RULES AND REGULATIONS
The 2017 National Collegiate Livestock Judging Contest will be held Monday, November 14, beginning promptly at 8:00 a.m. in the East Hall of the Kentucky Exposition Center. All contestants are required to be in the East Hall by 7:15 a.m. A dinner and meeting of the coaches will be held Sunday, November 12 at 6:00 p.m. at which time time final entries will be made.

The Awards Breakfast on Tuesday, November 14, 2016 will be held at the Kentucky Exposition Center at 8:00 a.m. and is sponsored by the North American International Livestock Exposition.

TEAM AND ENTRIES
A team shall consist of five members representing the agricultural college in which they are regularly enrolled. All entries must be mailed to the North American International Livestock Exposition, to arrive no later than October 20. A fee of $150.00 per team must accompany entry forms. The money received from this source is to be used to help defray expenses of the contest. Team Roster forms (listing potential team members and alternates) are due to the Superintendent on October 20.

ELIGIBILITY OF CONTESTANTS
1. A livestock judging contestant is defined as a person that is documented on the institution’s eligibility form and is a contestant/alternate in any recognized senior college contest as outlined in the National Collegiate Livestock Coaches Association minutes. A livestock judging contestant must be a bonafide undergraduate student enrolled in a recognized institution offering a well-rounded curriculum in the Animal Sciences with a full degree in Agriculture. Exception being that a student may complete their eligibility in the Fall as a first term graduate/professional student.
2. Each contestant must be regularly enrolled or must have previously completed a livestock judging course at the institution he/she represents.
3. Each contestant must have been enrolled in enough college credit hours to represent 75% of an average semester, quarter or term credit load necessary to graduate in 8 semesters or its equivalent. e.g., Students must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 semester credits or 13.5 quarter or term credits. First semester graduate students must be enrolled in 9 credit hours.
4. Each contestant must have an accumulative grade point average of C (2.0 on 4.0 scale) or better at the University he/she represents and does not include transfer hours. This C average or better must have been maintained in a minimum of college credit hours equal to 75% of the normal two (2) semester, quarter or term loads required for normal progress in a 4 year graduation program. e.g., 24 semester hours where 32 semester hours is a normal 2 semester load, 27 quarter or term hours where 36 quarter or term hours is a normal 2 quarter or term load, etc. An eligibility form with the official institution seal from the registrar office must be remitted.
5. Each contestant must establish his/her institutional residence by being enrolled in the institution he/she represents for at least 1 semester or 1 quarter or term before competing in a Senior Contest.

6. Transfer and Two-Year Students: Junior College transfer students may be declared eligible for participation in livestock contests providing they have fulfilled all the requirements in rules 1-5. Two-year students in a certificate program or those enrolled as special students may be declared eligible for participation in livestock judging contests providing they have fulfilled all the requirements in rules 1-5.

7. Participation of a contestant in a Junior contest shall not make him/her ineligible for later contests provided he/she meets all other undergraduate requirements for later contests.

8. Contestants in the Fall Senior contests shall not be eligible for further contest participation in an Intercollegiate Livestock Judging Contest after the NAILE.

9. No contestant is eligible to compete in a contest if he/she has been ruled ineligible by his/her coach and/or institution. This rule applies to both social and scholastic probation from his/her institution.

10. No contestant is eligible to compete in a contest if he/she has any time served as an official instructor in an Animal Science Department at any Agricultural College. Nor, is he/she eligible if he/she has served as a regular Agricultural Extension Agent, regular Vocational Agriculture Instructor. A contestant that is an active member of the current team may serve as a judge or official in a local, regional or state livestock show or National Showmanship contest and receive expense money only for services. No contestant is eligible to judge a national livestock show prior to or while competing on the team.

11. Eligibility is for one calendar year. Interruptions in an undergraduate course of study for military service, hardship or other reasons shall not make a student ineligible for contest participation if all other contest requirements have been fulfilled. Contest eligibility will be granted for spring or fall contests only and not by individual contest.

12. A contestant caught cheating at a National 4-H, FFA, Junior College or Senior College judging contest and disqualified from the contest will be deemed ineligible to compete in any senior college livestock judging contest. Any contestant that is disqualified from any Senior College livestock contest will be deemed ineligible to compete in any future Senior College livestock judging contests.

13. No scholarships will be given to incoming students strictly for livestock judging. Students must compete for scholarships within a University, College or Departmental academic pool.

14. No current team member or coach (unless granted a judging contract, parent of a livestock exhibitor, or university employee managing the college’s show string) are allowed on the exhibition grounds of the NAILE event at any time prior to the contest. Exceptions as outlined in parenthesis must be confirmed with the National Collegiate Livestock Coaches Association Eligibility Committee.
15. Each collegiate livestock judging coach and his institution will be held responsible for seeing that all of their respective contestants qualify under the contest eligibility rules of the association. If a coach and/or team member is found in violation, the administration of the university they represent will be notified of the violation and any consequences of said violation by the President of the National Collegiate Livestock Coaches Association.

16. All eligibility cases not covered by the regular association rules shall be submitted to the National Collegiate Livestock Coaches Association Eligibility Committee for disposition at least 15 days before the contest in question.

17. No organized participation (no contest affiliation, being on the floor marking cards or participating in reasons) of “junior” team members will be allowed at any of the identified contests (outlined in Rule 1).

18. No Senior College coaches, assistant coaches, or coordinators will be allowed to serve as officials reasons takers in Senior College contests.

**SUPERINTENDENT**

The Superintendent shall have complete charge of the contest. He 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 Judges shall place all classes and evaluate all oral reasons. A selection committee shall select all classes for the contest and decide which classes require oral reasons. If the number of teams entered indicates that additional judges are necessary to expedite and make more efficient the evaluation of oral reasons, the Superintendent shall have the authority to appoint such judges.

**TIME**

- All contestants will report to the Superintendent at the Kentucky Exposition Center the morning of the contest 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 or she represents.

**METHOD OF CONDUCT**

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

Procedures to be followed during the contest will be explained and covered at the Coaches Meeting.

**CLASSES**

- The contest will consist of five classes of beef cattle, four classes of swine and three classes of sheep. Each species will include a minimum of one market class. Performance classes with scenarios will be provided to the contestants on at least three classes, preferably one in each species. This information, along with subjective appraisal, will be used to arrive at the final placing and will be included as a portion of the oral reason discussion. Contestants will be briefed on any assumptions to be used in placings prior to start of contest.
TIME ALLOWED - Contestants will be allowed 15 minutes to place each class. There will be a three-minute time warning.

Each group shall observe the ring of stock at a distance of 25 feet until close inspection is called by the group leader. For close inspection, contestants will observe the classes as follows:

**Breeding Cattle***
- 2 min. - Side view with No. 1 on the left and their front ends faced to the right.
- 2 min. - Walk clockwise with No. 4 leading out first. (Minimum of 2 laps) Then put on rear view for close inspection.
- 3 min. - Close inspection for half of your group - no handling.
- 3 min. - Close inspection for other half of your group - no handling.
- 2 min. - Rear view.
- 3 min. - Side view.
- 15 min. - TOTAL

**Market Steers***
- 2 min. - Rear view with No. 1 on the left.
- 2 min. - Side view with No. 1 on the left and their front ends faced to your right.
- 1 min. - Walk clockwise with No. 4 leading out first. (Minimum of 2 laps) Then put on rear view for handling.
- 2 min. - 1/3 of your group handles.
- 2 min. - 1/3 of your group handles.
- 2 min. - 1/3 of your group handles.
- 2 min. - Side view.
- 2 min. - Rear view.
- 15 min. - TOTAL

**Breeding Sheep Classes (some classes may be loose)**
- 2 min. - Rear view
- 2 min. - Side view
- 2 min. - Walk (Minimum of 2 laps)
- 2 min. - 1/3 of group moves in for close inspection (no handling) - Rear view.
- 2 min. - 1/3 of group moves in for close inspection (no handling).
- 2 min. - 1/3 of group moves in for close inspection (no handling).
- 3 min. - Put on 3/4 view.
- 15 min. - TOTAL

**Market Lamb Class**
- 2 min. - 3/4 view.
- 10 min. - Handle and close inspection (15 sec./lamb).
- 3 min. - 3/4 view.
- 15 min. - TOTAL

*Allow contestants to walk all the way around the class to get front view.

**REASONS** - Contestants shall give oral reasons no longer than two minutes in length on each of eight classes, which will include three classes of cattle, two classes of sheep and three 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 reason classes, but will not be allowed to use these notes while giving reasons to the judges.
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 1,000 points per contestant.

A. Teams and individuals shall be ranked in order of total score (placings and reasons) for the classes comprising each species or award category. The team or individual having the highest score shall be declared the winner in each category of the contest.

B. In the case of a tie in team or individual scores overall, ties will be broken in the following manner:
   1. Higher total reasons score
   2. Lower total placing score in reasons classes

C. In the case of a tie in team or individual scores within species or category, ties will be broken in the following manner:
   1. Higher total reasons score within species/category
   2. Higher total reasons score overall
   3. Higher total score overall

D. In the case of a tie in team or individual reasons scores, ties will be broken in the following manner:
   1. Lower placing score in reasons classes
   2. Higher total overall score
JUNIOR COLLEGE LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

Wednesday, November 15, 2017

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

The 2017 Junior College Livestock Judging Contest will be held Wednesday, November 15, 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’ and Superintendent Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 14 at 5:30 p.m., at which time final entries will be made.

The Awards Banquet will be held on Wednesday, November 15, 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 15, 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 group shall observe the rings of stock at a distance of 25 feet until close inspection is called. For close inspection, groups 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 1,000 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 Chris Mullenix Family will present a traveling trophy to the Coach of the High Team Overall.

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.

Fred Francis Memorial Coaches Award - $200 Gift presented to the coach of 1st Place overall team.

The ShowTimes Magazine - one year free subscription to each of the Top Ten Individuals Overall
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.

The ShowTimes Magazine will present banners to each of the Top Five Teams Overall
Charles G. Stoutenborough Memorial Award - Presented to High Individual overall (Charles Stoutenborough, Maroa, Illinois was an Assistant Superintendent of this contest from 1975 - 1981.)

The ShowTimes Magazine will present an award buckle to the Top Individual Overall
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 Nutrition and Lee & Stacy Stremstefer.

The Beef Improvement Federation will sponsor a silver platter to the top team in beef performance.
Trophy to the high individual beef, presented by American Hereford Association.

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, 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.

Other award sponsorships are provided by Select Sires, Inc. and Purina Mills, LLC.
NATIONAL 4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

Tuesday, November 14, 2017

Management Committee Chair and Superintendent - Matt Gunderson
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RULES AND REGULATIONS

ENTRY

Each state is invited to enter one 4-H Livestock judging team of three members. A team may also enter an alternate. When the alternate judges, the three members with the highest total scores will make up the state total. The contestant with the lowest score is eligible for individual awards. The team members will be selected in a manner determined by the state Extension Service. The contestants must be certified by the State 4-H Club Leader on entry blanks filed with the North American International Livestock Exposition by October 1st.

An entry fee of $150.00 will be charged to each team. This fee must be forwarded with the team entry form. The money received from this fee is used to defray the expenses of the contest.

Each state that enters a 4-H livestock judging team is responsible for medical/accident insurance for all members of their team while traveling to and from the NAILE and during the National 4-H Judging Contest and other events associated with the NAILE.

CONTESTANTS AND ELIGIBILITY

1. Contestants must be bona fide 4-H Club members approved by the Extension Service of their respective states.

2. Each contestant must have passed his or her 14th birthday and cannot have passed his or her 19th birthday by January 1st of the current year.

3. To be eligible to participate as a contestant in the National 4-H Livestock Judging Contest at the North American Livestock Exposition, an individual:

   A) shall not have participated in any post-secondary (university, college, junior college or technical school) competitive event of a similar nature and in the same subject matter area. A competitive event is defined here as an event open to more than one educational institution (or its students) in which scores are kept and awards are offered to any or all participants;

   B) neither shall a contestant have completed or be currently enrolled in a post-secondary course primarily related to visual livestock and/or carcass evaluation. Anyone who is listed on the Official Entry Form and is enrolled and/or received college credit in an Animal Science course(s) must submit the syllabus for the class(es) with entry material.

   C) shall not participate in the North American International Livestock Exposition Junior College Judging Contest in the same year he/she is a contestant in the National 4-H Livestock Judging Contest.
4. Contestants who have served as an official team member or as an alternate in the National 4-H Livestock Judging contest are ineligible to compete a second time.

5. Anyone who participates in the National 4-H Livestock Judging Contest shall not be allowed to exhibit or show a beef and/or sheep animal at the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) during the period of Nov 10-14, 2017. The cattle and sheep youth must choose between exhibiting livestock at the NAILE or judging in the NAional 4-H Livestock Judging Contest during this period, they are not allowed to do both. You as an individual can not exhibit or show a beef and/or sheep, however they can have a beef and/or sheep shown with a substitute exhibitor if the request is made by November 1st to Catherine Riley at the NAILE.

Violation of any of these eligibility rules shall disqualify all members of the entered team as contestants in this or future National 4-H Livestock Judging Contests held at the North American. Further, the coach will be barred from participation in the current, as well as, the following year’s contest.

State 4-H Leaders are responsible for determining the eligibility of participants in the National 4-H Livestock Judging Contest from their respective states, particularly those who have completed high school prior to the contest.

METHOD OF CONDUCT

(Any amendment to the “Method of Conduct” section sent to State 4-H Leaders and/or their delegated contacts by July 1, 2017, will be in effect for the 2017 contest.)

1. Contestants and coaches are permitted to visit the North American International Livestock Exposition starting on Saturday, November 11. However, they are required to stay out of the East Hall where the contest will be held and the West Wing and Hall where the beef cattle are located. All participants and coaches shall avoid the East Hall including hallways on Monday during the Senior Collegiate contest. Any violation could result in disqualification of the team. Contestants and coaches are allowed in the stands to watch the beef cattle show Freedom Hall, visit the trade show, or in the stands to watch the sheep show. Contestants and coaches must stay out of all beef and sheep stalling areas.

2. A coaches meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, November 13 in the Crowne Plaza, Louisville Airport Hotel, Meeting Room. At that time, the program will be explained and contest instructions will be given. Coaches should be prepared to check names, addresses, and ages of their contestants. Be sure contestants have their social security numbers with them at Louisville.

3. All contestants and coaches will report to the East Hall of the Exposition Center on Tuesday, November 14 at 7:30 a.m., where they will receive final instructions regarding the remainder of the contest.

4. No contestant shall wear any clothing, pins, or badges that will in any way reveal his/her identity or the state that he/she represents. The contest will be held inside so dress accordingly. No hats are to be worn during the contest.

5. 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.

6. 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. While the contest is in progress, there will be no conferring between contestants or between a contestant and anyone else except as directed by the Superintendent or his/her representative. Offending contestants may be disqualified.
7. The contest will be comprised of eleven (11) classes of livestock. Of these eleven classes, four will be beef, three will be swine, three will be sheep, and one will be a class of meat goat does or market wethers. All classes will be comprised of four animals, and the animals will be designated with numbers 1-2-3-4. At least one breeding class from each species will have performance data and a scenario included. However, contest administrators and officials will strive to include performance information and scenarios for all breeding classes, if possible. See the Guidelines: National 4-H Livestock Judging Contest for a description of scenarios and performance definitions. Of the four species being evaluated, a minimum of one class may be made up of intact males.

8. Reasons will be given on four classes (two beef, one swine, and one sheep). Questions will be asked on three classes. One swine (breeding or market); one sheep or meat goat (breeding or market); one beef (breeding or market) that will comprise the question classes. A beef breeding class with performance records will automatically be an oral reasons class. Contestants will be provided a blank notebook/pad on the morning of the contest. Contestants are not permitted to use notes while giving oral reasons.

9. Two minutes will be allowed to give oral reasons on each class.

10. Contestants will be allowed twelve (12) minutes to place each non-reasons class.

11. Contestants will be allowed fifteen (15) minutes on each reasons class, to make their observations, take notes, and fill-out their placing card.

12. Once time has been called and judging on a class has been completed, contestants must immediately turn in their cards to their Group Leader. Any contestant failing to turn in their card either by the time the Ring Clerk picks up the Group’s cards from the Group Leader or the group has rotated to the next class shall receive a zero as a placing score for that class.

13. 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.

14. Breeding sheep and goats will not be handled since they will be judged loose in a pen. When handling market lambs and meat goat wethers, contestants will stand in line and will be allowed 15 seconds to handle each lamb or goat individually. Lambs and goats will not be rehandled at any time.

15. All coaches and assistants (spouses if they want to) should be available during the morning of the contest to assist with the running of the contest. Job responsibilities will be assigned at the coaches’ meeting on Monday evening prior to the contest.

SUPERINTENDENT

1. It shall be the duty of the Superintendent to see that all rules and regulations of the contest are followed. He/she shall determine the answers to all questions which may arise in connection with the interpretation of the rules governing the contest.

2. The superintendent shall have assistant superintendents and helpers to assist with contest management.

3. The Superintendent will not serve as an official judge nor listen to oral reasons.

4. The Superintendent shall take charge of all records and shall have all scores tabulated and totaled.

CLERKS AND ASSISTANTS

The clerks, assistants and attendants, etc. shall be under the direction of the Superintendent. They shall carry out all assignments in an orderly manner; and no contest help shall confer with a contestant, contest committee, or contest official Judges unless directed by the Superintendent.
DETERMINATION OF RATINGS

1. Fifty (50) points shall constitute a perfect mark for placing classes and 50 points a perfect mark on oral reasons.

2. a. If tied for species awards, a contestant or team having the highest total reasons score on the species shall be listed first.
   b. If tied for overall individual or team awards, the contestant or team having the highest total reasons score shall be listed first.
   c. If still tied after “a” and “b” listed above, the contestant or team having the highest total questions score shall be listed first.
   d. If contestants or teams are still tied for a species award after “a,” “b” and “c” above, the contestant or team having the highest overall score shall be listed first.
   e. If tied for total reasons score, the contestant or team having the lowest total

3. The records tabulated and submitted by the Superintendent to the Secretary-Manager of the North American International Livestock Exposition shall be final, once they have been publicly announced.

4. Team alternates are eligible for individual awards.

JUDGES

1. A committee of judges shall place all classes and listen to oral reasons. If the number of teams entered indicates that additional judges are necessary to expedite the process of listening to oral reasons, the Superintendent shall have the authority to appoint such judges.

2. The judges shall place the classes while the contestants are working in the area. The judges shall mark their placings on placing cards, indicate the cuts to be made and file that card with the referee judge.

3. Contestants will NOT be offered their placing card as they appear before an official judge to give their oral reasons. When a contestant has finished giving oral reasons on a class, the judge will place the official reasons score on a master sheet that will be used for tabulation.

CONTESTANTS WILL BE SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION FROM THE CONTEST FOR INFRACTIONS OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS

WEBSITE FOR CONTEST INFORMATION
http://extension.umd.edu/charles-county/4-h-youth/national-4-h-livestock-judging

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

TEAM AND CONTESTANT ELIGIBILITY

1. Each state is invited to enter one (1) team of up to four (4) contestants.

2. Teams consist of three or four members. In teams in which there are four members, all will compete, but the member receiving the lowest overall score will be automatically declared the alternate. The scores of the alternate will not be included in any of the team totals, but will be considered in making all individual awards. Teams consisting of three members will have no alternate and all members’ scores will count in determining individual and team awards.

3. The team may be selected by any procedure that the state deems to be appropriate. Team members must be enrolled in 4-H in the state they represent during the current year. Their eligibility must be certified by the state 4-H leader. Registration forms will be sent to state 4-H leaders or Animal Science Department Heads in August. Completed entry forms should be returned by October 1. A general list of resource materials that may help (not all encompassing) for this contest will be included with the registration packets.

4. Contestants must be at least 14 years of age on January 1 of the current calendar year and not have had their 19th birthday before January 1 of the current calendar year. 4-H members are ineligible if they have completed a collegiate level animal science course.

5. Judging team participants are allowed to compete in both livestock judging and the livestock skillathon. After competing in the National 4-H skillathon contest, they are ineligible to compete in the National 4-H skillathon contest again. Contestants must not have competed previously in any official post secondary (collegial) livestock quiz bowl or livestock quadrathlon contests.

6. An entry fee of $100 per team will be due with the team entry. These funds are used to help defray the expenses of the contest.

7. A coaches’ meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 12 at the Crowne Plaza, Louisville Airport Hotel, Meeting Room. Contest instructions will be given at this time. Coaches should be prepared to check names, addresses, and ages of contestants.
CONTEST METHOD OF CONDUCT

1. All contestants and coaches will report to the Kentucky Exposition Center on Monday, November 13 at 1:00 p.m. At this time, contestants will receive final instructions regarding the contest and will be sorted into groups.

2. The contest will be divided into two rounds. In the first round of the contest, one group will participate in the team oriented classes while the other group will complete the individual competitor classes of the contest. In the second round, the two large groups will switch areas of competition. Rotations and/or group assignments may be changed due to participants’ numbers and/or NAILE schedules.

3. During the individual competition round of the contest, contestants will be further divided into groups and will remain with that assigned group throughout that contest round of classes. While completing the individual competition classes, there will be no conferring between contestants or between a contestant and anyone else except as directed by contest officials. Contestants will be allowed 15 minutes to complete each individual competition class.

4. Team members will complete one official answer sheet for each team effort class representing the combined effort of all team members. Teams will be allowed 20 minutes to complete the group assignment for each class and turn in their answer sheet. During the team competition round of the contest, contestants will be allowed to confer only with team members during the time period allowed for each class.

5. No contestant shall wear any clothing, pins, or badges that will in any way reveal his identity or the state, which he represents. The contest will be held inside, so dress accordingly. No hats are to be worn.

6. Contestants may use a blank steno pad or a clipboard and blank paper. Contestants may also use a small pocket calculator (programmable calculators will not be permitted). The contestants may bring no books, notes, pamphlets, or other reference material into the contest area. Contest officials reserve the right to check all contestant’s notepads or clipboards to make sure they are blank just prior to the contest. Violators are subject to contest dismissal.

7. Contestants are not to pick up or touch any item that is being identified or evaluated in the individual competition classes, unless otherwise directed by contest officials.

8. Coaches are invited to review contest materials in the contest area at the conclusion of the contest at approximately 5:00 p.m.

9. Complete and return the Team Entry Form, 4-H Livestock Skillathon Contest along with the entry fee to the North American office by October 1. A copy of the team entry form should be sent to the contest superintendent.

10. The contest awards will be presented in conjunction during the awards breakfast of the National 4-H Livestock Judging Contest. The awards breakfast will be held at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 15 at the North American International Livestock Exposition in the South Wing. It is advised to arrive at least a half-hour to one-hour early to get team photos taken and get a table.
CONTEST CLASSES

The following is a list of common Skillathon classes. Please note that actual classes may deviate from this list in an effort to keep current with a rapidly changing livestock industry. The contest is not limited to the following classes therefore points totals may vary as well.

Classes competed as an individual

1. **Livestock Equipment Identification:** (60 possible points) Identify the proper name for pieces of equipment used in livestock production.

2. **Livestock Breed Identification:** (60 possible points) Identify from photographs or pictures livestock (beef cattle, swine, sheep and goat) breeds. Contestants must also match the breed with the most appropriate description supplied for each breed.

3. **Retail meat cut identification:** (60 possible points) Identify beef, lamb, and pork retail cuts from the National 4-H Meat Judging Retail ID List. Contestants will identify the retail cut specie, primal cut, and retail cut name.

4. **Hay and Wool Judging Class:** Rank a class of four hay samples and a class of four wool samples with analysis information (70 possible points). Answer questions about the classes (50 possible points).

5. **Quality Assurance Exercise:** (60 possible points) Demonstrate how to read a medicine label, calculate withdrawal times, complete a treatment record, and make responsible management decisions regarding quality assurance.

6. **Quiz:** (60 possible points) Complete a 30 question multiple choice quiz concerning the total livestock industry.

Total possible individual points = 400-600

Classes completed as a team

1. **Quality Assurance Exercise:** (100 possible points) Demonstrate how to read an animal health product label, calculate dosage rates and withdrawal times, complete a treatment record, be familiar with administration routes, animal identification and restraint methods, and make responsible management decisions regarding quality assurance. (This may involve live animals depending on availability.)

2. **Meat & Carcass Evaluation & Marketing:** (100 possible points) May include ranking one (1) class of four similar retail cuts, evaluate photos of carcasses and also price carcasses using a grid. May include an oral presentation.

3. **Animal Breeding Scenario and Exercise:** (100 possible points) Team members will evaluate a breeding/marketing animal scenario and make animal selection/marketing decisions based upon performance/visual data to rank breeding animals or market them for use within the situation.

4. **Evaluation of Performance & Marketing Information:** (100 possible points) Evaluate performance information on a group of livestock and then use the information given to make the best marketing decisions.

5. **Livestock Feeding:** (100 possible points) Identify the proper name for livestock feeds and identify each corresponding nutrient group. Feed samples and lists of feed names and nutrient groups will be provided. Utilizing feed ingredients given, formulate a ration for a group of livestock.
Possible point total for team classes = 400–600

Total team scores will be determined by adding the highest three team member individual competition class totals with the total accumulated from the team competition classes. (Possible team total = 1,600-2,000 points)

AWARDS

Individual and team awards will be given in all divisions.

- Top 10 **teams** overall
- Top 10 **teams** in Quality Assurance
- Top 10 **teams** in Identification
- Top 10 **teams** in Evaluation
- Top 10 **individuals** overall
- Top 10 **individuals** in Quality Assurance
- Top 10 **individuals** in Identification
- Top 10 **individuals** in Evaluation
The National 4-H Poultry Judging Contest will be held in conjunction with the North American International Livestock Exposition, Louisville, on Thursday, November 16 in the West Hall.

Currently, the Conference is made up of five separate contests - Poultry Judging Contest, Chicken Barbecue Contest, Turkey Barbecue Contest, Egg Preparation Contest, and Avian Bowl Contest.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**RULES APPLYING TO ALL SECTIONS OF THE CONFERENCE**

1. The conference will be held at the Kentucky Exposition Center.

2. The National 4-H Poultry and Egg Conference shall consist of five sections; i.e. Poultry Judging Contest, Egg Preparation Contest, Chicken Barbecue Contest, Turkey Barbecue Contest, and Avian Bowl Contest. Specific purposes and rules for each section are included.

3. A 4-H Club member is not eligible to participate as a Contestant in any section of the conference if he or she has participated in that section in previous contests.

4. A 4-H Club member may participate in only one section of the contest each year except for the Avian Bowl Contest and another contest.

5. Each contestant must have passed his/her 14th birthday by January 1 of the current year and cannot have passed his/her 19th birthday on January 1 of the current year.

6. Each state is eligible to enter bona fide 4-H Club member(s) in the separate sections of the conference in accordance with the specific rules for that section. Each state shall determine the manner in which its representative(s) will be selected. They must be declared eligible and must be certified by a bona fide representative of the Cooperative Extension Service of the State they represent. Participants meeting individual state participation regulations, national contest age rules, and certified as eligible by the state, shall be eligible for participation.

7. States participating in the conference must submit name, birth date, and address of the contestant(s) on the proper form.

8. All contestants and coaches must be neat, clean and appropriately attired (nice slacks and shirts for male participants, similar attire or blouse/skirt or dress for female participants). 4-H uniforms will not be required.
POULTRY JUDGING CONTEST
(Special awards provided by U.S. Poultry & Egg Association)

PURPOSE OF CONTEST

1. To develop youth and help them learn the techniques of logical, accurate decision making; to learn to recognize the reasons for their decisions; and to develop the ability to express their reasons orally.

2. To help youth learn and understand standards used in poultry and egg production and marketing, and to apply the standards in a realistic decision-making situation.

3. To serve as an award activity and trip for youth who have achieved superior levels of performance in state competition and thus stimulate the learning process, interest, and enthusiasm.

4. To help youth with career guidance.

5. To promote the poultry industry.

RULES & INFORMATION SPECIFIC TO THE POULTRY JUDGING CONTEST

1. Each state is eligible to enter a team of four (4) bona fide 4-H members and/or one (1) independent individual in the contest. The individual cannot compete on a state team once registered for the contest and is ineligible to compete in the contest again. If a state has NO team they may enter up to two (2) individuals.

2. Contestants need not be enrolled in poultry projects and are not required to have conducted a poultry project in the current year.

3. All classes will be set up in accordance with the Rules and Standards printed in the National Poultry Judging Manual “University of Nebraska Cooperative Extension 4-H 460” 2009 revised edition.

   Important Special Note: The National Poultry Judging Manual can be purchased ($6.95) from:

   Cooperative Extension Bulletin Distribution
   P.O. Box 68583-0918
   University of Nebraska
   Lincoln, Nebraska 68583-0918
   Phone: 402/472-9053
   Fax: 402/472-5557
   E-mail: mriese3@unl.edu
   http://marketplace.unl.edu/ne4h/4h460.html

4. The contest will consist of the following three divisions: Production, Market Poultry, and Market Eggs. A perfect individual score in Production will be 500 points, in Market Poultry 500 points, and in Market Eggs 500 points, for a total of 1,500 points. A perfect team score will be 4,500 points.

5. The classes to be judged will be as listed in No. 25.

6. Judging smocks will not be supplied to contestants.

7. Placing cards will be provided for all contestants. An example of each card is given in No. 25). Each contestant will write his/her placing on the proper card and hand it to the monitor before shifting to the next class.
8. Teams will be divided so that no two contestants from a state will be in the same group. Each group will remain together throughout the contest. Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action.

9. Ten (10) minutes will be allowed for placing each class. Also, a maximum of two (2) minutes will be allowed each contestant for giving oral reasons on Classes 2 and 4. Contestants will shift to the next class only upon notification by the contest monitor. The broken-out egg classes will be judged at the end of the contest in groups assigned by the contest chairman.

10. Competent judges will be responsible for the official placing of all classes.

11. Qualified judges will listen to and score oral reasons on two production classes. The score card which will be used as a basis for scoring oral reasons is encompassed in No. 26. Using notes while giving reasons will not be permitted. No state or name identification will be worn by the contestant in the oral reasons room.

12. A competent committee will be in charge of grading the cards, announcing the results and presenting the awards.

13. Each class of production birds, R-T-C carcasses and eggs will be graded on the basis of 100 points for a perfect score. Similarly, oral reasons on the production classes will be graded on the basis of 100 points for a perfect score.

14. If a contestant checks more than one placing for any of the production classes, the lowest score will be the one recorded. If nothing is checked, the contestant will receive a (0) zero.

15. In scoring the market poultry classes, a five (5) point deduction will be made for each grade separation line crossed. Ten (10) points will be deducted if a contestant fails to enter a grade for a bird or if he/she enters more than one grade for a bird.

16. In scoring the broken-out eggs, a three (3) point deduction will be made for each grade separation line crossed except when the line between “B” grade and “Inedible” is crossed; then four (4) points will be deducted. Ten (10) points will be deducted if a contestant fails to enter a grade for an egg or if he/she enters more than one grade for the same egg.

17. In scoring the candled market egg classes, one (1) point will be deducted for each grade separation line crossed except when the line between “B” grade and “Inedible” is crossed; then three (3) points will be deducted. Five (5) points will be deducted if a contestant fails to enter a grade for an egg or if he/she enters more than one grade for the same egg.

18. In scoring the exterior egg quality class, two (2) points will be deducted when the A and B grade separation line is crossed. When the line between “B” and “Dirty” is crossed, three (3) points will be deducted. Five (5) points will be deducted if a contestant fails to enter a grade for an egg or if he/she enters more than one grade for the same egg.

19. In scoring the Broiler Parts Identification Class, ten (10) points will be subtracted for each incorrect identification. If a contestant identifies less than ten (10) parts, a total of ten (10) points will be deducted for each unidentified part.

20. In each division, the three highest contestants’ scores from each state will be added to determine a team’s divisional scores. Then the team’s overall score will be determined by adding its three divisional scores.
21. In case tie scores occur, the ties will be broken by the following methods in the order listed:
   a. Ties in “production hen” and “overall categories” will be handled as follows:
      i. Break the tie on the highest reasons scores;
      ii. Break ties on the most perfect scores;
      iii. If ties can’t be broken by the first two procedures, do not break the tie, and pay identical premiums, as advertised.
   b. For other categories, the contestant or team, with the largest number of 100 scores will win; if even, the contestant or team with the largest number of the next highest score below 100 will win. If necessary, this method will be continued in the order of descent of scores. Or, a method will be decided upon by the contest committee.

22. Appropriate awards will be made to the high individuals and teams in each division and overall judging.

23. Team and individual placings will be announced and awards presented at an awards banquet Thursday evening.

24. As soon after the contest as possible, a copy of the detailed scoring will be sent to each participating state for distribution to each team member, the coach, 4-H office, and Extension poultry personnel.

25. Classes to be judged in the Poultry Judging Contest:

   A. Classes 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5
   Egg Production and Reasons
   MAXIMUM SCORE 500
   Classes 3 and 5 represent the Reasons portion of the contest, which are given on Classes 2 and 4, respectively. Three classes of four (4) Leghorns or Leghorn type hybrids are to be judged on past production qualities. Hens may be handled. Contestants are not allowed to move or bend the hen’s pubic bones. The contestant can touch and place your fingers on each side of the pubic bones. But, you are not to try to move the pubic bones. Flexibility of the pubic bone is no longer to be considered a factor in placing the class. Contestants may NOT compare hens with others in their group. The hen that has laid the most eggs to date should be placed FIRST; the next highest, SECOND; the next THIRD; and poorest layer, FOURTH. This is placing by comparison. Contestants will give oral reasons on Classes 2 and 4. Using notes while giving reasons will NOT be permitted. A maximum of two minutes will be allowed for giving reasons for each class.

   B. Classes 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10
   Meat Quality – Ready-To-Cook Birds and Broiler Parts Identification
   MAXIMUM SCORE 500
   This group (Classes 6, 7, 8, and 9) include two classes of ten (10) ready-to-cook broilers, one class of ten (10) heavy fowl, and one class of ten (10) heavy turkey hens. Each individual bird will be classified as A, B, or C. Carcasses will be displayed in such a way that the entire carcass can be observed. Birds may NOT be touched or handled. Pinfeathers, diminutive feathers, hairs, and discoloration are to be disregarded.

   Class 10 is a class of ten (10) broiler parts. Each part is to be identified and the number of the part written in the appropriate square in the front of the part
name. The 10 parts will be selected from the 17 parts listed in the National 4-H
Poultry Judging Manual. Each part will be prominently displayed on a plate,
and may NOT be touched or handled.

C. Classes 11 and 12
Market Eggs -- Candled
MAXIMUM SCORE 200
Two classes of 20 white shelled eggs each are to be candled individually and
classified AA, A, B, or Inedible. The Speed-King Candler will be used for
candling eggs. Eggs MUST be handled.

D. Classes 13 and 14
Exterior Egg Quality
MAXIMUM SCORE 200
Two classes of 20 white shelled eggs to be individually classified A, B, or Dirty.
Eggs CANNOT be handled.

E. Class 15
Broken-Out Market Eggs
MAXIMUM SCORE 100
One class of 10 eggs will be broken out on a flat surface. Each egg is to be
classified AA, A, B, or Inedible. Eggs and containers CANNOT be touched or
handled.

EGG PREPARATION DEMONSTRATION CONTEST
(Special awards provided by various State Egg Promotion Associations)

PURPOSE OF CONTEST

1. To develop and demonstrate leadership and communication skills.

2. To acquire knowledge of quality standards, size classification, nutritional value,
preparation and storage, functional properties, versatility and economic value of
eggs.

3. To develop creative skills in the preparation, use and serving of eggs.

4. To learn to enjoy eggs as a food.

5. To use sound nutritional knowledge when planning meals.
RULES & INFORMATION SPECIFIC TO THE
EGG PREPARATION DEMONSTRATION CONTEST

1. Each state is eligible to enter one bona fide 4-H Club member in the contest.

2. Appropriate contestant entry form must be submitted by designated deadline. All information requested on this sheet must be provided, including copy of recipe, appliances needed and times, and total preparation time needed in the kitchen prior to the presentation. Failure to submit all information may result in inconvenience for contest. Scheduling of appliances and presentation times are prepared using this information.

3. The contestants will be scored according to the points listed and described in the sample judges score card.

4. During preparation of the product, participants who need to use an oven may have to share it with another participant.

5. Each participant must present a demonstration on the preparation of an egg dish.

6. The demonstration must include the following:
   a. Information of eggs: nutritional value, preparation and storage, functional properties, grading and sizing, versatility and economics of cooking with eggs.
   b. Steps in preparation of the dish.
   c. A finished dish ready for sampling. This must be prepared in the contest-site kitchen facilities on the day of the contest. Preparation may be prior to the demonstration or during the actual demonstration, depending on the nature of the dish. No contestants may prepare any portion of their dish outside the contest-site facilities.
   d. Judges will be served and will sample the finished product at the end of each demonstration. Paper plates and bowls and plastic utensils will be provided and these must be used when serving the judges. Contestants may not give anything to the judges except their recipe (see rule 8) and a sample of their finished product.

7. The demonstration must be no more than 12 minutes in length. Contestants will be permitted to finish the demonstration. If the presentation is two (2) minutes or less longer than the specified length, two (2) points will be deducted from the total score. If the presentation is from two (2) to five (5) minutes longer than the specified length, five (5) points will be deducted from the total score. If the presentation exceeds five (5) minutes longer than the specified length, ten (10) points will be deducted from the total score.

8. The contestant must have demonstrated the selected recipe no less than six times prior to the contest.

9. At the time of the demonstration, each contestant must submit to the judges and superintendents five (5) copies of the recipe used in the demonstration. The recipe must not contain the name of the contestant or the state represented. Recipes submitted should meet criteria described in rule 22 - Recipe Includes the Following Parts.

10. The egg dish must contain a minimum of:
   a. 1/2 egg per serving, if the dish is classified as an appetizer or snack.
   b. 1/2 egg per serving, if the dish is classified as a dessert.
   c. 1/2 egg per serving, if the dish is classified as a beverage.
   d. One (1) egg per serving, if the dish is classified as a salad or main dish.
e. Numbers above represent eggs to be broken, however, use of the entire egg is not required. For example: A dessert serving six people may be made with three egg whites.

11. The egg dish recipe may utilize prepared packages of food ingredients (i.e. grated cheese) or canned items (i.e. tomato paste).

12. Each contestant will furnish his or her own supplies for the demonstration **EXCEPT** the contest committee will provide eggs (size large), range, oven, microwave oven, and refrigerator necessary for preparation of the egg dish in the kitchen. **Contestants must provide hot plates, electric skillets, or burners to be used in preparation.**

13. a. Easels will be provided for the demonstration. Only posters and tabletop displays will be allowed. No slides or videos will be allowed.
b. All props and visuals must be displayed on the demonstration table or easels. No additional display tables will be allowed.

14. Posters displayed **must** be the work of the contestant. Contestants may use notes or outlines to assist them, but reading from notes **may hurt presentation scores.**

15. **No** contestant will be allowed to have any means of identification as to his or her name or the state they represent either on their person or on their posters.

16. **The preparation room will be off limits to everyone except the contestants and egg preparation room staff.**

17. Contestants will work alone in the contest preparation room unless an emergency arises, in which case they will be assisted by preparation room staff.

18. All contestants **must** remain in the preparation room until after their demonstration. Contestants who have completed their demonstration **cannot** discuss judges’ questions with other contestants until the contest is completed.

19. Contestants will be assigned an 8-foot table for use in the preparation area and for **use as a front table in the demonstration.** The contest committee will assist in moving this table from the preparation room to the demonstration area. A second 8-foot back table is available in the demonstration area. Table cloths will be provided; however, contestants may use their own.

20. Each contestant is responsible for clean up after his or her demonstration.

21. In case of a tie, the tie will be broken by the following method, in the order listed:
a. The contestant with the highest score in “Presentation and Skill” will win.
b. The contestant with the highest score in “Program Content” will win.
c. The contestant with the highest score in “Product” will win.
d. A method will be decided upon by the contest committee.

**CHICKEN BARBECUE DEMONSTRATION CONTEST**
(Special awards provided by U.S. Poultry & Egg Association)

**PURPOSE OF CONTEST**

1. To develop leadership talents and to work toward achieving the broad objectives of developing sound character and effective citizenship.

2. To acquire scientific knowledge and improved understanding of the economy, versatility and nutritional value of chicken broiler meat and its relationship to human nutrition and health.
3. To help youth develop skills in the preparation and use of chicken and to acquire the ability to express their ideas through participation in projects, talks, discussions, demonstrations, and exhibits.

RULES AND INFORMATION SPECIFIC TO THE CHICKEN BARBECUE DEMONSTRATION CONTEST

1. Each state is eligible to enter one bona fide 4-H member in the contest.

2. The contestants will be scored for barbecue skills, sensory evaluation, and presentation by three sets of judges according to the barbecue score sheets.

3. Each contestant will prepare three 1-1/4 to 1-1/2 pound chicken halves provided to them by the contest monitors and make an oral presentation to the judges.

4. There will be a 2 1/2 hour time limit on the preparation of the chicken. Contestant is to turn in product at end of stated cooking time.

5. Barbecue grills will be provided for all contestants, which they will be required to use. Type of grill will be announced prior to contest. Charcoal and lighter fuel will also be provided. Contestants may bring their own charcoal and lighter fluid. No self-starting charcoal will be permitted.

6. All other equipment and supplies, including sauce, must be furnished by the contestants. Sauce may be commercial or private recipe. (Recipe must be provided to judges). Commercial devices for covering of meat during cooking will not be permitted; only aluminum foil wrap may be used, remember browning is a part of the sensory score sheet. Aluminum foil may be used to construct a shield to block off the wind.

7. The chicken will not be available to the contestants prior to contest starting time.

8. A contestant may not inject any fluid or sauce into the chicken.

9. Chicken halves may not be placed in baskets to aid in turning.

10. Each contestant will present two barbecued chicken halves to the panel of judges at the conclusion of their cooking on plates provided. No garnishes will be permitted on the plates.

11. An illustrated presentation, including factual information about broilers, will be made by each contestant (see score sheet). Contestants will be allotted a maximum of ten minutes for presentations. Judges will have up to three minutes for questions directed to contestants. Posters, table-top graphics, and power point presentations will be allowed. Easels will be provided. No projected films or slides may be used. Order of presentation will be determined at show.

12. No contestant will be allowed to have any means of identification as to name or state represented.

13. Contestants will work alone, except for setting up for the demonstration or in case of an emergency, as determined by contest monitors.

14. Tie scores of the top five contestants will be broken in descending order by:
   a. Highest score in Finished Product Quality portion.
b. Highest score in Presentation portion.
c. Drop high and low scores, use middle score.
d. A method will be decided by contest committee.

**TURKEY BARBECUE DEMONSTRATION CONTEST**  
(Special awards provided by U.S. Poultry & Egg Association)

**PURPOSE OF CONTEST**

1. To develop leadership talents and to work toward achieving the broad objectives of developing sound character and effective citizenship.

2. To acquire scientific knowledge and improve understanding of the economy, versatility and nutritional value of turkey meat and its relationship to human nutrition and health.

3. To help youth develop skills in the preparation and use of turkey and to acquire the ability to express their ideas through participation in projects, talks, discussions, demonstrations, and exhibits.

**RULES AND INFORMATION SPECIFIC TO THE TURKEY BARBECUE DEMONSTRATION CONTEST**

1. Each state is eligible to enter one bona fide 4-H member in the contest.

2. The contestant will be scored for barbecue skills, sensory evaluation and presentation by three sets of judges according to the barbecue score sheets. The filets will each consist of 1/2 breast with tenderloin removed (Pectoralis Major muscle). The skin may be left on or off both filets or one of each.

3. Each contestant will prepare two 1 1/2 pound turkey breast filets provided to them by the contest monitors and make an oral presentation to the judges.

4. There will be a 2.5 hour time limit on the preparation of the turkey. Contestant is to turn in product at end of stated cooking time.

5. Barbecue grills will be provided for all contestants, which they will be required to use. Type of grill will be announced prior to the contest. Charcoal and lighter fuel will also be provided. Contestants may bring their own charcoal and lighter fluid. No self-starting charcoal will be permitted.

6. All other equipment and supplies, including sauce, must be furnished by the contestants. Sauce may be commercial or private recipe. (Recipe must be provided to judges.) Commercial devices for covering of meat during cooking will not be permitted; only aluminum foil wrap may be used, remember browning is a part of the sensory score sheet. Aluminum foil may be used to construct a shield to block off the wind.

7. Turkey shall not be marinated prior to start of contest. A contestant may not inject any fluid or sauce into turkey. Turkey may be cooked in aluminum foil wrap.

8. The turkey will not be available to the contestant prior to contest starting time.

9. Each contestant will present one barbecued turkey filet to the panel of judges at the conclusion of their cooking on plates provided. No garnishes will be permitted on plates when submitted to judges.
10. An illustrated presentation, including factual information about turkeys, will be made by each contestant (see score sheet). Contestants will be allotted a maximum of ten minutes for presentations. Judges will have up to three minutes for questions directed to contestants. Posters, table-top graphics, and power point presentations will be allowed. Easels will be provided. No projected films or slides may be used. Order of presentation will be determined at show.

11. No contestant will be allowed to have any means of identification as to name or state represented.

12. Contestants will work alone, except for setting up for the demonstration or in case of an emergency, as determined by contest monitors.

13. Tie scores of the top five contestants will be broken in descending order by:
   a. Highest score in Finished Product Quality portion.
   b. Highest score in Presentation portion.
   c. Drop high and low scores, use middle score.
   d. A method will be decided by contest committee.

**AVIAN BOWL CONTEST**

**PURPOSE OF CONTEST**

1. To encourage youth to expand their knowledge of avian facts, and become proficient in poultry management, and related subjects.

2. To serve as an award activity and trip for youth who have achieved superior levels of performance in state competition and thus stimulate their learning process, interest, and enthusiasm.

3. To help youth with career guidance, and to promote the poultry industry, by stimulating their interest in poultry and avian sciences.

4. To make learning fun.

**RULES AND INFORMATION SPECIFIC TO THE AVIAN BOWL CONTEST**

1. Each state may enter a team of not less than two and not more than four members.

2. There will be a 25 question written quiz given the evening preceding the Avian Bowl Contest. The scores for the top three individuals will be added and averaged to give a team score.

3. Questions will be prepared from “National Avian Bowl Study Packet” by the Avian Bowl Committee. Sale price and ordering information is available from Clemson University Bulletin Room - Room 82, Poole Agricultural Bldg., Clemson, SC 29634 - $12.00/copy.

4. Questions will be: fill-in-the-blank (short answer), multiple choice, and spelling.

5. State representatives will be determined by the State 4-H Office or designated representative.

6. Team members may be participants in other contests.
7. As in other contests, team members may only compete one year.

8. The Game Layout is enclosed.

9. The audience is required at all times to refrain from providing answers to any team member. Disciplinary action for violations will be at the discretion of the Avian Bowl Contest judges.

10. In the event an odd number of teams register, a “bye” will be randomly awarded, as necessary, in order to allow all teams to participate.

11. No flash pictures will be allowed during the contest. No recording of any kind (tape recorders, videos or written transcription) will be allowed.

OFFICIALS

A. Moderator — Assumes complete direction of the contest, asks all questions, designates contestants to answer questions, acts as the referee judge. Is at all times IN CHARGE.

B. Referee Judge — May rule on the acceptability of an answer.

C. Time Keeper — Records total elapsed time for each contest and indicates to the moderator the expiration of total time or the expiration of the time allowed in which to answer questions.

D. Score Keepers — Two individuals shall keep scores on each contest. One score should be kept so that all points awarded or taken away in penalties may be checked. The second score is kept to maintain scores visible to the moderator, the contestants, and, in so far as possible, the viewing audience.

TYPES OF QUESTIONS, SCORING, AND REFERENCE MATERIAL

A. Questions

1. The degree of difficulty and choice of questions will depend upon the contestants level of knowledge.

2. Questions may be in the form of written words.

B. Scoring

1. Number of Questions. Each set of teams within a round will have the same number of questions. Bonus questions will have the same point value in each game within a round.

2. Types of Questions. There are three types of questions:

   a. Regular Questions.

   b. Bonus Questions — A bonus question is usually a question requiring a several-part answer or a difficult answer. See point system summary for point values. Bonus questions WILL NOT be passed on to the other team in the event of an incorrect answer. When a team member answers a regular question correctly, a colored card in front of that team member will be turned over by the moderator. Once all members on a team have their
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cards turned over, that team is entitled to a bonus question. There will only be one bonus question per team per game.

c. Tie-breaker Questions — A tie-breaker question is used to replace a question thrown out by the judges. It is also used for the extra questions needed to break a tie between teams.

3. Tied Games. In the event that two teams have a tied score in games involving placings, the tie will be broken by asking an additional five questions. The running score will be maintained through the tie breaker. Questions answered correctly during the tie-breaker can go toward the awarding of a bonus question if the team has not already received a bonus question during that game.

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Five points per correct answer on multi-answer questions or bonus value on regular answers. NO loss of points for incorrect answer on bonus questions. The value of the bonus questions will be announced by the moderator before the question is read.

5. Reference Material. Competing teams should know well in advance the specific sources from which questions are taken. Questions will be taken from the National 4-H Avian Bowl Manual, 4-H Manual 161, Clemson University. Study sections will be listed in the conference cover letter which accompanies the conference rules.

C. Mechanics of Play

1. Format

a. A double elimination tournament style format will be followed. Any team which loses two games will be eliminated from the contest. The contest will continue until only one team remains with less than two losses.

2. Pairings, Byes, Order of Play and Placings

a. The average team score for the written test (lowest score will still be dropped) will be used to determine the seedings for the contest.

b. In the case of two average team written test scores being identical, the seeding will be determined by a coin toss.

c. The contest will be a classic double elimination contest and will run as such by an individual versed in contest organization.

3. The written scores will not be added in again at the end of the oral competition.

4. The moderator will ask a question. The first person whose light flashes must start to answer the question within five seconds after being acknowledged, or LOSE five points.

a. Any member answering a question without being acknowledged will LOSE five points.

b. It will be the responsibility of the judges to determine that an answer was
started within the five seconds allowed. It should be noted that repeating the question does not constitute the initiation of an answer.

c. If an incorrect answer is given, the team will LOSE five points.

d. If the question has been completely read, the moderator will not repeat the question, but the other team will have the opportunity to ring in within five seconds.

e. Timing will begin when the question is complete and when a signal is activated.

5. When a signal is activated before the question is completely read, the moderator shall stop reading the question, then the contestant has five seconds to start the answer based on that portion of the question.

a. If the answer is correct, the team will receive five points.

b. If the answer is incorrect or incomplete, the team will LOSE five points.

c. If the question was interrupted, the judge may NOT ask the contestant to be more specific, expand, or explain in any way their answer.

d. If an interrupted question is answered incorrectly—the question shall then be completely reread and the other team will have the opportunity to answer it.

6. If neither team can offer an answer to the question within ten seconds, the moderator will give the answer and the question will be dropped and neither team will forfeit points.

7. The ONLY discussion allowed between team members will be on BONUS questions. The answers MUST come from the team captain.

a. Only the number of answers required by the bonus question will be accepted. Example: If the bonus has a four-part answer—the first four answers given by the team captain will be accepted.

b. On a bonus question, the team may have ten seconds to consult. Time will be called at the end of ten seconds—the Captain must start the answer within five seconds.

c. Once the Captain starts the answers, he/she will have 30 seconds to complete the answers required.

D. Decisions and Interpretations

Answers and interpretations of questions will be the sole responsibility and final recall of the judge. All decisions of the judge, scorekeepers, and referee-timers are FINAL.

1. A team member will have the privilege to ask the judge to verify an answer that he/she feels is correct.

2. If a coach challenges the judge’s decision—the coach must call “time out” immediately (before the next question is read). A decision made by the judge after the answer is verified, will be FINAL.

3. Only answers contained in the Avian Bowl Manual will be acceptable to the Judge.
NORTH AMERICAN INVITATIONAL
4-H DAIRY QUIZ BOWL

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SCHEDULE
Friday, November 3, 2017
6:30 - 10:00 p.m.: Registration, written exam and get acquainted pizza party, West Hall, KEC.

Saturday, November 4, 2017
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.: Quiz Bowl competition, West Hall, KEC.
7:00 p.m.: Dairy Quiz Bowl banquet, South Wing Conference Center, KEC.

GOALS OF THE COMPETITION
The Dairy Bowl is a contest where teams of four members compete against each other. Competition points are awarded for correctly answering questions about the dairy industry and closely related areas.

Competition in the 4-H Dairy Bowl encourages a 4-H member to develop a more complete knowledge of dairy animals and related subjects. This contest provides an educational dairy program for all dairy project members, including those who may not own a dairy project animal, and provides a way to develop alertness and self-confidence.

ELIGIBILITY
1. A 4-H member who celebrates their 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, or 19th birthday during the year of the contest is age eligible for this competition.

2. Contestants may attend a college beyond high school. However, club members who enroll in or audit a Dairy Science or Animal Science course prior to the fall term are not eligible for the contest. Also, any club members who enroll in any Dairy Science or Animal Science short course, online course, or AP course eligible for credits towards a college degree prior to the fall term are not eligible for the contest.

3. Each state may enter one team. A team will have four members and a coach. Teams of fewer than four members may compete but will do so at a disadvantage in the written portion of the contest. One or more alternates may be entered as substitutes in any phase of the contest. Youth may participate once. Participation is defined as actually participating in one or more phases of the contest. Only alternates not actively participating by taking the written test or being seated during an oral phase of the contest may return a second year to actively compete. Youth entered as an alternate in a previous year may be a contestant this year if they did not take the written exam and did not take a seat on their team during the competition.

4. Team members and alternates must be registered for the Dairy Bowl Contest by September 15, 2017 at 5 p.m. Eastern time. Registration forms are sent electronically to state 4-H leaders or State Dairy Extension Specialists during the month of July. Completed forms need to be received electronically to Dr. Donna Amaral-Phillips by September 26 at 5 p.m.
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Eastern time. In addition, checks are sent to Dr. Donna Amaral-Phillips with a copy of the entry form signed with an official signature.

5. All entries must be authorized and signed by a State 4-H Leader or State Dairy Extension Specialist.

6. A link to the entry forms and more information is available at http://afsdairy.ca.uky.edu/northamerican/registration or at the NAILE website. ALL information found on the website link supercedes any information found in the printed catalogue for this contest.

7. All teams should name a team captain.

DAIRY BOWL RULES - CONDUCT

1. Teams will compete in a series of one-on-one elimination contests until the top team is chosen. The teams will be assigned to the first round of competition based on their total scores during the written portion of the contest. Some teams may be awarded a Bye during the elimination as part of the assignment process.

2. Competition between teams will be in three phases.

Phase A - Four contestants per team will take a 50 question quiz on Friday evening. From this test, five questions will be designated as “Phase A” for each round of competition. The same five questions will be designated for both teams but each group of five questions will be used for only one round (example 1-5 Round 1, 46-50 Round 10). Each correct answer will be worth five points. A total possible score for a team in any round will be 100 points (4 team members x 5 questions each x 5 points/correct answer). No points will be lost for incorrect answers or blanks. Points earned by each team will be announced at the end of the match and combined with scores from Phases B & C to determine the winners of a match.

Phase B - Team questions. Each team will be asked five questions. Answers are to be given by the team captain, but assistance may come from any team member. Correct responses are worth ten points. A question may be repeated only once. Answers must be started within 20 seconds and completed within an additional 60 seconds. Partial credit may be given at the discretion of the judges. After one team has been questioned, the other team will enter the contest room and be asked the same five questions.

Phase C - Toss-up Round, a total of 20 individual questions will be asked.

a. The first contestant to signal will answer the question within five seconds after being acknowledged by the moderator. Failure to do so will cost that team 10 points. Any contestant answering a question without having a light lit or being acknowledged by the moderator will lose ten points. If an answer is given incorrectly, members of the other team have the opportunity to answer the question immediately without having the question reread. If the moderator, by mistake, gives the correct answer after the first team member buzzes in and answers incorrectly but before the opposing team has the opportunity to answer the question, a new question will be asked only to the second team to correct the mistake. If a member of the second team answers correctly, those points are to be added to the individual’s scores as per normal for the contest. No points are deducted for giving an incorrect answer. Team members are not allowed to discuss the answers in this phase. No partial credit is available in Phase C, except for bonus questions.

b. If neither team can offer an answer to the question within ten seconds, the moderator will give the answer and the question will be dropped and neither team will forfeit points.

c. When a signal is pushed before the question is completely read, the moderator shall stop reading the question when the light goes on. After being acknowledged that contestant may answer the question. If correct, the team will receive credit. The judge may not ask the contestant to explain their answer. If the answer is incorrect,
the question shall then be completely reread and members of the other team will have
the opportunity to answer it.
d. Bonus questions may be earned in the toss-up round. In order to receive a bonus
question three different team members must correctly answer a toss-up question. Bonus questions are not passed to the other team, nor are points deducted for an incomplete or incorrect answer to a bonus. Bonus questions will be asked whenever three team members have answered toss-up questions correctly with the count kept individually for both teams within a match. Eligibility for bonus questions does not carry over to another match. The only discussion allowed between team members will be on bonus questions and in Phase B. The answers must come from the team captain. Only the number of answers required by the bonus question will be accepted. Example: If the bonus has a four-part answer - the first four answers given by the team captain will be accepted. The bonus answers must be started within 20 seconds and completed within an additional 60 seconds.
e. All questions correctly answered will be worth 15 points in Phase C, except for bonus questions which are worth 20 points each.

3. Questions will cover feeds and feeding, milk quality, herd health, udder health, breeding and genetics, marketing, dairy foods, calf raising, and other areas. Suggested references are the Hoard’s Dairyman reference guides, the most current issues of each topic and DAIRExNET (www.extension.org/dairy+cattle). Each year certain subject areas within DAIRExNET will be selected for additional emphasis and will be forwarded to the state contacts in the electronic invitational letters. The dairy product information published by the American Dairy Association and Dairy council will be used as the primary references on dairy foods and products. Others may be used including updated research information present in the current year’s issue of Hoard’s Dairyman.

4. The winning team will be determined by the highest total score from Phases A, B, and C. In the event of a tie, the two teams will be asked five additional Phase C questions. No bonus questions will be awarded during the tie breaking procedure.

5. Answers and interpretations of questions will be the sole responsibility and final recall of the judges. A team member will have the privilege to ask the judges panel to verify an answer that he/she feels is correct. If a coach challenges the judges decision, the coach must call “time out” immediately (before the next question is read). A decision made by the judges after the answer is verified will be final.

6. Questions can not be recorded within the contest room by audio, handwritten, electronic or other means.

7. During all phases of the contest, contestants are not allowed to use cell phones and other electronic devices.

8. Any questions or areas not covered by these rules will be decided by the 4-H Dairy Bowl Committee. All decisions are final.

9. Final team placings in the contest will be determined by a double elimination process. Each team will have an opportunity to compete in at least two rounds. The first round will be against another team that has not previously played. The second round will be against either a winning team or a losing team depending on the first contest. A second loss eliminates a team from continuing competition. In case of a team receiving a bye in the first round, the team will play a winning team from the first round and advance either to the next winners or consolation round.
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SCHEDULE

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Monday, November 6, 2017  
7:00-7:45 a.m.: Breakfast Buffet, South Wing Conference Center  
8:00 a.m.: Presentation of Results and Awards, South Wing Conference Center

TEAMS AND ENTRIES

1. Each state is invited to enter one 4-H dairy judging team and one FFA dairy judging team consisting of four members. The lowest scoring individual will be declared the alternate. Alternates will be eligible for individual awards.

2. A fee of $75.00 per team must accompany the entry form. The fee is to be used to help defray the expenses of the contest.

3. ENTRIES MUST BE MAILED to Catherine Riley, Assistant Manager, North American International Livestock Exposition, P.O. Box 37130, Louisville, KY 40233 by October 1. The names of contestants, however, may be submitted after the deadline providing such permission is obtained from Show Manager prior to October 1.

ELIGIBILITY OF CONTESTANTS

1. Contestants in this contest must have reached their 14th birthday and cannot have passed their 19th birthday on January 1 of the year of this contest.

2. 4-H contestants must be bona fide 4-H members. They must not have participated previously in the youth division of this contest. 4-H contestants can participate in the
NAILE contest after they have participated in the National 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Contest or National FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event, but not during the same calendar year.

3. FFA Contestants must be enrolled in Vo-Ag and be members of FFA. They must not have participated previously in the youth division of this contest. FFA contestants can participate in the NAILE contest after they have participated in the National FFA Dairy Cattle Career Development Event or National 4-H Dairy Cattle Judging Contest, but not during the same calendar year.

4. If the eligibility of any member is protested, such protest may be made in writing at the arena side the day of the contest, before the contest begins. The protest must be accompanied by a check for $25.00 which will be returned if the protest is sustained. In case the protest is not sustained, the $25.00 shall be forfeited.

CONTEST SUPERINTENDENT

1. The Superintendent of the contest, in cooperation with the Exposition management and the contest committee, will be in charge of the contest and conduct it in compliance with these rules and regulations. He/She shall have the authority for the interpretation of the rules.

2. The Superintendent shall have a sufficient number of assistants to conduct the contest and tabulate the results.

JUDGING SYSTEM

1. Competent judges shall place all classes while contestants are placing the classes. They shall hear and score all reasons. Judges will file their official placings and cuts with the Superintendent.

METHOD OF CONDUCT

1. No member of any team nor their coach shall be allowed in the cattle barns nor have the privilege of inspecting any cattle at the North American International Livestock Exposition previous to the contest unless they have written permission from the Superintendent.

2. All contestants and coaches will report to the Superintendent in Freedom Hall at 7:30 a.m. on Sunday, November 5, 2017. Final instructions will be given and questions answered at this meeting.

3. The Superintendent shall supply contestants with placing cards and any other necessary forms. No contestant shall be allowed to take any books, notes or writing paper into the ring or reasons preparation area except materials furnished by the Superintendent. This includes all electronic communication devices.

4. Fifteen minutes will be allowed for placing all classes.

5. Oral reasons, to be given on the afternoon of the day of the contest, should not exceed two minutes in length. Contestants will not be allowed to use notes during oral reasons.

6. Reasons classes will be designated prior to the contest.

7. Youth contestants shall give oral reasons on four cow classes.
8. While the classes are being placed and reasons are being studied and given, there SHALL BE NO COMMUNICATION among the contestants and anyone else except as directed by the Superintendent or his assistants.

9. Designated cards with the contestants’ desired placing marked clearly will be collected at the end of each class and filed with the Superintendent for tabulation.

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2. Ten classes of four individuals each shall be judged. A cow class and a heifer class (yearling or calves) will be selected from the following breeds: Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, and Jersey.

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3. The overall team ranking shall be determined by totaling all scores of the three highest scoring team members. The team ranking for each breed shall be determined by totaling the scores and reasons (if any) for each of the three highest scoring members.

4. The procedures used to break tied scores are listed below.
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BREED TIES

A. Higher total reasons in breed.
B. Higher total reasons.
C. Higher total overall.

REASON TIES

A. Lower total placings in reasons classes.
B. Higher total overall.

OVERALL TIES

A. Higher total reasons.
B. Lower total placings in reasons classes.

5. The Superintendent’s announcement of all individual and team placings will be final.

AWARDS

Appropriate awards will be presented by the various breed associations and the North American International Livestock Exposition.

The $300.00 Lawrence Colebank Award will be presented by the American Guernsey Association to the top individual in the contest. This $300.00 may be used as a college scholarship or toward the purchase of a registered Guernsey animal within one year of the contest. The Louis McLane Merryman Memorial Watch Award will be presented to the Top Guernsey judge.
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1. Each contestant must be a student in good standing of a College or University in the United States or in the Dominion of Canada offering a full degree curriculum in Agriculture, whose application has been accepted by the management of the North
American International Livestock Exposition.

2. The student must be enrolled in a 4-year or longer course and have completed not less than 36 weeks of college work. Any student who has acted as an official judge of dairy cattle at a fair or show or has at any time served as a teacher of dairy cattle judging in an agriculture college or secondary school or has completed a 4-year course in college work or has competed in the intercollegiate division of this contest is NOT eligible for entry.

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INVITATIONAL TWO-YEAR
JUNIOR COLLEGE DAIRY JUDGING CONTEST
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SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 4, 2017,
6:00 p.m.: Coaches’ Social, VIP Suite, Kentucky Exposition Center

Saturday, November 4, 2017,
7:00 p.m.: Coaches’ Banquet, VIP Suite, Kentucky Exposition Center

Sunday, November 5, 2017,
7:30 a.m.: Contestants and Coaches report to Freedom Hall, Kentucky Exposition Center

Monday, November 6, 2017,
7:00-7:45 a.m.: Breakfast Buffet, South Wing Conference Center
8:00 a.m.: Presentation of Results and Awards, South Wing Conference Center

TEAMS AND ENTRIES

1. Each two-year or community college is invited to enter one dairy cattle judging team. The team shall consist of four members representing the two-year or community college in which they are regularly enrolled. The top three individual scores will be used to calculate team scores, however, all four team members will be eligible for individual awards.

2. A fee of $75.00 per team must accompany the entry form. The fee is to be used to help defray the expenses of the contest.

3. ENTRIES MUST BE MAILED TO: Catherine Riley, Assistant Manager, North American International Livestock Exposition, P.O. Box 37130, Louisville, KY 40233. Entry deadline is October 1. The names of contestants may be submitted after the deadline providing such permission is obtained from the Show Manager prior to October 1.

ELIGIBILITY OF CONTESTANTS

1. Each contestant must be a student in good standing of a College or University in the United States or in the Dominion of Canada offering a two-year certificate course or associate degree in Agriculture, whose application has been accepted by the management of the North American International Livestock Exposition.
2. The student must be enrolled in a two-year certificate or associate degree program. Any student who has acted as an official judge of dairy cattle at a fair or show or has at any time served as a teacher of dairy cattle judging in an agriculture college or secondary school or has completed a two-year program in college work or has competed in the two-year division of this contest is NOT eligible for entry.

3. If the eligibility of any student is protested, such protest may be made in writing at the arena side the day of the contest, before the contest begins. The protest must be accompanied by a check for $25.00 which will be returned if the protest is sustained. In case the protest is not sustained, the $25.00 shall be forfeited.

CONTEST SUPERINTENDENT

1. The Superintendent of the contest, in cooperation with the Exposition management and the contest committee, will be in charge of the contest and conduct it in compliance with these rules and regulations. He/She shall have the authority for the interpretation of the rules.

2. The Superintendent shall have a sufficient number of assistants to conduct the contest and tabulate the results.

JUDGING SYSTEM

1. Competent judges shall place all classes while contestants are placing the classes. They shall hear and score all reasons. Judges will file their official placings and cuts with the Superintendent.

METHOD OF CONDUCT

1. No member of any team nor their coach shall be allowed in the cattle barns nor have the privilege of inspecting any cattle at the North American International Livestock Exposition previous to the contest.

2. All contestants and coaches will report to the Superintendent in Freedom Hall at 7:30 a.m. on Sunday, November 5, 2017. Final instructions will be given and questions answered at this meeting.

3. The Superintendent shall supply contestants with placing cards and any other necessary forms. No contestant shall be allowed to take any books, notes or writing paper into the ring or reasons preparation area except materials furnished by the Superintendent. This includes all electronic communication devices.

4. Fifteen minutes will be allowed for placing all classes.

5. Oral reasons, to be given on the afternoon of the day of the contest, should not exceed two minutes in length. Contestants will not be allowed to use notes during oral reasons.

6. Reasons classes will be designated prior to the contest. Contestants shall give oral reasons on one class in each breed. At least three and no more than four cow classes will be included. Five sets of oral reasons will be required.
7. While the classes are being placed and reasons are being studied and given, there SHALL BE NO COMMUNICATION among the contestants and anyone else except as directed by the Superintendent or his assistants.

8. Designated cards with the contestants’ desired placing clearly marked will be collected at the end of each class and filed with the Superintendent for tabulation.

**CLASSES**

1. Classes will be selected by a competent committee from animals entered in the North American International Livestock Exposition.

2. Ten classes of four individuals each shall be judged. A cow class and a heifer class (yearling or calves) will be selected from the following breeds: Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Holstein, and Jersey.

3. Animals will be designated by numbers on the showmen of the animals and lined up consecutively 1, 2, 3, and 4 from right to left as viewed from the rear. It will be the responsibility of each contestant to see that his/her placing conforms to the numbers of the animals.

4. Animals will be shown in a careful manner so that all contestants will have a fair chance to observe them. Animals will be paraded, held head to tail and stood side by side. Contestants shall not at any time place their hands on any animal.

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**DETERMINATION OF RATINGS**

1. Ratings shall be based upon a possible score of 50 points for each class placed and 50 points for each set of reasons.

2. The final rank for each contestant in each breed shall be determined by totaling his scores on placings and reasons (if any) for that breed. The overall individual ranking shall be determined by adding his scores for each of the five breeds.

3. The overall team ranking shall be determined by totaling all the scores of the three team members. The team ranking for each breed shall be determined by totaling the scores and reasons (if any) for each of the three members.

4. The procedures used to break tied scores are listed below.
**BREED TIES**

A. Higher total reasons in breed.
B. Higher total reasons.
C. Higher total overall.

**REASONS TIES**

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HEADQUARTERS AND LODGING
Crowne Plaza, Phillips Lane at the Fairgrounds, Louisville, Kentucky 40213 (877/227-6963). Special rates are available for all participants in the Roundup by calling (877/227-6963) and asking for reservations under the Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup/NAILE block of rooms. Please call for Handicap-accessible hotel information.

CONTEST ENTRY DEADLINE
September 18, 2017
Entry Forms can be downloaded from the web site at: http://www.4hroundup.com or contact Kristine Vernon at: kvernon@clemson.edu or 864-656-4028

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
Friday, November 3, 2017
6:00 p.m. Registration - South Wing B (101-102)
6:30 p.m. Coaches’ Meeting - Designated Contest Rooms (B101-C112)

Saturday, November 4, 2017
Judging Contest
7:45 a.m. Check In - Broadbent Arena
8:30 a.m. Contest Begins - Broadbent Arena
1:00 p.m. Oral Reasons - South Wing (C106, 107, 110, 111)
5:00 p.m. (Approx.) - Review of Classes - South Wing C (109)

Hippology Contest
7:45 a.m. Check In - South Wing B (103)
8:15 a.m. Contest Begins - South Wing B 103, 106, 110

Horse Bowl
7:30 a.m. Check In - South Wing C (105, 108)
8:00 a.m. Contest Begins - South Wing B 105 & C 112

Communication Contests
8:30 a.m. Public Speaking - South Wing C (102-103)
8:30 a.m. Individual Presentations - South Wing C (104)
8:30 a.m. Team Presentations - South Wing C (101)

Lunch supplied for youth contestants only
12:00 Noon South Wing B (corridor)

ENRU Party
8:00 p.m. - South Wing B 105
11:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 5, 2017
8:00 a.m. Awards Breakfast - South Wing B (101-104)
CONTESTANT ELIGIBILITY

1. Each state is invited to enter one 4-Her (4-H Team when applicable) for each of the six events offered during the Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup.

2. Representatives are to be selected by any procedure which a state deems appropriate.

3. Contestants must be at least 14 years of age; they have not yet achieved their 19th birthday on January 1 of the current year.

4. Contestants must be enrolled in 4-H in the state they represent and be certified by the State 4-H Leader or Extension Horse Specialist for participation.

5. Contestants (including team alternates) may participate in only one contest per year at the Roundup. After competing in this contest, they are ineligible to compete in the same specific contest again in future years.

6. Contestants must not have competed previously in a specific contest at the Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup in Louisville, Kentucky, or the Western National 4-H Horse Classic in Denver, Colorado. Contestants cannot compete in both the Eastern (Nov. 2017) and Western (Jan. 2018) events during the same program year. If a state decides to change whether it will attend the Eastern or Western National contest from its participation the previous year, the contest committee chairs of both events are to be notified by April 1 of the current year. All representative teams of that state must attend the same event.

7. Contestants may not have participated in any official, post secondary contest (university, college, junior college or technical school) for their respective event (i.e.: horse judging, horse bowl, public speaking, etc.). If a youth is enrolled in college courses please contact appropriate contest contact below.

CONTEST RULES
A complete set of contest rules, schedule, and entry forms can be found on the Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup web site at: http://www.4hroundup.com.

CONTEST CONTACTS

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