



Calf Grant Essay Contest

Due: February 20, 2024

Grant Purpose

Each \$500 grant is an investment in qualified 4-H/FFA members who purchase project calves at the 2024 Springtime Youth Calf Sale.

Eligibility Requirements

- Be a currently active 4-H or FFA member enrolled in dairy
- Be available to participate in interviews on March 16, 2024

Contest Rules

Grant winners that are successful in purchasing a calf must agree to:

- Exhibit and show the animal in at least one 2024 show or fair
- Write a personal "Thank You" letter to the consigner of the calf
- Write a personal "Thank You" to the grant donors
 - **Please note that the SYCS will hold back your calf's registration paperwork until the thank you notes have been received. Information for Thank You notes will be provided to the grant winners after they are selected.**

How to Enter

- Fill out the attached application form
- Answer the questions listed below. Answers **must** be typed and single sided.
 - What 2023 personal goals did you achieve and how will each one benefit you in the future?
 - What activities and projects (Personal, Family, School, Faith, Community) have you chosen to accomplish in 2024 that will develop and improve your (non-dairy related) skills and abilities?
 - What is your career goal? Why did you choose that as your career?
 - How might friendships you make and your behavior choices influence life's successes?
 - List the names of two people outside your family who have especially inspired you to work hard and consistently to make personal improvements. How did each one inspire you?
 - What benefits have you experienced from your volunteering or community service?
 - Outline your financial arrangements to cover the anticipated 2024 expenses for your project (feed, housing, health care, transportation, exhibiting at fairs, breeding, etc.).
- **Return application form and essay questions by February 20, 2024 via mail or email**

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Calf Grant Application Form

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Applicant Information

Name:	Age on 1/1/2024:
Club/Chapter:	Years in 4-H/FFA:
Address:	
Parent's Names:	
Email Address:	
Phone Number:	

Breed Preference

Please indicate the breeds of calves you have interest in purchasing

<input type="checkbox"/> Ayrshire	<input type="checkbox"/> Brown Swiss	<input type="checkbox"/> Guernsey
<input type="checkbox"/> Holstein	<input type="checkbox"/> Jersey	<input type="checkbox"/> Milking Shorthorn

Eligibility Checklist

Are you currently an active 4-H or FFA member enrolled in dairy?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Have you received a calf grant previously?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Are you available to participate in interviews on March 16, 2024?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
I have completed and attached my answers to the essay questions.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
I have read and agreed to the contest rules outlined on the previous page.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

Applicant Signature:	Date:
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