



## **AUSTEN SCHMIDT**

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Top five most significant judging experiences:

- Kentucky State Fair (Black & White, Red & White)
- Indiana State Show
- Iowa Youth Classic
- Wisconsin District 3 Show
- California Youth Expo

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

- Youth Shows
- Showmanship

Austen Schmidt resides in Cascade, Wisconsin with his wife Michelle. After graduating from 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 112.0 ranking them in the top 10 for their herd size and top 50 herds overall in the country. Austen serves as the herdsman at Elmlo, which includes all day to day cattle care, making all breeding decisions and marketing. The farm exhibits their cattle on the local, state and national level throughout the year. Austen has owned or sold eight Black & White and Red & White All-American nominations with some highlights being a Black and White junior champion at World Dairy Expo, Red and White Junior Champion at Ohio and California Spring Show and an Intermediate Champion at the New York Spring Show. As a former Wisconsin 4-H judging champion and post-secondary contest winner. Austen has had the opportunity to officiate at multiple shows throughout the Midwest.