DEPT. V-YOUTH LIVESTOCK JUDGING-2025



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Youth Livestock Judging Department sponsored by CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP

The 2025 Steele County free Fair will host a Youth Livestock Judging Contest for all interested youth.

DETAILS

DATE: Friday evening, August 15, 2025

TIME: Registration for Dairy & General Livestock 3:30 PM

> General Livestock Contest 4:30 PM Dairy Contest 5:30 PM

PLACE: Steele County Fairgrounds, Owatonna, MN

> General Livestock Contest Sheep Arena

Dairy Contest Cattle Judging Arena

CONTEST RULES

- 1. Team will consist of 3-4 members with high three scores counting for the team score.
- 2. School or county may enter an unlimited number of teams/individuals for Dairy and General Livestock.
- 3. FFA team members should be enrolled in high school or be current year graduates.
- 4. 4-H team members should be current year members.
- 5. All contestants in the Dairy and General Livestock contests will be divided into 3 divisions: Jr - 5th grade & under, completed; Int. - 6th - 8th grade completed; Sr. - 9th grade and over, completed.
- 6. Other than oral reason classes, official placings in all classes will be given immediately following the placing and cards collected from the contestants.

TIME SCHEDULE:

4:30 PM SHARP-General Livestock Contest 5:30 PM SHARP - Dairy Contest Awards Presentation at the conclusion of each contest.

CLASSES

Dairy

- 1. Six classes represented by at least two breeds of cattle.
- 2. Two oral reasons classes for seniors; One oral reasons class for intermediates. No oral reasons for juniors.

General Livestock

- 1. Six classes represented by two classes from swine and beef; and 1 class of market goats and sheep. Classes may consist of market animals, breeding animals, or both.
- 2. Two oral reasons classes.
- 3. One question class

AWARDS IN EACH CONTEST

Ribbons to: Top five teams: overall & reasons in each division

Top five individuals: overall & reasons in each division

Judging Contest Assistance: All adults with team responsibilities (coaches, chaperones, etc.) will be assigned a responsibility in scoring, tabulating, taking reasons, as officials or as group leaders upon their team's registration.