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MEMORANDUM

To: 4-H Agents, volunteers, and others working with dairy youth

From: Dr. Stephanie Ward, Dairy Extension Specialist

Nancy Keith, County Extension Director, Iredell County

RE: 2021 4-H/FFA Virtual State Dairy Judging Contest

The 2021 state Youth Dairy Judging Contest will be held April 30 and May 7, 2021, in conjunction with NC FFA, as a virtual contest due to continued COVID-19 restrictions.

Important Contest Details:

- 1. Round 1 of the contest will be on April 30, 2021 from 3:30 to 4:30 PM and will be open to both junior and senior 4-H teams. Each county/club may submit one Junior and one Senior team. Individuals are also eligible to participate. Round 1 will be placings only on 4 classes. No reasons will be given. The top 5 Senior 4-H teams will be invited to participate in Round 2.
- 2. Round 2 will be on May 7, 2021 from 9:30 to 11:30AM. This round will be for Senior teams/individuals only. Participants will place and give reasons on two classes. The form will be open to place the two classes from 9:30 to 10:00 AM then, youth will be given a separate link to log in and give their reasons between 10:00 to 11:30AM. Please block these times and make sure you are available.
- **3.** The deadline to register a 4-H team will be April 23. No late entries will be accepted. You can register your team/individuals here.
- 4. EACH STUDENT will need a valid email address that they can check regularly. This will be required to administer the event online. The youth will receive the links to the judging forms and Zoom sessions at the email they register with, so please make sure that each youth has a unique email address. The email addresses will not be used or shared outside of this competition.

Contest Format and Other Details:

This virtual contest has been designed for youth to participate from any location. Youth should participate individually and should not have other youth in the same room with them during the event. Youth need access to any device that has an internet browser and an internet connection. This event will be administered using Google Forms and Zoom. **Students will be required to have their cameras turned "on" while participating in this event.** Please follow all local rules and regulations regarding group gatherings and school attendance. Proctors will be required as outlined below.

Proctors

Adult proctors will be required for this event. Youth will be required to log on to Zoom at the beginning of the event with the proctor in the room. Once the student completes the online event, the proctor will be required to certify that the student did not use or receive any additional assistance from any means. This certification will be completed as part of the google form, before submission.