



MINNESOTA YOUTH BEEF EXPERIENCE PROGRAM



The purpose of this program is to aid youth in getting a start in the beef cattle business by awarding heifer calves to program participants on the basis of merit, need, future goals and ability to care for the animal. Any youth aged 12–16 who is a 4-H or FFA member may enter (previous winners of MYBEP heifers are ineligible). Deadline to enter is **September 19, 2011**. Program participants will be selected by a committee, and the heifers will be awarded at the Beef Expo.

The MYBEP Committee will select a minimum of nine (9) program participants from the pool of qualified applicants.

Each program participant will own their heifer jointly with the donor until the completion of the program, at which time the participant will receive full ownership of the heifer and her offspring.

Each program participant will be responsible for raising the calf, arranging for her to be bred (artificially or naturally), maintain complete records on her care, and provide monthly progress reports to the owner and the Beef Expo. Failure to adequately follow these requirements during the course of the year when it is owned in partnership may cause the program participant to forfeit their ownership of the animal.

Qualifications

- You must be 12-16 years of age as of September 19, 2011.
- You must be a member in good standing of 4-H or FFA.
- Previous winners of MYBEP heifers are ineligible to enter.

Criteria

- Demonstrated commitment to agriculture.
- Clearly defined future goals.
- Financial need.
- Ability to raise the animal in a proper setting.

Application

- Completed application form.
- Two letters of reference; one from your 4-H Extension officer or FFA advisor, the other from an adult who is not related to you but knows you well enough to comment on your abilities and commitment.
- A personal letter of intent from you explaining why you want/need the calf and why you feel you are a good candidate for this project. Letter must be limited to one page, typewritten, and hand signed.
- All materials must be submitted together and must be post-marked on or before the deadline of September 19, 2011.

Heifers will be awarded at the 9th Annual Supreme Sale Female & Steer Selection Dinner on Saturday, October 22!

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Angus Heifer

sponsored by Cannon Valley Ranch, Bruce and LeAnn Waugh & family, Goodhue, MN *on behalf of the Minnesota Angus Association*

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sponsored by Hillbrands Simmentals, Clara City, MN, AJE Cattle Company of Marshall, MN and Mel Boehland Cattle Company of White Bear Lake, MN

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APPLICATION

Deadline for entry: postmarked on or before September 19, 2011

Name _____ Telephone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Birthdate _____ Age on 9/19/11 _____ Grade in school _____

Name of father/male gaurdian _____ Occupation _____

Name of mother/female gaurdian _____ Occupation _____

Estimated percentage of family income derived from agriculture _____

Town/City Rural/non-farm Working Ranch

Number of livestock (if any) already owned by applicant _____ By family _____

Beef _____ Dairy _____ Sheep _____ Swine _____ Other _____

If I am selected, my calf will be kept and cared for at (include adress and description of facilities): _____

Estimated distance of livestock facilities to home residence _____

If selected, the two breeds I would choose for my MYBEP are*: _____ or _____

**Please note: Indication of breed choice will not guarantee final selection. Choice of breed awarded will be solely at the discretion of the MYBEP Selection Committee. All committee decisions will be final.*

School name _____

4-H or FFA Chapter _____

4-H Leader or FFA Instructor _____

Future career/occupational goals _____

Applicant testimony: I have read the rules and agree to abide by them. I am a 4-H member or an FFA member in good standing. I am between the ages of 12–16, and I understand that I am responsible for having her bred and will show her as a bred heifer in next year's Minnesota Beef Expo.

Signature: _____

Parent/Gaurdian testimony: I am the parent/gaurdian of the applicant and do hereby give permission for my child to participate in this program if selected. I also hereby, on behalf of and for the child, myself, my heirs, executors and personal representatives, waive and release any and all rights and claims for injury, death, theft or damages that may result of this child winning, raising and exhibiting a calf (if awarded).

Signature: _____

Advisor testimony: The facilities for raising a calf and the abilities of the applicant are adequate to successfully complete this project. The applicant meets the age and membership requirements as set forth in the official rules and regulations.

Signature: _____

Please provide the e-mail address for your hometown newspaper (not web address): _____

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APPLICATION continued...

Name _____ (Please use ink)

Highlight your 4-H and FFA experiences:

Other school activities and community involvements:

Experience and background in working with Beef Cattle:

Any other information or details pertinent to this application:

CONSIDERED APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE:

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MAIL APPLICATION WITH LETTERS OF REFERENCE AND LETTER OF INTENT TO:

Minnesota Beef Expo Youth Beef Experience Program
1265 Snelling Ave. N., St Paul MN 55108-3099

