 29	Dairy Sale – 6pm (ALL DAIRY Projects)
September 2	Market Animal Release at 4pm, all other projects and open classes at 6pm

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2024 Junior Fair Dairy Committee and Executive Committee

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