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2025 Minnesota State Fair 4-H Dairy Championship Show

St. Paul, MN (8/23/25) – There was a total of 425 dairy cattle shown at the 2025 Minnesota 4-H Dairy Shows. The 4-H Dairy shows were held on the third day of the Minnesota State Fair, Aug. 23, 2025. In addition to quality animals, 4-H youth must demonstrate their knowledge about the dairy industry. 4-H'ers learn important development and leadership skills throughout their involvement with their projects and communities. This year's judges were Kaleb Kruse of Iowa, Eric Houdek of Minnesota, Ryan Weigel of Wisconsin, Crystal Sinn of Minnesota, Matthew Gunst and Michael Schmitt.

Heifer

This year the results of each type of species of dairy heifers are: Champion Ayrshire was exhibited by **Kamrie Mauer** of **McLeod County**, Champion Brown Swiss was exhibited by **Garrett Waldenberger** of **Houston County**, Champion Crossbred was exhibited by **Leo Ackerman** of **Dakota County**, Champion Guernsey was exhibited by **Sydney Evensen** of **Meeker County**, Champion Jersey was exhibited by **Jacob Schimek** of **Dodge County**, Champion Milking Shorthorn was exhibited by **Elizabeth Thyen** of **Meeker County**, Champion Red & White was exhibited by **Shelby Swanson** of **McLeod County**, Champion Grade Holstein was exhibited by **Alexis Eversman** of **Wabasha County**, and Champion Registered Holstein was exhibited by **Britney Smith** of **Carver County**.

Cow

This year the results of each type of species of dairy cow are: Champion Ayrshire was exhibited by **Kamrie Mauer** of **McLeod County**, Champion Brown Swiss was exhibited by **Isaac Beranek** of **Nicollet County**, Champion Crossbred was exhibited by **Troy Clemenson** of **Goodhue County**, Champion Guernsey was exhibited by **Zachary Lenz** of **Todd County**, Champion Jersey was exhibited by **Victor Lee** of **Meeker County**, Champion Milking Shorthorn was exhibited by **Ian Sammon** of **Rice County**, Champion Red & White was exhibited by **Matthew**

Scheffler of **Goodhue County**, Champion Grade Holstein was exhibited by **Conlan Carlson** of **Kandiyohi County**, and Champion Registered Holstein was exhibited by **Olivia Johnson** of **West Otter Tail County**.

Showmanship

The showmanship competition held on Aug. 23, 2025 at the Minnesota State Fair, is based on the 4-H'ers knowledge of dairy production, grooming skills and handling techniques. This year in the showmanship contest the results were: Champion Junior **Levi Nelson** of **McLeod County**, Champion Intermediate **Jacob Schimek** of **Dodge County**, Champion Senior **Kamrie Mauer** of **McLeod County**, and Champion Advanced **Shelby Swanson** of **McLeod County**.

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The 4-H program is funded through a partnership of federal, state, county and private resources and is part of the University of Minnesota Extension. Additional 4-H information can be found at <https://z.umn.edu/MNStateFairResults>