



# NJHA TO HOST FED STEER Shootouts IN 2018

The National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA) is dedicated to providing real-world industry experience to its members which led to launching the successful NJHA Fed Steer Shootout in 2017.

In its first year, 29 youth from 11 states entered 72 steers in the Fed Steer Shootout program. Throughout the contest, participants were given the opportunity to participate in

educational webinars, visit the feedyard and beef processing facility, as well as track feedyard and carcass performance.

The Hereford Research Foundation sponsored \$5,000 in cash awards and Anderson Bean Boot Co. provided handcrafted boots for winners at the Hereford Honorees Reception during the American Hereford Association (AHA) Annual Meeting and Conference.

Thanks to its continued support of Hereford youth, BioZyme, Inc.'s sponsorship of the 2018 NJHA Fed Steer Shootout provides an opportunity for the NJHA to host a second contest next year.

The contest is accepting cattle entries with cattle delivery dates set for Jan. 1-5, 2018, at Gregory Feedlots, Tabor, Iowa.

For junior members interested in participating in the 2018 contest but unable to deliver cattle to Gregory Feedlots, please contact the AHA.

Results from the 2017 contest can be found on Page 50, and more information about the 2017 contest can be found on Page 36.

"As we wrapped up the 2017 NJHA Fed Steer Shootout, we are looking forward to growing the program in 2018 and years to come," says Trey Befort, AHA director of commercial programs. "This is a great opportunity for youth to learn about this side of the industry, and we encourage everyone to participate."

See "2018 NJHA Fed Steer Shootout" sidebar for the 2018 program requirements and contest guidelines. For more information on the contest and for an entry form, visit [Hereford.org/youth/njha-fed-steer-shootout/](http://Hereford.org/youth/njha-fed-steer-shootout/). **HW**

## 2018 NJHA Fed Steer Shootout

### 2018 entry guidelines

- Pen of 3 or individual animal entries
- Steers only
- Purebred Hereford or Commercial steers
  - Purebred Hereford – Animal(s) must be recorded or registered in AHA database at time of entry.
  - Commercial – Animal(s) must meet Certified Hereford Beef® Live Animal Specifications
- Birth date: 2017 born steers
- Weight: 600-750 lb.
- Weaned 45 days or more, prior to delivery
- Vaccination Program: two rounds (Modified Live Vaccines suggested)

### 2018 Contest Information

- Steers must be delivered to Gregory Feedlots Inc. from Jan. 1-5, 2018
  - Alternate delivery points may be available based on participation in your area. Please indicate interest in alternate delivery point on the entry form.
  - Gregory Feedlots Inc., 1164 305 Ave. Tabor, IA 51653
- Steers will be managed at the discretion of the feedyard.
- All costs will be financed by the feedyard through the competition, with total expenses deducted from final payment at the conclusion of the contest.
- Reports will be sent out and educational events will be held throughout the contest for participants. A final report will also be returned to participants at the conclusion of the contest.

Winners will be announced at the 2018 AHA Annual Meeting and Conference Honorees Reception. Awards will be given in both pen of 3 and individual divisions for purebred and Hereford-influenced categories. **HW**