

# Steer Skill-A-Thon 2017

Coordinator: Amy Davis  
Contest Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 1pm

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The general rules and regulations at the front of the book apply to all shows and exhibits.
2. On the day of the contest, bring a #2 pencil and a no programmable calculator. No cell phones will be permitted at the contest.

## JUDGING CRITERIA

1. There will be a written test and hands on activities to test the exhibitor's knowledge of the beef industry.
2. Each division will be judged separately.

## DIVISIONS

Junior: Ages 8-10 years  
Intermediate: Ages 11-14 years  
Senior: Ages 15-18 years

There will be different stations and test for each age division. These are the topics you need to research for the skill-a-thon.

### **Juniors**

They will have a written test with questions similar to that of a record book, labeling the parts of a beef animal, and terms associated with the industry. They will have two to three stations on breed identification, body parts, basic beef cattle nutrition, or knot tying.

### **Intermediates**

They will have a written test with questions similar to that of a record book, labeling the parts of a beef animal, questions on animal nutrition, and terms associated with the industry. They will have three to four stations on breed identification, body parts, basic beef cattle nutrition, knot tying, parts and function of the digestion system, feedstuff identification, and reading a feed label.

### **Seniors**

They will have a written test with questions similar to that of a record book, labeling the parts of a beef animal, questions on animal nutrition, and terms associated with the industry. They will have three to four stations on breed identification, body parts, basic beef cattle nutrition, knot tying, parts and function of the digestion system, feedstuff identification, feed processing methods, reading a feed label, and calculating feed formulation using the Pearson Square.