

National Jersey Youth Production Contest: 2025 Contest Year

The National Jersey Youth Production Contest provides 10 awards in each of two divisions: (1) limited to first-lactation cows calving before reaching 30 months of age, and (2) all other cows. Participants are eligible for an award in only one division, and an overall contest winner will be recognized.

Eligibility: *Pay close attention to dates.*

1. You have been no younger than nine (9) and not older than 20 (inclusive) on January 1, 2025.
2. You must be a member (junior or Lifetime) of the American Jersey Cattle Association on or before March 1, 2026.
3. Cows must be recorded by the American Jersey Cattle Association in the Herd Register or with Generation Count 4 or greater.
4. Lactation records must be **completed between January 1, 2025 and December 31, 2025.**
5. Records must have a Data Collection Rating of at least 85.
4. On or before the cow's freshening date and through completion of the lactation, you must be listed as the Recorded Owner on the registration certificate, either (1) as the sole owner or (2) by your name in joint ownership. If the joint ownership includes more than one junior eligible for this contest (*see 1 and 2, above*), the entry will be made in the names of the eligible junior co-owners.
5. You may submit NO MORE THAN three (3) records. The highest ranking record within age division will be used.
6. Previous Overall Winners of the contest are not eligible.

Entry Rules

Records completed on AJCA Performance Programs: All 305-day records will be available on the AJCA database. To confirm, log on to infoJersey.com and request the Performance Progeny Report for your cow(s).

DHIA Records: Send the individual cow page listing the 305-day lactation.

Entry Deadline

All entries must be received by the AJCA on or before March 1, 2026. Entries will not be accepted after this date.

Mail this form to American Jersey Cattle Association, Attn: Youth Production Contest, 6486 E. Main St., Reynoldsburg, OH 43068-2362. Fax the form to 614/861-8040. Download the form from the USJersey website at <http://bit.do/JuniorProduction> and submit it electronically to info@usjersey.com with "National Youth Production Contest" in the subject line.

Rankings

Records will be standardized on a 305-day, 2x m.e. basis using values appearing on the American Jersey Cattle Association pedigree, then ranked by dollar value calculated using the FMMO protein, butterfat, and other solids values for the previous year, plus a weighted average PPD.

Awards

A total of \$550.00 (first, \$100.00; second, \$75.00; third, \$50.00; and fourth, \$25.00 in each division, plus an additional \$50.00 to the overall winner) plus plaques and special awards will be presented. Recognition certificates will be sent to every participant.

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COW'S NAME		REGISTRATION NUMBER	
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