

Jr Beef Give-Away Contest Rules

1. All 2022 registered 4-Hers that will be 13 years of age by 1/1/2022 are eligible to enter with signed parental permission.
2. Participants are allowed to enter into every contest that is available, however they MUST accept the FIRST calf that they are awarded. All subsequent entries will be voided.
3. For Essay Contests:
 - a. Participants must submit an original essay of their own based upon the topic requested by the donor.
 - b. All essays must be submitted to the requested location no later than the posted deadline. No late submissions will be accepted.
 - c. Essay winners are determined by the donor and/or their appointed personnel. All decisions are final.
 - d. An alternate winner will be chosen and held secret by a member of the Northwest Michigan 4-H Livestock Council board until/unless it is necessary to remove the calf from the winning participant's care.
4. For Drawing Contests:
 - a. Participants must be present to enter and win.
 - b. Participants will be allowed 1 entry into the steer drawing and 1 entry into the heifer drawing, if available.
 - c. Winners must present the matching ticket stub to the announcer in order to claim their calf.
 - d. An alternate ticket will be drawn for each calf and held secret by a member of the Northwest Michigan 4-H Livestock Council board until/unless it is necessary to remove the calf from the winning participant's care.
5. All winners agree to the following:
 - a. To show the steer/heifer at the Northwestern Michigan Fair the following year.
 - b. To allow the Northwestern Michigan 4-H Livestock Council executive board members and/or the Large Beef Species Chair the ability to inspect the animal throughout the year.
 - c. If at any time, the Northwestern Michigan 4-H Livestock Council Board feels that the animal is not being properly cared for, it has the right and responsibility to remove the animal from the participants care.
 - d. If an animal is removed from the winning participant's care prior to the December 1st possession date it will be offered to the alternate that is selected at the time of the contest. No expenses will be reimbursed to the original winner.
 - e. If an animal is removed from the winning participant's care after December 1st, it will become the property of the Northwest Michigan 4-H Livestock Council. It will be cared for by the council and return to the fair the following year to be auctioned off. Proceeds will then be put back into the 4-H cattle program.