

2019 Dairy Princess Coordinator Information

Thank you for being a county dairy princess coordinator, we appreciate all the time and effort you put into helping our dairy princesses have a great experience. First and foremost, please familiarize yourself with the Minnesota Dairy Princess Handbook. This handbook is updated each year and new information is always available.

2019 Changes/Reminders

There are three new changes and a friendly reminder that we want to draw your attention to:

- 1. We will have 10 finalists this year for Princess Kay of the Milky Way
- 2. We have two additional eligibility pieces. Complete wordings can be found on the 2019 Dairy Princess Candidate Form (pg 24-25). Additionally, a signature from the farm contributing to checkoff will be required as an endorsement.
 - a. Either you, your parents or guardians care for/and or custom raise dairy cattle that will return to farms who contribute to the Minnesota dairy promotion checkoff.
 - b. Either you, your parents or guardians own or lease a dairy animal or more that are housed on another dairy farm. You participate on that farm without pay in exchange for the care and housing of those animals. The county ADA board must determine that you demonstrate a reasonable commitment throughout the year and could provide verification of such if requested.
- 3. The Dairy Leadership and Promotion Event held in May will be in a new location Courtyard by Marriot in St. Cloud with the banquet being held at the St. Cloud River's Edge Center. The location where we normally have the conference remodeled and wasn't able to host us anymore.
- 4. A friendly reminder that all county crowns must be under 4 inches tall.

Updated Forms

This year we will have forms available online at MidwestDairy.com>>ForFarmers>>PrincessContests. The only form that will need to be scanned and emailed will be the dairy princess candidate form. The following will clarify the forms we need and when:

- 1. Dairy Princess Coordinator Form Due April 15
 - a. This form can be found online at the link mentioned above. If you have more than one coordinator in your county, please designate one person to fill out the form and provide the contact information for the other coordinators.
 - b. When to fill out as soon as you know how many princesses you are going to crown
- 2. Dairy Princess Form Due April 15
 - a. This form can be found online at the link mentioned above. Please have each of your county dairy princesses fill out this form.
 - b. When to fill out encourage princesses to fill out immediately following your county crowning.
 - c. If you have your banquet after April 15, consider having your candidates fill out the form early if you know the ladies you are crowning.

- 3. Princess Candidate From April 15
 - a. This form can be downloaded or found in your county packet. Only girls that are competing for Princess Kay of the Milky Way need to fill out this form. This form can be scanned and emailed or mailed in.
 - b. Please scan and email this form with all appropriate signatures to princesskaycoordinator@midwestdairy.com
 - c. If you are unable to email the form please contact Janet Bremer, see contact information below.
- 4. May Dairy Leadership and Promotion Event Judging Application Due Beginning of May, form will be made available online to candidates that are going through the judging process after April 15.
 - a. This is the application that is judged. If you need a reminder of the judging process, review the Minnesota Dairy Princess Handbook.
 - b. The link to this form will be emailed to candidates.

May Dairy Leadership and Promotion Event Information

When: May 17-19, 2019

Where: Courtyard by Marriott in St. Cloud

Important Notes:

- > The candidates will be staying in hotel rooms. There will be four girls to a room with two of the girls coming from the same county, if possible. Please inform your candidates so they are aware of that.
- > Roommates will be randomly assigned to promote networking.
- > The banquet will be held at the St. Cloud River's Edge Center which is right across the street from the hotel.
- > A reminder if your candidate signs up to attend the event, we hold a room for them and include them in all meal counts. If they decide not to come, Midwest Dairy needs to be notified two weeks prior to the event.

Contact Information

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