K-State beef stocker field day slated Sept. 29

Economic outlook keys packed agenda, organizers say

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MANHATTAN, Kan. – Beef cattle economic outlook, ongoing issues surrounding the transportation and cattle industry, and improving efficiency through feeding strategies and cattle comfort are among topics planned for the 2022 Kansas State University Beef Stocker Field Day on Thursday, Sept. 29.

The conference will be hosted at the K-State Beef Stocker Unit, located west of Manhattan off Marlatt Avenue.

“This year’s program reflects the challenging landscape our industry is experiencing,” said Dale Blasi, K-State Animal Sciences and Industry professor and beef cattle extension specialist. “The experiences and thoughts of our assembled speakers and panelists will provide insights as we progress into an unknown future.”

The day will start with a welcome at 9:30 a.m. and conclude around 5 p.m. Sponsoring this year’s event is Boehringer Ingelheim Animal Health.

Topics for this year’s agenda include:

- Beef cattle economic outlook.
- Ongoing issues surrounding the transportation and cattle industries.
- Evidence-based approach to improving stocker health and performance.
- Triumphs and tribulations of respiratory disease in stocker calves.
- Harnessing nature: How to use dung beetles to improve herd and pasture health.
- Improving efficiency through feeding strategies and cattle comfort.
- Native pasture burning strategies: Impacts on cattle performance and pasture vigor.
Registration is $25 and due Sept. 15. Walk-in registration is available for $35. To register, go to asi.ksu.edu/stockerfieldday. More information also is available by contacting Lois Schreiner at 785-532-1267 or lschrein@ksu.edu.

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