



Aksarben Stock Show
PO Box 130
Grand Island, NE 68802
2023 Calf Challenge Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Applicant Phone : _____ Parent Phone: _____

Applicant Email : _____ Parent Email: _____

Parents/Guardians: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Birth Date: _____ Age as of January 1, 2024: _____

Eligibility:

- Open to youth ages 9-19 years of age as of January, 1 2024. Eligible youth, with an established residence from the following 14 states may apply: Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Wyoming.
- Contestants must be eligible to compete at the 2024 Aksarben Stock Show and not have passed their 19th birthday as of January 1, 2024.
- Youth may not participate if you have previously received scholarship/premiums from a prior Calf Challenge Purple Ribbon Auction or Grand Drive Event. If ineligible, due to previously received scholarship/premiums, youth are allowed to apply in other Aksarben Challenge Programs.
- Contestants are not required to have previously shown at Aksarben.
- **If I'm selected to receive a calf, I will pay back Aksarben 30% of the sale value (50% if calf is NOT shown in the 2022 contest for health issues and 100% if calf is NOT shown due to lack of proper management in feeding and preparing the calf for the show) to help keep the program perpetual. All health concerns need to be immediately communicated to show management.**

Exhibitor's Signature: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature: _____



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Please attach the following answers on another sheet.

Important:

- A Maximum of 10 calves will be given.
- Applications are due October 20th, 2023 at 5:00pm CT.
- Distribution of calves is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, December 2nd, 2023.
- All communication will be done via email. It is important to actively check your email for updates and important information.
- If selected, a google compatible email (typically gmail) will be needed to access google drive for your record book and other forms.
- Individuals will be scored on record book, interview, showmanship, sponsor letters, average daily gain, and live placing.
- Top 3 Overall individual scores will be recognized during the “Grand Drive” where they will be announced and awarded scholarship/premiums.
- Additional Top 3 recognition will be presented at the live show in all areas.

Return all applications to Tejlor Strobe via email tstrobe@statefair.org.

Short Answers:

1. What is the most recent year you've exhibited at the Aksarben Stock Show? What species did you exhibit?
2. Have you previously entered a Challenge Program? Did you receive scholarship/premium money from the Purple Ribbon Auction or Grand Drive? If so, species?
3. How long have you exhibited livestock? What types of livestock have you exhibited?
4. What projects do you have this year?
5. Please list all activities you are involved in and any leadership offices you have held: livestock, school, community, church, etc.

Essay:

Please write an essay explaining why you want a Calf Challenge calf, what you look to learn from the program and how you will positively inform others of the project.