

Feeder Calf Exhibit

Livestock Birth Dates, Possession Dates, and Jr. Fair Classes for the 2024 Wyandot County Fair

New for 2024: Crossbred Dairy Beef Feeder Show

- Beef feeder calves must be born between March 1 and April 30 of the current year. Dairy feeder calves and Crossbred Dairy Beef feeder calves must be males born between March 15 and May 15 of the current year.
- Dairy feeder calves are feeder calves with dairy breeding. The following are recognized dairy breeds:
 - Holstein, Jersey, Guernsey, Brown Swiss, Ayrshire, and Milking Shorthorn.
 - All recognized purebred dairy and crosses within the previously mentioned recognized dairy breeds only will be allowed in the dairy feeder show.
- **NEW:** Dairy breeds crossed with beef breeds may not show as Dairy Feeders; they will be shown in the Crossbred Dairy Beef Feeder Class. This will be determined by a team of third party evaluators at check in on Sunday September 8th.
- All feeder calves must be ear-tagged by the Junior Fair Department on tagging day, Saturday, June 1.
- A Certificate of Vaccination issued by a veterinarian must accompany all feeder calves. Calves are also required to have two vaccinations.
 - The first vaccination will be administered at tagging day on Saturday, June 1.
 - The second vaccination will be administered between July 10 and August 15 when the certificate is issued.
- All male feeder calves must be properly castrated before July 15. Castration date and no evidence of testicular tissue must be noted by the veterinarian on the health certificate. If there is any evidence of testicular tissue at check in on Sunday September 8th, the animal will be disqualified and the exhibitor will not receive premium.
- Exhibitors may tag up to 3 feeder calves on June 1st but are limited to ENTERING and showing two feeder calves per project by July 15th.
- Interview judging will be at the discretion of the Ohio State University Extension Office.
- The premium exhibitors receive will be based on the grade their animal receives in the show ring.
- No gates are to be set up in the Dairy Feeder barns before 7:00 p.m. on Sunday evening of check-in.

Exhibiting at the Fair

- **NEW:** Drug Use Notification Forms must be completed and turned in at check-in on Sunday September 8th for **all** feeder calves.
- All feeder calves must be properly dehorned, with no scurs and smooth to the scalp to be eligible to exhibit.

- Maximum weight for dairy and beef feeder calves is 650 lbs. All feeder calves will be weighed during check-in on Sunday, September 8th.
 - o One time re-weigh will be allowed prior to 7:00 p.m. during check-in for calves within 10 lbs. of the maximum weight of 650 lbs.
 - o Over-weight calves will not be eligible for Champion or Reserve champion but will be eligible for rate-of-gain awards.
- The Dairy Feeder show will be held Wednesday, September 11th at 8:30 a.m., with the Crossbred Dairy Beef Feeder show immediately following.
- The Beef Feeder show will be held Thursday, September 12th following the Jr Fair Beef Breeding show (approximately 2:00 p.m.) **with showmanship at the start of the show.**

Junior Fair Dress Code

This is a requirement for show and sale: Exhibitor must wear a full button-up shirt (no polos), to be buttoned from bottom to at least two buttons from the collar and tucked in for all shows/sale. No pants/jeans with holes. Judges will be informed of the dress code. Exhibitors will not be permitted to enter the show/sale ring without wearing appropriate attire.

Junior Fair Classes

- 020 Heifer Beef Feeder Calf
- 021 Beef Feeder Calf
- 022 Dairy Feeder Calf/ Crossbred Dairy Beef Feeder Calf

Showmanship Classes – Dairy Feeders & Crossbred Dairy Beef Feeders (combined showmanship)

- First Year (under 12 years)
- Beginner (ages 8-10)
- Junior (ages 11-12)
- Intermediate (ages 13-14)
- Senior (ages 15-18)

Showmanship Classes -Beef Feeders

- Junior (ages 8-13)
- Senior (ages 14-18)