

2025 SOUTHEASTERN YOUTH FAIR LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

- **COORDINATOR:** Caitlin Justesen – 352-293-1287
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- **IMPORTANT DATES:** See Calendar of Events for all important dates

Any exhibitors interested in competing must complete an individual entry by deadline the deadline listed on the Calendar of Events.

FAILURE TO FOLLOW ANY OF THE RULES GOVERNING THIS SHOW MAY RESULT IN THE EXHIBITOR BEING DISQUALIFIED.

THE GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SOUTHEASTERN YOUTH FAIR
APPLY TO ALL SHOWS & CONTESTS.

SHOW RULES:

- Participants that do not conduct themselves in a respectable and courteous manner will be excused and disqualified from the contest.
- Open to individuals or teams. All members compete as an individual, even if on a team. Contestants may participate as both an individual as well as a team member.
- Contestants must be active 4-H or FFA member in Marion County.
- Teams must consist of 3 or 4 contestants.
- Chapters and clubs can register as many teams as they like. Teams do not have to be from the same club/chapter. **All members must have entered as an individual online by the deadline in order to be a part of a team.** Only Club/Chapter Leaders are allowed to register teams. See Calendar of Events for important deadlines.
- **HOW TO ENTER:**
 - Individuals enter "Livestock Judging" entry online (same process as all SEYF contests) Individuals **MUST** have completed this step to be added to a team.
 - **TEAMS** – Club/Chapter leaders **are to USE QR CODE BELOW BY FEBRUARY 21** with Team Name and list of team members. **TEAM ENTRIES** are NOT required to be done online, however everyone listed on the team must have completed an **INDIVIDUAL** entry online.



<https://forms.gle/vP34Z6XLjSYq1rFr5>

CLASSES

- Contestants will be divided into junior, intermediate and senior divisions.
- There will be approximately six classes to judge by all age divisions. Classes could consist of cattle, swine, goats, and sheep in breed or market classes.
- Questions class(es) will be required for intermediate and seniors. It will be optional for juniors but will not be scored for competition.
- There will be at least one questions class, which will serve as a tie-breaker for awards in the event of a tie score.

- Cards not filled out properly or turned in after each class(when announced) can be disqualified.

CONTEST DAY

- Check-in will start at 2:30pm and contest will start at approximately 3pm
- Dress code – Due to the chance of high temperatures and to avoid overheating, youth may wear jeans/pants, closed toed shoes and shirt representing their organization. Jackets and vests are optional due to high temperatures. Please consult with your leader/advisor for any school/organization rules on dress code.
- No talking is permitted during the contest.
- There will be no electronic devices during the contest. They must be left with a leader, advisor, or parent. This will be cause for disqualification.
- Contestants should bring a pencil, blank paper, and a clipboard.
- Team scores will be determined by the total score of all members divided by three (3). If the team consists of four (4) members, the lowest score will be dropped.

AGE DIVISIONS

Juniors: Ages 8 to 10 as of September 1st

Intermediate: Ages 11 to 13 as of September 1st (Middle School FFA)

Senior: Ages 14 to 18 as of September 1st (High School FFA)

AWARDS-

To be announced following the conclusion of the contest (time will be announced)

Individuals – 1st through 3rd place Junior, Intermediate and Senior

Teams – 1st place Junior, Intermediate and Senior

- 1st through 3rd place teams will be announced