

# thinking ahead

annual 4-H project plan



Project Dairy Year 2012

**What I want to do and learn in this project (goals)**

I would like to improve my showmanship skills, so I can show my heifers better. I would like to improve how I show and how I present myself in the ring. Showmanship is a very important part of a Dairy show and can impact how the judges place the animals in the ring. In the National show, in November, I would like to be in the top ten in showmanship.

**How I plan to reach my goals**

I know that to improve in showmanship, I need to practice, practice, practice and practice some more. I will research showmanship skills and apply these as I am working with my animals prior to shows and during the actual shows.

**Resources I can use (money, supplies, equipment, help from others, reference material, etc.)**

The most important resources I have to help me improve my showmanship are my Dad and my Papaw Mike. They work with me as I practice and give me tips to improve. I can also watch other 4-Hers who have proven themselves as good showmen and can imitate their skills. I can also read about these skills on the internet and in resource material.

Signed Brie Anne Davenport  
4-H Member

Signed Mary Beth Davenport  
Parent/Guardian

Date 4/11/12

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## What I learned (knowledge and skills)

I learned that the Jersey breed originates from the British Island of Jersey. They have been a purebred, breed for 500-600 years, making them one of the oldest purebred breed in Dairy. I did also learn to present myself better to the judge through working hard at my showmanship skills, but I know I have a lot more to learn about showmanship.

## I feel I met my goals (or did not meet my goals) because

I feel I met my goal of learning about the origin of the Jersey breed and my heifers because I learned a lot about both. I also learned to present myself better in the showing because of this knowledge.

## Resources I used (money, supplies, equipment, help from others, reference material, etc.)

Resources I used included my parents and grandparents, my Jersey animal records, the internet, and various books about Dairy animals.

## Other things I would like to do (future goals)

I would like to improve in showmanship, because showmanship is very important in all dairy classes not just showmanship.

Signed Brianne Davenport  
4-H Member

Signed Mary Beth Davenport  
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