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Aaron grew up on his family's Registered Holstein farm in Carlyle, III. under the Heinz-Hope prefix. Aaron, his wife Jennifer, and their three children Lane, Brady, & Samantha have continued to breed and develop Registered Holsteins on their 800-acre grain farm, with several of their animals going on to be recognized as All-Illinois and All-American honorees.

In addition, Aaron is a professor of agriculture at Kaskaskia College and coaches the dairy judging team. His teams have won six national contests, had 20 judges recognized as All-Americans, and have judged twice at the Royal Highland Show in Scotland among their five team invitations to judge internationally.

Aaron has judged many local shows throughout Illinois and Missouri, and has judged state-wide shows in Illinois, Michigan, Florida, Missouri, and Mississippi. He enjoys judging youth shows, working with showmanship contestants, and his approach to working the ring sets young showman at ease and helps them enjoy their experience. Aaron has thoroughly enjoyed interacting with all breeders in and out of the show arena, and the incredibly talented people of the dairy industry. Aaron is a graduate of the University of Illinois with a BS in animal science, and a MS is agricultural education.

Top five most significant recent judging experiences:

- Michigan Dairy Expo
- Florida State 4-H Dairy Show
- Illinois State Fair
- Missouri State Fair
- Mississippi State Fair

Besides judging type conformation classes, this judge also enjoys:

- Youth Shows
- Showmanship