Northern Plains Livestock Judging Contest  
Swiftel Center & SDSU Animal Science Complex 
Saturday, October 30, 2021

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Schedule

7:00 - 7:30 a.m.  Coaches check in at the Swiftel Center. Coaches will receive instructions and scantrons for their contestants.

7:45 a.m.  Welcome, instructions, group leader introductions, and division of contestants into groups in the breezeway between the Swiftel Center and the Larsen Ice Arena.

8:00 a.m.  Contest begins - 12 classes total. Two rounds of six classes.

11:30 p.m.  Lunch

12:15 p.m.  Reasons session begins. Room assignments and the order of reasons will be given to contestants prior to lunch.

Senior College – Animal Science Complex  
Junior College - Animal Science Complex  
4-H and FFA – Swiftel Center or Edgar S. McFadden Biostress Lab

2:30 pm  4-H Reasons Completed, a full critique and awards will follow

5:00 p.m.  Oral reasons completed.

**** Dress is casual (jeans and button down shirt) ****

Location

The Swiftel Center is located in Brookings, SD and the classes will be held in “The Barn” directly North of the Swiftel Center and attached to the south side of Larsen Ice Arena. Check-in will be in the Lobby of the Swiftel Center. The address is 824 32nd Ave, Brookings, SD 57006

The Animal Science Complex is located at 1097 N Campus Dr., Brookings, SD 57006 and the Edgar S. McFadden Biostress Lab is located directly Southwest of the Animal Science Complex also on N Campus Drive but on the south side of the street.
General Rules

1. All entries are due on or before 10/20/2021. The entries should include all contestants that the coach expects to bring to the contest. Entry Fee- $20 / contestant. Fees must be submitted with entry.

2. Divisions
   a. 4-H, FFA, and Youth (Ages 11 - 18 by Jan 1st, 2022 - For 2022 4-H Year).
      i. SD 4-H Livestock Judging Series Eligible Contest
   b. Junior College
      i. Open to Freshman and Sophomore Contestants
   c. Senior College Seniors

3. For Senior and Junior College contestants this contest will be treated as a mock contest and there will be no ranking or awards. Full awards will be given for the Youth Division.

4. Twelve classes of livestock will be judged. Classes will be made up of Cattle, Sheep, Goat, and Hog classes. An effort will be made to have 5 Cattle, 2 sheep, 1 goat, 3 hog classes, and the final class will depend on availability. An attempt will be made to have all cattle be led classes. Hogs, breeding sheep, and doe classes will be loose in a pen and Market Lamb classes will be in a rack.

5. Performance data will be supplied on multiple breeding classes and those classes may be selected as reasons.

6. Contestants will be given 12 minutes to place each class and 2 minutes to give each set of reasons.

7. There will be no coaches meeting, please just register teams and find a class list at check-in.

4-H and FFA Rules

1. Each team will have a maximum of 4 team members, but the top 3 scores will count for the team score.

2. A county, state, or chapter can enter multiple teams.

3. 4 sets of oral reason will be given. Likely, 2 beef, 1 sheep, and 1 hog class.

4. Typical Contest Scoring and tie breaking methods will be used.

5. At the conclusion of reasons there will be an official critique and awards in the room where reasons were prepared for the Youth Contest.

Collegiate Rules

1. Each team can enter multiple contestants.

2. Senior College and Junior College contestants will give 8 sets of reasons. Likely, 3 cattle, 2 hog, 2 sheep, and 1 goat.

3. No official critique or awards will be given. This is meant to be a practice contest for Collegiate Students. Scores will be tallied on placing classes and either posted online or given to the coaches. Reasons scores will be on a team sheet with written critique at discretion of the reasons taker along with a traditional score.