

## ***EASTERN REGIONAL FFA DAIRY CATTLE HANDLERS' CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT***

Important Note: Please thoroughly read the Introduction Section at the beginning of this handbook for complete rules and regulations that are relevant to all Big E FFA Career Development Events.

**This Career Development Event counts towards the Big E FFA Sweepstakes. You are allowed four(4) members per team.**

### **OBJECTIVE**

To recognize the contributions of the handlers in presenting each animal to its best advantage for the dairy cattle participants in the evaluation of the dairy cows and heifers during the Big E Dairy Cattle Career Development Event.

### **EVENT RULES**

1. Participants must be certified by the state advisor and meet the same rules of membership as in all other events conducted during the Big E.
2. Participants must wear dress whites.
3. Handlers must wear working/safety boots.
4. Each state is eligible to nominate at least four members to serve as a team in the dairy handlers activity.
5. Winning teams and individuals will be recognized with gold, silver or bronze emblem plaques at the Awards Banquet. All awards are sponsored by the Eastern States Exposition.
6. Handlers should have had prior experience in showing dairy cattle.
7. Handlers will not participate in either the preparation or finishing of the animals assigned.
8. Handlers shall report to the event superintendent for instructions at the time and place shown in the current year's Big E FFA Schedule. Those who do not report on time will be substituted by approved alternates.
9. If a dairy handler cannot control his/her animal, this animal may have to be displayed by all alternate holders. The original handler SHALL NOT be given a different animal to display.
10. Evaluation and scoring of each participant, performed by a person or persons is designated by the event superintendent:

**DAIRY CATTLE HANDLERS SCORECARD**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

Criteria	Possible Score	Individual Score
Appearance of handler	10	
Control of animal(s) by handler	20	
Poise and calmness of the handler	20	
Demonstrated competence in:		
a. Setting the animal to its best advantage	10	
b. maintaining the animal(s) in its most advantageous pose	10	
c. Effectively restraining as well as avoiding exciting the assigned animal(s)	10	
d. Moving the animal(s) as requested by the ringmaster	10	
Displays a cooperative courteous helpful positive attitude	10	
<b>TOTAL POSSIBLE POINTS</b>	<b>100</b>	

JUDGES SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_