

## About the Conference

For 40 years, the Three-State Beef Conference has provided beef cattle producers in Iowa, Missouri and Nebraska an annual update on current and critical cow-calf and stocker topics affecting producers in the three-state area. Attendees have the opportunity to hear from specialists at three top-notch land-grant universities, as well as other industry experts.

**Preregistrations are appreciated by Friday, January 10, 2025. The registration fee is \$30 per person.** It includes a meal and a copy of the conference proceedings. Calling or emailing with your reservation helps with meal plans and keeps costs down.

If you need accommodations because of a disability, have emergency medical information to share, have dietary restrictions or needs or need special arrangements in case the building must be evacuated, please inform us immediately.

For more information, contact your local university extension office.

## Agenda

- 5:30 p.m. Registration begins
- 6:00 p.m. **The genetics of calving** — *Dr. Randie Culbertson, Assistant Professor and Cow-Calf Extension Specialist, Iowa State University*
- 6:45 p.m. Dinner
- 7:30 p.m. **Yearling bull development and management** — *Dr. Kacie McCarthy, Beef Cow-Calf Specialist, University of Nebraska – Lincoln*
- 8:15 p.m. **An update on recent bovine pinkeye research and implications for management in beef cattle** — *Dr. Matt Hille, DVM, MS, PhD, diagnostic pathologist & extension specialist, University of Nebraska - Lincoln*

## Locations

- January 14 — Agricultural Learning Center, 22893 US Hwy 71, Maryville, Missouri
- January 15 — Warren Cultural Center, 154 Public Square, Greenfield, Iowa
- January 16 — Nebraska Cattlemen office, 4611 Cattle Dr, Lincoln, Nebraska

## Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address (street, city, state, zip code)

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Daytime phone \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please provide a phone number above so we can reach you in case of cancellation due to inclement weather, etc. Your number will not be shared.**

To register:

- 1.) Fill out this form and return it with \$30 per person to the contact person for the meeting site. Make checks payable to the location listed for that contact person.

OR

- 2.) Call or email your registration to your meeting site's contact person.

**Contacts for each meeting site are in the "Contacts" section of this brochure.**

## Contacts

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### Maryville, Missouri meeting site

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## Planning Committee

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## Speakers

**Dr. Randie Culbertson** spent her childhood on her family's cattle ranch in New Mexico. She received her B.S. in Animal Science at New Mexico State University and pursued her graduate degrees at Colorado State University, earning her M.S. and Ph. D. in Animal Breeding and Genetics. Upon completing her Ph. D. in 2019, she accepted a position as the lead geneticist with the American Simmental Association and International Genetic Solutions (IGS), where she worked on a multi-breed genetic evaluation for beef cattle and was involved in the development and validation of new EPDs. In November 2022, Randie joined the faculty at Iowa State University as the Cow-Calf Extension Specialist and Beef Geneticist.

**Dr. Kacie McCarthy** is the Beef Cow-Calf Specialist in the Animal Science Department at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln where she began working in January of 2020. Her role in the department includes teaching the Beef Cow-Calf Management and Beef Industry Study Tour courses and oversees the Krutsinger Beef Industry Scholars program. Dr. McCarthy's extension and outreach program focuses on nutrition and reproductive interactions that impact cow-calf production which includes interest in bull fertility, development, and management, heifer supplementation and development systems, and applied reproductive strategies for cow-calf operations. McCarthy received her B.S. in Animal Science from Colorado State University while competing as a Division I athlete playing softball. During her M.S. program at New Mexico State University, she worked with Dr. Eric Scholljegerdes to evaluate the effects of early implantation with Ralgro on performance and profit margin of Holstein steer calves. During her Ph.D. program with Dr. Carl Dahlen at North Dakota State University, McCarthy's research work evaluated mineral and energy supplementation strategies for grazing beef cattle. Dr. McCarthy now lives in Fairfield, NE with her husband Matt Crouse and daughter Emersyn.

**Dr. Matt Hille** joined the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in 2018. Prior to 2018, he practiced feedlot and cow/calf medicine in south-central South Dakota. Dr. Hille left private practice to pursue a PhD and residency in anatomic pathology which were both completed in 2021. At that time, he joined the faculty at UNL within the School of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences. He currently serves as a diagnostic pathologist within the Nebraska Veterinary Diagnostic Center and is also an extension specialist with Nebraska Extension. His research is largely focused on studying infectious bovine keratoconjunctivitis (IBK or "bovine pinkeye") and bovine respiratory disease of beef cattle.



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## A systems approach to address common issues in beef cow-calf production for longer-term success

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