

WDE Advisor Guide

Field Trip Tips and Ideas

Date: Tuesday, October 3, 2023 is FFA Day at World Dairy Expo

CDE Events: Four CDE Contests Dairy Cattle, Dairy Handler, Dairy Products and Forage Link

Workshops: Wisconsin State FFA Officers 10:30 a.m.

Symposium: Dairy Business Innovation (DBI) Initiatives 8 -11 a.m. Tanbark in Arena Bldg. Link

FFA Activities: Other activities and the FFA Advisor Appreciation. Link

Field Trip Considerations:

- 1. Plan your trip for about 2-½ to 3 hours at the WDE if your students participate in the CDEs or workshops/symposiums.
- 2. Plan for 1-½ -2 hours if your students are just walking around.
- 3. Take the students to lunch off grounds. There are plenty of restaurants in the Madison. Call ahead to let them know you are coming, especially if you have a full bus.
- 4. Consider the educational value of this trip for your students. Select students that are in related courses, on CDE teams, or have a related SAE project.
- 5. If you don't plan to participate in the WDE FFA Activities provided create your own assignment for your students or assign specific tasks demonstrating that learning occurred.
- 6. Remind your students to respect exhibitors, other attendees and the premisses.
- 7. Require your students to wear school attire to help identify them if they get lost and require them to stay in small groups.

Tickets- Purchase in advance:

1. Thanks to FutureCow, FFA Chapters can purchase WDE daily admission tickets at a discounted rate until Monday, October 2. Tickets can be purchased in singles or in groups of 10 or 20. *Example for 2 teachers and 21 students: Purchase a group of 20 and 3 single daily tickets (23 tickets total). To purchase tickets (\$10) please CLICK HERE. Use coupon code: FFAWDE

Please note, everyone attending World Dairy Expo is required to have an admission ticket to enter grounds. Any orders placed after the deadline will be at full price (\$25) and can be ordered from worlddairyexpo.com under "Pay Now" on the homepage.

Educational Ideas:

- 1. Scavenger Hunt or Seek and Find- break the students up into small teams and have them find items of interest and then take a group photo on their phone with it. Offer a prize to the team with the most finds!
- 2. Have students select one dairy career and see how many vendors they can find at the Expo. Have them gather information to share the career back in class.
- Dairy Breed Show- Have the students take photos of all dairy breeds represented and create a slideshow sharing breed facts they learned at WDE talking to exhibitors.
- 4. Dairy Judging Practice- Students can practice their judging skills in the coliseum during one of the classes or in the barns. Set your own contest.

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