



Center for Beef Excellence
Bull Credit Program
Producer Application—FY 2024-2025

CBE Use Only
Date Received:
Date Approved:

This program is designed to provide a unique grant opportunity to assist Pennsylvania beef producers with the purchase of quality bulls that will enhance the value of feeder steers going to market, as well as replacement heifers added back to their herds.

This application must be completed and submitted via email or mail to:
Email to Michelle Kirk: mkirk.cbe@gmail.com or mailed to: Center for Beef Excellence: PO Box 3206, Gettysburg, PA 17325
For more information visit: www.beefexcellence.com

BULL TEST PROGRAM APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED IN TWO ROUNDS:

September 15 to November 15, 2024 or January 1 to May 30, 2025

PRE-APPROVAL Applications for the Livestock Evaluation Center's Bull Test Sale accepted January 1, 2025 to March 21, 2025

Applications MUST be received by 5pm on the last day of the grant round.

Applicant Farm Information:

Applicant Name:

Farm Name:

Address:

City: State: Zip: County:

Email: Phone:

Total # of Beef Breeding Cows:

Seedstock? Yes No

Beef Heifers (over 12 months):

Commercial? Yes No

Total # of Beef Breeding Bulls:

Total Number of Years in Production?

Cattle Breed(s):

Are you BQA Certified? Yes No

\*\*Priority given to BQA Certified producers. For more information on becoming certified visit www.pa-bqa.org/events or call 724-289-8510\*\*

Bull Seller's Information:

Producer Name:

Farm Name:

Address:

City: State: Zip: County:

Email: Phone:

Breed: Bull's Registration #:

**Program Qualifications:**

- 🐾 Must be a Pennsylvania beef producer
- 🐾 Bull must be born and raised in Pennsylvania
- 🐾 Bull must be no older than 2 years (if purchased via Private Treaty)
- 🐾 Bull must be registered through breed association (registration number will be required for reimbursement)
- 🐾 Bull must be semen tested and pass a Breeding Soundness Exam (BSE)
- 🐾 Minimum purchase price of \$3500
- 🐾 One \$1500 credit per operation
- 🐾 Eligible once every three (3) years (if you have been awarded a grant in the past)
- 🐾 If requesting Pre-Approval for the Bull Test Sale, application must be submitted by March 21, 2025
- 🐾 Application must be submitted by Round One-November 15, 2024 or Round Two-May 30, 2025
- 🐾 Preference given to BQA Certified producers. If you are not BQA Certified, information can be found at [www.pa-bqa.org/events](http://www.pa-bqa.org/events) or by calling 724-289-8510

**Application Checklist:**

The following items **MUST** be included with the application:

- 🐾 Copy of paid invoice
- 🐾 Copy of bull's semen test
- 🐾 Bull's registration number and breed association
- 🐾 BQA Certification status
- 🐾 Signed Application
- 🐾 If requesting Pre-Approval for Bull Test Sale, these items will be required to be submitted after the sale

Please do **NOT** send originals. Scan and send as a pdf via email or make copies of documents and send via mail.

Grants are reimbursement-based, paid upon receipt by CBE of all required documentation.

By signing this application, you agree that the Center for Beef Excellence can contact you in the future to obtain information regarding the calves that are produced from the bull you purchased including, but not limited to:

- 🐾 **Weaning weights**
- 🐾 **Where/how sold (private, sale barn, etc.)**
- 🐾 **Background of calves**
- 🐾 **Photos of bull and/or calves**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_