

**CALF SCRAMBLE**

Dr. Cody Scott, Superintendent



**Entry Deadline:** January 1, 2025- Postmarked  
**Scramble Dates:** Saturday, February 1, 2025 - 3:00 p.m.  
Saturday, February 1, 2025 - 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday, February 8, 2025 - 3:00 p.m.  
Saturday, February 8, 2025 - 5:00 p.m.  
**Scholarship Scramble:** Saturday, April 12, 2025 - 7:30 p.m.

1. The San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo Association will not be responsible for any accidents connected with this contest.

**Preliminary rounds of the Calf Scramble will be held during the Stock Show at the ASU Rodeo Team Complex directly adjacent to the Fairgrounds and Coliseum (70 E 43<sup>rd</sup> St, San Angelo, TX 76903). The scholarship scramble will be held on Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025, in the Foster Communications Coliseum during a PRCA rodeo performance.**

2. Qualifications for contestants:

- A. The first 80 complete and correct entries received in the Stock Show Office will be eligible. (Entries open November 1, 2024, and the entry deadline is January 1, 2025)
- B. Ages 13-18. Must have reached 13th, but not 19th birthday on or by August 31, 2024.
- C. Open to all 4-H and FFA contestants in the state of Texas.
- D. Must have been actively participating in Texas 4-H Club work for one year prior to February 1, 2024, or enrolled in a Texas Vocational Agricultural class for the fall term just preceding.
- E. Contestants will be selected by 4-H and FFA supervisors.
- F. Contestants are only allowed to compete in one of the four preliminary scrambles.

3. There will be four (4) go-rounds, one each during performances on Saturday, February 1, 2025, at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, February 1, 2025, at 5:00 p.m., Saturday, February 8, 2025, at 3:00 p.m., and Saturday, February 8, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.

The top 4 in each go-round (16 total) will compete on Saturday, April 12, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. in the Scholarship Scramble.

4. There will be a five (5) minute time limit to catch a calf and lead it across the finish line. If after five minutes calves remain, one (1) minute will be allowed to catch and halter a calf. At this time, if any remain, the one (1) minute will be allowed to catch a calf. Judges will score according to this time frame and decisions of the committee are final.

5. Buckles will be awarded to the first place winner in the first four go-rounds.

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6. Ten (10) calves will be turned into the arena the first 4 go-rounds, with 8 in the Scholarship Scramble. Contestants and calves will be placed in the arena as determined by management.
7. Contestants will carry into the arena a halter with attached ten foot rope. Neither the halter nor the rope will be used as a lariat. The halter must be placed on the animal in the usual way. The halter and rope will be supplied by the San Angelo Stock Show. No shoes with spikes, cleats or knobs on soles can be worn.
8. Contestants will not be allowed to work as a “team”. Each contestant will attempt to catch and lead one of the calves. Each contestant catching a calf will be required to lead that calf across the finish line without aid. **The contestant and the calf must both cross the finish line to complete the catch.** The contestant will not be permitted to fasten the rope to himself/herself in any manner after catching the calf to aid in leading the calf over the finish line. If two or more contestants catch the same calf, they will be ordered by the referee to release the calf.
9. If a contestant has hold of a calf, no other contestant will be allowed to touch the calf unless and until it breaks away. If a calf is caught by the tail, the contestant catching the calf shall be allowed a reasonable amount of time to place the halter; however, at the direction of the referee, the contestant will let the calf go.
10. Poor sportsmanship and any undue roughness will automatically disqualify the contestant and will not be tolerated by the referee. This scramble will be refereed by a group of not less than four (4) referees.
11. Each contestant must submit an entry form and Minor’s Release to the Stock Show Association through his/her County Extension Agent or Ag Science Teacher. After all releases have been checked and accepted by the Stock Show, each contestant will be notified of his/her acceptance as a contestant and the date and time he/she is to participate.
12. The Interscholastic League State Executive Committee, in cooperation with the State Board of Vocational Education has formulated a plan permitting calf scrambles and still protecting a contestant’s amateur standing. This is done by placing the matter under the supervision of the Vocational Agricultural Department of the school and 4-H Club supervisors, and prohibiting the participants from receiving anything of cash value for winning the athletic part of the program.
13. Go-round scramble awards: A purchase certificate will be issued to each of the ten (10) contestants catching a calf in one of the three go-rounds in the following amounts:
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| 1st – Advance to Finals* | 3rd – Advance to Finals* | 5th - \$110 | 7th - \$80 | 9th - \$60  |
| 2nd – Advance to Finals* | 4th – Advance to Finals* | 6th - \$100 | 8th - \$70 | 10th - \$50 |
- \*Top four advance to Finals and are guaranteed at least a \$250 certificate. However, if a student receives a scholarship, no scramble certificate will be awarded.

14. Scholarship Scramble Awards: Scholarships will be awarded to places 1-8 in the Scholarship Scramble. No scramble certificate will be issued to scholarship recipients. Scholarships will be awarded in full upon receipt of proof of enrollment in a Texas vocational/technical school or accredited Texas College or University. Payments for places 1-8 will be made directly to the college or university. Places 9-16 will receive purchase certificates in the amount of \$250.

1st - \$2,000 scholarship	6th - \$500 scholarship	11th - \$250 certificate
2nd - \$1,000 scholarship	7th - \$500 scholarship	12th - \$250 certificate
3rd - \$1,000 scholarship	8th - \$500 scholarship	13th - \$250 certificate
4th - \$1,000 scholarship	9th - \$250 certificate	14th - \$250 certificate
5th - \$500 scholarship	10th - \$250 certificate	15th - \$250 certificate
		16th - \$250 certificate

15. Certificate Redemption: Scramble certificates must be completed and received by the SASSRA office no later than December 1, 2025. Certificates may be used to purchase an animal of any species or sex that will be a part of the student's 4-H or FFA project. Any animals purchased are NOT required to show at a future San Angelo Stock Show. Certificates may also be used for other project needs including but not limited to feed bills, clippers, agricultural mechanics materials etc. **All non-animal purchases must have prior approval by a SASSRA staff member in writing.** *Any certificate received for a non-animal purchase without approval, may not be funded, thus the exhibitor will be responsible for such expenses.*

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