Hard Work Leads to Success

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The most significant life lesson I have learned from working with Registered Holsteins is that hard work leads to success. I love showing and competing against others for the top place honors, but the most significant lesson I learned doesn’t just come when I’m in the show ring. I learned that working hard leads to success in whatever I’m doing in life.

Last November our family built a barn for show heifers and dry cows. With this barn came more responsibility and hard work. I am now responsible for taking care of all my show heifers. I feed them grain, hay and throw poop piles into the alley morning and night. During the summer, I also had a goal of leading and washing my heifers every day coming up to shows.

Working hard isn’t easy in the summer. There were lots of days when I wanted to play sports or go exploring with my buddy, Caden. To be honest, there were days I did do that but the majority of my summer I worked hard so my heifers would be ready for the up-coming shows. It really did pay off and lead to success. I received Overall Supreme Showman at the Midwest Summer Red and White show and Sheboygan County Fair. I also received the World Dairy Expo Champion Jr. Division Showman. My hard work helped my heifers too. My fall calf was named High Honorable Mention Jr. All American Red and White Holstein, and my spring yearling was Nominated Jr. All American Red and White Holstein.

I apply my hard work when practicing basketball, football, and baseball almost every day. In school, I do the same whether I’m participating in my class or doing my homework. Piano is another area that requires practice and hard work to master the songs. I try very hard in everything that I do in my life. I will continue to work hard and strive for excellence in the future. I know that I will need to work hard because my goals are to be a college level athlete and graduate as a dairy veterinarian.