



## **APPLICATION FORM**

### **NDSA Mentoring Program**

Choosing a career field and the direction it will take are some of the toughest decisions you will ever have to make. To help get you on the right path, the North Dakota Stockmen's Association has developed the NDSA Mentoring Program. If chosen for the program, you will be paired with a mentor, a state industry leader. Through visits and mini-work experiences over the next year, your mentor will help expose you to opportunities in the beef industry and challenge you to take a leadership role in them.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ School or college name (*if applicable*) \_\_\_\_\_

Year in school or college (*if applicable*) \_\_\_\_\_

**Please answer the following questions:** (*The more specific your answer, the easier it will be to match you with a suitable mentor.*)

1. Why are you interested in this area of the industry?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. What would you like to learn from this mentorship?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. What are your career goals?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. What experience do you already have in this career field?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. What could a mentor do to help guide you in your career path?

**Please circle the occupation(s) that best match your career interests:**

*(Please indicate three choices and number in order of your preference. i.e. #1 is first choice.)*

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|-----------------------------------|--|
| Agricultural Communication        | Extension Agent                              |
| Agricultural Education Instructor | Feedlot Manager                              |
| Agricultural Lawyer               | Feed Salesperson                             |
| Agricultural Lender               | Foodservice Personnel                        |
| Agricultural Marketer & Promoter  | Livestock Equipment Salesperson              |
| Agricultural Researcher           | Livestock Show Manager                       |
| Agri Media                        | Livestock Trucker                            |
| A.I./Embryo Worker                | Lobbyist                                     |
| Animal Health Salesperson         | Meat Processor                               |
| Animal Scientist                  | Nutritionist                                 |
| Auctioneer                        | Range Specialist                             |
| Backgrounder                      | Seedstock Producer                           |
| Brand Inspector                   | Stocker                                      |
| Custom Hay Producer               | Veterinarian (Only two positions available.) |
| Cow/Calf Operator                 | Other _____                                  |

**Letter of Reference**

Please attach one letter of reference from a non-family member regarding your interest in the beef cattle industry and your work ethic.

**Prospective Mentor**

If you have a particular person and/or business you would like to mentor under, please include that information as well. It isn't mandatory, but will help us find a suitable mentor for you.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Business \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Return this form to the North Dakota Stockmen's Association,  
407 S. Second Street, Bismarck, ND 58504  
by December 1, 2016

If you have any questions, call (701) 223-2522 or e-mail [jellingson@ndstockmen.org](mailto:jellingson@ndstockmen.org).