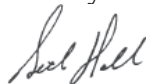


September 1, 2024

**MEMO TO:** County Extension Agents – Rolling Plains 3



**FROM:** Seth Hall  
Extension Program Specialist 4-H

**SUBJECT:** DISTRICT 3 4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST  
Texas Tech Livestock Arena  
1306 Indiana Ave  
Lubbock, TX 79409  
Monday, November 4, 2024  
Agent Contact: Michael Bowman

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The District 3 4-H Livestock Judging Contest will be held on **Monday, November 4, 2024 in Lubbock at the Texas Tech Livestock Arena. Check-In/Registration will be from 11:30am-12:00pm and Judging will begin at 12:00pm @ the Livestock Arena.**

### **AGE DIVISIONS**

The Livestock Judging Contest is open to enrolled members between the ages of 8 years old and 3rd grade to grade 12.

- Grades 3-5 (Junior)
- Grades 6-8 (Intermediate)
- Grades 9-12 (Senior)

### **ENTRIES**

4-H Registration will be completed online using 4-H Online. Online registration will begin Sep. 1st, 2024, and will close October 21, 2024, for a registration fee of \$15.00 per person. Late registration will open from October 22 and close October 28th for a cost of \$25.00 plus the original registration fee per person. **After this time no more late registration will be accepted.** Everyone will register on 4-H Online as an individual. Teams will be designated the morning of contest at check-in. **You will NOT be able to register or pay the day of the contest for the District 4-H Contest.**

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When 4-H'ers enter, they may pay by credit card or county check. Credit cards speed up the process to almost instantly. Counties sending checks must include a copy of registration receipt. **Fees must be received by the State 4-H office by the contest date.** You will mail your county check along with transmittal to:

Texas A&M Extension / 4-H Connect  
2473 TAMU  
College Station, TX 77843-2473

## **LUNCH**

**With the contest starting at Noon this year we will not be taking a lunch break. All participants need to eat lunch before they arrive for registration. We will not be taking a lunch break. We will move right into reasons after we finish judging all classes.**

## **ORAL REASONS / CLASSES**

**Juniors will give one (1) set of oral reasons.**

**Intermediates will give two (2) sets of oral reasons.**

**Seniors will give three (3) sets of oral reasons. Reasons classes will be determined on the day of contest. Contestants will be notified of the classes that reasons will be taken in.**

Any number of teams may enter the contest. The top three (3) senior teams will advance to State Roundup Qualifying Contest. Therefore, all members of each team must be decided upon before the contest and maintained throughout the contest. If an advancing team cannot attend State Roundup, then the CEA must contact the District Office before registration closes so that alternate teams may be contacted. **See State 4-H Roundup Rules for team member substitutions.**

Teams can consist of three (3) or four (4) members. Junior age division youth may be moved up to judge in Intermediate division. Youth may not move up to Senior age division. Youth must only judge up and not down. Individuals must judge in their appropriate age division.

Youth Individuals may also enter. Teams with four members will have low score dropped. Individual scores can be counted for individual awards. The three (3) high point senior individuals will advance to the State Roundup if not already on a first through third place team.

Eight classes will be judged consisting of breeding and market for each species to include beef, sheep, goat, and swine. Note, all classes will be presented as to the availability of quality animals. Ties will be broken based on high reasons scores on individual and teams. For a secondary tie breaker, contest official will designate class(s) to break ties before judging begins.

Expected Progeny Differences (EPD=s) will be part of the contest.

## **JUDGING PROCESS**

Contestants will have ten (10) minutes to judge each class. First three (3) minutes will be for viewing. Next three minutes will be for handling or close inspection. The remainder of time (4 minutes) will be used for visual inspection and marking your scantron. Participants will be able to communicate with group leaders to move animals around in appropriate classes.

## **CHECK-IN**

On Monday, November 4, 2024, check-in will begin at 11:30 am at the Texas Tech Livestock Arena. Once counties designate teams at registration, coaches will be given scantrons and team numbers. Teams must neatly and completely fill out Scantron to ensure it is read correctly in tabulation.

## **CONTEST INFORMATION**

The awards will begin promptly after results are tabulated.

Please contact the District 3 office at 940-552-9941 if you have any questions or concerns. Or visit our website at <http://d34-h.tamu.edu/>

ALL Decisions made by the committee regarding issues/incidents during the contest are final.

Rolling Plains District 3  
2024 4-H Livestock Judging Contest  
November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Texas Tech Livestock Arena – Lubbock, TX

Agent Assignments

OVERALL SITE COORDINATORS – Josh Kouns and Michael Bowman

**Contest Coordinator** – Michael Bowman

**Registration** –

Juniors – Tayler Chapa and Charlie Martin

Intermediate – Katrena Mitchell and Jerry Coplen

Senior – Justin Gilliam and Jessie Shortes

**Group Leaders** -

Cielo Farley

Justin Hansard

Karly West

Cody Myers

Jerry Coplen

Savannah Williams

Amanda Spiva

Dwayne Peirce

Josh Kouns

Jason Westbrook

Justin Gilliam

Marty Morgan

Paige McSpadden

Cory Whitaker

Toby Oliver

Langdon Reagan

Bill Holcombe

Brandon Cave

Taylor Chapa

Jessie Shortes

Katrena Mitchell

Kortney Kulhanek

Charlie Martin

**All Ag and 4-H Agents are to be on hand to fill in where needed even if not assigned. Recruit volunteers as needed.**

**CLASSES & CONTEST INFORMATION**

8 Livestock Classes in:

Beef

Sheep

Goat

Swine

Reasons Classes:

3 Senior Division

2 Intermediate Division

1 Junior Division

**Tabulation:**

**Karly West and Kayla Neill** will serve in tabulation. No one will be allowed in tabulation unless previously assigned.

*The Registration committee needs to be in place by 11:15 am.*

*Committee and others assigned: Please hold November 3rd for contest setup*

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