

Month # _____

My Name is _____

My Calf's name is _____ and he/she is _____
months old.

I am/am not feeding my calf _____ pints of _____ milk.

I am/am not feeding my calf _____ lbs of _____ feed.

I do/do not feed my calf _____ also.

This month I learned how to _____ with my
calf.

My favorite thing about my calf is _____

One thing I think is difficult or don't like is

Monthly picture here!

2023 Waller Co. Bucket/Bottle Calf Important Dates

Informational Meeting: March 27, 2023 @ fairgrounds 6:30 PM

Registration Due: April 1st, 2023

Calf Purchase Dates: April 1st – June 1st, 2023

Vaccinate Calf by: Progress Show

Progress Meeting 1: May 8, 2023 @ 6:30 – discusses needed supplies, and how to start bottle feeding a calf. (Dr. Moore to Join us on general health and well-being of cattle).

Progress Meeting 2: June 15, 2023 @ 6:30 – Introduce your calf and calf records.

Progress Meeting 3: July 22, 2023 @ 4:00 – Check in on your calf, weaning, leading, fitting/showmanship clinic (15\$ donation to the 4H kids).

MANDATORY Progress Meeting 4: August 19, 2023 @ TBD – FINAL PROGRESS SHOW – your calf must lead and must be present for weight.

SHOW DAY: Sept 29th, 2023

Check In: 3 – 5 PM

Show: – 6 PM

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2023 Bucket Calf Rules and Requirements

Eligibility

- Open to Waller County youth ages 4-8 years old, Participants that are 8 and under as of September 1st, 2023 (first time showman as 8 year olds) qualify Bucket Calf Program, even if they are eligible for 4-H and can show as a Junior Livestock entry. You may not show with 4H if you do Bucket Calf. You may not participate in ANY 4H project at WCF, if you choose to participate in Bucket Calf Program. Participants must be 4 by September 1, 2023.
 - Participant must attend 2 project meetings between May and September at the fairgrounds.
 - Meetings are held every month **@ 6:30 PM** at the fairgrounds. (Please see important dates document attached)
 - Participant must be able to halter break and lead a calf.
 - Participant must attend the mandatory Progress Show on Aug 19th at 10 am to show in the BucketCalf Show
 - Must pay the 30\$ entry fee.

Calf Requirements

- Calf must be born between April 1, 2023, and June 1, 2023 (must be born at least 8 weeks prior to 1st Progress Show). Calf **MUST** be appropriately vaccinated at or BEFORE the Progress show.
- Calves must be bottle-fed.
- Calves can be any gender.
- If you choose a male calf it **MUST** be castrated before exposure to any other fair calves
- Calves can be any breed (includes exotics)
- Participants must live in Waller County and feed/care for calves in Waller County and/or must attend a school in Waller County.
- Each exhibitor may show only one calf.
- You can tag 2 calves; however, one must be selected by Progress Show.
- Committee Vet - Dr. Gary Moore 979-251-1151
- Calf is required to tag in (10\$)

Project Requirements

- Participant is required to keep a record log (see attached) which must be presented to and signed by a committee member prior to the Waller County Fair Bucket Calf show.
- A picture of the participant and his/her calf needs to be sent to the Bucket Calf Co-Chairs.
- A record book for vaccines, feeding schedules, and training must be kept. Exhibitors will not be allowed to place with their calf if their record books are not completed. Parents may assist with record books.
- Record books will be kept by MONTH-to-MONTH Basis (committee will provide template)
- Monthly page each month should include: Updated picture, feed receipts/Budget, what your feeding, vaccines, one thing we liked, one thing we learned.
- Entry Form completed and fee of \$30 due April 1, 2023. Payments will be accepted via cash or check made out to Waller County Fair
- Each child is required to obtain a minimum of two 20\$ sponsors for our project.
- One parent must work 4 hours shift during fair
- Children will be permitted on to the "NO SELL LIST" and will be allowed ADD ON's.

Stalling/SHOW Criteria

- Calves check-in at the fairgrounds on Friday, September 29th from 3 - 5 PM; Show will start @ 6 PM.
- Calves will be released after the show on Friday when the show commences (time TBD)
- Interviews will be held immediately *before/after or during* the show. Exhibitors will be asked general questions about the care and management, the general condition of their calf, and where it is housed. SEE ATTACHED QUESTIONS.
- No warts or lice (a pour-on should be applied), and a vaccination program implemented. (this should be in your records. (IBR-BVD-Pi3-BRSV) and any other product your vet recommends).
- Calves should be washed, dried, and brushed - Clipping is optional but it must be done prior to entering the fairgrounds.
- 4 hours work, BUT we want to be allowed to get add ons (not sell).
- Exhibitors will show in classes depending on number of entries and will be judged on the cleanliness of their calf and general handling of the animal and basic knowledge of interview questions asked by the judge.

Contact Information

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