

## The WCDS is looking for a Young Dairy Producer Representative

The Western Canadian Dairy Seminar (WCDS) is an annual dairy research extension event that is recognized as one of the premier dairy conferences in the world. The WCDS Advisory Committee is responsible for the planning and success of each seminar and is made up of those organizations with a major role in the sponsorship or organization of the Seminar.

The WCDS Advisory Committee is looking for a young dairy producer who is passionate about the dairy industry and research extension. The young producer representative would serve as an observer on the Advisory Committee, to advocate for interests of the younger generation of dairy producers as they relate to planning the WCDS. This is an opportunity for a dedicated young dairy producer to help steer one of Canada's largest dairy conferences to better deliver speakers and content for the next generation of producers.

## **Qualifications:**

- From a dairy farm in western Canada (MB to BC)
- Between 20 to 40 years of age
- Passionate about the dairy industry and dairy research
- Pursuit of/currently managing (or heavily involved in) a dairy operation

## **Benefits:**

- Experience on a dairy industry Advisory Committee
- Free registration to the WCDS and reimbursement for travel (up to \$750)
- Volunteer hours and/or reference letter available

## **Responsibilities:**

- Attendance of all Advisory Committee meetings (average 4 per year), either in-person or virtual
- Participate in meeting discussions and join at least 1 subcommittee
- Provide insight into and advocate for a young producer audience, with the goal of increasing the value of the WCDS to the younger generation of dairy producers
- Attend the WCDS in-person in Red Deer, Alberta (the 2nd week of March every year)
- Commit to a 2-year term

If you are interested in joining the WCDS Advisory Committee and meet the qualifications above, download the application form (click here) and submit to wcds@ualberta.ca by October 15, 2022

If you have any questions, contact the conference coordinator, Kira Hames, at wcds@ualberta.ca or 780 492-3236

