

# Southeast Dairy Producer's Check-Off Program Research Summary

UF Dairy Science Club

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## Methods

The Dairy Science Club is an organization open to students at the University of Florida that promotes involvement in the dairy industry at the local, regional, and national levels. Club members have the opportunity to attend and present at conferences, participate in intercollegiate competitions, attend farm tours, and promote a positive public perception of the dairy industry through community outreach and volunteering.



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## Results

Club members engaged in a number of activities and outreach events promoting the dairy industry throughout the year. At the national meeting of the American Dairy Science Association, students participated in the dairy quiz bowl, where they demonstrated their knowledge about dairy production, processing, and history while competing against other colleges. Additionally, students participated in the oral competition for dairy production and placed first with their presentation on artificial intelligence in the dairy industry. We also placed first for the chapter scrapbook and second for the chapter yearbook. In collaboration with ABS Global, during the fall and spring semesters, students have the opportunity to participate in a 3-day artificial insemination school where they learn and practice skills on farm and upon completion get certified in artificial insemination. Members participated in a number of community outreach events including Florida Dairy Farmers Fan Fest, Farm-City Week, Ag-Venture, and Family Day at the Dairy Farm held at the University of Florida's Dairy Research Unit where students interact with individuals of all ages and explain various components of the dairy farm and production while including activities such as butter-making into their events. Club meetings provided students with a multitude of educational and fun activities such as ice cream making, dairy trivia night, and guest speakers. At the end of each spring semester, we recognize our club members for all their hard work and dedication towards the club and dairy industry.



## References of Published Work

Abstract 1114: [https://www.adsa.org/Portals/0/SiteContent/Docs/Meetings/2024ADSA/Abstracts\\_BOOK\\_2024\\_FINAL.pdf](https://www.adsa.org/Portals/0/SiteContent/Docs/Meetings/2024ADSA/Abstracts_BOOK_2024_FINAL.pdf)