

# **Lewis County Enhancement Calf (Dairy/Beef) Award Application**

The Calf Scholarship Award Program is sponsored by the Lewis County Dairy Industry Building for the purpose of encouraging those who want to become involved with registered dairy cattle or purebred beef in Lewis County. Calves will be awarded to the applicant(s) who shows a strong interest and who has demonstrated the capabilities of developing the animal to its fullest potential. This award will be presented to the winner before May 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Applications are due February 17, 2025.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age as of January 1st: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Please V one:  Dairy or  Beef  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

***Please answer the following questions completely in the form of an essay. Typed applications preferred. Incomplete applications will be disqualified.***

1. What would a registered calf mean to you?
2. What would be your plans for raising and showing this calf?
3. Where would you keep this calf? On your family farm, or would you have to find a place to house this animal? If the animal needed to be housed on another farm, what is this person's name and phone number?
4. What are your goals and/or plans?
5. Do you belong to 4-H, FFA, or a breed club? If so, describe your activities in any of these organizations.
6. Give a brief description of your experiences with farming. What are your responsibilities at home?
7. Describe any dairy or beef related activities that you are involved in.
8. What breed are you interested in? Please include first and second choice. (Cannot be guaranteed, depends on availability)
9. What are your other interests outside of the dairy or beef industry?
10. List the names and phone numbers of 3 references we may contact who are not related to you.



## **Rules for Procurement of Award**

- Applicants must be at least age 10 as of January 1st of the application year.
- You do not have to belong to 4-H, FFA, or a breed club at the time of application.
- You must choose a beef OR dairy calf. New qualified applicants will be considered before previous recipients.
- To apply for this calf award, you CAN presently own a registered calf.
- It is suggested that you lease a calf for one year before applying.
- If you win a calf, you will be REQUIRED to exhibit it at the county fair for TWO consecutive years.
- If successful, the applicant is encouraged to actively participate in the selection of their calf.
- If successful, applicant should attend any 4-H, breed association or other recommended youth cattle clinic.

If you do not exhibit the animal at the required fair, the Lewis County Advisory Committees will decide as to the placement of the calf. Applicant is responsible to find out in advance the requirements for entering at the Lewis County Fair, including entry deadlines and vaccination requirements for the show. Your county 4-H educator or FFA advisor may assist you.

**\*\*If you happen to fall into financial hard times during the first two years while caring for this calf and need to sell the animal, The Lewis County Advisory Committees have first refusal rights on buying the animal.**

**\*\*If a decision is made by the committee that no applicant is qualified, no calf will be awarded.**

**\*\*If problems arise in the raising of this calf, The Lewis County Advisory Committees will be called upon to make the appropriate decisions regarding the calf.**

**\*\*There will be a follow-up to check on the calf after 6 months until the animal is two years old. "Should I be selected as the winner of the Calf Scholarship Award; I agree to abide by the rules set forth above by The Lewis County Advisory Committees."**

**Applicant's Signature required** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's Signature required** \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail your application to:

Gary Rosiczkowski: Chairman Dairy Building Committee, 5066 Lee Road Turin, NY 13473 If you have any questions regarding this application, contact Gary Rosiczkowski by phone at (315) 348-6621 or email at garylaine@frontiernet.net