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TO: Current and Potential 4-H & FFA Beef Project Members

RE: Market Beef Steers, Market Dairy Steers, Market Beef Heifer, Beef and Dairy Carcass Projects

*Please share this letter with anyone you know that might be interested in taking a Beef project – especially if they did not take one in 2023 as they would not be on our mailing list.*

**All Beef Steers, Dairy Steers, Market Beef Heifers,  
Beef and Dairy Carcass Steers/Heifers  
MUST BE TAGGED AND WEIGHED ON  
Saturday, January 13, 2024 at the  
Wayne County Fairgrounds, Coliseum  
9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.**

In case of inclement weather, listen to WQKT for cancellation.

If cancelled, the backup date will be January 20, 2024.

Calves must be tagged and weighed on January 13<sup>th</sup>. Members need not be present, however, calves not tagged and weighed at the county check-in on January 13<sup>th</sup> will NOT be eligible for Wayne County Junior Fair participation. Rate of gain will be figured accordingly. **NO BULL CALVES** will be tagged. **ALL** calves must be castrated prior to weigh-in or will be ineligible for participation. If steers are clamped, this should already have been done in early November. Calves should be dehorned, haltered, and walked in for check-in.

**Exhibitors cannot show both a market beef steer and a market beef heifer at the fair - only 1. Dairy Steers Must Be Pure Bred with both sire and dam consisting of the same dairy breed.** Beef steers and heifers may be purebred or crossbred beef breeds. Beef steers and beef heifers that were bred and born at a Wayne County residence and raised by a 4-H/FFA member within the borders of Wayne County are eligible to be entered in the "Wayne



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County Bred, Born, and Raised” class at the fair (see attached form due at January weigh-in).

We will again have a Market Beef Heifer class, if we reach the minimum of 3 heifers to hold the class. If less than 3, heifers will show with steers. Bred heifers will not be eligible. If heifers are county bred, born, and raised, they can show in the county bred, born, and raised class with the steers. A beef or dairy steer may be tagged and weighed as both a fair show steer and as a carcass steer as long as the fee to enter the carcass class is paid at weigh-in in January.

**If during the year the animal loses its ear tag, the member must contact the Extension Office immediately.** A committee member will re-tag the animal.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Any girl or boy, 8 years old **AND** in the third grade and not past his/her 19<sup>th</sup> birthday as of 01/01/24, may join a 4-H club and enroll in the steer and/or carcass evaluation projects. FFA members may enroll in the project through Ag-Ed but must follow the same age requirements. **ALL** members who have tagged / weighed in their calves, **MUST** enroll in the steer project in 4HOnline or through their FFA chapter by **April 1, 2024** and meet the requirements of that club or chapter. A member **CANNOT** carry the same project in both 4-H & FFA, nor in two different counties.

Please call me or a committee member if you have any questions. We look forward to an educational and fun year ahead as we organize for 2024!

Sincerely,



Diane Johnson  
4-H Program Assistant

**Each member must identify one market animal in his / her name. Backup animals may be signed up / weighed in under one family for all siblings in that family.**

**All backup animals must be added on to each child's weigh-in form and entered under each child's 4-HOnline Animal ID profile.**

**2024  
NOMINATION FORM FOR  
“WAYNE COUNTY BRED, BORN, and RAISED”  
MARKET BEEF SHOW**

Exhibitor name \_\_\_\_\_

4-H or FFA Club \_\_\_\_\_

Farm Ear Tag or ID      Wayne County Fair Tag #      Breeders Signature

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Breeder Name Printed

For how the Breeder wants their name or Farm to appear in the show book at the Fair, please give us a legible Breeder Name Printed.


This form must be completely filled out and turned in at weigh-in to be eligible to be shown in the “Bred, Born, and Raised” class at the Wayne County Junior Fair.

- **This MUST be entered into 4H Online system for their Animal ID by June 1<sup>st</sup>.**
- **You must then make an entry by August 1<sup>st</sup> at [waynejfair.fairentry.com](http://waynejfair.fairentry.com).**

Exhibitor signature

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Parent signature

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