

OVDDBA YOUTH MOOS LETTER

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What an adorable little Dexter! This spirited calf arrived on the coldest day of our Ohio winter. We ventured to the barn early that morning in frigid -13 degree temperatures, and there she was. Still damp, her fur sparkled with frost. I quickly brought her inside, dried her off with a towel, and fluffed her up. As she explored the basement, I decided to create a small calf hood to keep her ears snug



against her head and prevent frostbite. Drawing inspiration from some images I found online, I cut



the sleeve from a hoodie, crafted some eye holes, and slipped it over her head. She looked at me as if I had stripped her of all her dignity and charm. I reassured her that she made a delightful

little bandit. Now that she was dry, warm, and protected, I carried her back to her worried mother, who was overjoyed to see her baby, even with a bandit mask on!

A special shout-out to Sophia for a fantastic job on her dream barn! She dreamed it, she build it, she stuffed it, and she showed it off the OVDDBA's

Christmas Gathering! I was truly impressed with her attention to detail and carefully designed living space within the barn! Great job, Sophia!



Save the date for the 2025 Dexter Cattle Show!

Join us at the Warren County Fairgrounds on Friday, May 16th, for an afternoon and evening filled with education and enjoyment. Exciting plans in progress include a showmanship clinic, a sponsored dinner, a cow costume contest, and potentially even mechanical bull rides! More details to come! On Saturday, May 17th, the day will start with breakfast, followed by the cattle show and basket raffles! As the event approaches, I may reach out for youth volunteers to assist with a service project during lunch. Keep an eye out for updates!

Youth Project! Along with mud, new calves, and longer days, this season brings exciting preparations for the OVDDBA's 2025 Dexter Cattle Show! While the adults focus on the essential (yet less exciting) tasks, we have the chance to dive into the fun part—designing this year's show t-shirts! Here's what I need from you:

1. Use the provided template to sketch your design (Back design only; the OVDDBA logo will be placed on the front pocket area).
2. In the notes section, include specific details you want in your design, such as t-shirt color, font style, or any other important elements.

As a youth member of OVDDBA, your t-shirt design submission will earn you a ticket for the heifer giveaway, and the winning designer will receive an additional ticket! Be sure to submit your entries by March 8, 2025. Send to: youthdirector@ovdba.com

Youth Project: Design the 2025 show t-shirt

Your name: _____



Notes: _____

Send entries to youthdirector@ovdba.com by March 8, 2025