Dairy Decisions Consultants ♦ Application for Producers

The Dairy Decisions Consultant program is designed to provide dairy producers an opportunity for one-on-one consulting in the area of dairy farm viability, business strategy, and planning. Dairy farms interested in receiving this service must complete this application and submit it along with a check for the $175 application fee to:
The Center for Dairy Excellence, 2301 North Cameron Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110 ♦ Phone: 717-346-0849
Once submitted, you will be notified within three weeks regarding the approval of your application. Any questions regarding the application should be referred to the Center for Dairy Excellence at 717-346-0849.

CDE OFFICE USE ONLY:
Date Received: _____
Date Reviewed: _____
Date Approved: _____

Farm Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Authorized Contact Person for Applicant: _____

Address: _____

Town: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____ **County:** _____

Contact Person's Cell Phone No.: _____ **E-mail Address:** _____

Enclosed with this application, you must provide the following items. Please check to indicate that they are provided:

☐ **Current Income Statement (Dated: _____)** ☐ **Current Balance Sheet (Dated: _____)**

Farm Information

Year Established: _____ **Type of Business**: ☐ Proprietorship/ ☐ Partnership/ ☐ LLC **Number of Partners**: _____

Total No. of Cows:		**Lbs. of Milk Shipped Today:**		**Milk Components**	
-- Lactating (today)		-- No. of Days in That Shipment		-- % Butterfat:	
-- Heifers (above 12 mo.)		**Number of Acres Cropped:**		-- % Protein:	
-- Heifers (below 12 mo.)		**Rolling DHIA Herd Average:**		-- Avg SCC:	

Current Cost of Production: $_____/cwt.

(Those needing assistance in calculating these numbers can call the Center for Dairy Excellence at 717-346-0849. Farms must have all of this information calculated prior to first visit with the Dairy Decisions Consultant to make the best use of his or her time at the farm.)

Farm Decisions Description

Please briefly describe why you are requesting the "Dairy Decisions Consultant" service for your dairy: _____

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Have you worked with a dairy consultant or other advisor in the past? YES or NO

Preferred Dairy Decision Consultant: Choice 1: _____ Choice 2: _____

____ Please initial here to indicate that you are authorized to represent your farm in applying to have a Dairy Decisions Consultant, supported by the Center for Dairy Excellence, come to your farm and evaluate your business to help your dairy farm explore options and make meaningful decisions for the future of your farm operation.

_____ Please initial here to show you understand that you will be reimbursed by the center up to, but not exceeding $1500.00, for the use of a DDC.

Please sign and date below and submit this application, along with a $175 application fee, to the Center for Dairy Excellence. If approved, a Dairy Decisions Consultant will commit up to 15 hours or $1,500 to working with your farm and helping you evaluate your options in the decision making process. If your application is not approved, your application fee will be reimbursed.

NAME: _____ **DATE:** _____

FARM NAME: _____

"Dairy Decisions Consultants" is a program organized by the Center for Dairy Excellence, a non-profit organization committed to empowering the people, creating the partnerships and coordinating the resources to grow the profitability and sustainability of Pennsylvania's dairy industry. Contact us at 717-346-0849 or e-mail info@centerfordairyexcellence.org.