



## FFA & 4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

The 2009 Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show FFA & 4-H Livestock Judging Senior Team winner was Lyford FFA, First Place Intermediate Team was Lyford FFA, and First Place Junior Team was Highland Hustlers 4H. The High Point Senior Individual was Andrew Ponce of Edinburg North FFA, High Point Intermediate Individual was Paul Rodriguez of Cactus Country 4-H and High Point Junior Individual was Seth Carter of Sharyland FFA.

Registration .....1:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.,Friday, March 19  
Entry Fee.....\$20.00 per Team  
Entry Fee.....\$5.00 Individual

1. To be eligible to enter the contest, a contestant must be an active bona fide member of a 4-H club or FFA chapter and be enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr or Willacy County at the time of the contest. Any contestant found to be ineligible (including those misrepresenting their age) will result in the disqualification of the contestant, as well as their team, for the current year's contest.
2. Contestants must have been enrolled in their respective FFA chapter or 4-H club as of November 1, 2009.
3. Team supervisor or team captain must register their team on Friday, March 19th, with the judging contest committee between 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. ALL CONTESTANTS NAMES MUST BE SUBMITTED AT THIS TIME. Team packets can be picked up Saturday, March 20th from 8:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Contest will start at 10:00 a.m. at the Rodeo Arena.
4. A team shall consist of three or four members; the three high scoring team members will count as the team's score with the fourth member automatically becoming the alternate.
5. Contestants will not be allowed to converse during the Contest. Pagers, cell phones or any other electronic devices will not be allowed. Violations can result in disqualification. Contestant should bring a clipboard, 1 blank sheet of paper and a pencil/pen. This is a closed Contest. It is not open to the public during the Contest time.
6. Any conversation, hand gestures, notes, etc. toward another contestant will be perceived as cheating and will result in a score of zero for the class.
7. The Judging Contest will include Market Lambs, Market Hogs, Breeding cattle and Steers. There will be a minimum of 6 classes. A competent judge or judging committee will be on hand to discuss placing of each class as soon as all contestants have finished placing animals.

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8. In the event of a tie, the team with the highest individual total score will be declared the winner. Should a tie still exist, the second highest individual total score will be the winner.
9. All contestants are eligible for High Point Individual.
10. Exhibitors of animals entered in the Livestock Show are required to allow animals to be used in the Livestock Judging Contest.
11. A plaque will be placed in the museum and updated yearly with the winning teams name.
12. Traveling Trophies will be awarded to the winning Teams, which they will keep for one year. They will then be passed on to the winning teams of the next year. If a team wins three consecutive years, the traveling trophy will be retired to that team and a new traveling trophy awarded the next year to the winning teams.

**General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 42 also apply.**

There will be three age groups  
Jr. Team members ages 8 to 10  
Intermediate team members ages 11 to 13  
Sr. Team Members ages 14 and over  
As of of the day of the contest.

## AWARDS

Awards will be made as follows in each age groups

High Point Individual .....Belt Buckle & \$500 Scholarship  
1st Place Team....\$100.00, Traveling Trophy, Banner & Ribbons  
2nd Place Team .....\$75.00, Banner & Ribbons  
3rd Place Team.....\$50.00, Banner & Ribbons

