

4-H BUCKET CALF PROJECT

Immediately following the beef show.
Contest will be held on the track.

General Requirements

1. Open to youth 4-H age youth 8-10 years old.
2. All calves must be orphans, which are bottle or bucket fed.
3. The bucket calves must have been born after March 1 and before May 1 of the current year.
4. Calves may be steers, heifers or bulls. Dairy and beef breeds will be shown together.
5. Members 8-10 years old may bring this year's bucket calves to next year's fair as a market steer, heifer, breeding heifer or dairy animal. (This is a suggestion however it is not a requirement.)
6. Members may have as many bucket calves as they wish, however only one calf may be stalled and exhibited at the fair.
7. Bucket calves/primary calves must be stalled by Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. (You also have the option of bringing them in earlier in the week.)
8. All bucket calves will be tied. NO panels!
9. Calves can be released following the beef show Wednesday. If they remain until Friday, they will be released at 8:00 p.m.
10. Calves remaining until Friday may be in the parade of livestock on Thursday. (Does not include open class primary.)
11. Members must post exhibitor signs for their calf projects.

Fair Requirements

1. Calves will be shown haltered. However, halters need not be show halters.
2. Use of show sticks will not be allowed.
3. Calves can be washed and brushed, but no clipping can be done on any part of the calf.
4. Calves will be judged on the Danish system (everyone will get a ribbon).
5. Project will be judged on the following:
 - A. Knowledge of the project.
 - B. Tameness of the calf.
 - C. Grooming of the calf.
 - D. Health and condition of the calf.
 - E. Showmanship
6. Calves will be entered similar to any beef project. Members will be able to show only in a special bucket calf showmanship class. (Same entry deadline and fair schedule applies.)
7. Bucket calves will not be eligible for the Youth Livestock Sale at fair.
8. Members age 8-10 will turn in their records in August as part of the regular record book judging program. Primary members will turn their record book in at fair in the General Projects Division on Friday, July 18.