

Competition Schedule

Dairy Innovation Snack Competition presented by Dairy MAX

Application Process

Application Invitation May 5-16, 2025 Aug. 20-29, 2025

Application Deadline Fri., Sept. 19, 2025, at 11:59 PM CST

Finalist Notification Wed., Oct. 8th, 2025

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Competition Kick-Off | **Nov. 7-9, 2025** Mentor introductions, informational session and "How to Pitch" workshop *The Spur, Denver, CO*

Mentor Meetings | Dec. 1-5, 2025 Virtual

Product Prototype & Testing | Jan. 9-12, 2026 The Spur, Denver, CO

Mentor Meetings | Feb. 23-27, 2026 Virtual

Mentor Meetings | March 30-April 3, 2026 Virtual

Mentor Meetings | May 18-22, 2026 Virtual

Final Pitches | June 12-14, 2026 The SPUR, Denver, CO

Post Competition Exit Interviews | June 17-19, 2026 Virtual

*there will be several webinars throughout the competition dates TBD