

# WI 4-H Area Animal Science Days Registration Packet



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JUNE 9TH**



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JUNE 16TH**



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(LIVESTOCK ONLY)  
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# AREA ANIMAL SCIENCE DAYS

## INFORMATION PACKET



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# PHILOSOPHY AND PURPOSE OF AREA ANIMAL SCIENCE DAYS

## Objectives

- A. To increase availability of educational opportunities in the 4-H Animal Science Projects
- B. To increase decision making skills through judging and grading experiences.
- C. To increase the knowledge of animals through breeding and market evaluation and management information.

*NOTE:* We highly encourage and expect 4-H volunteers and/or staff will arrange for judging meetings and workouts prior to Area Animal Science Days. We urge counties to involve as many young people as possible in this activity both prior to and during Area Animal Science Days.

## General Procedures

1. Area Animal Science Days were started with the intention of giving as many young people as possible an opportunity to learn more about livestock and dairy evaluation. Area Animal Science Days evolved to broaden the scope of members enrolled in the 4-H Animal Science Projects.
2. These days focus on the learning experience rather than the contests.
3. These contests are open to enrolled Wisconsin 4-H members.
4. Activities and offerings may vary at each area site depending on the host county facilities and resources.
5. Age Divisions
  - a. Junior – Age 8-13 as of January 1, 2023. Youth must be in or completed 3rd grade, 8 year old Cloverbuds cannot participate.
  - b. Senior – Age 14-18 as of January 1, 2023.
  - c. **Grade 13 members:** WI 4-H members that are in the 13th grade and have reached their 19th birthday prior to January 1, 2023 are eligible to compete at the AASD contests and state contest as individuals but not as a member of a team.  
**Please note,** grade 13 members (regardless of age), are not eligible to participate in national contests that occur after September 30<sup>th</sup> of the year.
6. Awards
  - a. Awards are presented to individuals and teams in Junior and Senior divisions age divisions.
  - b. Team and individual awards are presented in the Dairy and Livestock Judging Contests.
  - c. Team and individual awards are presented in the project activities as deemed appropriate.

# Contestant Eligibility and Rules - All Contests

1. All contestants must be registered by: May 24, 2023
2. If there is a question regarding the eligibility for the contest, contact the Wisconsin 4-H office.
3. To be eligible for the contests, each county must enter their teams by the entry deadline. This helps with planning for the contests and making sure there are ample supplies, lunch, etc.
4. Each contestant must be an enrolled 4-H member during the current year.
5. Youth must represent the county in which they are enrolled.
6. Counties can bring an unlimited amount of Junior and Senior participants.
7. **Age Divisions:**
  - A. Junior – Age 8-13 as of January 1, 2023. Youth must be in or completed 3rd grade, 8 year old Cloverbuds cannot participate.
  - B. Senior – Age 14-18 as of January 1, 2023.
  - C. **Grade 13 members:** WI 4-H members that are in the 13th grade and have reached their 19th birthday prior to January 1, 2023 are eligible to compete at the AASD contests and state contest as individuals but not as a member of a team.  
**Please note,** grade 13 members (regardless of age), are not eligible to participate in national contests that occur after September 30th of the year.
8. **Eligibility if you have competed in past contests:** Individuals who are no longer eligible to compete as part of a team due to previous national competition or age/grade may judge as an individual for the experience, but their scores will not count as part of the team nor will they be counted as a member of the county team.
9. **Members in postsecondary education:** A 4-H member who is participating in or has completed post-secondary (university, college, junior college, technical school) course work in Livestock Judging/Evaluation and/or Dairy Cattle Judging/Evaluation is not eligible. A 4-H member who has participated in a post-secondary judging contest is not eligible.
10. **What to bring for contest:** No Contestants need to bring a pencil. In addition, participants may bring a clipboard and blank paper. A packet of judging cards and a scantron sheet will be provided.
  - A. **Not allowed in contests:** No contestants shall be allowed to take any notes, books, or printed materials into the contest. (This includes, but is not limited to the PDCA Scorecard, note cards with scorecard breakdown on them, cow parts, etc.)

11. **Communication during contest:** While the contest is in progress, there will be no communication among the contestants, or between a contestant and anyone else, except the group leader and contest superintendent. Failure to comply with this rule may result in disqualification of involved contestants and teams. Coaches around the ringside are cautioned to hold discussions to a minimum.
12. **Participant accommodation:** If a participant needs an accommodation to help them be as successful as possible at this event, please contact the WI State 4-H Office.
13. No handling of the animals by the contestants will be permitted.

### **Dairy Specific Rules**

An individual who has participated in the National 4-H Dairy Judging Contest (Madison, WI) is not eligible to compete again at Madison or any other 4-H contest as part of a team. Any individual who has competed at Harrisburg or Louisville may **not** repeat at the same contest but may compete at Madison or the other 4-H contest. Individuals who are no longer eligible to compete as part of a team due to previous national competition may judge as an individual for the experience, but their scores will not count as part of the team nor will they be counted as a member of the county team.

# 2023 Area Animal Science Days

## Sites and Offerings

### **June 9, 2023, Wood County**

Location: Wood County Fairgrounds: 513 East 17th Street Marshfield, WI 54449

Events Offered: Livestock Judging, Dairy Judging, Dairy Showmanship, All Species Poster and Photography Contest (no charge for the poster and photo contest)

### **June 16, 2023, Iowa County (in conjunction with the Protein Show)**

Location: Iowa County Fairgrounds: 900 Fair St, Mineral Point, WI, United States, Wisconsin

Events Offered: Dairy Judging Evaluation and Dairy Showmanship Only; No lunch offered at this site

### **June 26, 2023, Crawford County**

Location: Crawford County Fairgrounds: 17725 State Highway 131, Gays Mills, WI 54631

Events Offered: Livestock Judging Evaluation Only

### **June 28, 2023, Barron County**

Location: Barron County Fairgrounds: 101 Short St, Rice Lake, WI 54868

Events Offered: Livestock Judging, Dairy Judging, Dairy Showmanship, Horse Judging Clinic and Competition, All Species Poster and Photography Contest (no charge for poster and photo contest)

# AREA ANIMAL SCIENCE DAYS

## TENTATIVE PROGRAM SCHEDULE FOR ALL LOCATIONS

### (May vary at each site)

8:00 – 9:00 am	Registration Dairy Poster Contest Drop-off All Species Poster and Photography Drop-off (Wood and Barron Only)
9:00 am	Orientation in respective areas Dairy Showmanship Contestants Report
9:15 am	Dairy Showmanship Contest Begins Dairy Judging Begins Livestock Judging Begins Horse Judging Clinic/Judging Begins (Barron Only)
11:30 am	Lunch (please note: At the Iowa County site, lunch is on your own; other sites will have pre-registered lunches available for counties that ordered them)
1:00 pm	Oral Reasons - Senior Dairy & Livestock Judges (Reasons will follow evaluation portion of the contest and may be earlier than this posted time depending on the contest – please check with your contest areas for more details)
2:30 pm	Poster and Photography Pick-up (Wood and Barron Only) 3:00 pm
Awards:	Presented in the contest locations as they are available

# RULES OF WISCONSIN 4-H DAIRY JUDGING CONTESTS

## Determination of Ratings

Fifty points shall be possible for placings in each of the eight classes (if possible, six cow classes and two heifer classes). Fifty points shall be possible for each of the three sets of oral reasons for senior judges. Twenty-five points shall be possible for each of the two sets of Type Analysis Questionnaires for junior judges. Reasons and TAQ's will only be given on cow classes. TAQ scores will be included in the individual's final contest score. The two sets of TAQ's will be given to the contestants during two of the cow classes. A correct answer to each of the five questions will be worth 5 points. If there is a close second choice, 3 points may be awarded for the second best answer.

## Time and Reasons

Contestants will have a total of 12 minutes to evaluate a placing only class. A total of 18 minutes will be given for reasons and TAQ classes. Ring procedure will be as follows:

Circle the cattle clockwise	3 minutes
Head to tail	3
Circle the cattle counter-clockwise	2
Side by side	3
Head to tail	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	12 minutes for placing only classes

Circle the cattle clockwise	3 minutes
Head to tail	4
Side by side	4
Circle the ring counter clock-wise	3
Head to Tail	<u>4</u>
TOTAL	18 minutes for placing and reasons or TAQ

**Who needs to give reasons?** All seniors will be required to give three sets of oral reasons. Two minutes are allowed for oral reasons on a class. Contestants will be expected to give oral reasons without using notes. When grading reasons official judges will consider accuracy, poise, confidence, delivery, and forcefulness of presentation.

**Using notes during reasons:** Contestants who use their notes during oral reasons will be scored on a basis of 40 points maximum.



# SELECTION OF TEAMS FOR THE WISCONSIN 4-H STATE DAIRY JUDGING CONTEST

1. **Who is invited:** The top two Junior and Senior teams from each Area Days will be invited to the State Contest
2. **Criteria:** Two additional Senior teams will be invited based on the following criteria:
  - a. Size of area contests, b. Oral reasons scores, c. Point breaks in the overall team scores
3. **Team members:** A county team, Junior or Senior, must be comprised of the top three scoring individuals from the county team at Area Animal Science Days. A county team, Junior or Senior, must be comprised of the top three scoring individuals from the county team at Area Animal Science Days (AASD). The 4th team member (alternate) may be selected or designated by the county AND must have participated in an Area Animal Science Day Contest.
  - a. If there is a valid reason (approved by State 4-H Office) that one of the first three placing individuals needs to be replaced, this substitution must come from the same AASD contest that the team earned the right to compete in the state contest. The replacement must be the next highest scoring individual. If there is a substitution of any of the top placing three (3) team members, the team score is automatically recalculated using the replacement's score. The team may or may not move forward to the state contest depending on the new team score.
4. **Grade 13 members:** WI 4-H members that are in the 13th grade and have reached their 19th birthday prior to January 1, 2023 are eligible to compete at the AASD contests and state contest as individuals but not as a member of a team.
  - a. **Please note,** grade 13 members (regardless of age), are not eligible to participate in national contests that occur after September 30th of the year.
5. **Individual Member Selection:** In the Senior age group, the two highest placing individuals at each Area Animal Science Day not designated on a team which is already invited to the State Contest will be invited to participate. Please see additional notes about age guidelines.
6. **National Contests:** The high placing Senior team at the state contest will represent Wisconsin at the National 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Contest held at World Dairy Expo in Madison, WI. The second-place Senior team will compete at the Pennsylvania All-American Invitation Dairy Cattle Judging Contest in Harrisburg, PA. A third Senior team consisting of the four high scoring individuals at the state contest who are not on the first or second place team and are eligible to compete will represent Wisconsin at the North American Invitational Dairy Judging Contest in Louisville, Kentucky. No other teams will be allowed to participate in a regional or national contest.
7. **Identifying clothing:** At the state contest, no contestant shall wear pins, badges or other marks of identification which may reveal his or her identity or that of the area they are representing. If a contestant chooses to wear a shirt with county identification on it, they will be asked to wear a sticker over this identification during the contest so that they may not be identified by contest officials.

8. Participants will judge 10 classes at the state dairy judging contest.
  - a. **Senior participants** will give four sets of oral reasons
  - b. **Junior participants** will answer twenty Type Analysis Questions (TAQ). Junior participants will take a cow parts quiz at the state contest, this quiz will be scored separately from the judging scores.
  - c. **Junior Reasons:** Junior reasons will take place for junior participants. Reasons will taken by coaches at the contest and will be given as a team. These coaches will rank the teams. THESE ARE OPTIONAL.
9. **National contest qualifiers:** If a team qualifies for a national contest, they must take the top three individuals from the state contest on to the national event. The fourth individual may be any member from that county who competed during the current year at the state judging contest and/or Area Animal Science Days.

# DAIRY SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

The Showmanship Contest will be held in conjunction with the Judging Contest. Each county is to provide leadsmen. A county may bring as many showmen as they wish. **Because the majority of the animals used in the contest are cows, leadspersons must be at least 12 years old** . This is a safety consideration. A county **must** send at least two leads people. They will report to the Cattle Superintendent. Leads people will be judged as they lead. The score card on which they will be judged is as follows:

## SCORECARD FOR DAIRY SHOWMANSHIP

Name and Number of Contestant: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_ Ring: \_\_\_\_\_ Rotation: \_\_\_\_\_

### Factors to Evaluate

<u>When Scoring Showmanship</u>	<u>Possible Score</u>	<u>Contestant's Score</u>
1. Appearance and Attitude of Exhibits	20	_____
2. Leading the Animal	20	_____
3. Posing the Animal	20	_____
4. Control of the Animal	20	_____
5. Poise and Alertness of Exhibitor	20	_____
TOTAL	100	

**Comments :**

# RULES FOR WISCONSIN LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

## Contestants and Eligibility

1. All contestants must be registered by: May 24, 2023
2. If there are questions regarding contest eligibility, contact the Wisconsin State 4-H Office.
3. To be eligible for the contests, each county must enter their teams by the entry deadline. This helps with planning and making sure there are ample supplies, lunch, etc.
4. Each contestant must be a currently enrolled 4-H member.
5. Youth must represent the county in which they are enrolled.
6. **Age Divisions:**
  - a. Junior – Age 8-13 as of January 1, 2023. Youth must be in or completed 3rd grade, 8 year old Cloverbuds cannot participate.
  - b. Senior – Age 14-18 as of January 1, 2023.
  - c. **Grade 13 members:** WI 4-H members that are in the 13th grade and have reached their 19th birthday prior to January 1, 2023 are eligible to compete at the AASD contests and state contest as individuals but not as a member of a team.
  - d. **Please note,** grade 13 members (regardless of age), are not eligible to participate in national contests that occur after September 30th of the year.
7. **What to bring:** Participants are to bring a clipboard, blank paper/steno notebook and pencils.
  - a. **What is not allowed:** No additional county sheets are allowed during judging. A packet of judging cards and materials will be provided.
8. **Communication during contest:** While the contest is in progress, there will be no discussion between the contestants, except the group leader and station teacher. Failure to comply may result in disqualification of the individual (s) involved.
9. No handling of the animals will be permitted. There may be opportunities to handle market lambs.

10. All seniors are required to give oral reasons. Two minutes are allowed for oral reasons. Grade reasons on accuracy, comparison, terminology, grants and remarks in accord with the following:

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|------------------------------------|------------------|
| 1. First pair of animals           | 15 points        |
| 2. Second pair of animals          | 15 points        |
| 3. Third pair of animals           | 15 points        |
| 4. Reasons for placing last animal | <u>5 points</u>  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                       | <b>50 points</b> |

When grading reasons the following items may be considered: poise, confidence, delivery, and forcefulness of presentation. Juniors may or may not have a practice session for reasons as well.

**Using notes during reasons:** Contestants who use their notes during oral reasons will be scored on a basis of 40 points maximum.

11. The classes are generally the following and are subject to change. Breeding heifers, Market steers, Breeding sheep (rams or ewes), Market Lambs, Breeding Gilts, Market Hogs. Some locations might have a meat goat class (either a breeding doe and/or bucks or market wethers).

12. The following rules apply for eligibility at the National Contest in the senior division:

- b. Contestants must be currently enrolled 4-H club members approved by Wisconsin 4-H Program, Division Extension, University of Wisconsin-Madison.
- c. Each contestant must have passed their 14th birthday and not have passed their 19th birthday as of January 1, of current year.
- d. Please note, grade 13 members (regardless of age), are not eligible to participate in national contests that occur after September 30th of the year.

13. Contestants in National 4-H competitive events must not have participated in official post-secondary (University, college, junior college, or technical school) competitive events of a similar nature and in the same subject matter area. Neither can he or she be a member of a post-secondary team undergoing training in preparation for an event (for example, a contestant who has competed in an official collegiate livestock judging contest either on or off campus, is ineligible to compete in a similar national 4-H judging contest).

14. Contestants who have participated in the National 4-H Livestock Judging Contest are ineligible to compete a second time. They may participate for the experience, but their scores will not count toward the team total.

# All Species Poster & Photography Contests (Wood and Barron County Sites Only )

**Who can participate?** The statewide Area Animal Science Day Poster and Photography Contest is open to all 4-H youth who love and are interested in animals - showing, judging, drawing, painting, sketching, studying and photographing! Area Animal Science Day photo and poster contest participants do not have to be enrolled in any animal projects to take part in the poster and photography contest.

**What do the posters and photos need to be about?** Subjects can pertain to any animal – rabbits, cavies, dogs, cats, horses, goats, poultry, beef, sheep, swine, dairy and more!

**How can they be entered?** Fill out the online Area Animal Science Days registration form. Pictures and posters can be brought with your participants on the day of the event. You do not need to be present for judging.

## Poster Contest

Divisions:        Beginner Grades 3-6  
                      Junior Grades 7-9  
                      Senior Grades 10-13

### Contest Rules:

- A. Limit one poster per exhibitor per animal species.
- B. Use a standard size poster board of 14" X 22". (1" unmarked border is recommended.)
- C. All posters must include on the back: Name, Address, County and Grade.
- D. Posters can be any topic related any animal species. Examples: care, training, health, nutrition, psychology, breed, anatomy, careers, safety, reproduction, youth leadership in project, etc.
- E. Posters must not include 3-D materials.

## Photography Contest

Divisions:        Beginner Grades 3-6  
                      Junior Grades 7-9  
                      Senior Grades 10-13

### Contest Rules:

- A. Each exhibitor is limited to one photograph per animal species.
- B. Photos must be the work of the contestant during the current project year.
- C. Single Photos
  1. Must be no smaller than 5" x 7" and no larger than 8" x 12".
  2. Must be mounted on a mount board 11" x 14".
  3. Matted photos must also be mounted on a mount board 11" x 14". No corner mounts.
- D. Photos may be black and white or color.
- E. No frames or glass permitted. White edges must be trimmed.
- F. No captions are permitted. Entry may be titled on back of mount.
- G. Information on the back of the mount must include: Name, Address, County, Grade, and Division.
- H. Entries failing to meet the photo contest rules will be disqualified.
- I. It is strongly recommended that all entries have a secure hanging device attached to the back for display purposes.
- J. Entries will be judged on creativity, spontaneity of subject, technical quality, and overall appearance.

# **-Baron County Only-**

## **Horse Judging Clinic and Contest**

Participants have an opportunity to learn about judging both western and English type classes. You will learn about the basics of horse judging and what is important to look for as you are judging each type of class. Following the clinic, participants will be able to participate in a judging contest, including giving oral reasons.

### **The tentative schedule for the day looks like this:**

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|-------------------|--|
| 8:30 - 9:00am     | Check-in and Welcome   |
| 9:00 - 10:00am    | Basics of Judging English Discipline – this clinic will include the basics of judging such as Halter, Showmanship, Pleasure and Equitation   |
| 11:00 - 11:30am   | Questions and Answers from an Expert Panel   |
| 11:30am - 12:30pm | Lunch (lunch needs to pre-ordered with registration or brought with you)   |
| 12:30 - 1:30pm    | Youth Judging Competition – Apply what you learned   |
| 1:30 - 2:30pm     | Reasons - A horse judging contestant gives a one to two minute verbal presentation made by the to an official judge. The contestant justifies the reasons why they placed the specific horses in the contest the way they did. |

Awards to follow as soon as they are available

## **\*\* Area Animal Science Day Registration Procedures \*\***

1. **All registrations are due online by May 24, 2023.**

2. **Each county will register as a team through an online form:**

[https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_aYkCpFfoAy64EHY](https://uwmadison.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_aYkCpFfoAy64EHY)

In each county, a 4-H adult volunteer/staff member will enter all the team members for each species and contest (this may be multiple coaches or the county staff member, it varies by county). Payments for registration fees and lunches will then be mailed to the host counties (more information below.)

3. **Registration fees are 12.00 per participant.** There is no charge for all species poster, all species photography, or dairy showmanship entries. You are responsible for paying for all registered members – if you register a higher number and bring less members, you will be responsible for paying for the higher number of people. No refunds will be given if the participant has paid and can't make the event, however substitutions can be made and will be accepted the day of the event. All participants will need to pay the registration fee.

4. **The host counties are providing lunch include Wood, Crawford, and Barron. Please note, lunch is on your own in Iowa Co. The cost is \$10 per person eating** (youth participants, coaches, parents, etc.). Lunches are only available by pre-registration.

5. Registration and Lunch **Payment**

- One check can be written for both registration and lunch payments.
- Make checks payable to the host site you are attending – please see below for more information. (Sheboygan County, Chippewa County, Crawford County, or State 4-H Office (Iowa County))
- Please make sure to note your county name and species in the memo line, for example "Grant Co. Dairy AASD payment" or if for all species "Grant Co all species AASD payment"
- Please see the addresses below for where to send your payments.

### **Payment Information:**

#### **Wood County Site, June 9th (Dairy, Livestock, and Photo and Poster)**

Make checks payable to: Wood County Extension Office

Mail to:

Wood County Extension Office

Attn: 4-H AASD

400 Market Street

PO Box 8095

Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494

\*other host county addresses continued on the next page\*



**Iowa County Site, June 16th (Dairy only)**

Make checks payable to: WI 4-H

Mail to:  
WI 4-H  
Attn: 4-H AASD  
103 Extension Building  
432 Lake Street,  
Madison, WI 53706

**Crawford County Site, June 26th (Livestock only)**

Make checks payable to: Crawford County Leaders Association

Mail checks to:  
Crawford County UW Extension  
Attn: 4-H AASD  
225 N. Beaumont Rd. Suite 240  
Prairie du Chien, WI 53821

**Barron County Site, June 28th (Dairy, Livestock, Horse, and Photo and Poster)**

Make checks payable to: Barron County Leaders Association

Mail checks to:  
Barron County Extension Office  
Attn: 4-H AASD  
335 E. Monroe Ave., Room 2206  
Barron, WI 54812

**Questions?** If you have any questions about registrations, please contact Jill Jorgensen at [jill.jorgensen@wisc.edu](mailto:jill.jorgensen@wisc.edu) / 920- 391-4659 or Mike Farrey at [mike.farrey@wisc.edu](mailto:mike.farrey@wisc.edu) / 608-262-2496