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Top five most significant judging experiences:

- 1st High Individual in the Holstein Breed – NAILE Intercollegiate Dairy Judging Contest, 2021
- 8th Overall Individual – NAILE Intercollegiate Dairy Judging Contest, 2021
- High Team in the Holstein Breed – National Intercollegiate Dairy Cattle Judging Contest, 2021
- 2021 Penn State Dairy Cattle Judging Team Member
- 1st Overall Individual in Dairy Evaluation & High Individual in the Brown Swiss Breed – Eastern States Exposition

Austin Kolb is a fifth-generation Cattle Broker and 2024 graduate of Penn State University, where he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Agribusiness Management with a minor in Entrepreneurship and Innovation. With deep agricultural roots and a passion for the dairy industry, Austin is building a reputation for excellence in cattle evaluation, marketing, and innovation.

As a standout member of the 2021 Penn State Dairy Judging Team, Austin earned national recognition, including 1st High Individual in the Holstein Breed and 8th Overall Individual at the NAILE Intercollegiate Dairy Judging Contest. His team also claimed High Team in the Holstein Breed at the National Intercollegiate Contest. Early in his judging career, he earned 1st Overall Individual and High Individual in the Brown Swiss Breed at the 2018 Eastern States FFA Dairy Judging Contest. These achievements reflect his sharp eye for genetics and quality across all dairy breeds.

Austin's long-term goal is to judge on the Colored Shavings at the World Dairy Expo and other premier national shows, where the most elite judges and cattle are invited. He co-leads Kolb's Dairy Sales—one of the largest dairy cattle marketing networks in the U.S.—specializing in sourcing cattle nationwide and globally. Successfully brokering landmark sales like the world-renowned SellCrest Red & White herd, Austin is modernizing the industry with innovative marketing, social media, and streamlined contracts.

Beyond business, he values building strong community ties and enjoys time with family, friends, and sports. His drive, integrity, and industry vision continue to push the dairy industry forward.