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Top five most significant judging experiences:

- Judging Registered Holsteins at Dane County Fair
- Officiating the Accelerated Genetics Contest in Viroqua
- Judging Showmanship at Green County Fair
- Officiating WI State FFA Dairy Judging Contest
- Judging Grant County Fair with my wife Leah

Jason James along with wife Leah and daughters Brenlyn, Annika, and Everlea, own and operate Pine-Valley Farm in SW Wisconsin. The focus of their herd includes breeding and developing elite animals across three breeds, Holstein, Jersey and Milking Shorthorn. Leah and Jason have developed multiple All-American's including the Senior and Reserve Grand Champion of the 2022 International Milking Shorthorn Show. The couple has also placed multiple bulls into stud including a former number one GJPI sire for the Jersey breed. Leah and Jason were recognized as the American Jersey Cattle Association Young Breeders in 2018 and received the sportsmanship award - Kitchell Sayre Award - at the International Milking Shorthorn Show in 2019. Jason earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science with a Dairy Emphasis from University of Wisconsin- Platteville. While at UWP Jason was active in Dairy Club and a member of the Dairy Judging Team. His college judging career was highlighted by a 6th place individual result at the Intercollegiate Judging contest at World Dairy Expo. As well as placing 3rd high individual and team placing 1st at the Fort Worth Judging contest.