HERD SUPERVISOR*

**Function Job:**

Under general supervision of designated supervisor, to be responsible for the care and management of livestock.

**Characteristic Duties and Responsibilities:**

1. Supervise and be responsible for the care/feeding of livestock, as assigned.
2. Make recommendations on livestock to be sold and/or purchased.
3. Supervise breeding of livestock by natural or artificial means.
4. Be responsible for cleaning of animals and sterilization of bars, stalls and equipment.
5. Compute feed/formulas and mix feed to obtain desired results.
6. Provide veterinary care as needed or secure services of veterinarian for more serious cases.
7. Select herd grazing pastures or operate forage to feeders.
8. Be responsible for the maintenance of mechanical equipment, such as milking machines.
9. Maintain necessary records.
10. Hire, supervise and assign work to staff and/or student workers, as assigned.
11. Perform other related duties, as assigned.

**Minimum Acceptable Qualifications:**

1. High school graduation or equivalent and six years experience in livestock work and/or livestock management or equivalent combination of vocational training in agriculture and experience in livestock work.
2. Knowledge of the care of livestock.
3. Ability to diagnose common diseases in livestock.
4. Supervisory ability.

**Additional Desirable Qualifications:**

1. Experience in livestock work gained through employment at institution to be served.
2. Supervisory experience.

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