

# JUNIOR COLLEGE LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

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## RULES AND REGULATIONS

The 2011 Junior College Livestock Judging Contest will be held Wednesday, November 16, beginning at 7:45 a.m., in the East Hall of the Kentucky Exposition Center. All contestants are requested to be at the KEC by 7:15 a.m. The coaches' dinner and meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 15 at 6:30 p.m. social and a 7:00 p.m. meeting, at which time final entries will be made.

The Awards Banquet will be held on Wednesday, November 16, 7:30 p.m. in the South Wing Conference Center at the Kentucky Exposition Center.

## TEAMS AND ENTRIES

All entries must be mailed to the North American International to arrive no later than October 20. A fee of \$150.00 per team must accompany entry forms. The money derived from this source is to be used to help defray expenses of the contest.

## ELIGIBILITY OF CONTESTANTS

1. All team members must be majoring or minoring in agriculture.
2. All team members must be enrolled as full time students carrying 12 quarters or semester hours.
3. Team members must not have competed in a previous Junior College North American International Livestock Judging Contest.
4. Team members must not have completed more than 66 semester hours or its equivalent in quarter hours or 5 semesters.
5. Open to all junior, community or vocational technical colleges teaching agriculture.
6. Each livestock judging coach and his/her institution will be held responsible for seeing that all of their respective contestants qualify under contest eligibility rules.
7. The specific eligibility of a contestant will be determined by the Junior College Coaches' Association Constitution. Stated as follows: A student will have a 12-month continuous eligibility from the date of his first official contest as a team member.
8. A contestant must be deemed eligible by any and all National Junior College Coaches' Association rules.

## SUPERINTENDENT

The Superintendent shall have complete charge of the contest. He/She shall see that all rules and regulations governing the contest are duly carried out and that the contest is conducted with fairness and justice to all concerned. The Superintendent shall also decide all questions which may arise in connection with the interpretation of the rules.

## JUDGING SYSTEM

A Committee of Officials shall select and place all classes and score all reasons. The officials shall decide which classes require reasons. If the number of teams entered indicates that additional officials are necessary to expedite and make more efficient the scoring of reasons, the Superintendent shall have the authority to appoint such officials.

**TIME** - All contestants will report to the Superintendent at the Kentucky Exposition Center at 7:15 a.m., November 16, where they will receive full instructions and routine in regard to the contest. Each will be assigned a number and will be given an opportunity to ask questions.

No contestant shall wear any uniform, college colors or shall in any way signify to the judges the identity of the college which he represents.

## METHOD OF CONDUCT

While the contest is in progress, there shall be no conferring between contestants or anyone else, except as directed by the Superintendent or his/her representative. Any violation of this rule will be punished by expulsion of the offender. Cell phones, pagers, and electronic communication devices are prohibited.

Contestants shall be divided by the Superintendent into six groups: A, B, C, D, E, F, and shall be so designated throughout the contest.

**CLASSES** - The contest will consist of five classes of beef cattle, four classes of swine and three classes of sheep with each animal designated by numbers 1 - 2 - 3 - 4. Each species will include a minimum of one market class. Individual performance information will be provided for one beef breeding and one swine breeding class. This information, along with subjective appraisal, will be used to arrive at the final placing and may be included as a portion of the oral reasons discussion. Contestants will be provided with a scenario as to how the cattle and swine are to be utilized in a production system (mating system, environment, feed supply, etc.).

**TIME ALLOWED** - Contestants will be allowed 15 minutes to place each class. There will be a two-minute time warning.

Each squad shall observe the rings of stock at a distance of 25 feet until close inspection is called. For close inspection, squads will be divided into two groups for breeding cattle, with time schedule: 3-3-3-3-3. The time schedule for sheep will be 3-9-3. Three minutes at the start and finish of each class will be given to observation from 25 feet distance. Contestants will be lined up numerically and will be given 10 seconds to handle each lamb.

**REASONS** - Contestants shall give oral reasons for eight classes, which will include four classes of cattle, two classes of sheep and two classes of swine. Contestants will be informed which classes require reasons at the time they are working the classes.

**MATERIALS** - The Superintendent shall supply placing cards and any other necessary forms for conducting the contest. Contestants will be permitted to take notes on reasons classes, but will not be allowed to use these notes while giving reasons to the officials.

## DETERMINATION OF RATINGS

Ratings shall be based upon a possible score of 50 points for placing each ring and 50 points for each set of reasons. Since there are 12 classes to be placed and 8 sets of reasons to be given, there will be a possible total score of 900 points per contestant.

The final rank of each contestant in each specie of livestock shall be determined by the total of his/her scores on placings and reasons. The individual rank for all classes of livestock shall be determined by adding his/her total scores for each specie of livestock.

The team ranking shall be determined by total placings and reason scores of each of the five team members.

In case of a tie in team or individual scores within species (cattle, swine, or sheep) or overall score, ties will be broken in the following manner:

1. Species reasons (first tie-breaker)
2. Overall reasons (second tie-breaker)
3. Lower total placing score within species or overall (third tie-breaker)
4. "Flip of the coin" (fourth tie-breaker)
5. Awards will not be duplicated.

In case of a tie in team or individual oral reasons scores within species (cattle, swine, or sheep) or overall oral reasons score, ties will be broken in the following manner:

1. Lower total placing score within species or overall (first tie-breaker)
2. "Flip of the coin" (second tie-breaker)
3. Awards will not be duplicated.

## AWARDS

The North American International Livestock Exposition offers a trophy to the high team overall. Plaques will be offered to the high team and high individuals in Beef, Sheep, Swine and Reasons.

The National Junior College Coaches' Assn. will offer a traveling trophy in honor of Tom Reedy to the High Team Overall. Coach of the High Team will receive the Fred Francis High Team Coach Award.

The International Livestock Exposition offers a large silver traveling cup to the team making the highest score in judging all classes of livestock. The North American also offers a lapel pin to each contestant participating in the contest, appropriately inscribed. They further offer ribbons as follows: (1) to each of the ten high individuals judging all classes of livestock; (2) to each of the ten high individuals judging beef cattle; (3) to each of the ten high individuals judging sheep; (4) to each of the ten high individuals judging swine; (5) to each of the five members and coach of the five high teams judging all classes; (6) to each of the ten high individuals on oral reasons; (7) to each of the five members and the coach of the five high teams judging cattle, sheep, and swine; (8) ribbons to the five high teams and the coach on oral reasons.

Tom Reedy Award - \$200.00 cash award to the high individual sponsored by National Junior College Coaches' Assn.

The American Hereford Assn. will offer trophies to high team members in cattle judging.

The Senior College Coaches' Assn. offers a traveling trophy for high team overall.

The Junior College Coaches' Assn. will offer traveling trophies for high team in cattle, swine, sheep, and reasons.

Charles G. Stoutenborough Memorial Award - Presented to High Individual overall (Charles Stoutenborough, Maroa, Illinois was an Assistant Superintendent of this contest from 1975 - 1981.)

Plaques for second to fifth high teams in cattle are sponsored by the American Angus Assn. and Accelerated Genetics.

Plaques for second to tenth high individuals in cattle are sponsored by the American Chianina Assn., Accelerated Genetics, Robjoy Shorthorns, American Livestock Insurance, Kent Feeds and Lee & Stacy Stremstefer.

The Beef Improvement Federation will sponsor a silver platter to the top team in beef performance.

Plaques for second to fifth high teams in swine by Pork Checkoff and National Swine Registry.

The American Yorkshire Club will sponsor a silver platter to the high team in swine performance.

Plaques for the second to tenth high individuals in swine are sponsored by the National Swine Registry, Pork Checkoff, Norman Brothers and HiPoint Genetics.

High Team plaques for team members of high sheep team sponsored by the Continental Dorset Club.

Second to fifth high sheep teams will receive plaques from the Mid-States Wool Growers, United Producers, Inc., and American Hampshire Club.

Plaques for the second to tenth high sheep individuals sponsored by the American Southdown Assn., American Corriedale Assn., Heinold Feed, the Montadale Sheep Breeders Assn., Ellerbrock Club Lambs, Titus Club Lambs, and PrintCo. Printing.

Plaques for the second to fifth high teams in reasons sponsored by the American International Charolais Assn., American Simmental Assn., The Steve Austin Family and Dover Genetics. Swine Genetics International will sponsor award for High Individual in Swine Reasons.

Plaques for the second to tenth high individuals in reasons sponsored by American Maine-Anjou Assn., American Chianina Assn., Kent Feeds, Kevin Smith, Midwest Meats, and American Shorthorn Association.

Plaques for the second to fifth high teams overall sponsored by American Simmental Assn., National Swine Registry and Trans Ova Genetics.

Plaques for the second to tenth high individuals overall sponsored by American International Charolais Assn., American Simmental Assn., Cagwin Cattle Services, and Stan & Jennifer Tarr.

Other award sponsorships are provided by Select Sires, Inc. and Purina Mills, LLC.