IOWA STATE FAIR * AUGUST 12-22, 2021 * YOUTH LIVESTOCK JUDGING

YOUTH LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST
Superintendent - Iowa State University Livestock Judging Team
Livestock Pavilion

SCHEDULE:
Sunday, August 15
3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Registration
5:00 p.m. Judging Contest
7:30 p.m. Livestock Judging Awards Program

Entry Fee - $40 per team; $10 per individual (does not include Fair admission)

RULES


2. Contest entry should be made day of contest.

3. All contestants must be present at 4:50 p.m. for additional instructions, so that the contest can begin promptly at 5:00 p.m.

4. There will be a Junior and a Senior age division. Junior contestants are those who completed grades 4th-8th during the 2020-2021 school year. Seniors are those contestants who completed grades 9th-12th during the 2020-2021 school year.

5. Any youth who has completed a post-secondary course related to livestock and/or carcass evaluation is ineligible to compete in this contest. In addition, any 4-H member that has participated in any post-secondary (university, college, junior college or technical school) competitive event of a similar nature and in the same subject matter is ineligible to compete in this contest.

6. Teams will consist of four members. The overall team score shall be determined by totaling the top three scores of the four team members. All contestants are eligible for individual awards. Counties can enter more than one team in both the Junior and Senior Divisions of the contest. Individuals from different counties can compete as a team provided permission is obtained from the contest superintendent prior to July 15 and provided that their county does not have sufficient numbers to enter a county team.

7. All electronic devices (cell phones, pagers, PDA's, calculators, etc.) are prohibited. Please advise your contestants to remove these devices prior to the start of the contest. If a contestant’s phone should ring, or if they are discovered using such electronic devices during the contest, the contestant and their team may be disqualified.

8. Contestants may not leave once the contest has started unless permission is given by the contest superintendent.

9. While the contest is in progress, there shall be no talking or any other type of communication between contestants or coaches. If a contestant has a question once the contest begins, please direct that question to the assigned group leader or the contest superintendent.

10. Contestants will be divided into groups for the contest and will remain with their assigned group throughout the contest and the delivery of oral reasons.

11. The contest will be comprised of six (6) classes of livestock. Of these six classes, two will be beef, two will be swine, and two will be sheep. All classes will be comprised of four animals, and the animals will be designated with numbers 1-2-3-4.

12. Juniors will asked a set of questions on two classes. Seniors will give oral reasons on two classes. Contestants are not permitted to use notes while giving oral reasons.

13. Upon conclusion of judging each class, contestants will be asked to turn cards in to their group leader. Cards are to be turned in “face down”. Any blank or double-marked cards will receive a zero.

14. Breeding cattle and steers will NOT be handled. All judging of non-reasons cattle classes will be done from a distance of 10-15 feet. Close inspection may be allowed. This will be determined after selection of the classes.

15. Breeding sheep may be judged loose in a pen or shown on halter, depending on the discretion of the superintendent. Market lambs may or may not be handled depending on the superintendents discretion. If handling is allowed, contestants will stand in line and be allowed 15 seconds to handle each lamb individually. Lambs may not be rehandled at any time.

16. In case of ties, the highest award shall go to the individuals or teams as follows:
   a. If tied for individual or team award, contestant or team having the highest oral reasons or questions score shall be listed first.
   b. If contestants or teams are still tied from (a) above, the contestant or team with the most perfect scores per class shall be listed first.

17. Awards for this contest will be presented following the contest at approximately 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, August 15 in the Livestock Pavilion.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING AWARDS
Plaques will be presented to the first and second high scoring Junior and Senior individuals overall and the first and second high scoring Junior and Senior teams.
IOWA STATE FAIR
Fair Dates: August 12-22, 2021
Youth Livestock Judging Contest Entry Form
Bring form with you the day of contest.
Entries will be accepted Sunday, August 15 from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Coach’s Name
Address
City, State, Zip
Day Phone (Area Code)
E-mail Address

Team Name
Team Members:
A. Town
B. Town
C. Town
D. Town

Team Name
Team Members:
A. Town
B. Town
C. Town
D. Town

Individuals:
# Town
# Town
# Town
# Town

ENTRY FEES
No. of Entries
Total Amount
Team(s) @ $40.00 each $ 
Individual(s) @ $10.00 each $ 

TOTAL REMITTANCE $ 

Form of payment:  □ Cash/Money Order  □ Check  Make checks payable to: Iowa State Fair

Iowa State Fair
Entry Department
P.O. Box 57130
Des Moines, IA 50317-0003
Phone: 515-262-3111 ext. 246; E-mail: ffa@iowastatefair.org