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Ryan is an animal and dairy science Instructor at Southwest Wisconsin Technical College. Prior to employment with SWTC, Weigel worked in the A.I. Industry with East Central-Select Sires and Accelerated Genetics.

Ryan is co-owner of KHW Genetics. KHW has produced All-American show winners; has had active bulls in many different A.I. organizations and exported embryos around the world. Most notable of the animals KHW has bred include: KHW Kite Advent-Red (7-time Premier Sire of World Dairy Expo's Red & White Show), KHW Regiment Apple-Red (Grand Champion - World Dairy Expo 2011). Their dam and the foundation cow of KHW Genetics: Kamps-Hollow Altitude received many honors including the Red Impact Cow of the Year awarded by Holstein International in 2009 and was proclaimed the Wisconsin Cow of the Year by Governor Jim Doyle that same year. Together with his KHW business partner Ryan Kamps, Weigel was awarded Wisconsin's Distinguished Young Holstein Breeder in 2014. Weigel is also a managing partner on his family's dairy farm - Weigland Registered Holsteins.

Weigel has judged multiple county and state fairs and served as an official for many judging contests and clinics throughout the states of Minnesota, Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin. On a global scale, Weigel has judged at the International Dairy Event in Australia, the 2016 National Hungarian Holstein Show, and multiple shows throughout Japan. Weigel has also served as an official for the Hoard's Dairyman judging contest. Ryan resides in Platteville, Wisconsin with his wife Traci and their children Kaelyn, Kenadee and Keegan.

Top five most significant judging experiences:

- International Dairy Week (IDW) National Illawara Show (Shepparton, Victoria Australia) 2016
- 5 Regional Holstein Shows in Japan (Hokkaido, Iwate, Tottori, Hyogo, Chiba) 2012, 2015, 2016
- 3 Wisconsin District Shows (Madison, Beaver Dam, Westfield) 2013, 2014, 2016
- Minnesota State Fair Jr. Show - Registered Holsteins (St. Paul, MN) 2015
- Wisconsin State Fair Associate Judge (Milwaukee, WI) 2014

Besides judging type conformation classes, this judge also enjoys:

- Youth Shows
- Showmanship