New Hampshire 4-H Dairy Qualifying Event for ESE

★ 4-H members interested in participating in the 4-H Dairy Show at Eastern States Exposition can now qualify at one of the following fairs:

- Cheshire Fair ● August 2-5, 2018 ● www.cheshirefair.org
- Cornish Fair ● August 17-19, 2018 ● www.cornishfair.org

4-H Members must compete in Fitting and Showmanship, Breed Type, and also take a quiz.

**Entry Information:** All 4-H members 12 and over as of January 1, 2018 in the dairy project must complete the Eastern States Intent to Show form. This form does not mean you will be selected to go to Eastern States, it means that you would like to attend, and you will be given consideration. The Intent to Qualify form must be returned to the Cheshire County 4-H Office prior to July 1, 2018.

1. 4-H members 12 years old and older may compete for Eastern States selection. Those entries must include one signed Eastern States Entry form, which is to be filled out except for animal information. This form can be found on The Big E web site under Competitions/4-H/packets/4-H Dairy Packet.

   The first page of this document is what needs to be filled out; you can also type all of the information into the document, print it out, and have your parent sign it. Copies of your registration papers for each animal you are trying out for at Eastern States with MUST accompany your Intent to Qualify Form, along with a Lease Form if applicable.

2. **Clipping Contest at Eastern States:** Participants 12 and over may be asked to be part of the NH Clipping Team, provided they qualify as a participant with their animal to the Eastern States Dairy Show and indicate on their entry form they would like to be considered. Priority will be given to youth in their final year of ESE eligibility or age (older youth will be selected over younger). If you participated in the clipping contest at Eastern States and were a member of the winning clipping team, you may participate at Eastern States as a part of this team again. You will be responsible for finding a clipping animal.

3. **Grilled Cheese Team:** Participants 12 and over may be asked to be part of the NH Grilled Cheese Team, provided they qualify as a participant with their animal to the Eastern States Dairy Show and indicate on their entry form they would like to be considered. Priority will be given to youth in their final year of ESE eligibility or age (older youth will be selected over younger). Members will be responsible for creating their own recipes, and finding their own ingredients.
GUIDELINES FOR SELECTION OF 4-H DAIRY ANIMALS AND
4-H EXHIBITORS TO COMPETE AT EASTERN STATES EXPOSITION

- Exhibitor must be a currently enrolled New Hampshire 4-H Dairy member who is 12 years of age on January 1 of the year exhibiting.

- Exhibitor must enter and show their project animal at North Haverhill, Cheshire, or Cornish Fairs. You must show in fitting and showing, quiz, and appropriate type classes. These classes are the only classes considered when determining ESE selection. Failure to show up for any of the required scheduled events could jeopardize your selection to the ESE 4-H Dairy Show.

- In order to qualify for Eastern States Exposition, exhibitors must show in either the junior, intermediate or advanced fitting or showing class. You may not show in Novice Fitting and Showing. Novice members wishing to qualify for ESE and move up for this event may not show again as a dairy novice exhibitor for the rest of the current 4-H season (or in any future seasons).

- Animals must be owned and registered, upgraded or leased in the exhibitor’s name prior to MAY 1 of the year exhibited. Registered animals only are allowed to show at the ESE 4-H Show, or upgraded animals if Eastern States allows, according to breed registry rules.

- In cow classes, ownership and registration or a lease agreement must have existed on or before MAY 1st of the year in which the animal was exhibited as a yearling.

- There are 36 slots available, 35 will take their animals to ESE. The 36th individual will be the team leader of the NH State Fitting Team. Filling all 36 slots is at the discretion of the selection committee.

- The selection committee for ESE Qualification will make every effort to select members who show different breeds of dairy cattle so that each breed is represented in the NH ESE delegation. If questions arise, the selection committee may consult with County Extension Field Specialist or 4-H volunteers. However, ultimately the most qualified youth/animals will be chosen to represent the New Hampshire 4-H program at ESE regardless of breed.

- Final selection of all ESE entries will be made by a selection committee after the 4-H Dairy Qualifying Show and participants will be notified by mail. The following considerations will be evaluated as noted:
  - 50% Animal placing at North Haverhill, Cheshire or Cornish Fairs.
  - 40% Fitting and Showing at North Haverhill, Cheshire or Cornish Fairs.
  - 10% Score on general knowledge exam

- Alternate exhibitors will be chosen to attend in the event that a delegate is unable to attend Eastern States.
2018 Eastern States Intent to Qualify Form

Breed ____________________________________________________________

Exhibitor’s Name ____________________________________________________ Age, _______ (as of January 1, 2018)

Address ____________________________________________________________

Clipping Team: I would like to be considered for the clipping team (circle one)     Yes     No

Grill Cheese Team: I would like to be considered for the grill cheese team (circle one)     Yes     No

I will be attending (check all that apply):    ☐ North Haverhill Fair    ☐ Cheshire Fair    ☐ Cornish Fair

Note: You must submit an entry to the fair that you have chosen. Please read all rules on entry for each of the above fairs.

North Haverhill Fair
July 25-29, 2018
www.nohaverhillfair.com
Grafton County 4-H
Donna Lee
donna.lee@unh.edu
603-787-6944

Cheshire Fair
August 2-5, 2018
www.cheshirefair.org
Cheshire County 4-H
Andrea Sawyer
andrea.sawyer@unh.edu
603-352-4550

Cornish Fair
August 17-19, 2018
www.cornishfair.org
Sullivan County 4-H
Robin Luther
robin.luther@unh.edu
603-863-9200

☐ Return form to: Andrea Sawyer, UNHCE 4-H, 33 West Street, Keene, NH 03431 by July 1

☐ Exhibitors 12 and over qualifying for Eastern States must submit one Eastern States Entry, filled out and signed, leaving animal information blank.

☐ Registration paperwork MUST include: copies of animal registration and lease form if applicable. If entry does not include copies of your animal’s papers as well as ESE entry form, you will not be eligible for Eastern States.

Please Note: There are two pages to this entry
THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED

1. I would like help with the 4-H quiz. I would prefer to have:

- [ ] Someone read me the questions; I'll write the answers.
- [ ] Someone write the answers I give them; I'll read the questions.
- [ ] Someone read the questions and write down my answers.
- [ ] Other (explain). __________________________________________________________________________

2. [ ] I have a disability and will require an accommodation to participate in this event. Please call 603-352-4550 if you will require accommodations to participate in this event. Call on or before the entry deadline of July 1, 2018.

I have read the rules and certify that I (the 4-H participant) meet(s) the eligibility requirements and am (is) willing to conduct myself (him/herself) in an appropriate manner as outlined in the rules and in the 4-H Code of Conduct. I understand that I as a parent/guardian am fully responsible for my child while they are participating in this event and that UNH Cooperative Extension, North Haverhill, Cheshire and Cornish Fairs are NOT providing youth supervision. I agree to treat the facilities and my animals with care and respect. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless The University of New Hampshire, UNH Cooperative Extension, the 4-H Foundation of NH, Inc., North Haverhill, Cheshire and Cornish Fair, its trustees, agents, employees, and volunteers from any liability, claim, or demand connected with this event. I bring my animals at my own risk and I am aware of the hazards associated with participation and with the handling of large animals including possible injury or death.

** PARENTS/GUARDIANS ** YOU are responsible for your 4-H member at all times during this show. UNH Cooperative Extension has NOT arranged for youth supervision.

Date __________________________   Member Signature ___________________________

Date __________________________   Parent/Guardian Signature ___________________________

* ALL SIGNATURES MUST APPEAR HEREON OR ENTRY WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Send with this entry:

1. Eastern States Entry
2. Copies of Registration Papers for each animal being considered
3. Lease agreement if applicable
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Rules of Event

1. **Eligibility**: All animals must be owned and/or leased by a regularly enrolled 4-H member and registered and/or leased in his or her name only. NH 4-H guidelines regarding numbers of animals that may be leased per member will be followed and a signed 4-H Intent to Show Form, Lease Form and original registration certificate must accompany each animal. All lease agreements must be initiated prior to May 1. (leased or owned cows must have been leased or owned on or before May 1st of the year in which the animal was a yearling). In the event that a 4-H dairy member’s only approved project animal dies or is permanently injured, a replacement animal can be approved after May 1st for 4-H competition in NH if the loss is verified by the 4-H Office and ownership or a lease is established. A replacement animal cannot be shown until after this verification has occurred and will not be eligible for Eastern States. Any animals owned by the exhibitor but not exhibited by him or her is not eligible for 4-H awards or to go to Eastern States.

2. **Health**: Animals must originate from a clean herd under state and federal supervision for the eradication of tuberculosis and brucellosis. All animals must have a current vaccination for rabies given at least 30 days and not more than one year prior to the show. Owners of New Hampshire cattle may show their animals at New Hampshire fairs providing they are not from a quarantined herd. Animals with ringworm, warts, or other communicable diseases must be removed from the grounds immediately.

3. **Care and Milking**: 4-H exhibitors are expected to care for and show their animals. All members with 4-H milking animals are expected to do their own milking. However, if necessary a designated adult may milk a 4-H animal the night prior to show day during the quiet hours.

4. **Fitting and Showing**: All 4-H exhibitors must show in one fitting and show class, according to their age. Animals to be used in the 4-H Fitting and Showmanship Class must be a calf or yearling unless the exhibitor does not have an entry in either age group, then they must show their youngest animal. Any 4-H animal being clipped or fitted on the grounds by anyone other than the 4-H Exhibitor prior to fitting and showmanship will be disqualified from fitting and showing, and the exhibitor will not be eligible for Eastern States Exposition.

5. **Show Ring Clothing**: Tan, Khaki or white pants or skirt and white shirt. (white or tan socks with a skirt). No other colors, solid or patterned, will be allowed and no blue jeans. Exhibitors will be disqualified if they are wearing clothing advertising a farm or breed or any other clothing that the superintendent considers inappropriate for the event.
6 **Dress Code for Show Grounds:** 4-H exhibitors may not appear barefoot or wearing extremely brief and/or short skirts or shorts. Halter tops, net tops or midriff tops will definitely not be allowed. Sturdy and appropriate shoes must be worn at all times when handling cattle.

7 **Eastern States Participation:** Final selection of entries for the New England 4-H Dairy Show at Eastern States will be made by the 4-H Selection Committee in accordance with guidelines published elsewhere in these rules. A 4-H member must be 12 years old or older take the 4-H quiz, participate in 4-H fitting and showing and the appropriate type classes at the breed show to be eligible to participate at ESE. In order for a 4-H exhibitor to be eligible for nomination to ESE, they must complete: Eastern States Intent to Qualify Form, a signed Eastern States form filled out except for animal information, and copies of their animals registration forms, as well as a copy of the lease agreement if applicable must be submitted with their entry. Participants will be notified by mail, email or phone to let them know if they qualify.

References for the quizzes may include:
- Hoard’s Dairyman
- Virginia 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl study materials: [http://youth.dasc.vt.edu/content/dam/youth_dasc_vt_edu/quiz-bowl/2017vadqb-materials.pdf](http://youth.dasc.vt.edu/content/dam/youth_dasc_vt_edu/quiz-bowl/2017vadqb-materials.pdf)

**General Information:**

1 **Supervision:** Supervision of all 4-H participants is the responsibility of the 4-H member's parent/guardian. Every youth must have a designated supervisor who remains on the grounds with them; youth may not stay on the grounds unsupervised.

2 **Animal Care:** Exhibitors must provide all hay, grain, and equipment.

3 **Animal/Exhibit Liability:** The 4-H member and their family are responsible for any physical or financial damage caused to another person or property by them or their animals.

4 **CONDUCT:** Rudeness at any time or unsportsmanlike behavior is unacceptable. Irresponsible behavior may result in disqualification.

5 **THE USE OF ALCOHOL, ILLEGAL DRUGS, TOBACCO AND FIREWORKS ARE NOT ALLOWED. ANYONE FAILING TO ABIDE BY THIS POLICY WILL BE DEALT WITH AS FOLLOWS:**
   - Immediate notification of parents and dismissal from the show.
   - Possible forfeiture of other state 4-H awards earned during the year
   - Possible disqualification from exhibiting at the 4-H Dairy Qualifying Show the following year.