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TO: Beef Project Members, Parents and Leaders, FFA Advisors

FROM: Stephanie Plaster

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RE: Beef Registration Day – December 8, 2018 from 8am-10am

New this year, there will be no initial live weigh-in for beef animals. Youth participants will instead be required to attend a paper registration day. The steer registration for the 2019 Washington County Fair will take place on Saturday, December 8, 2018 at the PAC from 8:00 am to 10:00 am. Please do NOT bring animals. While this is a paper registration, you must be in possession of you animals by then. Make sure to bring your completed Beef Registration and Interstate Documentation form (enclosed) and know the premise ID number where your animals resides and the animal's birth date the day of registration. You will be required to submit photos of your animals with their ID tags and a DNA sample by December 18. Further information will be provided at registration.

If you know of anyone that may be interested in the beef project, please pass on the information about the registration to them. This is especially important for club leaders or FFA Advisors. For those that intend to enter a breed class be sure to indicate that on the form at the initial registration. Be aware of the rules for registering your specific breed and bring evidence of registration for your animal to the 2019 Fair.

BEEF AND DAIRY BEEF STEERS

- 1. Exhibitors may register two beef steers and/or two dairy steers.
- 2. All steers must be born on or after January 1 of the year prior to the auction.
- 3. All steers will be double ear tagged for identification and DNA collected and submitted. WI State fair tag may qualify as the secondary tag.
- All steers must live grade at least choice to sell.
- 5. All steers must be dehorned and castrated before initial registration. If horn re-growth occurs, it must be removed if over two inches in length and completely healed before the final weigh-in. Otherwise, it's a no show.
- Dairy beef steers must have only dairy breed blood and no beef breed blood. Qualifying breeds include but are not limited to Holstein, Guernsey, Brown Swiss, Jersey, Ayrshire, Milking Shorthorn, and European milking breeds.

Please call the UW-Extension Office at 262-335-4477 with any questions or concerns.

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