May 1, 2017

TO: County Extension 4-H Educators & High School Agriculture Education Instructors

FROM: West Central Dairy Days Cattle Show Committee

RE: West Central Dairy Days Cattle Show – June 30, 2017

Attached please find the letter and entry form concerning the 2017 West Central Dairy Days Cattle Show to be held in Willmar on Friday, June 30, 2017.

Please send/give the enclosed materials to all of your dairy project members/students ASAP. Please feel free to make as many copies as you need.

Encourage your dairy members/students to participate in this great cattle show.

If you have any questions regarding the cattle show, please contact Brant Groen, at 320-220-1342, Lane Johnson at 320-264-0813, Jill Schlueter at 320-235-2554, or Wade Gustafson, Dairy Management Instructor Ridgewater College, 320-222-5269 wade.gustafson@ridgewater.edu.
TO: Exhibitors for West Central Dairy Days - Cattle Show
RE: Entries for 2017 Cattle Show, Friday June 30, Willmar
TIME: Show Time is 10:30 a.m.

Show Order: Classes will start the show in following order- Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Crossbreds, Guernsey, Jersey, Milking Shorthorn, Red and Whites and Holstein (8 breeds). Each breed will be followed by Breed Champion (top two from each class are eligible to compete). When all breeds are completed we will then follow with Junior & Senior Champion (the judge will designate the Junior and Senior champion from each breed to come back for overall & reserve champion. The show will conclude with the Junior, Intermediate and Senior showmanship.

Dear Exhibitor:

The 2017 Cattle Show for West Central Dairy Days will be held Friday, June 30, 2017 at the Kandiyohi County Fairgrounds in Willmar. When you arrive (before 10:00 a.m.), you need to check in at the registration table at ringside. You will receive your entry prize at that time. The show will start at 10:30 a.m. and should be completed by 2:30. Water will be available, but hay and straw are not furnished.

Pre-registration is highly recommended, but not required for the show. Pre-registration deadline is June 15th.

Each exhibitor will receive an entry prize based on the number of years they have exhibited at West Central Dairy Days.

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AWESOME PRIZE MONEY AVAILABLE
Premium for Senior Champion is $100, Reserve Senior Champion is $50, Junior Champion is $50, Reserve Junior Champion is $25, Champion Senior Showmanship, Intermediate Showmanship and Junior Showmanship is $25, with Reserve Senior, Intermediate Showmanship and Junior Showmanship receiving $15, plus the Champions will receive a trophy. Showmanship will follow the naming of the Senior Champion and is open to everyone.

The Cattle Show is open to all 4-H’ers, FFA members, and other young people in the area who meet the age requirement without regard to race, creed, color, sex, handicap or national origin. Exhibitors must be 6 years of age on January 1st and not older than 19 on January 1st of the current year. We will use 4-H general and ownership rules. Calves and yearlings should be owned by April 1st and two-year olds, advanced cows and senior yearlings that have calved should be owned before they freshened. The person entering an animal must show that animal to receive their entry prize. No substitute showman can collect.

Cattle will be checked at time of arrival. Any animal showing signs of contagious disease, including warts and ringworm, will not be allowed to show or allowed in the show building.

One entry per class per person will be allowed. There are no special classes for purebred animals.

CLASSES ARE

1. Novice Calf
   (This class is open only to kid’s ages 6-11, January 1st age)
2. Calves
   a. Winter
   b. Fall
3. Summer Yearling
4. Spring Yearling
5. Winter Yearling
6. Fall Yearling
7. Two-year Olds (not in milk)
8. Two-year Olds
9. Three-year Olds
10. Advanced

BORN

March 1, 2017 and younger
Dec. 1, 2016 to Feb 28, 2017
Sept 1, 2016 to Nov 30, 2016
June 1, 2016 to Aug 31, 2016
Mar. 1, 2016 to May 31, 2016
Sept 1, 2015 to Nov 30, 2015
Mar. 1, 2015 to Aug 31, 2015
Sept 1, 2014 to Feb 28, 2013
Born before Sept. 1, 2012

SHOWMANSHIP

There will be three Showmanship divisions this year:
   Junior - Ages 5-9 (January 1 age)
   Intermediate - Ages 10-13(January 1 age)
   Senior - Ages 14 and up (January 1 age)
Showmanship is open to anyone wishing to participate. Jr. Showmanship will follow the naming of the champion animal, followed by Intermediate and Senior Showmanship.
If you have any questions contact Brant Groen at 320-220-1342, Lane Johnson at 320-264-0813, Jill Schlueter at 320-235-2554, or Wade Gustafson at 320-222-5269.

Pre-registration is greatly appreciated but not required for the show. To be listed in the program entries must be postmarked by June 15th.

Please fill out one form for each exhibitor.

**ENTRY BLANK For**
**WEST CENTRAL DAIRY DAYS Cattle Show**
**Friday, JUNE 30, 2017**
**WILLMAR, MN**

| NAME ____________________________ | COUNTY ______________________________ |
| ADDRESS __________________________ | TOWN ________________________________ |
| PHONE ___________________________ | EMAIL _______________________________ |

Parent’s name ________________________________

Including 2017, how many times will you have exhibited at West Central Dairy Days ______________

Exhibitor’s birth date ___________ Age _____ Grade just completed ______

One entry per class - check your letter for classes.

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Send Entries To:
Brant J. Groen
1601 Ella Ave, NW
Willmar, MN  56201
brantgroen@formafeed.com
GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The exhibition management may adopt more but not less restrictive health requirements than required by state rule.

Livestock known by the exhibitor to have an infectious, communicable disease or to have been exposed to an infectious, communicable disease, or to be from a quarantined herd may not be entered in an exhibition. Warts and ringworm are considered communicable diseases. Therefore, livestock affected by these diseases cannot be exhibited. A statement from a veterinarian that an animal is being treated for these diseases is not acceptable.

All livestock will be inspected by the Official Veterinarian on the opening day of the exhibition and daily during the exhibition. The Official Veterinarian will order the immediate removal to a quarantine facility or removal from the exhibition premises of any livestock with symptoms of infectious or communicable diseases. Animal placed in a quarantine facility must remain there until removed from the exhibition premises. They may not enter a show ring. This includes livestock with warts and ringworm.

EXHIBITION OF CATTLE

Cattle no longer need to be tested negative for brucellosis (bangs) prior to exhibition if they originate in Minnesota and will be showing in Minnesota.

Imported cattle must still meet all importation requirements.

Any questions regarding the regulations or whether your cattle meet the general requirements should be directed to your veterinarian.

Requirement for 2017
The Minnesota Board of Animal Health announced in April 2013 that all cattle for exhibition must be officially identified upon movement from the herd to another location.

The Board is offering free official ear tags to veterinarians and cattle producers as funding allows. Orders tags online [www.mn.gov/bah/forms/tag-order-form.html](http://www.mn.gov/bah/forms/tag-order-form.html) or call 651-296-2942 for more information or to place an order.