2024 Dodge County Dairy Youth Recognition Auction Dairy Grant Program

Purpose

The purpose of the Dodge County Dairy Youth Recognition Auction Dairy Grant Program is to support active Dodge County Dairy Youth (4-H, FFA, Junior Breed Associations) with a grant to expand their dairy project. The grant funds are to be utilized to purchase a dairy animal (any breed) to grow the youth's dairy herd.

\$500 grants will be available for the 2024 program. Grant money is made available through proceeds from the Dodge County Dairy Youth Recognition Auction, held each year at the Dodge County Fair.

Timeline

Grant applications will be available anytime up until **June 1, 2024**. Grant recipients will be notified upon acceptance. Grant money will be available to purchase an **animal**. (An animal may be purchased between September 1, 2024 to June 1, 2025.) **Animals** may be purchased on a public auction, tag sale or through a private treaty.

Qualifications

- Youth must be in 5th to 13th grade (as of Jan 1, 2024) to apply.
- Youth must fulfill Dodge County Dairy Youth educational requirements (see dairy youth activity card).
- Dairy animals (any breed) may be purchased on a public auction, tag sale or through a private treaty. A bill or copy of sale must be provided to the Dairy Youth Recognition Auction Committee to receive grant funding.
- First preference given to applicants that did not participate in the 2023 Dodge County Dairy Youth Recognition Auction.

Answer each of the following questions in 300 words or less. Utilize additionally sheets of paper for your *typed* responses.

- 1. What have you learned with your dairy project to date and what are your project goals in the next 12 months?
- 2. What has been the most beneficial experience you have had in your dairy project?
- 3. Outline your financial arrangements to cover the anticipated expenses associated with your animal purchase. Include information pertaining to nutrition, housing, health and veterinary care, breeding, exhibition at fairs, etc.
- 4. What is your goal for your project animal that you purchase with the grant?
- 5. What is your career goal? How has your involvement in the dairy project influenced that goal?
- 6. What activities do you plan to partake in the next 12 months to build your knowledge and skills of the dairy project?

Signature of applicant ______

Date

Questions? Contact the UW-Madison, Division of Extension-Dodge County Office 920.386.3790