

2021 4-H/FFA Dairy CDE Modifications

Current [Dairy Cattle Evaluation CDE rules](#) will remain in effect with these exceptions:

Area Event

- There will be no area pre-qualifying event. However, it is suggested 4-H educators and coaches in adjacent areas consider partnering to conduct a competitive educational event. This event could be restricted to participants within those geographical areas or could be open to statewide participation depending on facilities and COVID restrictions.
- Suggest area educational events be scheduled to occur on a Saturday to enable as many participants an in-person opportunity as possible.
- Implement appropriate COVID safety precautions.
- Arrangements be made to record each class while being judged by in-person contestants.
 - Camera operator assigned a group to record animals to get same look as in-person contestants.
 - During close inspection camera operator announces animal number, captures close-up of animal's structure and mammary system, then moves to next animal, same as an in-person contestant.
- Assign virtual contestants a time to view classes. Recorded classes are broadcast using Zoom or similar platform followed by contestants assigned a time to present oral reasons.
- Following in-person oral reasons, each judge uses Zoom or similar platform to listen and score oral reasons presented by virtual contestants. Use waiting room so judge allows one person in at a time. The same judges listen to and score oral reasons presented by both in-person and virtual contestants.
- In-person contestants dismissed when in-person oral reasons are complete.
- Results released that night or next day and awards appropriately distributed.

State Event

- No area pre-qualifier, so registration will be open to any Indiana 4-H or FFA member.
- Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at LaPorte County Fairgrounds in conjunction with Indiana Holstein Association show.
- Divisions will be Junior, Senior 4-H and Senior FFA.
- Coaches may register to compete in-person or virtually as described above.
- Coaches may register to compete in oral reasons or questions subdivisions.
- At this time it is assumed national contests will be held, but unable to verify.
- In-person and virtual scores will be combined for award purposes.
- Senior 4-H and Senior FFA oral reasons teams only will be eligible to advance to national contests.
- Registration is due Friday, May 28, 2021.
- Registration fee is \$15.00 per person regardless of in-person or virtual.