

General Information & Rules for Livestock

- All entries will be online only, please do not mail in entries. **Entry Deadline is June 26, 2026 for ALL livestock**
- Barn space is limited and when the barns are full all other entries will be returned
- Refunds: Once registered, there will be no refunds. Refunds can be requested with a veterinarian note.
- There are no double entries. If you have a breeding animal, it cannot be entered as a market animal.
- **Upon arrival**, all entries are subject to inspection by the Red River Valley Fair. Any animal deemed ill or unacceptable for display will be removed
- **Protest:** All protests must be made in writing and accompanied by a deposit of \$100. Deposit will be forfeited if the protest is not sustained. Such protest must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal and must be filed with the fair manager within 24 hours of show completion. All expenses incurred because of protest will be the responsibility of protester regardless of results. No complaint or appeal based upon the statement that the judge or judges are incompetent will be considered. Where a protest is made against competition of an animal, notice should be filed with the Superintendent of the department before the class is passed upon, so that the judges may be instructed to place a reserve award, that premiums be properly distributed in the event the protest is sustained.
- **Bedding:** Straw and chips may be purchased on the grounds. Purchases can be made in respective barns with times posted in respective barns. **Straw is not allowed in barns.** Shavings are \$8.00/bags and straw bales (for tie-outs only) are \$6.00/bale.
- The space and stalls in the barns are for exhibit purposes and must not be filled with feed & tack.
- The management will use diligence to ensure safety of exhibits after their arrival and placement, but in no case will they be responsible for any loss or damage occasioned by or arising from any animal or article on exhibition, and the exhibitors shall indemnify the Fair management against all legal or other proceedings in regard thereto.
- **Release of Exhibits:** All exhibits must remain in place until the release time given under its section in this book except livestock moving to home county fairs that are held on conflicting dates with prior approval from Superintendent.
- **Premiums:** Will not be paid if exhibits are removed before stated time of release, unless authorized by the Superintendent. No premiums will be paid to any exhibitor unless the full and complete requirements as to pedigree numbers, registration, etc., are complied with. All sheep, swine, goat, and beef stalls must be cleaned prior to leaving or premiums will be not be paid.
- Judges must not award prizes to an unworthy animal/exhibit. It is the intention of the Fair Board that no premium or distinction of any kind shall be given an animal that is not deserving. This rule must be strictly adhered to whether there is competition or not.
- Where there are fewer entries in a class than the number of premiums offered, judges may, at their discretion, award a prize or prizes of such grade as the animals deserve.
- Judges shall report to the Superintendent any exhibitor who in any way, whether in person, by agents, or assistants, interferes during the adjudication, or shows any disrespect to them. The Superintendent shall, at his/her discretion, demand a proper apology from such exhibitor, or he/she may be excluded from such competition and the Board may withhold any premiums that have been awarded him/her, and expel him/her from further competition at the Fair.
- **All Alleys Must Be Clean and Accessible to the Public Between 9:00 am and 9:00 pm.**
- Satisfactory evidence to the Superintendent in charge will be required that the animals exhibited as breeders are not barren. No awards will be made where there is unsoundness in breeding animals, or where there is any question as to its transmissibility.
- Fast Driving or Riding of any description will not be permitted within the grounds. Any violation of this rule will be severely dealt with by the Management and the guilty person removed from the grounds. Automobiles are prohibited in any section of the grounds whenever safety demands.
- **Brand Inspection:** North Dakota Century Code Chapter 36-09-23: "No person shall remove cattle, horses, or mules from this state or to within a mile of any boundary of the state for the purpose of removal unless such livestock have been inspected for marks and brands by an official brand inspector of the North Dakota Stockman's Association and a certificate of inspection shall accompany such livestock to destination."
- **No smoking in the barns or area around the barns**
- Health certificates from licensed veterinarians are required on all out of state animals.
- North Dakota Origin Cattle - Health Certificates not required.
- Registration papers are required on all animals.
- State health standards must be met. Refer to Livestock Section Rules for regulations & health rules. Contact your local veterinarian for regulations on bringing cattle into North Dakota
- A **First Aid Station** will be maintained in the Cass County Sheriff's Building located at the south end of the grounds in front of the Grandstand.
- **Advertising:** Under NO circumstances will any person or firm be allowed to place advertising matter anywhere on the grounds, nor is anyone permitted to distribute advertising without prior approval.
- **NO ON SITE SALE OF ANIMALS ALLOWED,** you will forfeit any premium dollars and may be asked not to return to future Fair if caught.
- All animals must be kept in the proper building(s) and cannot be carried or walked around the Fairgrounds
- Premium checks will be mailed within 45 days from the close of the Fair.
- Tagging guidelines will follow ND Junior Point Show rules. All Market animals must be tagged (all sheep, swine and goats must be tagged. Scrapie tags are required for sheep and goats).
- All registered animals must have their registration papers or the animal must show in the Commercial Division

RRVF DAIRY CATTLE SHOW – Department 104	
Jade Koski, Chair jademkoski@gmail.com or 701.400.7088	
ENTRY DEADLINE:	June 26, 2026
ENTRY FEE:	\$14.00 per class / \$14.00 per group in multiple animal classes DOES NOT INCLUDE SHAVINGS
RECEIVING DATE:	Sunday, July 5, 2026: 1:00 – 5:00 PM
MANDATORY MEETING:	Sunday, July 5, 2026: 5:30 PM at Hospitality Area in Hartl Building
JUDGING:	July 6, 2026: 12:30 PM
SHOWMANSHIP:	July 6, 2026: following show
RELEASE DATE:	One Hour After Completion of the Show
SYSTEM OF JUDGING:	American
LOCATION:	Beef Barn and Horse Arena

RULES AND INFORMATION:

- All general livestock rules apply.
- The Red River Valley Fair reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences.
- **Arrival:** You are welcome to arrive early and use the tie-outs but please notify show management.
- **Out of state cattle:** All out-of-state cattle will need a certificate of veterinary inspection and permit from the North Dakota State Board of Animal Health. To obtain, please call 701-328-2655 during business hours or 701-220-5194 after business hours.
- There is no milk parlor available at the Red River Valley Fair. Exhibitors must bring their own milking supplies. Nonetheless, the public is watching, so be sure to use your best management practices as if the milk was being collected for food use.

On behalf of the Red River Valley Fair Association, we ask that you keep your livestock areas clean and well maintained. We recommend that the majority of your cleaning is done prior to 8:00 am or after 8:00 pm. This will help us prevent the possible transmission of E. Coli to our guests.

Thank you
Red River Valley Fair Management

AWARDS:

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS					
1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
\$100	\$90.00	\$80.00	\$70.00	\$60.00	\$50.00

Monday, July 6, 2026
OPEN SHOW – 11AM

- DIVISION 1: HOLSTEINS**
- DIVISION 2: MILKING SHORTHORNS**
- DIVISION 3: BROWN SWISS**
- DIVISION 4: AYRSHIRES**
- DIVISION 5: JERSEY**
- DIVISION 6: GUERNSEY**
- DIVISION 7: OTHER BREEDS**

CLASS:

1. Spring Heifer Calf – March 2025
2. Winter Heifer Calf – December 2024 to February 2025
3. Fall Heifer Calf – September 2024 to November 2024
4. Summer Yearling Heifer – June 2024 to August 2024
5. Spring Yearling Heifer – March 2023 to May 2024
6. Winter Yearling Heifer – December 2023 to February 2024
7. Fall Yearling Heifer – September 2023 to November 2023
8. Grand Champion Junior Female / Reserve Champion Junior Female **(ROSETTE) – do not pre-enter**
9. Junior Best Three Heifer Group ½ cash premium
10. Unfreshened Junior 2-Year-Old (June, July, August 2023 ONLY)
11. Junior 2-Year-Old Cow – March 2023 to August 2024
12. Senior 2-Year-Old Cow – September 2022 to February 2023
13. 3-Year-Old Cow – September 2021 to August 2022
14. 4-Year-Old Cow – September 2020 to August 2021
15. 5-Year-Old Cow – September 2019 to August 2020
16. Aged Cow – 6 Years and Older
17. Best Udder Award (judge will declare best udder in each milking class) ½ cash premium
18. Dry Cow – 3 & 4 Year Old's (must have record) ½ cash premium
19. Dry Cow – 5 Year and Older (must have record) ½ cash premium
20. Grand Champion/Reserve Champion Senior Female **(ROSETTE) – do not pre-enter**
21. Daughter/Dam ½ cash premium
22. Herd of Five (includes: 2 Jr. and 2 Sr., plus one of any age) ½ cash premium
23. Supreme Overall & Reserve Supreme Champion Breed Champion **(ROSETTE) – do not pre-enter**
Judge will declare winner after all breeds have shown & milked out

SHOWMANSHIP:

Division 8: Showmanship (Age as of show date)

CLASS:

1. Pee Wee: Ages 7-9
2. Junior: Ages 10-14
3. Senior: Ages 15-21

RRVF BEEF CATTLE SHOW – Department 105 Jade Koski, Chair jademkoski@gmail.com or 701.400.7088	
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RECEIVING DATE:	Sunday, July 5, 2026: 1:00 – 5:00 PM
MANDATORY MEETING:	Sunday, July 5, 2026: 5:30 PM at Hospitality Area in Hartl Building
JUDGING:	July 6 & 7, 2026: 1:00 PM
SHOWMANSHIP:	July 6, 2026: following show
RELEASE DATE:	One Hour After Completion of the Show
SYSTEM OF JUDGING:	American
LOCATION:	Beef Barn and Horse Arena

RULES AND INFORMATION:

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- Show is open to any youth who are current, due paying members of the ND Jr. Point Show & have not turned 21 as of October 1, 2025.
- Exhibitors must furnish grain & hay at their own expense.
- All rules and health requirements listed also will apply to the Youth Show.
- Youth Showmen may have two animals per class. The animal must be registered in the youth's name. The exhibitor must present his/her own animal in the ring unless they have two animals in the same class. In this case, the second animal **MUST** be shown by another youth.
- **All alleys must be clean and accessible to the public at all times. Failure to do so could result in premiums withheld by the Fair and/or suspension from future shows.**
- **Premiums Offered:** All checks for premiums will be mailed to the exhibitor within 45 days following the fair. Premiums will be withheld on exhibits removed from the fair prior to proper checkout time.
- Show will follow rules and guidelines set forth by the North Dakota Junior Points Show Association.
- All registered animals must have their registration papers or the animal must show in the commercial division.
- Ethical fitting and treatment of livestock will be enforced.
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Thank you
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AWARDS:

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS					
1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
\$100.00	\$90.00	\$80.00	\$70.00	\$60.00	\$50.00

MONDAY, JULY 6, 2026
1:00PM
(JR. OPEN SHOW)
ND JR. POINT SHOW (points apply)

AWARDS:

- Overall Champion Breeding Heifer: \$420.00
- Overall Reserve Champion Breeding Heifer: \$210.00
- Overall Champion Market Animal: \$420.00
- Overall Reserve Champion Market Animal: \$210.00

DIVISION 1: ANGUS
DIVISION 2: HEREFORD
DIVISION 3: RED ANGUS
DIVISION 4: CHAROLAIS
DIVISION 5: CHI – INFLUENCED
DIVISION 6: GELBVEIH
DIVISION 7: LIMOUSIN

DIVISION 8: MAINE
DIVISION 9: SIMMENTAL
DIVISION 10: SIMM – INFLUENCED
DIVISION 11: SHORTHORN
DIVISION 12: SHORTHORN PLUS
DIVISION 13: COMMERCIAL

CLASS:

1. Late Senior Heifer Calves calved November 1, 2025, & after
2. Early Senior Heifer Calves calved September & October 2025
3. Late Summer Yearling Heifers calved July & August 2025
4. Early Summer Yearling Heifers calved May & June 2025
5. Late Junior Yearling Heifers calved March & April 2025
6. Early Junior Yearling Heifers calved January & February 2025
7. Late Senior Yearling Heifers calved Nov. & Dec. 2024
8. Early Senior Yearling Heifers calved Sept. & Oct. 2024
9. **Champion/Reserve Champion Heifer (do not pre-enter)**
10. Cow/Calf, cows three (3) years of age and younger, cows must be born on January 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024. Calf must be the cow's most recent natural calf and be no more than 280 days of age on the day of the show.
11. Cow/Calf Class, cows four (4) years of age and older, cow must be born on December 31, 2022 or earlier. Calf must be the cow's most recent natural calf and be no more than 280 days of age on the day of the show
12. **Champion/Reserve Champion Cow/Calf (do not pre-enter)**

DIVISION 15: MARKET BEEF

CLASS:

1. Prospect Heifer
2. **Champion/Reserve Champion Prospect Heifer (do not pre-enter)**
3. Prospect Steer
4. **Champion//Reserve Champion Prospect Steer (do not pre-enter)**
5. **Overall/Reserve Overall Prospect Market Beef (do not pre-enter)**
6. Market Heifer
7. **Champion/Reserve Champion Market Heifer (do not pre-enter)**
8. Market Steer
9. **Champion/Reserve Champion Steer (do not pre-enter)**
10. **Overall/Reserve Overall Champion Market Beef (do not pre-enter)**

DIVISION 16: SHOWMANSHIP (age as of show date)

CLASS:

1. Senior: Ages 15-21
2. Junior: Ages 10 - 14
3. Pee Wee: Ages 7 – 9

TUESDAY, JULY 7, 2026

1:00 PM

MEL KIRKEIDE YOUTH BEEF SHOW
ND JR. POINT SHOW (points apply)

DIVISION 18: ANGUS
DIVISION 19: CHAROLAIS
DIVISION 20: CHI - INFLUENCED
DIVISION 21: GELBIEH
DIVISION 22: HEREFORD
DIVISION 23: LIMOUSIN
DIVISION 24: MAINE

DIVISION 25: RED ANGUS
DIVISION 26: SHORTHORN
DIVISION 27: SHORTHORN PLUS
DIVISION 28: SIMMENTAL
DIVISION 29: SIMM - INFLUENCED
DIVISION 30: COMMERCIAL

CLASS:

1. Late Senior Heifer Calves calved November 1, 2025, and after
2. Early Senior Heifer Calves calved September & October 2025
3. Late Summer Yearling Heifers calved July & August 2025
4. Early Summer Yearling Heifers calved May & June 2025
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9. **Champion/Reserve Champion Heifer (do not pre-enter)**
10. Cow/Calf, cows three (3) years of age and younger, cows must be born on January 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024. Calf must be the cow's most recent natural calf and be no more than 280 days of age on the day of the show.
11. Cow/Calf Class, cows four (4) years of age and older, cow must be born on December 31, 2022 or earlier. Calf must be the cow's most recent natural calf and be no more than 280 days of age on the day of the show.
12. **Champion/Reserve Champion Cow/Calf (do not pre-enter)**

DIVISION 32: MARKET BEEF

Entry Fee: \$20.00 (\$14.00 entry fee plus \$6.00 for jackpot 60/40 split for Champion and Reserve Champion) – **DOES NOT INCLUDE BEDDING**

CLASS:

1. Prospect Heifer
2. **Champion/Reserve Champion Prospect Heifer (do not pre-enter)**
3. Prospect Steer
4. **Champion//Reserve Champion Prospect Steer (do not pre-enter)**
5. **Overall/Reserve Overall Prospect Market Beef (do not pre-enter)**
6. Market Heifer
7. **Champion/Reserve Champion Market Heifer (do not pre-enter)**
8. Market Steer
9. **Champion/Reserve Champion Steer (do not pre-enter)**
10. **Overall/Reserve Overall Champion Market Beef (do not pre-enter)**
11. **Champion/Reserve Champion Market Animal (do not pre-enter)**
12. Pen of 3 market steers: Animals must come from the individual lots. Animals making up pen lot must be owned by one exhibitor except when shown by Junior Show exhibitors from one family.