

2026 June Dairy Month 4-H Poster Contest

Entries Due: Monday, June 22nd, 2026 (must be received by)

Theme: “Milk’s got Game, Do You?”

Rules: Contest is open to every enrolled Virginia 4-H Member, meeting the following age requirements. **Age Groups:**

Junior: 9 to 11 years old as of September 30, 2026

Intermediate: 12 to 13 years old as of September 30, 2026

Senior: 14 to 19 years old as of September 30, 2026

Poster Requirements:

- Poster must be on 8 ½” x 11” **WHITE CARDSTOCK**, not poster board. Other sizes are ineligible.
- Use the slogan and stick to this year’s theme.
- Newspaper and film cartoon characters may not be used. Posters must contain only original, hand-drawn artwork done by the participant. Computer-generated artwork and text are not acceptable and will result in disqualification of the poster.
- Do NOT attach items thicker than the card stock, to the poster.
- Keep it simple and to the point.
- Display photocopies of your poster in prominent locations in your hometown during the month of June. For example: store windows, town library, school display, extension office.
- Complete a contest entry form and tape it to the back of your poster

Scoring Guidelines:

Originality attracts attention and holds interest-	25%
General appearance – well planned, design, neat, readable	25%
Conveys easily understood message	20%
Follows theme	15%
Accurate Information	15%

Winners: The top three posters in each age category at the unit level may compete for state awards.

Unit Winners- 1st, 2nd and 3rd will receive ribbons

State Winners- 1st, 2nd and 3rd will receive embossed tumbler and art set.



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Official Entry Form

Instructions: Provide all the information requested below. Cut at the dotted line and tape this part to the back of your poster. **DO NOT STAPLE.** This form is required for all posters submitted for state judging. **Posters submitted with incomplete information will not be judged.**

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Extension Unit (Unit/County): _____

Name of Extension Agent: _____

Name of Teacher/ 4-H Club: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Age Category: How old will you be on September 30, 2026

- Junior – 9 to 11 years old
- Intermediate – 12 to 13 years old
- Senior – 14 to 19 years old

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- Posters should be mailed to
 - **Youth Animal Science Program Team,**
 - **ATTN: Katherine Carter**
 - **Litton Reaves Hall, Room 380, 175 West Campus Drive,**
 - **Blacksburg, VA 24061.**
 - **DO NOT FOLD POSTERS- MAIL IN LARGE ENVELOPES**
 - **Questions: Katherine – carterke@vt.edu**

