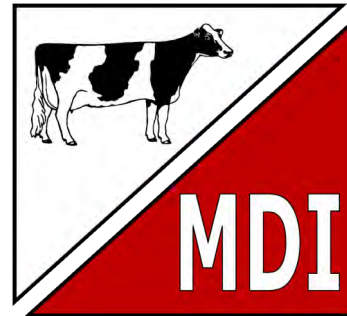


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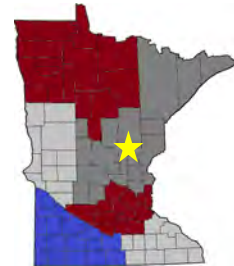
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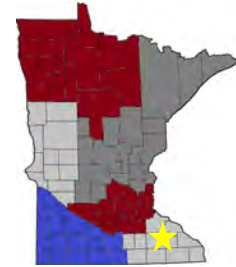
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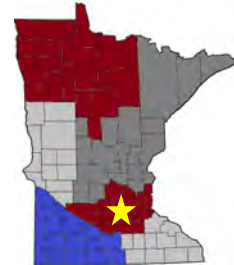
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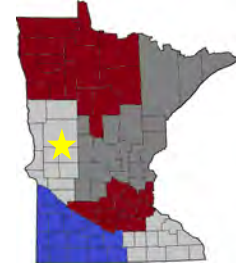
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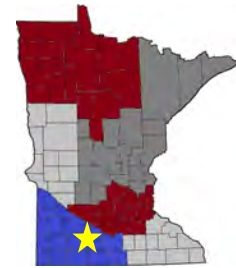
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Program Details:

- The program is available to all dairy producers regardless of size or production. Those who are open to change and have a sincere desire to stay in the dairy business benefit the most from the program.
- The program is flexible and custom-fit to the needs of each dairy. The producer selects their own diagnostic team members. Typical teams have 3-6 members and can include:



- The average team meets 2-4 times per year to review progress and goals. Teams stay working together for as long as the producer is on the program.

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Program Cost

Dairy producers participating in the Dairy Development and Profitability Enhancement Program pay a program fee.

Scholarships

Scholarships are available for each farm to help advance their operation.

Your Coordinator will help . . .

- With the selection of your professional team
- Organize your initial farm diagnostic visit and follow up session with your diagnostic team
- Identify key opportunities for your dairy operation based on your initial meeting
- Prioritize opportunities and develop a plan of action
- Keep you and team informed by monitoring progress and providing written evaluations and reports
- Schedule meetings for you with your team or a part of your team
- Adjust goals to meet the needs of your dairy operation
- Help you network with dairy professionals

Your Team can assist you with . . .

- Estate planning/farm transfer
- Current production
- Calf & heifer performance
- Heifer growth/reproduction
- Feed management & nutrition
- Reproduction
- Herd health
- Profit margins
- Grant opportunities
- Family communication
- Facility improvements/expansion
- Forage Production
- Transition to Organic

APPLICATION

**Complete and return this application to:
Leah Bischof, 25554 Co. Rd. 136, Saint Cloud, MN 56301**

Farm Name: _____
 Email: _____
 Phone: _____ Cell: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ Zip: _____
 Herd Size: _____ # of Acres: _____ County: _____
 Why do you want to participate? _____
 What do you hope to learn/accomplish? _____

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