

BE A PART OF THE PASSION!

The livelihood of the dairy industry depends on knowledgeable professionals and an educated public.



Have you ever wanted to be part of a program that:

- Provides hands-on leadership?
- Allows you to meet people with similar interests from around the state?
- Introduces you to potential future professors and employers?
- Ignites your passion for the dairy industry?
- Looks great on the resume you develop during the program?

If so, the Indiana 4-H Dairy Youth Academy is for YOU!

“The most valuable thing I have gotten from my participation in the 4-H dairy youth academy is a network in the dairy industry that I will be able to use as I continue in my career. Also, opportunities for careers in dairy besides becoming a vet. I had no idea what I would do before becoming a part of this academy.”

Kendra Arnholt, Class 2 Graduate

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Youth Academy



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Dairy Youth Activities Committee**

Be a part of this Exciting Opportunity for 4-H Dairy Youth!

The Dairy Youth Academy is for youth in grades 10-12 (as of September 1, 2023) who are interested in pursuing a career in the dairy industry.

The program consists of a series of hands-on workshops that focus on specific facets of the dairy industry, including veterinary science, dairy nutrition, and production management.

The Dairy Youth Academy exposes participants to progressive and profitable agricultural businesses and helps

prepare them for employment as managers, technicians, and other agri-service professionals.



Objectives of the Academy:

- Expose young people to herd management, crop management, and farm business management techniques on farms in the Midwest.
- Explore career opportunities through interaction with dairy industry leaders and professionals.
- Enhance teamwork approaches to problem solving.
- Develop and improve communication skills.
- Develop the leadership skills to make positive changes and contributions to the dairy industry

Youth Academy Schedule*:

National 4-H Dairy Youth Conference

October 1- 5, 2023
Madison, WI

Leadership, Careers, Resumes, Industry Promotion, Finances, & Nutrition

December 1-3, 2023
Location: TBD

Reproduction, Technology & Eastern States and Canada Dairy Industry

March 8-12, 2024

Regional 4-H Workshops and Day Camps

April-June, 2024
Locations to be determined

Farm & Industry Tours

June 9-11, 2024
Indiana

Presentations to Sponsors

July & August
Indianapolis, IN

Indiana State Fair & Graduation

Action Demonstration & 4-H Junior Skill-a-thon
August, Day 1 of State Fair Dairy Exhibition
Indianapolis, IN

*(Some dates subject to change to avoid conflicts with other activities)

Please note: We need to have a minimum of 6 participants to conduct the 4-H Youth Dairy Academy. If the minimum number is not met we will discuss alternate options.

"One of the most important things I learned from the academy was to learn how to change. Our world is changing everyday and so is the dairy industry, so in order to be successful in anything we do, we need to be flexible and educate ourselves to be better!"
-Kylei Kline - Class 4 Graduate

Eligibility Requirements:

1. To be eligible to participate in the academy you must be in grades 10-12 by September 1, 2023.
2. Be currently enrolled in the 4-H program.
3. Are able to reasonably commit to the Dairy Youth Academy from September of the current year to August of the following year .
4. Are not exhibiting dairy animals at the World Dairy Expo during the current year.
5. Are not participating in the National 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Contest during the current year.

Applications available at:
[/bit.ly/2023INDYA](https://bit.ly/2023INDYA)

Due: August 11, 2023

The top 14 delegates will be selected based on their leadership and written application by a panel of industry and extension representatives. Upon acceptance in the Academy, delegates must pay a fee of \$200. Most expenses will be generously covered by our sponsors.

Each delegate will be required to evaluate how dairy industry conferences and agricultural tours have enhanced the development of their career opportunities in the dairy industry. These reports will be compiled and delivered in an oral presentation to the local extension groups, Indiana 4-H representatives, dairy industry leaders, and agri-service professionals.