

Northeast Regional Dairy Challenge Schedule 2026		
Thursday, October 15, 2026		
Time	Event	Location
8:00am	Dairy Challenge Central	
	IT Team	
	Media Central	
10:00 AM	Welcome and Introductions (find your team)	
	Team Development & Professionalism	
	Hand out farm data	
10:00 AM	All Judges Meeting	
10:30 AM	All Mentors Meeting	
11:30 AM	Lunch	
1:00 PM	Depart for Dairies	Bus transport
	Judges depart for dairies	
4:00 PM	Last comments at Dairies	
4:15 PM	Students, Mentors, Judges Leave Dairy	Bus transport
	Return to hotel	
	Farm 1-teams 1-10 work on presentations	Conference Hall
	Farm 2-teams 11-20 work on presentations	
4:30 PM	Judges Review and Summary-Farm 1	
	Judges Review and Summary-Farm 2	
	Resource Room opens/set up by expertise	
6:00 PM	Dinner	
8:00 PM-9:15 PM 7:00 PM	Farm Manager Interviews - Farm 1	
	Farm Manager Interviews - Farm 2	
	Coaches Meeting	
9:00 PM	Resource room, DC Central and IT close	
9:00 PM	Return to hotel	
Friday, October 16, 2026		
Time	Event	Location
6:30 AM	Dairy Challenge Central & IT Team	
	Media Central	
6:30 AM	Breakfast at Hotel	
7:30 AM	Presentation Development	
7:30-10:00 AM	Resource room open	
	Judges review and summary - Farm 1	
	Judges review and summary - Farm 2	

10:00 AM	Resource room closed	
10:00 AM	Collection of Presentations	
Teams Presenting 1,2,3,4,9,10,11,12		
11:30 AM	Lunch	
12:00 PM 12:30-12:45 PM	Practice Room - Farm 1	
	Practice Room - Farm 2	
	Judges Meeting	
12:30-1:30 PM	Career Fair setup	
1:00-5:00 PM 1:45 PM	Team Presentations - Farm 1	
	Team Presentations - Farm 2	
	Post-Presentation Debrief starts	
1:30-5:00 PM	Career Fair	
5:00 PM	Students return to Hotel	
Teams Not Presenting 5,6,7,8,13,14,15,16		
11:30 AM	Lunch	Conference Hall
buses depart hotel at 1:30 PM	Afternoon Tour of	Bus transport
4:15 PM	return to Conference Center	Bus transport
All Teams and Sponsors		
6:30 PM	Dinner catered in	
After dinner until 9:00 PM	Evening program -	
Saturday, October 17, 2026		
Time	Event	Location
6:30 AM	Dairy Challenge Central & IT Team	
	Media Central	
6:30 AM	Breakfast at Hotel	
Teams Presenting 5,6,7,8,13,14,15,16		
7:00 AM	Practice Room - Farm 1	
	Practice Room - Farm 2	
8:00 AM-noon 9:00 AM-1:00 PM	Team Presentations - Farm 1	
	Team Presentations - Farm 2	
	Post-Presentation Debrief	
8:00-11:30 AM	Career Fair	
Teams NOT Presenting 1,2,3,4,9,10,11,12		
7:00 AM	Breakfast Buffet at Hotel	
depart at 8:15-return for lunch	Activity for teams not presenting-tour of Pine Tree Dairy	Bus transport
All Teams and Sponsors		
12:15 PM	Judges Feedback to students	
	Lunch and Awards	
	Thank you Sponsors	
12:30 PM	Host farm conversation with judges	
1:00 PM	Depart for home	