

The following information pertains to ALL Wyoming State 4-H Judging Contests

CONTESTANT ELIGIBILITY

Contestants must be 4-H Members in good standing in the county they are representing.

There is no limit to the number of youth that can be entered in a contest. There are three age categories in which an individual may be eligible to compete: Junior (ages 8-10), Intermediate (ages 11-13), and Senior (ages 14-18). Contestants competing as individuals are eligible for all awards in their respective age category. All ages are as of January 1 of the year the contest takes place.

Contestant eligibility will be verified using the 4-HPlus! software program. It is crucial that Kim Puls in the State 4-H Office receives the most current data set from your county no less than five (5) working days prior to the contest.

Each county may enter a maximum of one senior team (ages 14-19) and one junior team (ages 8-13). A team will consist of 3 or 4 designated members; the sum of the three high scores will determine the team score. Only contestants entered as a member of a county team are eligible for team awards.

There are no restrictions on the number of times a 4-H member can compete as an individual or as a team member at a State 4-H Contest. **NOTE: As team members are selected, please be aware of any contest rules at competitions beyond the state level. Many of these competitions do not allow teams that have one or more members who have previously competed at that specific contest.**

Contestants must not have participated in post-secondary (i.e. college, jr. college, etc.) course work or be on a post-secondary team undergoing training in the subject area specifically related to the State 4-H contest.

It is the responsibility of each participating county to certify their contestants and evaluate the contestant eligibility in accordance with these rules, regulations, and guidelines.

RULES & GUIDELINES

1. Contestants will not be permitted to talk during any portion of the contest.
2. Contestants will not be allowed access to cell phones during any portion of the contest. Please make sure phones are taken care of before the contest orientation.
3. Every reasonable effort will be made to fairly and correctly score the contestant's placing cards. However, in the event the marking is not clear, any of the following can occur:
 - a. Cards without a placing mark will receive a score of zero.
 - b. Cards with multiple marks will receive the lowest score of those marked
 - c. Cards with undetermined, illegible, or indiscriminate marks will receive a score of zero.
4. Contestants may bring note-taking paper into the contest.

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OUT-OF-STATE TRIPS

The first place Senior Team will have the opportunity to choose an out-of-state trip. In the event multiple trips are offered, teams following first place (i.e. second, third, etc.) will have the opportunity to choose a trip as well. Availability is subject to donor support and funding through the Wyoming State 4-H Foundation.

See specific contest guidelines for more information regarding trips and donors.

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