

WILLIAMSON COUNTY MASTER BEEF PRODUCER CLASS

SEPTEMBER 1 – NOVEMBER 10, 2010

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2009 Master Beef Producer Class Schedule

Date	Topic	Instructor
Tues., Sept. 1	<u>Class Introduction/Food Safety & Beef Quality Assurance</u> — Food safety is the number one concern of consumers. The BQA Program makes producers accountable for the product they produce.	DeWayne Perry, County Director UT Extension, Williamson County
Tues., Sept. 8	<u>Forages</u> -Forages are the key to the economical production of beef cattle.	DeWayne Perry, County Director UT Extension, Williamson County
Mon., Sept. 14	<u>Carcass Merit</u> - Learn about the impact of quality & yield grades on the value of carcasses.	Dr. Jessica Carter, Professor, MTSU
Tues., Sept. 22	NO CLASS	
Tues., Sept. 29	<u>Feeding the Beef Herd</u> — Feed is the largest expense in most cow-calf operations.	Jason Webb, Territory Sales Manager, Alltech, Inc.
Tues., Oct. 6	<u>Environmental/Facilities</u> -Protecting our environment is our obligation as land owners. Develop an understanding of cattle behavior that can be incorporated into your management.	Trent Cash, Nat. Resources & Soil Conservat Embree Blackwell, Farmer-College Grove
Thurs., Oct. 15	<u>Marketing</u> —Marketing receives limited planning in most operations. There is probably more potential for increased income here than in any other area.	Kevin Ferguson, Area Specialist, UT Agricultural Extension
Tues., Oct. 20	<u>Developing Genetics to Meet the Needs of the Industry</u> —Learn how genetic principles such as performance EPD's, planned breeding programs, sire selection can make your operation more profitable.	Steven Lee, LLL Polled Hereford DeWayne Perry., County Director UT Extension, Williamson County
Mon., Oct. 26	<u>Reproduction</u> — Reproduction is the most important factor to impact the profitability of a cow-calf production.	Dr. Fred Hopkins, DVM UT Veterinary School
Tues. Nov. 3	<u>Management</u> - Beef operations are businesses. Managing & Planning are essential.	Kevin Ferguson, Area Specialist UT Agricultural Extension
Tues., Nov. 10	<u>Herd Health</u> —Learn to recognize and prevent diseases and parasite problems and develop a good herd health program.	Kevin Cox, DVM-TN. Farmers Coop

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