

# Beef

## 4-H and FFA

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Superintendents:  
Mellissa Dugger and Tiffany Startin

#### Entry Form Information

Department: 201 (Use for 4-H entries)

Department: 251 (Use for FFA entries)

Division: (See listing below)

Class: (Listed below each Division)

#### Exhibitors are responsible to read and comply with:

- Palouse Empire Fair General Rules & Regulations.
- 4-H & FFA Rules and Regulations.
- Stock Sale, Livestock, & Companion Animal Entry Rules and Regulations
- IAFE Show Ring Code of Ethics
- Department Rules and Regulations (listed below).
- Rules and Regulations posted in Barn.

#### Additional Rules and Regulations

All Steers must be weighed-in on the designated dates and time in the Spring at the Palouse Empire Fairgrounds, by Beef Superintendents and/or County Extension Agent. Contact the Extension Office (509-397-6290) or the Fair Office (509-397-6263) for predetermined times and dates of official required weigh-in. At this time, steers will be tagged with tamper proof tags and must have the same tag in their ear when arriving at the Fair. Steers must be halter broke at weigh-in.

NOTE: The animal entered in Division 1 - Fitting and Showing must also be entered and shown in one of the following Divisions, Division 2 – Market Steers, Division 4 – Breeding Stock, or Division 5 – Feeder Steers.

Horn Rule: For Market and Fitting and Showing, Steers must be polled or dehorned healed horns or re-growth must not extend more than 2" from the hairline. Horned Breeding and Dairy Stock will be subjected to Superintendents discretion.

Special emphasis will be made to have the desirable Prime or Choice steers placed in the blue ribbon class. Steers below Select will receive white ribbons. Brand (haul) slips signed by the exhibitor shall be turned in to the Beef Superintendents BEFORE steers will be weighted on Wednesday as they are unloaded, no

exceptions. All branded steers will also require an official valid Washington State Brand Inspection certificate issued by a state inspector or a valid, signed Washington State Department of Agriculture Self-Inspection Certificate showing exhibitor as the legal owner. Any questions, please call Kayla Shaybaugh at 1-509-780-1293. Animals consigned to the sale shall not be entered in any other class except the appropriate Fitting and Showing Class.

#### Department 201 (Use for 4-H entries)

##### Division 1 – Fitting and Showing

Points Awarded: Blue 80, Red 50, White 20

#### Class:

1. Junior 8-10 years
2. Intermediate 11 – 13 years
3. Senior 14 - < 19 years

#### Department: 251 (Use for FFA entries)

##### Division 1 –Fitting and Showing

Points Awarded: Blue 80, Red 50, White 20

#### Class:

1. Beginner: No previous beef experience
2. Novice: Freshman & Sophomore
3. Advanced: Junior & Senior

#### Division 2 – Market Steers

(See General Rules)

Points Awarded: Blue 80, Red 50, White 20

Market steers receiving a Blue or Red ribbon must go through the Jr. Market Stock Sale, in the case of an exhibitor having two steers, the higher placing steer must be sold. One steer goes through the sale, 2<sup>nd</sup> steer maybe turned to the packer or taken home by the exhibitor. Exhibitors with two steers are to report to the Beef Superintendent at the completion of all market classes Thursday, noting which steer ear tag # is to be sold and destination of 2<sup>nd</sup> steer.

#### Class:

1. All steers will be entered in Class 1 and they will be divided into classes according to weight at the discretion of the superintendent. Steers must have been weighed-in and tagged at the

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appropriate time and place specified in the rules of the Jr. Market Stock Sale earlier.

### Division 3 – Educational Displays

Points Awarded: (Listed below each Class)

#### Class

1. Poster or Display (Individual)  
Points Awarded: Blue 25, Red 20, White 15
2. Barn Display (Group)  
Points Awarded: Blue 35, Red 25, White 15

### Division 4 – Breeding Stock

Points Awarded Class 1: Blue 90, Red 60, White 30  
Points Awarded Class 2-7: Blue 75, Red 45, White 25

All cattle must be healthy, halter broken and properly fitted. All females over 4 months must be Brucellosis vaccinated prior to the fair and display proof thereof. ALL BULLS OVER EIGHT MONTHS OF AGE ARE REQUIRED TO BE SHOWN WITH NOSE RING.

NOTE: 4-H youth are only allowed to show bull calves under 1 year. 4-H are not allowed to show in class 5 or 6.

Name breed on entry form. All entries in this Division must be properly fitted. The following are Classes in each of the major beef breed:

#### Class:

1. Cow with calf at side; calf must be under 205 days and cannot be entered in any other class at this show.
2. Dry cow, over 2 years
3. Heifer, over 1 and under 2 years
4. Heifer, under 1 year
5. Bull, over 2 years
6. Bull, over 1 and under 2 years
7. Bull, under 1 year.

### Division 5 – Feeder Steers

Points Awarded: Blue 75, Red 45, White 25  
Steers can be any breed or cross, but not over 12 months of age. All steers must be halter broken.

### Special Contests and Awards

#### Award

Champion and Reserve Champion Ribbons (not rosettes) will be awarded to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place BLUE ribbon animals of each breed. Those animals will then compete for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion.

#### Overall Champion Fitting and Showing 4H Showman

The overall Champion Showmen will be awarded a belt buckle.

#### Overall Champion Fitting and Showing FFA Showman

The overall Champion Showmen will be awarded a belt buckle.

#### Four Star Supply, Inc. Awards

#### Champion/Reserve Champions Fitting and Showing

The following cash awards in both 4-H and FFA Departments: Grand Champion: \$40.00,  
Reserve Grand Champion: \$20.00

#### Tom & Cheryl Kammerzell of Maple K Farms, LLC

\$100.00 award to the individual Exhibitor who has best Herdsmanship in the Beef Barn.

#### Beef Herdsmanship Awards

NOTE: Up to an additional 20 points will be added to the total 4-day Herdsmanship score for educational material exhibited by CLUBS in the Barn  
Basis for scoring:

	<u>Points</u>
Club Members	20
• Members in attendance	
• Appearance (clean and neat)	
• Friendliness, courtesy and conduct	
• Cooperation on job where needed	
• Work done by members	
• Animals	40
• Secured and properly tied/penned	
• Clean and comfortable	
• Regularly fed and cared for	
• Barns	25
• Alleys, stalls and pens clean and orderly	
• Feed and equipment properly stored	
• Stall cards neat and in place	
• Educational Displays/Decorations	15
• Educational displays/decorations present	
• Attractive eye appeal	

#### Whitman County Cattlemen's Association Award

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The Whitman County Cattlemen's Association gives cash awards for overall groups in both 4-H and FFA.

1<sup>st</sup>= \$100.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>= \$75.00

### Jane Lyman Memorial Award

Each Fair, a committee of judges within the Beef Barn will pick an exhibitor, 4-H or FFA that best exemplifies the traits of past Beef Barn Superintendent Jane Lyman. This includes, but is not limited to: Leadership, sportsmanship, willingness to help others, integrity, involvement and dedication to the Beef Barn, care and concern for others. The winner of the award will win a belt buckle that will be given before the start of the Beef sale each year.

### OWNI Award

Oregon, WA, N ID Hereford Association  
Grand Champion 4-H/FFA Breeding Stock

No crossbreds allowed—contact is Elaine Garcia @  
442 Spruce St. Genesee, Idaho 83832

### Western States Angus Auxiliary

Outstanding 4-H exhibitor and/or FFA exhibitor

The Western States Angus Auxiliary, 1150 East 2600 South, Hagerman, Idaho 83332, will present an award to the outstanding 4-H exhibitor and/or FFA exhibitor. The selection of the winner is based on placing of individual animals, placing in showmanship and educational display. The following point system must be followed:

Grand Champion: 40	Reserve Champion: 30
1 <sup>st</sup> place: 20	2 <sup>nd</sup> place: 15
3 <sup>rd</sup> place: 10	Showmanship: 6
Participation: 6	
Educational display promoting the Angus breed: 25.	

If steers and breeding animals are both exhibited, points may be combined to select a winner. Contact barn Superintendent for forms.

### Washington State Simmental Steer Award 4-H or FFA Grand Champion Market Steer

The Washington State Simmental Association will award a belt buckle to a 4-H or FFA Grand Champion Market steer if the following requirements are met:

1. The animal shall be entered as a Simmental or a Crossbred Simmental with stall card stating sire, date of birth, percentage of Simmental and the name of the breeder.

2. The animal must be at least ½ Simmental, the offspring of a purebred Simmental bull or a purebred Simmental cow. The animal percentage must be able to be verified by the American Simmental Association.
3. There shall be a minimum of 15 steers (all breeds combined) in competition.

### Joe Palumbo Memorial Award

The Joe Palumbo Traveling Trophy will be awarded to the Grand Champion Carcass Exhibitor and is to be kept for one year.

### Washington State Simmental Carcass Award Grand Champion Steer Carcass

The Washington State Simmental Association shall award a trophy to the Grand Champion steer carcass. To be eligible the following requirements shall be met:

1. There shall be a carcass contest or evaluation under the direction of the sponsoring Junior Livestock Show or Sale.
2. There shall be a minimum of 15 carcasses in competition (all breeds).
3. The carcass must be from an animal, which was at least ½ Simmental; the offspring of a purebred Simmental bull, or a purebred Simmental cow. The animal's parentage must be able to be verified by the American Simmental Association.
4. The animal shall be entered as a Simmental or a Crossbred Simmental stating the sire of the animal, date of birth, percentage of Simmental and name of breeder.
5. The carcasses shall be graded by a U.S.D.A. or qualified grader and grade low choice or better.
6. The results shall be made available to the exhibitors as well as breeders of the animals.
7. The Show Management shall certify and inform the Junior Livestock Chairman of the Washington State Simmental Association of the results by supplying the following information:
  - a) The carcass contest evaluation sheet
  - b) Name and address of contest winner
  - c) Sire and Dam of animal, date of birth, percentage of Simmental.
  - d) Name of breeder.
  - e) Name and address of local paper.

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### Carcass of Merit Award

Steer exhibitors whose carcasses received grid prices better than the base price also received monetary awards. Cash awards and trophy jackets will be awarded to at least three places.

General: To be eligible, a steer must be slaughtered at either Washington Beef, Washington State University or at Colfax meats and have been shown in the market steer class.

Objectives: To identify steers that produce desirable high yield and high quality carcasses. To identify variations in the characteristics that affect differences in carcass value.

Requirements:

1. Minimum of 550 lbs. warm carcass weight.
2. Minimum of select quality grade.
3. Base grid price will be calculated on a yield grade 3, low choice carcass, utilizing the market prices at the time of the market sale. Cattle with at grid price above or equal to the base price will receive a blue ribbon. Carcasses qualifying for Carcass of Merit Awards will be indexed as follows:
  - a) Dressing percent (yield of semi-boneless retail cuts) will be determined from the live and hot carcass weights.
  - b) The ribeye area, fat thickness over the ribeye and the kidney, pelvic and heart fat will be measured by a USDA grader result will be used. If both halves of the carcass are evaluated, the results from the best half will be used. A yield grade will be calculated to the nearest 1.10 of a grade account for deviations in expected ribeye area and fat content of a steer given the steer's weight. A yield grade of 3.0 is equivalent to a 60% yield of semi-boneless, closely trimmed retail cuts. If the yield grade of a steer changes by +/- 0.1 (from 3.0), then 0.3% is added or subtracted from the base of 60%.
  - c) Quality grades will be based in terms of thirds of USDA grades or marbling scores.
  - d) Index discounts will be imposed for carcasses with hot carcass weights over 1050 pounds.
  - e) Steers will be ranked based on the price per hundred weight of the index. In the event that steers have the same index price per hundred weight, the steer with the highest quality grade wins; if quality grade for both steers is the same, then the steer with the lowest yield grade breaks the tie and wins.

### Ernie Dippel Round Robin

Grand Champion winners are eligible to compete only if they have a market steer going through sale. If they do not have a market animal, the Reserve Grand Champion will show.

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