

Expectations and Code of Conduct for US Dairy Education and Training Consortium Participation

Mission

The USDETC is organized to provide leadership, support and resources for the development and facilitation of practical, hands-on large herd dairy education and training. These programs are developed in coordination with allied industry, academia and government. The programs are meant to be capstone learning experiences for advanced college students in animal, dairy and ag-business curriculum in preparation for entry into the dairy industry or advanced degree programs. The programs strives to united the best students with the best faculty in a geographical location conducive to hands-on practical teaching through on-farm practicum combined with field trips, laboratories and allied industry interactive experiences. .

Student Goal

A goal of USDETC is to provide an opportunity for students in universities and colleges to learn and actively participate in the advancements of the dairy industry and scientific communities supporting dairy research and education.

Expectations of Students attending US Dairy Education and Training Consortium

USDETC should provide a forum to accomplish the following:

- To promote USDETC, its mission, goals and contributions to the dairy industry.
- The exchange of scientific and management dairy information through presentations, discussions, field trips, laboratories, or other participatory activities.
- Meet new friends from participating institutions and promote good camaraderie amongst old and new friends.
- To develop a network of professional contacts in the dairy industry.

Expectations and Code of Conduct for participation in the Southern Great Plains Dairy Consortium – Teaching

As students participating in a USDETC event, a code of conduct and responsibilities are expected but not limited to the following:

- All participants must be a student of a member or affiliated college or university or approved by the Steering Committee.
- Students are representatives of USDETC and therefore are expected to act in a professional manner with integrity and high scientific and ethical standards.
- You are responsible for your own behavior and actions.
- Respect the rights and dignity of other participants.
- Avoid conduct and language that is disorderly, lewd, indecent or obscene.
- Promote an atmosphere and environment that contributes to and is supportive of education, good fellowship and good citizenship.
- Obey all laws pertaining to alcohol, tobacco and drug usage.
- Alcohol consumption should be in moderation when legal and intoxication is not an excuse for violating USDETC expectations and code of conduct.
- Obey all local, state and federal civil and criminal laws.
- Hazing or any method of initiation into USDETC or activities likely to cause physical injury or are personally degrading to an individual are forbidden.
- Cameras, of any type, are forbidden to be used on dairy farms. Students will be provided with an owner approved set of digital images of all dairies that are visited. A specific image can be requested and if approved by the dairy owner will be taken by one of the course coordinators.
- Cell phones, pagers, iPods, etc. are not permitted during class

As a participant in USDETC activities, I have read the expectations above and will abide by them and understand failure to do so will be reported back to my home institutions appropriate academic administrators and may result in my expulsion from the program.

Name (Please Print) _____

Signature _____

