

Ohio Distinguished Junior Member

Open to any youth who is an Ohio Junior Holstein Association member in good standing. Two winners, a boy and a girl, will be selected to receive recognition and a plaque and the opportunity to enter the National Holstein YDJM & DJM competitions the following year. Applications must be postmarked by February 15 and sent to the Ohio Holstein Association, Attn: Jr. Advisory Chair, PO Box 479, Wooster, OH 44691. Interviews will be conducted at the Junior Annual Meeting and the winners announced at the Annual Meeting Luncheon.

Name: _____

Age: (as of January 1) _____ Birthdate: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ Zip _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Parents/Guardian: _____

County: _____ District: _____

I have completed _____ years of project work with Registered Holsteins.

I have been a Junior member of the Ohio Holstein Association for _____ years and the Holstien Association USA for _____ years.

Name of High School/College: _____

Current grade _____ Graduation year _____

OR

Place of employment if full time _____

Position held _____

The information contained in this form is correct and honest to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____

I have read the enclosed records and to the best of my knowledge find them correct.

Parent/Guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

I have read the enclosed records and to the best of my knowledge find these correct.

Signature of Co. Holstein Leader or OHA District Rep. _____

Please include a photograph/head shot to be used in news releases.

Name of newspaper or local online news: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Applications should be postmarked by February 1 and accompanied by 1-2 letters of recommendation. Recommendation letters should be written by non-family members.

Please provide the following information as requested. The information provided should present a true story of the contestant and your involvement in the Holstein industry. Materials should be accurate and complete. Information should be completed in an easy-to-read 12 point font with one-inch margins and double-spaced.

A. COVER PAGE – Introduction to who you are. Emphasize your degree of involvement in your home farm operation, or other dairy/ag operations including specific responsibilities. Other suggested topics include details of farm, acres, milking set-up, herd, feed, facilities, your current Holstein Junior involvement (local, state & national levels) and future plans.

B. SUMMARY OF AGRICULTURE ACTIVITIES & PROJECTS – Arrange in chronological order-most recent year first, this does not have to be double spaced.

Example:

Year	Type of Activities	Achievement/Award or Leadership Position
2000	Ohio Junior Holstein Assoc.	National Jr. Convention Committee

C. SUMMARY OF NON-AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES & PROJECTS – Arrange in chronological order – most recent year first, this does not have to be double spaced.

Example:

Year	Type of Activities	Achievement/Award or Leadership Position
2000	Any School	High School Marching Band – 1 st chair

E. KNOWLEDGE OF DAIRY & HOLSTEIN MANAGEMENT - Discuss your current farm management practices. You can include a summary of registered Holsteins personally owned, how you obtain and develop your animals, your breeding program and philosophy as well as any additional management practices you have including calfhood vaccinations, dehorning, tagging, vet checks, hoof trimming, calving, treatments, etc.

D. PERSONAL VIEWS – Choose one of the following questions to answer in two pages or less.

1. What three skills have you developed from your Holstein project work that will benefit you later in life?
2. Technology is ever-changing in the dairy industry. If you could pick one new technology to implement on your dairy farm, what would it be and why?

3. If you were asked to give a presentation to a community organization (i.e. Rotary, Kiwanis) how would you communicate what dairy farming is like today?
4. What is the most important job you perform on your farm and why?

Judges Scorecard:

	Points	Points
Junior member's participation and experiences/Story of Junior Holstein Work	25	_____
Participation, leadership/Summary of ag. activities	20	_____
Participation, leadership/Summary of non-ag activities	10	_____
Knowledge of Management Practices	20	_____
Personal Views	20	_____
Neatness, accuracy, spelling, grammar, following instructions	5	_____

Judges Comments for Applicant: