

Maryland 4-H Animal Science Program Guidebook

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State 4-H Dairy Judging Practices

Overview:

The State 4-H Dairy Judging practices are open to all Maryland 4-Hers who are participating in the dairy judging program. All youth are encouraged to attend the practices as they are a great learning opportunity for youth. Chaperones and coaches are not provided.

The on-farm State practices take place weekly in July and normally run from 10 AM-2:30 PM. The on-farm breeds that are featured are the Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey and Jersey breeds with 4-7 classes of heifers and cows offered. Please encourage youth participants to thank the producers involved in hosting these practices.

Several fairs also offer 4-H judging practices (judging contest for their local youth) including the Carroll, Howard and Montgomery County Fairs. The fair contests/practices take place during these fairs in August ; practices begin at 9 AM and include most breeds.

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