

4-H DAIRY CATTLE

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1. Please read the Guidelines for Animal Exhibitors.
2. Dairy animals must be under the 4-H member's regular care and management for 90 days prior to the official county exhibit activity.
3. Limit of 2 animals per class, total of 3 animals. Priority will be given to Skagit County exhibitors.
4. A 4-H Dairy Certificate must be provided for each animal exhibited.
5. Animals must be dehorned and Bangs vaccinated. Animals must be 4 months of age or older. It is strongly recommended that each animal be vaccinated for respiratory diseases prior to the Fair.
6. No bulls.
7. Animals must be double tied, halter plus a neck tie.
8. When showing, exhibitors are required to wear clean white pants and a tucked in, clean white shirt—no crop, tank or halter tops, shorts or capris. For safety reasons, exhibitors are required to wear sturdy leather boots or shoes—no sandals, flip flops, rubber boots or tennis shoes are allowed.
9. Posters are REQUIRED for each exhibitor. Posters must be about a dairy related or agricultural subject.
10. A supervising parent, 4-H leader or responsible adult over 18 years of age must be present every day of the fair to supervise the exhibitor.
11. Each exhibitor is REQUIRED to participate in either the Dairy Foods or the Dairy Demonstrations Division (Division I or Division J).
12. Failure to participate in daily herdsmanship may constitute the forfeiture of premiums.

Division A: Showmanship

Class Number	Class Description	Blue Premium	Red Premium	White Premium
001	Junior	200	150	100
002	Intermediate	200	150	100
003	Senior	200	150	100

TYPE DIVISIONS

Division	Breed
B	Ayrshire
C	Brown Swiss
D	Guernsey
E	Holstein
F	Jersey
G	Milking Shorthorn
H	Other

TYPE CLASSES

Class Number	Class Description	Blue Premium	Red Premium	White Premium
001	Spring Calf, born after 3/1/26 current year, over 4 months of age.	120	80	60
002	Winter Calf, born 12/1/25 through 2/28/26.	120	80	60
003	Fall Calf, born 9/1/25 through 11/30/25.	120	80	60
004	Summer Yearling, born 6/1/25 through 8/31/25.	120	80	60
005	Spring Yearling, born 3/1/25 through 5/31/25.	120	80	60
006	Winter Yearling, born 12/1/24 through 2/28/25.	120	80	60
007	Fall Yearling, born 9/1/24 through 11/30/24 (Freshened Fall Yearlings show in Class 008).	120	80	60

Class Number	Class Description	Blue Premium	Red Premium	White Premium
008	Cows, 2 years and under 3 years old. Born 9/1/23 through 8/31/24	160	125	70
009	Cows, 3 years and under 4 years old. Born 9/1/22 through 8/31/23	160	125	70
010	Cows, 4 years and under 5 years old. Born 9/1/21 through 8/31/22	160	125	70
011	Aged Cows, 5 years old and over born before 8/31/21	160	125	70
012	Best Udder – each breed (3 places only)	Rosette Only		
013	Dam and Daughter	160	125	70
014	Produce of Dam (two females from a project animal)	160	125	70
015	Exhibitor's Herd (three animals, any age owned by one exhibitor, same breed)	160	125	70
016	Best Udder Over All Breeds (selected from 1st place udder winners in each breed)	AWARD		

Junior and Senior Reserve & Grand Champion will be awarded rosettes in each breed, no extra premium points.

Awards: Showmanship

Awards will be presented to the Champion Junior, Intermediate and Senior dairy showmen.

Division I: Dairy Foods Demonstration

The presentation should include the promotion, historical or cultural aspects, and the economic impact of the dairy industry on our state. Information about the dairy products used and knowledge of the nutritional components of the dairy ingredients must be included in the presentation. It is recommended that participants serve the judges a sample of the food prepared. Use of posters is encouraged. Participants must be signed up in the dairy project to be eligible for premium.

Special Award: Dairy Foods Demonstration awards to the top Skagit County 4-H members in each age bracket, sponsored by the Skagit County Dairy Women.

Class Number	Class Description	Blue Premium	Red Premium	White Premium
001	Junior	60	40	30
002	Intermediate	60	40	30
003	Senior	60	40	30

Division J: Dairy Demonstration / Public Presentation

Must be related to the dairy project; live dairy animals, equipment or static display may be used – 10-minute minimum, 30 minute maximum.

Class Number	Class Description	Blue Premium	Red Premium	White Premium
001	Junior	60	40	30
002	Intermediate	60	40	30
003	Senior	60	40	30

Division K: Dairy Judging

Must be enrolled in a Dairy Project and give oral reasons to receive a premium.

Class Number	Class Description	Blue Premium	Red Premium	White Premium
001	Junior	60	40	30
002	Intermediate	60	40	30
003	Senior	60	40	30

Division L: Educational Posters

1. Scorecard C0679 will be used to judge all educational displays. Refer to the scorecard when planning the display.
2. No copyrighted illustrations or cartoons may be used unless permission has been granted. The display must credit any source of copyrighted information used by permission.
3. All work must have been created during the current 4-H year.
4. All educational displays must be labeled on the back with the following information:
 - Name, First and Last
 - County
 - Club
 - Age Division (Cloverbud, Junior, Intermediate, Senior)
 - Department (example – Dairy Cattle)(If display is 3D, attach a card with identifying information.)
5. Exhibits will be displayed according to the identified 4-H project area in the appropriate barn/building, as space permits.
6. **Educational posters will be accepted on Wednesday during haul in.**
7. For displays identified with an animal project area, check individual animal project divisions for specific criteria, if any.
8. Entries must be the work of the individual exhibitor.
9. Poster surfaces should be flat; no dimensional attachments, no foam core board. The poster's minimum size is 14" x 22"; maximum size is 22" x 28".
10. Charts and graphs are not dimensional.

Class Number	Class Description	Blue Premium	Red Premium	White Premium
001	Cloverbud	Ribbons Only		
002	Junior	35	25	15
003	Intermediate	35	25	15
004	Senior	35	25	15

Division M: Educational Display - Tri-fold, Table, or Other 3-D/Large Display

1. Please list the 4-H project area (ie. Dairy Cattle) for your display in the description when entering your exhibit on-line.
2. Large exhibits must have the prior approval of the superintendent.
3. Entries must be the work of the individual exhibitor, unless entered in Lot 004.

Class Number	Class Description	Blue Premium	Red Premium	White Premium
001	Junior	50	40	30
002	Intermediate	50	40	30
003	Senior	50	40	30
004	Club/Group Effort	50	40	30

RIBBONS ONLY CLASSES**Division N: Dairy Quiz Bowl**

Dairy Quiz Bowl is a fun event where youth demonstrate their knowledge of the dairy industry through lightning-fast reactions to questions.

Class Number	Class Description
001	Junior
002	Intermediate
003	Senior

Division O: Cow Costume Class – Best Decorated Cow

Class Number	Class Description
001	Junior
002	Intermediate
003	Senior

OUTSTANDING DAIRY EXHIBITOR

The Overall Outstanding Dairy Exhibitor award, sponsored by Skagit Farmers' Supply is awarded by the dairy superintendent(s) to the top Skagit County 4-H member who best exemplifies good sportsmanship, cooperation, participation, and leadership. The exhibitor should demonstrate knowledge learned and enthusiasm about the dairy project. To be considered for this award, the exhibitor should participate in showmanship, type, dairy judging, dairy foods demonstration, record book and herdsmanship. Exhibitors must write a summary about themselves and their dairy project. This is not a points-based award.

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