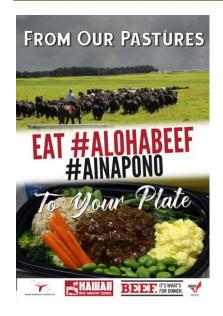


HAWAII FARM TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

DECEMBER

HAWAIIAN HARVEST OF THE MONTH BEEF









HI-COWS
about 133,000 cows
graze across the
Hawaiian islands

HI-RANCHERS



Sustainable `āina stewards, manage over 1 Million acres

HI-LEGACY



Jeff Melrose's
passion for
agriculture, working
with ranchers &
critical analysis
helped bring local
beef to HIDOE.

LOCAL BEEF ON CAFETERIA TRAYS

HIDOE Puts 100% Local Beef on Lunch Trays for HDOA's Hawaiian Harvest of the Month in December

Local beef will be delivered to all 256 HIDOE cafeterias in December with a new teri-loco-moco menu item being served in about 100,000 meals! The new School Food Service Branch (SFSB)'s Administrator has committed to increasing healthy fresh food with local ingredients, and the SFSB team has been working hard to develop new local recipes, add flexibility in the menu cycle for schools, and launch innovative procurement methods to connect with local producers across the Hawaiian islands.



Visit www.hicattle.org

for more information



NEW RECIPES

Developing balanced meals with local ingredients inspired the teri-loco moco



PROCUREMENT

HIDOE beef bid aims for 100% local beef on every island "I'm going to continue helping my family raise cattle... it's fun to be outside and good to know where your food comes from" - H.S. Student

4-H and Culinary Arts Connect with Cattle

Students across Hawaii are connecting with cattle through the CTE Natural Resources Pathway classes (Agriculture & Culinary Arts), as well as the Hawaii State 4-H Program run through UH Cooperative Extension, and Future Farmers of America (FFA). Through these programs, students have opportunities to "learn by doing" - engaging in hands-on project-based learning with animal husbandry, agricultural entrepreneurship, and personal economics. Students also develop leadership skills with pride in workmanship and





accomplishments, personal interaction with peers, and respect of the environment and our communities. These agricultural programs help Hawaii's youth develop life skills such as leadership, decision-making, and personal coping skills that helps them acquire and use knowledge.

4-H Extension agents across Hawaii connect students to agriculture. Contact Jeff Goodwin, State lead, or <u>your local UH Cooperative Extension Agent</u> for more info.



HAWAII REPRESENTING AT NATIONAL JUDGING CONTEST

4-H students from Maui and Hawaii Island will be representing Hawaii in the <u>Western National Roundup</u> January 4-7th, in Colorado. After the Hawaii Cattlemen's Council Conference,

Parker Ranch hosted 4-H students to practice with Waimea cattle.



