



National Junior Progressive Breeder Award Application

ELIGIBILITY:

Open to all National Junior Members of Holstein Association USA who have bred Registered Holsteins that meet the criteria outlined in this application. Applicants must have their project animal(s) enrolled in official DHI or DHIR tests, as well as the Classification Program.

Applications for nominees for the Holstein Progressive Breeder Award must be returned by **May 1**. Winners of this award will be recognized at the National Junior Forum during the National Junior Holstein Convention.

To be approved as a National Junior Progressive Breeder, the Junior entrant must meet the following minimum standards for each of five cows:

Gold stars will be awarded each year at the National Junior Convention Awards Banquet. Juniors qualifying on a single cow will receive 1 star, on two cows 2 stars, 3 cows 3 stars, 4 cows 4 stars, and Juniors qualifying on 5 individual cows will automatically be designated a National Junior Progressive Breeder. Junior members may accumulate their stars over the period of their Junior membership. When a Junior has accumulated 5 stars, they will automatically be designated a National Junior Progressive Breeder.

MINIMUM STANDARDS:

1. The cow must be bred by the Junior member making application. The breeder of the cow will be determined as stated on the registration certificate. The cow does not have to be presently owned by the Junior member making application. Applicant must have owned the dam of the cow entered at the time of conception. The cow must have a minimum of 87% Registered Holstein Ancestry to be eligible.
2. Only the latest 305 day, or less, production record and current classification score will be accepted.
3. **All entries must be accompanied by a copy of the official DHIA Cow Page or a copy of the official DHIA Herd Test Sheet which lists the cow's current record, or a copy of an official pedigree.**
PLEASE DO NOT SEND ORIGINALS as they will not be returned.
4. The cow must have been officially classified in a Holstein Association USA Classification Program.
5. A cow may qualify his/her breeder for a star breeder recognition on only one occasion.
6. A cow must have milk production records and classification scores equal to or in excess of the age schedule below:

AGE	MILK	CLASSIFICATION
Milking Yearling	19,500 lbs.	82 points
2 Yr Old	20,500 lbs.	83 points
3 Yr Old	22,500 lbs.	84 points
4 Yr Old	24,000 lbs.	85 points
5 Yr Old	25,000 lbs.	86 points
6 Yr Old & Over	26,000 lbs.	87 points

7. For the 2012 Awards, cows completing lactations after January 1, 2010 will be accepted as eligible entries. Deceased animals meeting this criteria are also eligible.
8. Winners of this award will be recognized at the Junior Forum during the National Junior Holstein Convention.

Name of Cow: _____

Registration No.: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Date of Last Calving: _____

Bred By: _____
(Applicant must have owned the dam of the animal entered at the time of conception).

Present Owner: _____

PRODUCTION RECORDS OF ANIMAL ENTERED:

AGE	DAYS IN MILK	MILK PRODUCTION
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

CLASSIFICATION: _____ Points at _____ Years Date Classified _____

Junior Applicant's Signature: _____

Address: _____

Please Return To: **Holstein Association USA, Inc.**
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1 Holstein Place, Brattleboro, VT 05302-0808

