

February 25, 2025

Dear 4-H Beef Member:

It's that time of year again! The 2025 Howard County 4-H Fair is just a few months away. To exhibit your animal at the fair, please ensure that you meet the following requirements:

- Identify animals in 4-H Online by May 15 at https://v2.4honline.com/.
 - Siblings may co-enroll beef cattle, but the animals must be listed separately on each
 4-H member's beef identification in 4-H online.
- Register animals in Fair Entry from May 17 through June 15 at https://fairentry.com/.
- Complete QLC (Indiana 4-H Quality Livestock Care) training by June 1. Information regarding this training is enclosed.

It's important to note that ALL market steers and ALL commercial heifers must be tagged with a county tag AND an RFID tag. ALL purebreds must have a tattoo and an RFID tag.

All animals tagged after May 4th MUST BE tagged with a cattle committee member present. This is to ensure animals are tagged correctly and there is no tag confusion in May, June, and July after the system has been closed to changes. Please contact the cattle superintendent or our office if you need help with this updated expectation.

Beef check-in is **Sunday**, **July 6**, **from 7:30 – 9:00 PM**. The Howard County 4-H Beef Show is **on Tuesday**, **July 8**, **2024**, **at 9:00 AM**. Health papers are no longer required to exhibit animals at the Howard County 4-H Fair. However, the superintendent will inspect every animal, and any animal considered unhealthy or contagious WILL NOT be allowed to unload.

STATE FAIR

If you plan to exhibit your animal at the Indiana State Fair, visit https://www.indianastatefair.com/p/state-fair/competitions--contests/4-h-competitions-entry-information for more information. DNA envelopes are required and are due by May 15 in the Extension Office.

If you have any questions, please call the Extension Office at 765-456-2313. We're here to help!

Sincerely,

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