

January 12, 2024

Greetings County Princess Coordinators and Chairs:

A new year ushers in a new year of leadership development and opportunities for young dairy leaders! Introductions to the Princess Kay of the Milky Way program begins at the county level. Thank you for your dedication and involvement in creating new leaders within your local communities. We sincerely appreciate all that you do to bring dairy to life!

This mailing includes documents to help your county program run successfully. Review this letter and the enclosed contents. As always, all content that is mailed is also posted online at: https://www.midwestdairy.com/young-dairy-leaders/dairy-princesses/minnesota-princess-kay-of-the-milky-way/ Over the next few months, additional resources and information related to the princess program will be shared on this webpage.

A few points to emphasize as you prepare for the upcoming year:

Update your Coordinator Contact information
Scan the QR code to update your coordinator contact information or update via https://forms.office.com/r/q5T5J5p0AX.



Review the Minnesota Dairy Princess Handbook (enclosed)

There are no policy or eligibility updates to this year's program. However, to improve consistency and readability, we've reorganized some of the information.

New! The Code of Conduct form is a separate, standalone form. It can be used at the state and county level. (Previously this form was included with the Eligibility Form). All participants at the May Leadership Event must submit a copy of the Code of Conduct form to princesskaycoordinator@midwestdairy.com.

2024 May Leadership Event, Forms, and Deadlines

This year's event will be held in the Twin Cities **Friday, May 10, to Saturday, May 11, 2024**. The event includes access to inspirational leaders, hands-on activities, and sessions designed to strengthen dairy leadership skills. The Princess Kay of the Milky Way Finalists will be announced via Facebook on Sunday, May 12. Please share the enclosed **"Candidates: Register for the May Event"** flyer with participants in your county's program and encourage them to register for this event.

All young women interested in attending, must register via the online <u>2024 May Leadership Event</u> <u>Registration</u> form before **April 12, 2024**. Attendees can participate at the event in one of three ways: Sessions only, Not Considered, or Fully Considered (see page 20 of the Handbook for further definitions).

All attendees must return a Code of Conduct form. Participants who register as "Fully Considered" must also return a Dairy Princess Eligibility form to princesskaycoordinator@midwestdairy.com by the April 12 deadline.

Future communications will be sent via the Princess Kay Coordinator email. Please add princesskaycoordinator@midwestdairy.com as a safe sender and encourage county princesses to add this email as a safe sender. We're looking forward to a successful year. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

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