



The NMCGA presents the Linda Davis Young Cattlemen's Leadership Academy, targeted for beef producers ages 25 – 35. The program is designed to develop young members through industry exposure, education, and communication.

The Linda Davis YCLA consists of events designed to expose participants to leaders from all industry segments. These events include the Joint Stockman's Convention, the legislative session in Santa Fe, educational field day tours, the Mid-Year Meeting, and quarterly educational zoom calls. The seminars will allow participants to explore the cattle business further, gain crucial information, and network with fellow NMCGA members. After graduation from the program, participants have the opportunity to interview for the NCBA Young Cattlemen's Conference.

Reasons to Participate: • Acquire and strengthen leadership skills • Network with other young cattlemen and cattle producers across the state • Develop advocacy skills as they relate to the beef industry • Learn about critical issues involved with the beef industry • Get more involved with the New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association.

Each year, 6 NMCGA member/beef producers are selected through an application process to participate.

Linda Davis Young Cattlemen's Leadership Academy Participant

Qualifications:

- NMCGA Membership
- Active in the New Mexico Beef Industry
- Between the ages of 25 and 35
- Willing to commit to the following session dates:
 - 2026 NMCGA Joint Stockmen's Convention
 - New Mexico Legislative Session
 - Quarterly Zoom Calls
 - Field Day Tour
 - Mid-Year Meeting
 - 2027 NMCGA Joint Stockmen's Convention (Completion of the program)

This is an excellent opportunity to become a more informed and prepared cattle industry leader. The Linda Davis Young Cattlemen's Leadership Academy runs from December to December. To learn more about the program, call the NMCGA Office at 505.247.0584.

Linda Davis Young Cattlemen's Leadership Academy Application

LINDA DAVIS YCLA CLASS III APPLICATION - Program Information: This program is funded by the New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association and develops young leaders in the state cattle industry. There will be five (5) YCLA in person sessions and numerous virtual session for a select group of young cattlemen between the ages of 25 and 35 looking to take on more leadership and responsibility within the New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association and its affiliates. Participants will network with other young cattlemen, tour cattle operations, develop advocacy and leadership skills related to beef cattle production, and learn more about the industry we represent.

Application Deadline: **October 15th, 2026**

Attach resume to application and email to nmcga20@gmail.com or mail to PO Box 850 Moriarty, NM 87035

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Current Member of NMCGA? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Occupation: _____

Cattle Background:

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The Linda Davis YCLA requires attendance at all program sessions throughout the year. Can you commit to attending all scheduled sessions? _____

What obstacles, if any, could affect your participation? _____

Does your employer or family support your participation in this program? _____

Please provide one reference familiar with your leadership abilities and involvement in agriculture:

Name: _____ Organization: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

ATTACH RESUME TO APPLICATION

By signing below, the applicant acknowledges and agrees to attend and actively participate in all scheduled sessions of the Linda Davis Young Cattlemen's Leadership Academy (YCLA). Full participation is a mandatory requirement of the program. Failure to attend or participate in any scheduled session, unless approved in advance by NMCGA, may result in immediate disqualification from consideration for nomination to the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) Young Cattlemen's Conference (YCC) application process.

Applicant: _____ Date: _____