



Idaho FFA
ASSOCIATION

Idaho Dairy Cattle Handler Activity Handbook

Purpose

To provide a competitive event for agricultural education students, emphasizing skills in dairy cattle evaluation, selection and dairy herd management.

Objectives

- To provide a practical experience for agricultural students with an interest in dairy cattle, that will serve them well in industry positions or in management of a modern dairy herd.
- To encourage agriculture instructors to seek assistance from various resources in the dairy industry. (Example -dairy breed associations, artificial breeding associations, state extension dairy specialists, state DHI Associations, dairy equipment manufacturers, local dairy farmers and breeders, etc.)

General Rules

1. Two members per chapter will be able to compete.
2. There will be a Dairy cattle handler event. Dairy Handlers will wear white shirt, FFA tie or scarf, and white or black pants, (weather will determine if they wear an official FFA Jacket). In case of inclement weather, students may wear a coat (not an official FFA jacket). Additional holders may be needed depending on the participation in the Dairy Handlers Event
3. No alternates will be allowed in this event.
4. Participants in need of special accommodations (disability or other health issues) must submit the Idaho State FFA Career Development Events Request for Special Accommodation Application found at the end of the General Rules and Regulations at least one month prior to the event
5. Advisors who have a member in the event may not judge the event.

Format and Scoring

Awards

1. Certificates will be awarded to all participants in the dairy handler event. FFA award pins will be presented to the top 3 individuals and the top 5 will be announced. The top dairy handler will qualify to participate in the National FFA Dairy Handlers Event.

Acknowledgment

The United Dairywomen of Idaho are sponsors of the Dairy Cattle Career Development Event through the Idaho FFA Foundation.

DAIRY HANDLER ACTIVITY SCORECARDS

SCORECARD

DAIRY HOLDER'S RECOGNITION PROGRAM			
	Participant's Number		
	Factors to Consider in Scoring Holders	Perfect Score	Participant's Score
1.	Appearance of the holder	10	
2.	Control of animal(s) by the holder	20	
3.	Poise and calmness of the holder	20	
4.	Demonstrative competence in the following areas:		
	A. Ability to set up the assigned animal	10	
	B. Ability to maintain the animal(s) in its most advantageous pose	10	
	C. Ability to effectively restrain, as well as to avoid exciting the assigned animal(s)	10	
	D. Ability to move the animal(s) as requested by the ringmaster	10	
5.	Display a cooperative, courteous, helpful positive attitude	10	
	TOTAL SCORE	100	