

# FFA/4-H LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

Superintendent: Clay County FFA Advisors

## General Rules for Animal Departments are in the front of this book.

1. This contest is open to all county and district agricultural education departments and 4-H members.
2. FFA contestant must be an active member of their organization and in high school at the time of the contest. 4-H contestants must be currently active in their club.
3. **A limit of two teams from each FFA chapter or 4-H club may be entered. No individuals. The team shall consist of four members with the top three individuals' scores determining the team score. Members may judge in either the FFA or 4-H contest, but not both.**
4. Send entries to **FFA Advisor, Spencer High School, P.O. Box 200, Spencer, IA 51301** or **FFA Advisor, Clay Central /Everly H.S., 306 E. 2nd, Everly, IA 51338** by **September 1**. Entry fee is \$5.00 per team. No gate admission will be charged.
5. Each team's instructor/leader shall report to the office in the Swine Barn on the fairgrounds no later than 7:30 a.m. on the last Saturday of fair for final registration and instruction. **Advisors are expected to help with scoring.** Contest will start as close to 8:00 a.m. as possible.
6. Placing cards will be furnished at the time of the contest. Members must furnish own clipboards and pencils. No other material will be allowed to be used by the contestants.
7. While the contest is in progress, there shall be no communication among the contestants, or between contestants and anyone else, except as directed by the superintendent or representative. Non-contestants will not be allowed in the ring. **No cell phones will be allowed during the contest. If found using cell phone team will be disqualified from the contest.**
8. Superintendent's decision shall be final in rule interpretation.
9. A class shall consist of four animals designated as 1, 2, 3, and 4.
10. Classes will be selected from the following:

Breeding Gilt	Market Hog		
Market Heifers or Steers	Breeding Heifer or Bull	Market Lamb	Breeding Ewes
11. Each class will be scored on the basis of 50 points.
12. Six minutes will be allowed for each class and notification given one minute before time is up.
13. FFA ribbons / plaques will be awarded to the top team in beef, sheep, and swine. Ribbons will be given to the top 10 teams and individuals overall.
14. Ribbons and premiums will be awarded to the top five 4-H livestock judging teams. (Ribbons will be awarded both on a county and district basis.)
15. A trophy will be awarded to the top livestock judging team.