Entries Due August 15 by 5:00 pm Nominations Due August 1 by 5:00 pm

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Judge: Josh Cribbs, Florida

2020 Tentative Schedule See Master Schedule for items pertaining to Beef schedule

#### Youth Beef Show Rules:

The State Fair General Rules, the Livestock Rules and the Show Ring Code of Ethics apply to this department. By submitting an entry, you agree to read and abide by these rules.

- See General Livestock Rules for information pertaining to health regulations. The National Show Ring Code of Ethics shall govern the State Fair of Virginia as found in the General Livestock Rules. The State Fair of Virginia reserves the right to test any entry for violative drug residues as described in the National Show Ring Code of Ethics.
- Participants must enter the FairEntry System through the Youth Livestock Web Site at or use the FairEntry Link below. For State Fair Entry <a href="https://ext.vt.edu/4h-youth/youth-livestock.html">https://ext.vt.edu/4h-youth/youth-livestock.html</a>, under "Shows" and then "State Fair" or directly access FairEntry at <a href="https://fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/14595">https://fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/14595</a>. Entries must be made online, printed, and mailed with entry fee payment by August 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm. All entries must be postmarked by August 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 3. The State Fair of Virginia Junior Beef Show is open to all Virginia 4-H and Virginia FFA youth which are in good standing with their respective organizations and meet the entry requirements of each species division. Exhibitors must be at least 9 years of age by September 30, 2020 (exception for 8 & under sheep/goat costume class) and must not have had their 19th birthday before January 1, 2020. Exhibitor eligibility and entries will be verified using the 4HOnline enrollment system for 4-H youth and the State FFA Office Member Roster for FFA youth.
- 4. WAIVED for 2020 All youth exhibiting beef, meat goats, sheep, and swine <u>must be</u> YQCA (Youth for the Quality Care of Animals) certified before August 15th. For more information about YQCA or to be YQCA certified please visit the YQCA section of the Virginia Youth Livestock Website <a href="https://ext.vt.edu/4h-youth/youth-livestock.html">https://ext.vt.edu/4h-youth/youth-livestock.html</a>
- 5. Each beef entry must be owned and entered the exhibitor's name. <u>Joint or farm registrations will not be permitted for youth registered cattle.</u>
- 6. Cattle, which have participated in any sale or premium auction associated with another fair or livestock show after completing the State Fair of Virginia online nomination process, are ineligible for exhibition. This rule applies even if there was not a change in ownership (i.e. cattle are ineligible even if they are "bought back" or "no-saled").
- 7. Exhibitors must show their own entries unless the exhibitor has more than one animal in the same class, or permission is given by the show superintendent. Substitute show persons must be eligible 4-H or FFA member with 2020 SFVA Youth Livestock entries on-site and checked-in for any species.
- 8. All youth beef, sheep, goat and swine entries are subject to on-farm inspections to verify entry information. All exhibitors agree to accommodate such inspections.

- All animals are subject to be used for educational purposes (skill-a-thon contest, judging classes, etc.) upon request by show staff/superintendents. Upon entry, exhibitors agree to providing animals for these purposes upon request.
- 10. All cattle must remain in the designated stalling area upon arrival until released from the State Fair. Except during designated tie-out times, cattle are not allowed to be taken to tie-out areas, trailers, or other areas away from the cattle barns at any time.
- 11. No butt fans will be allowed in the barn or near entrance ways. Please remember all fans must be suspended above the stalls in the barns.
- 12. Cattle should be handled by the junior exhibitor during the weighing and check-in periods and when exhibited in the show ring. Show superintendents reserve the right to eliminate any animal from competition that is not manageable and safe for public exhibition.
- 13. Exhibitors are expected to care for their animals in an acceptable manner and adhere to quality assurance guidelines.

#### **Fitting**

- 1. The State Fair of Virginia reserves the right to disqualify any animal that has been fitted in an unethical manner. The following fitting practices/products are prohibited:
  - a. New: Use of paints, paint products and colored adhesives or other color altering products
  - b. The addition of any hair or hair like substances, including false tail heads and false polls
  - c. The cutting, tearing or gluing of the hide or underneath the hide or removal of tissue in an attempt to alter the shape of the animal
  - d. The injection of any gas, solid or liquid under the hide to alter the normal conformation
- Any product/solutions/liquids administered internally or externally to alter the conformation of the animal is prohibited. This includes the use of steroids, illegal or unapproved growth promotants, and the act of artificially filling animals internally, which would include stomach pumping, drench tubes, or any other method
- 3. EXCEPTIONS: In the case of severely sick or severely dehydrated animals, the exhibitor may have fluids or electrolytes administered by the licensed official show veterinarian with the approval of the show superintendent. This exception is not applicable on show day or weigh-in/check-in day.
- 4. Aerosol cans used for grooming are not permitted in show ring or make-up areas

#### **Showmanship**

- 1. Only exhibitors entered with beef cattle entries checked in and present at the show are eligible for Junior Beef Cattle Division showmanship classes.
- 2. Showmanship competition for market steer, feeder steer, crossbred heifer and registered breeding heifer exhibitors will be combined. There will not be separate showmanship divisions for market steer/feeder steer, crossbred heifer exhibitors and registered breeding heifer exhibitors.
- 3. Showmanship classes will be divided by age as follows:
  - a. Novice Division- for exhibitors showing for the first time at the State Fair, and who are 12 years of age or younger on September 30, 2020
  - b. Junior Division- exhibitors 12 years of age and younger on September 30, 2020
  - c. Intermediate Division- exhibitors 13 to 15 years of age on September 30, 2020
  - d. Senior Division- exhibitors 16 years of age and older on September 30, 2020
- 4. Classes with a large number of participants may be divided into smaller preliminary classes.
- 5. **Exhibitors must show their own animal in showmanship.** The animal must be entered in the junior beef show. Exhibitor's cattle that are eliminated from the show due to weight requirements may be used in showmanship.

- 6. Participation in showmanship is required to be eligible to receive Scholarships through the Beef Premier Exhibitor Program.
- 7. All exhibitors entering cattle in the Youth Beef Show may participate in Showmanship. Please indicate your intention to participate on the entry form. Scratches must be made before noon on Friday afternoon.
- 8. Classes will be judged on showmanship only. Animals must be clean, dry, and unfitted. No artificial substances may be applied to the hair.

	<u>Pr</u>	emiums 1	for Placii	ngs in the	e Showr	<u>nanship</u>	Division	<u>Finals</u>	
1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
\$50	\$40	\$35	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$14	\$13	\$12	\$11

#### **Market Beef Show**

To be eligible for exhibition, all Market Beef entries must have been nominated and using the OFFICIAL STATE FAIR OF VA ONLINE NOMINATION PROCESS, INCLUDING DNA SUBMISSION. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to properly nominate his or her cattle NO LATER THAN AUGUST 1, 2020. At the time of nomination all market cattle will be individually identified with an official USDA-compliant "840" EID ear tag. Commercial/crossbred breeding heifers must also have an official "840" EID ear tag and complete the online nomination process with DNA submission. Only cattle that have been nominated and properly identified will be eligible to show in the Market Beef competition at the State Fair of Virginia. Exhibitors may nominate as many cattle as they choose. Each animal may be nominated in the name of ONE exhibitor only.

#### Market Beef Rules

- Market steers and heifers must have been born between January 1 August 31, 2019, and <u>must weigh at least 1000 pounds at check-in.</u> Any steer or heifer nominated for the Market Beef Show that does not meet the 1000-pound minimum weight will be moved to the appropriate prospect division and class.
- 2. Market steers and heifers must be owned and cared for by the exhibitor on or before the date of online nomination submission and <u>continuously thereafter</u>. Nomination constitutes ownership. Cattle which have participated in any sale or premium auction associated with another fair or livestock show after the State Fair of Virginia nomination deadline are ineligible for exhibition at the State Fair of Virginia. This rule applies even if there was not a change in ownership (i.e. market steers are ineligible even if they are "bought back" or "no-saled").
- 3. Exhibitors may enter a maximum of 3 market steers and/or market heifers.
- 4. Market heifers and market steers will be included in the Market Beef Show. Each division (Market Steer and Market Heifer) must have a minimum of 10 head entered to have their own show. If the 10 head minimum is not met, both steers and heifers will show together with classes broken on weight. The champion steer and heifer will be selected, provided there are separate divisions, and will then compete for the Grand Champion Market Beef animal of the show.
- 5. The market beef show will be terminal for the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand champion market beef. Both of these market animals must participate in the carcass contest. Exhibitors of these cattle qualify for the Scholarship Program (see Scholarship documents for specific policies, regulations. and details). The show is also terminal for Class Winners participating in the Scholarship Program. Participation in the scholarship program for class winners is optional.
- 6. Market animals that are sold will remain the responsibility of the exhibitor until they are loaded on the buyer's truck near the conclusion of the breeding heifer show on Sunday Afternoon. Exhibitors must load their own animals or make arrangements for loading their animals at the prescribed time. Award money will be forfeited if you are not in compliance with this regulation.
- Market steers and heifers will be assigned to classes by weight at the discretion of the show superintendents.

- 8. Fitting of market beef is allowed, but it must be done in an ethical manner following the guidelines set forth in the fitting section above.
- All exhibitors have the option of selling their animal. All animals sold will automatically enter the Carcass Show.

		Premiun	ns for Pla	cings in	the Live	Market	Beef Div	<u>ision</u>	
1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
\$75	\$65	\$55	\$45	\$35	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$12	\$10
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#### Carcass Show

- 1. Market animals that are exhibited in the Live Show may be entered in the Carcass Contest.
- 2. Animals entered in the Carcass Contest will be sold to a packer on a carcass grid. Exhibitors will be informed of the base carcass price will be determined by the purchase price at weigh-in. Final purchase price of each carcass will include adjustments for carcass yield and quality grades.
- Carcasses will be ranked together in one class. Equal premiums will be awarded for carcasses with similar characteristics. Less desirable carcass categories will be awarded lower premiums (Danish System).
- Carcasses will be ranked based on the Beef Empire Days Carcass Index System with the
  modification for greater point deductions for 12<sup>th</sup> rib backfat over 0.80 inches. Details about the
  Beef Empire Days Carcass Index System are located at: <a href="http://beefempiredays.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/Carcass-Index.pdf">http://beefempiredays.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/Carcass-Index.pdf</a>.

To recognize those cattle that meet current industry standards for size, muscling, trimness, and quality, Virginia Cattle Feeders Association is providing a \$500 sponsorship. Exhibitors of qualifying carcasses will receive equal premiums of up to \$150. Carcass specifications are:

- 1. Fat thickness maximum of .50 inch.
- 2. Hot carcass weight 625-900 pounds.
- 3. Ribeye area 12.0 to 16.0 square inches.
- 4. Yield grade of less than 3.0.
- 5. Quality grade of at least Choice minus.

#### Premiums for Placings in the Carcass & Overall Market Beef Division

Carcass Show Grand Champion – Market Beef
Carcass Show Reserve Grand Champion – Market Beef
Carcass Show premium total equivalent to \$50 per head

### The following premiums and awards for Overall Market Beef will be determined using a combination of live placing and carcass results

Overall Grand Champion – Market Beef	\$500, banner, scholarship
Overall Reserve Grand Champion – Market Beef	\$400, banner scholarship
Overall 2 <sup>nd</sup> Runner-up – Market Beef	\$250
Overall 3 <sup>rd</sup> Runner-up - Market Beef	\$200
Overall 4th Runner-up - Market Beef	\$150

### **Prospect Division Rules**

Prospect market steers and prospect heifers (either breeding heifers or market heifers) will be included in the Prospect Cattle Division. Heifers and steers will be shown in separate classes. The champion steer and heifer will be selected separately.

#### 1. Classes:

- a. **Prospect Steers** This class is open to prospect market steers intended for junior market steer shows in the spring, summer and fall of 2021. Steers should be born after September 1, 2019.
- b. Prospect Heifers This class is open to both prospect breeding heifers and prospect market (feeder) heifers intended to be shown in junior shows in the spring, summer and fall of 2021. <u>Heifers should be born after January 1, 2020 and by April 30, 2020</u>. Both breeding and market heifers will be shown together.
- 2. <u>Cattle in the Prospect Division cannot weigh more than 1000 pounds.</u> Cattle entered as prospects, and weighing more than 1000 pounds are not eligible for the Market Beef or Commercial/Crossbred Heifer Divisions unless they completed the Official Online Nomination Process and DNA submission prior to August 1, 2020.
- 3. Each exhibitor may enter a maximum of two prospect steers and/or heifers (two total steers and heifers- two steers, two heifers, or one of each maximum).
- 4. All cattle must be owned by the exhibitor and under exhibitor's care prior to and during the Fair.
- 5. Purebred or crossbred cattle of any beef breed are eligible.
- 6. All steers must be weaned and healed from castration.
- 7. Cattle will be assigned to classes by weight assessed at check-in. Numbers within each class will be as nearly equal as possible.
- 8. Fitting of prospect cattle is allowed, but it must be done in an ethical manner following the guidelines set forth in the fitting rules.

	PREMIUMS FOR PROSPECT STEERS/HEIFERS									
1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	
\$35	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	<b>\$9</b>	\$8	\$7	\$6	<b>\$</b> 5	

### **Youth Breeding Cattle Rules**

- 1. Heifers must be personally managed by the owner from the time of purchase.
- 2. Entries are limited to six (6) animals per exhibitor with a maximum of four heifers purchased by the exhibitor.
- 3. A section is being offered for "All Other Breeds" which is for registered cattle of a breed other than the breed shows listed below. The cattle must be registered with a national breed registry to show in this section AND must meet the minimum percentage requirements listed with each breed in the class lists below (i.e. heifers must meet the requirements to show in their respective breed's national junior show). Heifers not meeting the minimum percentage requirements will show as commercial/crossbred heifers and MUST complete the nomination process.
- 4. A minimum of 10 heifers is required to hold a breed show. If a breed does not meet the minimum requirement, those heifers will show in the section for "All Other Breeds."
- 5. All cattle must be owned and registered in the name of the exhibitor by AUGUST 15, 2020. A letter or official pending paper work from the national breed association stating that paper work was received in advance of these dates will fulfill these requirements. Registration papers MUST be available for inspection at the fair.
- 6. Joint/farm registrations are not permitted.
- 7. Registered Breeding Cattle with registration certificates/papers that have been previously shown and stamped by the respective breed association or bear the stamp of the Virginia Youth Livestock Program may present ONLY the registration papers at check-in and do not have to have tattoos verified. The Show Administration, however, reserves the right to spot-check any tattoos to verify animal identity. Printed copies of registration papers must be available at check-in. Electronic papers on mobile devices or computers are will not be accepted.
- 8. All calves entered in the Cow/Calf classes must be born after March 1, 2020 and <u>must be</u> registered in the exhibitor's name by <u>AUGUST 15, 2020</u>, in order to be eligible to show in this class. The date used will be the process date by the respective breed association, not the date of sale. Registration information <u>will be</u> required at entry. Only calves born on or before April 30, 2020 will be eligible to show in their appropriate age class of their respective breed.
- 9. Fitting of breeding heifers is allowed. Fitting must be done in an ethical manner following the guidelines set forth in the fitting rules above.
- 10. An Owned <u>and</u> Bred & Owned division will be offered for all registered breeds. A minimum of 10 entries is required for a separate division. If either the Owned or Bred & Owned division of any given breed does not reach the 10-entry minimum, then all entries within that breed will be shown together in classes broken by birth date. Designation of Owned or Bred & Owned must be made at the time entries are submitted.
  - a. To qualify as a Bred and Owned entry, the exhibitor of that animal must be the breeder and the first and continuous owner of the animal entered. "Breeder" is defined as the recorded owner of the dam at the time of service. "First Owner" is defined as the recorded owner of the dam at the time the calf is born. "Continuous Owner" is defined as the recorded owner of the animal without history of transfer.
- 11. Grand and Reserve Grand Champion breed selections within each breed will be made from the first and second place Cow/Calf pairs, as well as all division and reserve division winners.
- 12. All Grand and Reserve Champion females (Registered and Commercial/Crossbred) must show to compete for Supreme Champion Female awards. A Supreme Champion Heifer, Reserve Supreme, and Supreme Second Runner-up will be selected. These three winners are eligible for scholarships as listed below.

#### **BREED— ANGUS**

#### Class

- 101.Cow/Calf Calf born after March 1, 2020. Calf must be Bred and Owned by exhibitor <u>AND</u> registered in the exhibitor's name by AUGUST 15, 2020.
- 102. Calved March 1 April 30, 2020
- 103. Calved January 1 February 28, 2020
- 104. Calved November 1 December 31, 2019
- 105. Calved September 1 October 31, 2019
- 106. Calved July 1 August 31, 2019
- 107. Calved May 1 June 30, 2019
- 108. Calved March 1 April 30, 2019
- 109. Calved January 1 February 28, 2019
- 110. Calved November 1 December 31, 2018
- 111. Calved September 1 October 31, 2018

#### **BREED— HEREFORD**

#### Class:

- 201.Cow/Calf Calf born after March 1, 2020. Calf must be Bred and Owned by exhibitor **AND** registered in the exhibitor's name by AUGUST 15, 2020.
- 202. Calved March 1 April 30, 2020
- 203. Calved January 1 February 28, 2020
- 204. Calved November 1 December 31, 2019
- 205. Calved September 1 October 31, 2019
- 206. Calved July 1 August 31, 2019
- 207. Calved May 1 June 30, 2019
- 208. Calved March 1 April 30, 2019
- 209. Calved January 1 February 28, 2019
- 210. Calved November 1 December 31, 2018
- 211. Calved September 1 October 31, 2018

### **BREED— RED ANGUS**

All animals must be registered with the American Red Angus Association and must be Fullblood or Purebred (7/8 Red Angus or greater). Cattle not meeting the minimum percentage requirements must be nominated using the Official Online Nomination Process, including DNA Submission, prior to August 1, 2020 and shown as commercial/crossbred heifers.

#### Class:

- 301.Cow/Calf Calf born after March 1, 2020. Calf must be Bred and Owned by exhibitor **AND** registered in the exhibitor's name by AUGUST 15, 2020.
- 302. Calved March 1 April 30, 2020
- 303. Calved January 1 February 28, 2020
- 304. Calved November 1 December 31, 2019
- 305. Calved September 1 October 31, 2019
- 306. Calved July 1 August 31, 2019
- 307. Calved May 1 June 30, 2019
- 308. Calved March 1 April 30, 2019
- 309. Calved January 1 February 28, 2019
- 310. Calved November 1 December 31, 2018
- 311. Calved September 1 October 31, 2018

#### **BREED—SHORTHORN/SHORTHORN PLUS**

ShorthornPlus heifers will be shown separately from the purebred Shorthorn heifers using the class breaks below. Minimum breed show rules apply to both Shorthorn and ShorthornPlus heifers. Purebred/Fullblood Shorthorn entries must show a minimum blood concentration of 15/16 or 93.75%. ShorthornPlus cattle have green registration papers and must show no less than ¼ and up to 7/8 blood concentration on the registration paper. Cattle not meeting the minimum percentage requirements must be nominated using the Official Online Nomination Process, including DNA Submission, prior to August 1, 2020 and shown as commercial/crossbred heifers.

#### Class

- 401.Cow/Calf Calf born after March 1, 2020. Calf must be Bred and Owned by exhibitor <u>AND</u> registered in the exhibitor's name by AUGUST 15, 2020.
- 402. Calved March 1 April 30, 2020
- 403. Calved January 1 February 28, 2020
- 404. Calved November 1 December 31, 2019
- 405. Calved September 1 October 31, 2019
- 406. Calved July 1 August 31, 2019
- 407. Calved May 1 June 30, 2019
- 408. Calved March 1 April 30, 2019
- 409. Calved January 1 February 28, 2019
- 410. Calved November 1 December 31, 2018
- 411. Calved September 1 October 31, 2018

#### BREED — SIMMENTAL

Cattle that are a Purebred (7/8 or greater) Simmental and recorded by the American Simmental Association are eligible for competition.

#### Class:

- 501.Cow/Calf Calf born after March 1, 2020. Calf must be Bred and Owned by exhibitor <u>AND</u> registered in the exhibitor's name by AUGUST 15, 2020.
- 502. Calved March 1 April 30, 2020
- 503. Calved January 1 February 28, 2020
- 504. Calved November 1 December 31, 2019
- 505. Calved September 1 October 31, 2019
- 506. Calved July 1 August 31, 2019
- 507. Calved May 1 June 30, 2019
- 508. Calved March 1 April 30, 2019
- 509. Calved January 1 February 28, 2019
- 510. Calved November 1 December 31, 2018
- 511. Calved September 1 October 31, 2018

### **BREED — PERCENTAGE SIMMENTAL**

Cattle that are  $\frac{1}{2}$  -  $\frac{3}{4}$  Simmental and recorded by the American Simmental Association are eligible for competition. Cattle not meeting the minimum percentage requirements must be nominated using the Official Online Nomination Process, including DNA Submission, prior to August 1, 2020 and shown as commercial/crossbred heifers

#### Class:

- 601.Cow/Calf Calf born after March 1, 2020. Calf must be Bred and Owned by exhibitor <u>AND</u> registered in the exhibitor's name by AUGUST 15, 2020.
- 602. Calved March 1 April 30, 2020
- 603. Calved January 1 February 28, 2020
- 604. Calved November 1 December 31, 2019
- 605. Calved September 1 October 31, 2019
- 606. Calved July 1 August 31, 2019
- 607. Calved May 1 June 30, 2019
- 608. Calved March 1 April 30, 2019
- 609. Calved January 1 February 28, 2019
- 610. Calved November 1 December 31, 2018
- 611. Calved September 1 October 31, 2018

### ALL OTHER BREED REGISTERED BREEDING CATTLE

Any registered cattle for which a breed show is not listed above may show in this section. The cattle in this division must be registered with a national breed registry to show in this section AND not be listed in the breed selections above. Heifers must meet the requirements to show in their respective breed's national junior show. Cattle not meeting these minimum requirements must be nominated using the Official Online Nomination Process, including DNA Submission, prior to August 1, 2020 and shown as commercial/crossbred heifers

#### Class:

- 701.Cow/Calf Calf born after March 1, 2020. Calf must be Bred and Owned by exhibitor <u>AND</u> registered in the exhibitor's name by AUGUST 15, 2020.
- 702. Calved March 1 April 30, 2020
- 703. Calved January 1 February 28, 2020
- 704. Calved November 1 December 31, 2019
- 705. Calved September 1 October 31, 2019
- 706. Calved July 1 August 31, 2019
- 707. Calved May 1 June 30, 2019
- 708. Calved March 1 April 30, 2019
- 709. Calved January 1 February 28, 2019
- 710. Calved November 1 December 31, 2018
- 711. Calved September 1 October 31, 2018

### COMMERCIAL/CROSSBRED - REPLACEMENT HEIFERS

#### Class 801

- 1. To be eligible for exhibition, all Commercial/Crossbred Heifer entries must have been nominated and tagged using the OFFICIAL STATE FAIR OF VA ONLINE NOMINATION PROCESS, INCLUDING DNA SUBMISSION. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to properly nominate his or her cattle NO LATER THAN AUGUST1, 2020. At the time of nomination all Commercial/Crossbred heifers will be individually identified with an official, USDA-compliant "840" EID ear tag. Only cattle that have been nominated and properly identified will be eligible to show in the Commercial/Crossbred Heifer competition at the State Fair of Virginia. Exhibitors may nominate as many cattle as they choose. Each animal may be nominated in the name of ONE exhibitor only.
- 2. Only heifers born September 1, 2018 to April 30, 2020 that have been nominated and properly tagged will be eligible for competition at the State Fair of Virginia. Nominations must be submitted using the online nomination process and DNA submitted by August 1, 2020.
- 2. Heifers not meeting individual breed requirement for percentage minimums, are unregistered, or are crossbred are eligible to show in this division.
- 3. Heifers must be born after September 1, 2018.
- 4. Classes will be broken according to check-in weight. Numbers within each class will be as nearly equal as possible. Class weight breaks will be made at the discretion of show officials. All classes will be lined up by weight in the show ring. Class winners will compete for Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Commercial/Crossbred Heifer honors.
- 7. Fitting of crossbred replacement heifers is allowed, but it must be done in an ethical manner following the guidelines set forth in the general livestock rules.

Premiums for Breeding Cattle									
1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
\$40	\$35	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$5

#### SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM- BEEF

All market beef entries/animals qualifying and designated for the Scholarship Program must be sold and slaughtered. If the animal is condemned for any reason, neither payment nor scholarship will be awarded and the competitor must accept the consequences without recourse against the State Fair of Virginia.

Upon qualifying for and agreeing to participate in the Scholarship Program, the entry will become the property of the Scholarship Program and the exhibitor will be compensated for his/her entry as set forth in the Scholarship Program.

Live Show Grand Champion – Market Beef \$750.00 Scholarship Live Show Reserve Grand Champion – Market Beef \$500.00 Scholarship

Live Show Class Winners – Market Beef \$300.00 Scholarship (Limited to a max of 5)

The overall awards are determined using a combination of live placing and carcass results

Overall Grand Champion – Market Beef \$1500.00 Scholarship
Overall Reserve Grand Champion – Market Beef \$1250.00 Scholarship

**Breeding Cattle:** 

Supreme Champion Female \$600.00 Scholarship Supreme Reserve Champion Female \$500.00 Scholarship Supreme 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner-Up Female \$400.00 Scholarship

Premier Exhibitor Scholarships: 9 Scholarships (by age group)

\$300.00 \$200.00 \$100.00 Junior 2nd 3rd 1st Intermediate 1st \$350.00 2nd \$250.00 3rd \$150.00 Senior 1st \$400.00 2nd \$300.00 3rd \$200.00

Qualifying entries for the market beef scholarships must participate in the carcass contest (terminal). Scholarships are not cumulative for the same animal. Exhibitors may receive multiple market beef scholarships, which may include any combination of the Grand, Division and Class Winner awards detailed above.