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Top five most significant judging experiences:	
	Wisconsin District 3 Holstein Show
	Iowa Youth Classic
	Wisconsin Valley Fair
	Manitowoc County Futurity
	Winneshiek Fair Iowa

In addition to judging conformation classes, this judge also enjoys:

- ☐ Youth Shows
- □ Showmanship

Austen Schmidt resides in Cascade, Wis. with his wife Michelle. After graduating from the UW Madison Farm and Industry Short Course he returned to his family's farm, Elmlo Registered Holsteins. The 70-cow dairy has a BAA of 111.6, which ranks them 6th for their herd size and 60th overall in the US. Austen serves as the herdsman at Elmlo, which includes making all breeding decisions and marketing. He also cares for the animals that the farm exhibits at shows throughout the year.

Austen has owned or sold eight Holstein and Red & White All-American nominations with a highlight being selling the 2015 World Dairy Expo Junior Champion Holstein, Golden-Oaks Sid Charlise. Throughout the year Austen travels to several shows and has helped on crews that have exhibited champions and class winners at World Dairy Expo and the Royal Winter Fair. As a former Wisconsin 4-H judging champion and post-secondary contest winner Austen has officiated at multiple shows throughout the midwest.