## **Distinguished Junior Member Contest**

## IF YOU ARE AGE 10 or Younger as of December 31, 2023:

Use the National 2024 YOUNG DISTINGUISHED JUNIOR MEMBER (YDJM)

APPLICATION available at

https://www.holsteinusa.com/juniors/content/YDJM.html

• Entries must be postmarked on or before November 28, 2023. Please mail to:

Katie Lindsey PO Box 2 Burlington Flats, NY 13315

- You must be a member of the NY State Junior Holstein Association.
- Finalists will be notified via e-mail by January 1, 2024. All finalists who attend the junior convention DJM breakfast will receive a \$25.00 check from the NYJHA.
- Your book must present a true story of your work in the Junior Holstein Association. The book should be the work of you, the Junior member, only. Your answers and the length of your writing sections should reflect your age and ability level!
- Please read and follow directions carefully for the National YDJM form.
  - a. Entries should be mailed to Katie Lindsey (DJM Coordinator) for the state level contest. Please disregard the parts that talk about submitting items to the National Holstein Office/Kelli Dunklee this is for the national level ONLY.
- Your book should reflect your personality, but also be professional. The cover is the judge's first impression!
  - a. Cover: You should include your name and New York. You may also include your county/club name and photo(s). Nothing can protrude from the binder; it must fit in the plastic on the cover.
- It is very important to carefully read through and edit your story, personal views, and other text for errors. You should edit for spelling, punctuation, and grammar. It is highly recommended to have someone qualified read through your book before you submit it.
  - a. For the 10 & Younger age division, Juniors only have to complete one personal view question. They may pick the question they would like to answer.
  - b. We expect the resume to reflect the Junior's experiences. For example, chores, school activities, and other events/activities they are involved in.
- Use the YDJM Scorecard to help you and guide you. This is how your book will be scored!
- Please reach out to Katie Lindsey (518-727-0852 or kid82@cornell.edu) with any questions.
- <u>BOTTOM LINE</u>: Follow the 2024 YDJM National Application and use the YDJM National Application Scorecard to help you!