

# DIVISION A – DAIRY CATTLE

## SUPERINTENDENTS:

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### OPEN CLASS/FFA SHOWS

**DATE** Saturday, August 1, 2026  
**TIME** 8:30 AM \*Beginning with Novice Calf Class  
**LOCATION** Steffes Show Arena  
**FORMAT** FFA & Open Class Shows take place concurrently.  
Grade and registered animals show together.  
**RULES** \*An animal CANNOT compete in both 4-H & FFA.  
**DAIRY AUCTION** Will take place at 4:00 PM SATURDAY  
in the Steffes Show Arena.

### OPEN CLASS ENTRIES

**PRE-REGISTER:** All Open Class animals must PRE-REGISTER by **JULY 19** in order to earn **PREMIUM**  
\*Use Open Class/FFA entry form (Page 25)  
**Late registrations will NOT be accepted!**  
**ENTRY FEE:** \$10 per ANIMAL  
\*Make checks payable to:  
Meeker County Ag Society

### SHOW CATALOG

All Open Class entry information **MUST** also be sent to Rachael Rusch for the Open Class Show Catalog by **JULY 19**

**INFO:** Breed, Lot #, Animal Name, Birthdate, Sire, Dam, Exhibitor  
**EMAIL** rachaelrusch88@gmail.com

### ANIMAL ARRIVAL

**STALLING** Anyone bringing cattle to the fair (4-H, FFA, Open) needs to **CALL** or **EMAIL** Carol or Greg by **JULY 19** so proper stalling can be arranged.  
**BEDDING** Exhibitors can begin bedding their areas after 9:00 AM on Tuesday, July 28.  
**FANS** Must be faced to blow towards the **SOUTH**.  
**ARRIVAL** Cattle are allowed onto the fairgrounds starting on Wednesday, July 29. Cattle must be in place by 7:00 AM on Thursday, July 31.  
**RELEASE** Dairy cattle will be released no sooner than **6:30 PM on Sunday**.  
**TRAILERS** All trailers must enter the fairgrounds through the **North Gate**. When leaving, trailers can exit through **South Gate** or **Northwest Gate** (see map).  
\*Trailers can park behind East side of the Grandstand (follow gravel road back to the end and park behind Sheriff's Building in mowed area.)

### IDENTIFICATION/HEALTH

**IDENTIFICATION:** All cattle entering the fairgrounds must have proper identification tags. All animals will be checked upon arrival. Any animal without proper identification will be required to leave the fairgrounds, and the animal will not be eligible for competition or premium.  
\*Proper identification outlined on pages 22-25.

**HEALTH CHECK:** All cattle will be examined by the official veterinarian. NO WARTS or RINGWORM allowed.

\*Please refer to MN Board of Animal Health for updated H5N1 guidelines:  
<https://www.bah.state.mn.us/exhibitions/#cattle>

### OPEN CLASS EXHIBIT INFORMATION

The following prizes will be paid out:

| 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| \$18            | \$16            | \$14            |

**CLASS 1:** AYRSHIRE  
**CLASS 2:** BROWN SWISS  
**CLASS 3:** GUERNSEY  
**CLASS 4:** HOLSTEIN  
**CLASS 5:** JERSEY  
**CLASS 6:** MILKING SHORTHORN  
**CLASS 7:** RED & WHITE HOLSTEIN

\***NOVICE CALF CLASS:** Open to anyone **9 and under** No pre-registration necessary. Prize will be awarded to all participants.

|               |                            |                               |
|---------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>LOT 1</b>  | Junior Heifer Calf         | March 1 – May 31, 2026        |
| <b>LOT 2</b>  | Winter Heifer Calf         | Dec. 1, 2025 – Feb. 28, 2026  |
| <b>LOT 3</b>  | Fall Heifer Calf           | Sept. 1 – Nov. 30, 2025       |
| <b>LOT 4</b>  | Summer Yearling Heifer     | June 1 – Aug. 31, 2025        |
| <b>LOT 5</b>  | Spring Jr. Yearling Heifer | March 1 – May 31, 2025        |
| <b>LOT 6</b>  | Winter Sr. Yearling Heifer | Dec. 1, 2024 – Feb. 28, 2025  |
| <b>LOT 7</b>  | Fall Sr. Yearling Heifer   | Sept. 1 – Nov. 30, 2024       |
| <b>LOT 8</b>  | Jr. 2 Year Old             | March 1 – Aug. 31, 2024       |
| <b>LOT 9</b>  | Sr. 2 Year Old             | Sept. 1, 2023 – Feb. 28, 2024 |
| <b>LOT 10</b> | Jr. 3 Year Old             | March 1 – Aug. 31, 2023       |
| <b>LOT 11</b> | Sr. 3 Year Old             | Sept. 1, 2022 – Feb. 28, 2023 |
| <b>LOT 12</b> | 4 Year Old                 | Sept. 1, 2021 – Aug. 31, 2022 |
| <b>LOT 13</b> | Aged Cow                   | Born Before Sept. 1, 2021     |
| <b>LOT 14</b> | 125,000 lb. Cow            |                               |
| <b>LOT 15</b> | Dry Cow                    |                               |

### GROUPS

|               |                    |                                         |
|---------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <b>LOT 16</b> | Best 3 Jr. Females | Bred and owned by exhibitor             |
| <b>LOT 17</b> | Best 3 Females     | All bred, at least 1 owned by exhibitor |
| <b>LOT 18</b> | Daughter and Dam   |                                         |
| <b>LOT 19</b> | Produce of Dam     |                                         |

### FFA ENTRIES

**PRE-REGISTER** All FFA Dairy must be pre-registered. Please see the FFA Division pages for class & lot numbers.  
\*Use the Open Class/FFA entry form.