

TO: Wash. Junior Holstein Members

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RE: National Convention Information

The following is all the information you will need to know should you want to try-out for the quiz bowl or dairy jeopardy teams who will be competing at the 2009 National Junior Holstein Convention in Sacramento, CA. As well, you will find information regarding the public speaking, scrapbook, and banner contests.

Quiz bowl

For those of you wishing to compete on either the junior or senior quiz bowl teams, try-outs will be held **November 29th** (2:00), **December 13th** (2:00), and **December 20th** (2:00). All try-outs will be at the Zion Lutheran Church on the corner of 4th St and Union Ave in Snohomish.

We will use your best **two** total scores from these three try-outs. Each try-out will consist of a 15-question written exam, and two 16-question buzzer rounds. All study questions can be found at the following link:

<http://www.holsteinfoundation.org/frame.php?file=dairybowl.htm#questions>

The written exam will consist of questions only taken from the '09 Holstein practice questions. The buzzer questions will be taken from the '06, '07, '08, and '09 Holstein practice questions. Teams will be announced at the last try-out.

Dairy Jeopardy

Dairy jeopardy try-outs will take place **December 20th**. Anyone can turn out for jeopardy, including those who do not earn a spot on a quiz bowl team. There are two positions available in each age group. Try-outs will consist of a 15-question written exam and two 16-question buzzer rounds. All questions will come from the '07, '08 and '09 dairy jeopardy practice questions. Dairy jeopardy practice questions can be found at the following link:

<http://www.holsteinfoundation.org/programs.htm>

Speech

Speech try-outs will also be held **December 20th**. There are three positions available for speech, and may be broken up with more than one entry in an age division. For the National Convention, speeches must be dairy/Holstein related, however, for try-outs, speeches may cover any topic, but must fall within the allotted time. Juniors (9 -13) must speak for 3 – 5 minutes, intermediates (14 -17) and seniors (18 – 21) must speak for 6 - 8 minutes. A panel of judges will use the same judging criteria as used by the Jr. Holstein Association. Speech rules can be found at www.holsteinusa.com under junior members/junior programs/junior prepared public speaking contest.

Banner

Those wishing to create the state banner must bring an example/prototype of their banner to the **December 20th** try-outs. This prototype must show in detail the plan for your banner, and can be on poster board, created using graphic arts skills and printed from your computer, or any other means that well represents your idea. Juniors in attendance will vote on their favorite idea, and that banner will be the one entered at the National Convention. More than one person can create, or help create the banner, so if your idea is not chosen, you can still help, and attend Convention. All rules for the banner can be found at www.holsteinusa.com under junior members/junior programs/banner contest.

Educational Display Contest

Those wishing to create a three-fold educational display must bring an example/prototype of their display to the **December 20th** try-outs. This prototype must show in detail the plan for your display, and can be on poster board, created using graphic arts skills and printed from your computer, or any other means that well represents your idea. Juniors in attendance will vote on their favorite idea, with the winner in each age group being entered at the National Convention. More than one person can create, or help create the display, although, the display can be entered only under one person's name. One entry is allowed in each age group. Age groups are: juniors – 9-13, intermediates – 14-17, seniors – 18-21. All ages are as of January 1st. All rules for the educational display can be found at www.holsteinusa.com under junior members/junior programs/folding display contest.

Scrapbook

Those wanting to help with the scrapbook can either attend the **December 20th** try-out, or inform Ann Marie or Andrew if you cannot attend. If you want to spear-head the project, you should attend the December 20th meeting. Rules and regulations for the scrapbook can be found at www.holsteinusa.com under junior members/junior programs/junior scrapbook contest.

For more information about the 2009 National Junior Holstein Convention, visit the California Convention website at: <http://holsteinconvention2009.com/index.htm>

If you have any questions regarding study information, directions, etc., please feel free to contact Ann Marie at 425-681-3016, or by email at magnaville@gmail.com, or Andrew at 360-815-3411. We look forward to seeing you at try-outs!