



April 2024

Dear Coach,

The Indiana 4-H/FFA State Dairy Cattle Judging CDE will be Wednesday, June 12, at Whitley County 4-H Fairgrounds in Columbia City, Indiana. The fairgrounds is located at 680 W Squawbuck Rd, Columbia City, IN. This event will be held in conjunction with Indiana Holstein Association state show.

This year's competitive educational event is non-qualifying, so open to anyone wanting to participate. Reasons divisions will be junior, senior 4-H, and senior FFA. A questions division will also be available regardless of grade or affiliation. Only those competing in senior 4-H or FFA oral reasons division will be eligible to represent Indiana at national contests.

All contestants will remain at the fairgrounds to present oral reasons or answer questions.

All contestants must be pre-registered using the [online registration](#) process by Friday, May 24. Registration fee is \$20.00 per contestant. Lunch will be provided. Make checks payable to **Purdue University**. Payment can be mailed to 615 Mitch Daniels Blvd., West Lafayette, IN 47907 or submitted at check-in.

A **dairy handlers contest** will again occur as part of the state dairy CDE. Winners will represent Indiana at National FFA contest. Dairy handlers will lead class animals and evaluated on their ability to handle, control and show their assigned animals. Contact [Mallarie Matlock](#) with questions and to register. Many thanks to Mallarie for organizing this event!

Check-in on contest day will begin at 8:30 am with orientation at 9:00 am. The contest will consist of six placing classes, cow or heifer. Oral reasons will be on four classes with preference being cow classes. Questions will be on two classes with preference being cow classes.

Awards will be presented at the conclusion of each division at the fairgrounds.

Sincerely,



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