



# Coach Webinar

Tuesday, January 26, 2016

2016 National Program

**April 7-9, 2016**

Syracuse, NY

Hosted Northeast Dairy Industry



## Outline of Webinar

- Registration Process – Molly Kelley
- Thursday Farm Tour and Overall Schedule – Barry Putnam
- Dairy Challenge Academy – Amy te Plate-Church
- Dairy Challenge Contest – Maurice Eastridge



## Registration Process

- All contest information is being posted to the Dairy Challenge web site at [www.dairychallenge.org](http://www.dairychallenge.org)
- To register your university, click on the Entry Form link
- Deadline for entries: February 19, 2016
- Tips for completing the form
- Student Information Forms due March 6
- Housing due March 6 – complete details will come with Confirmation letter after Feb 19
  - Dairy Challenge pays for lodging for all participating students. Coaches pay for their own lodging.

# NORTH AMERICAN INTERCOLLEGIATE Dairy Challenge™

*Tomorrow's Dairy Leaders*

## Farm Tour and Schedule

- Thursday Farm Tour and Educational Programming (sign up on entry form)

## Hemdale Farms

2800 Orleans Rd, Seneca Castle, NY





## Farm Tour and Schedule

- Facilities – Holiday Inn Syracuse, NY
- Event Schedule
  - Thursday – farm tour, educational panels. Data distribution Thur night.
  - Friday – farm visit, presentation prep. Student/sponsor event onsite Fri night.
  - Saturday – presentations. Awards banquet Sat night.
- What to bring? Consult computer requirements
- Wine Social for Coaches on Friday



## Dairy Challenge Academy – Eligibility

- **Eligible Students**
  - Sophomores, juniors, and seniors from 4-year dairy programs, and undergraduates from community colleges and technical schools
  - Student at a North American educational institution that offers classes with an emphasis in dairy production
  - Enrolled in a program of study to meet requirements for a bachelor's degree, or be enrolled in a dairy/animal degree or certificate granting program and have completed one year of course work
  - A contestant may only participate/compete in a total of two (2) regional contests, two (2) Dairy Challenge Academies and one (1) National Dairy Challenge Contest.
- **Not Eligible for Academy**
  - Students enrolled in graduate or professional studies programs
  - Student who has competed in NAIDC national contest, or has been an employee or paid consultant of any agricultural organization or service for which his/her duties included on-farm dairy consulting (excluding internships)
- **Maximum of 200 Academy participants**
  - May register up to 6 students per school.
  - Additional students may be registered in case fewer than 200 students register.





## Dairy Challenge Academy - Changes

- More “professional” presentations
  - Academy groups will create a brief PowerPoint presentation rather than writing on flip charts as previous
- Consideration of experience levels
  - There was considerable diversity of dairy analysis experience among the 2015 Academy participants, and some felt this hindered learning/challenge.
  - We will attempt to sort more experienced and inexperienced students into separate groups, so groups can work at a pace geared to their learning level. Establishment of Academy groups will be guided by new questions on student information form. This change is NOT to be publicized to students – this is only for awareness by Academy advisors and organizers, and it is designed to help each participant have an optimal learning experience.

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## 2016 National Contest

- Number of teams: optimum 32; maximum of 36 with ranking based on date and time of registration and number of years having participated in regional and national dairy challenges during past 10 years
- Computer use and hardware/software requirements – read carefully the computer specifications provided on web page; Each school is asked to bring 2 computers and they will not have to check them in; a computer will be provided with DHI software and herd data; none of the computers will have to be turned in on Thursday pm
- Photos will be allowed using the cameras approved/provided by the Contest. Schools with cameras are asked to bring them.
- Cell phone usage will **NOT** be permitted on the farm
- Use of the internet is allowed in preparing presentations
- No restrictions on using a repository for information (e.g. Dropbox) or use of additional printed resources
- Materials from past contests available for your review with your students on the web site under Member Log in. Password is “coach”





# If you have QUESTIONS, contact:

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