

DATE: October 28, 2009

TO: All CEA's – Agriculture, 4-H, 1890 Agents

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SUBJECT: 2010 Dairy Judging Contest

The District IV Dairy Judging Contest will be held on January 17, 2010, at the Southwestern Exposition & Livestock Show, Fort Worth, TX. Leaders and contestants should report to the Superintendents by 7:15 a.m. for assignments.

Counties can enter only one junior and one senior team per club, for as many clubs as you have in the county (confirmed verbally by Stephan Marchman on October 27, 2009). Fort Worth's Junior age division is made up of 4-H's junior and intermediate age divisions. A team may be made up of 3 or 4 members (only the top 3 scores will count).

Those with teams (only Junior and Senior) who wish to compete for District recognition and State qualification need to register and mail payment for your teams to the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show by the December 1, 2009 entry deadline (\$60.00 per team). The Ft. Worth entry form has been attached for your convenience. In addition to registering directly with the show, each team member must also be registered by December 1, 2009 on 4-H Connect (\$8/member).

The contest will consist of ten (10) classes made up of four animals in each class. The teams will judge the following breeds: Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Jersey and Holstein.

Senior contestants will give two sets of oral reasons. Junior contestants will give one set of oral reasons. Contestants will be notified at the time of placing whether or not reasons will be required on the class being judged at that time.

The District IV 4-H awards will be presented by Texas AgriLife Extension Service contest Chairs and committee members.

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For further information regarding this contest, go to: www.fwssr.com and follow the necessary links to the livestock premium document or contact contest committee chair Wayne Becker (940-668-5412) or Derrick Bruton (903-834-6191).

Included in your entry fees is a lunch and gate pass for all contestants.

Deadline Schedule

December 1, 2009	Entry form and fee to Southwestern Exposition & Livestock Show
December 1, 2009	To District 5 4-H Office: District Entry form via 4-H Connect and a copy of Southwestern Exposition & Livestock Show entry form
December 1, 2009	Entry fee payment of \$5.00 per person to: Texas 4-H Foundation P.O. Box 11020 College Station, TX 77842-1020 Note: Memo Line – D4 Dairy Judging

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