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# North American Intercollegiate Dairy Challenge – Midwest Regional Hosted by the Kansas State University January 31 – February 2, 2012 — St. Joseph, Missouri

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## Dairy Challenge Skills Assessment Form

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Year in School \_\_\_\_\_

1. Have you participated in a Dairy Challenge *regional* event before?    Yes    No
2. Please rank, in order from highest to lowest, the seven management areas listed below relative to your knowledge and skill in assessing these areas for a dairy farm (e.g. Ranking of 1 equals your highest knowledge level, 2 = second highest ..... 7 represents the area you have the least knowledge about):

Diseases/Animal Health	_____
Facilities and Cow Comfort	_____
Financial and/or Labor Management	_____
Milk Quality and Milking Management	_____
Nutrition	_____
Nutrient/Manure Management	_____
Reproduction and/or Genetics	_____

3. Please indicate which type of dairy housing/management system for which you are most knowledgeable:

\_\_\_\_\_ Dry Lot      \_\_\_\_\_ Freestall      \_\_\_\_\_ Pasture

4. Please indicate which type of computer record system for which you have the most experience:

\_\_\_\_\_ Dairy Comp 305      \_\_\_\_\_ PC Dart      \_\_\_\_\_ DHI-Plus      \_\_\_\_\_ None of these

5. How would you rate your knowledge and experience in the following areas:

(1 = little or no direct knowledge or experience, 2 = some knowledge or experience, 3 = extensive knowledge and experience)

Personal Computer & Software Skills	1	2	3
PowerPoint Skills	1	2	3
Oral Presentation Skills	1	2	3
Meeting New People Skills	1	2	3
Working within a Team Setting	1	2	3
General Leadership Experiences	1	2	3

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Do you prefer working alone on projects?	Yes	No
Do you prefer to be the leader rather than one of the workers?	Yes	No
Will you go along with a consensus opinion if different than yours?	Yes	No
In a debate, do you usually do most of the talking?	Yes	No
Will you allow others to dominate the debate?	Yes	No

#### For 2012 Contest:

Please rank, in order from highest to lowest, the areas of the dairy industry you are most likely to seek employment in upon graduation (Example: Ranking of 1 equals your highest area of interest).

Agriculture Education	_____
Agronomy	_____
Farm Management	_____
Financial	_____
Marketing/Communications	_____
Milk Processing	_____
Nutrition	_____
Nutrient/Manure Management	_____
Reproduction and/or Genetics (A.I.)	_____
Technology/Computer Software Development	_____
Veterinary Medicine	_____
Other (Please list: _____)	_____