

## **NICOLE SCHWAB**

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Top five most significant judging experiences:

- Northeast National Jr Milking Shorthorn Show
- CT Holstein Showmanship
- Durham Fair
- Deerfield Fair
- Big E Judging Collegiate Contest official judge

Nicole Fletcher is a 4th generation dairy farmer who grew up showing and judging cows in 4-H and junior breed association contests. She was on a successful 4-H team that won at the Big E and traveled to Louisville, and those experiences fostered a love of judging dairy cattle. Upon graduating from the University of New Hampshire with a BS in Dairy Management, she returned to her family dairy and is still the herdswoman there today. She has been judging local, state, and regional shows for the past 10 years, with two major highlights happening last year judging the CT Holstein Show Showmanship Contest and then the Northeast National Junior Milking Shorthorn Show at the Big E. Nicole enjoys working with dairy youth, and often offers her time at judging clinics and contests to teach and listen to reasons. She has hosted the State FFA Dairy Judging Contest at her farm several times as well as serving as official other years. She currently serves as the junior coordinator and coach for the New England States Holstein Junior Association, preparing youth for dairy bowl and jeopardy contests at the National Holstein Convention each year. She also enjoys leasing calves to 4-H kids, which is why she doesn't do too much judging locally in MA. Nicole shows Holstein and Jersey cattle at state and regional shows.