

Important Dates

- December: Steer weigh/tag-in
- **Enrollment Deadline April 1**
- Quality Assurance
- Dairy Feeder tag-in (May)
- 6/1 – 7/1 Submit pen forms for fair ONLINE if exhibiting at fair
- Livestock Judging and skill-a-thon (July)
- Distribute market sale flyers to potential buyers prior to fair
- Submit photo of member with exhibit between July 1 – Aug 1 to hclivestockphotos@gmail.com (market projects only)
- Showmanship
- Sale

**Remember to
thank your
buyer(s)
after the sale!**

Dairy Committee Contacts



Questions about your dairy project? Contact a member of the Holmes County 4-H dairy committee or visit the [Holmes County 4-H dairy website](#).

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Species Guide for First Year Projects



Dairy Feeder Dairy Steer



Considering a 4-H Dairy Feeder/Steer Project?

Consider the following project requirements and guidelines for Holmes County projects.

Members must:

- Possess his/her market steer by the 3rd Saturday in December prior to exhibition year and weigh/tag in at that time.
- Enroll in 4-H by April 1
- Dairy feeder must be in possession by May Dairy Feeder tag-in date.
- Attend Quality Assurance training (market/lactating projects only)
- Complete project book and attend livestock judging and skill-a-thon (July)
- Complete pen assignments for exhibits ONLINE
- Submit photo of member with exhibit between July 1 – Aug 1 to hclivestockphotos@gmail.com (market projects only)
- June visitation (cows and heifers)

Recommended:

- Holmes County Dairy Clinic



Resources for Projects

[Holmes County 4-H Beef website:](https://holmes.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/livestock-project-information/beef)
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[Beef Resource Handbook](#) – available for purchase at the OSU Extension office. This book contains essential information for project evaluation.

Equipment and Cost Considerations

Feed Pan	Adhesive
Water Bucket	Shampoo
Chute	Neck rope
Rope Halter	Show halter
Show Stick	Soap
Scotch comb	
Rice brush	

200 sq. ft. pen
Access to pasture
Adequate bedding
Exercise
Brushing
Washing

Dairy Feeders

Possession Date: May 11th
Weight at fair: 428-735
Dress code: same as steer rules

Exhibiting a Project

4-H project member is only permitted to show a Dairy Steer or Beef Steer, not both.

The top ten Market Steers in the Jr. Fair Show will automatically be entered into the Beef Carcass Contest.

Dress code: Button up, collared shirt; blue jeans, work boots

The Holmes County Fair book lists all exhibition rules and requirements.

The fair book is posted on Harvest Ridge's website and paper copies are available at the Extension office.