



**Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo
2021 Mutton Bustin'
General Rules**

1. Registration. Sign up for the Brazos Valley Fair Mutton Bustin' will take place at Producer's Cooperative on **Saturday, September 25th from 10am to 12pm**. Mutton Bustin' spaces held in conjunction with the rodeo performances will be filled first, followed by the spaces in the AgLand Kids Zone Arena. Books will close promptly at time posted. All remaining unfilled performance spots will be available on brazosvalleyfair.com beginning Wednesday, September 29th. As soon as these spots are filled the online books will close.

2. Eligibility. Children (Contestants) between the ages of 4 and 7 years old and weighing 55 pounds or less can register to participate. Children will be weighed at time of entry and time of check-in; strict adherence to weight limit will be enforced. Previous buckle winners are no longer eligible for competition in the rodeo arena. AgLand performances will remain open to all previous winners.

3. Fee. Participants will be required to pay a \$30 non-refundable entry fee.

4. Schedule. Mutton Bustin' will take place daily in the AgLand Kids Zone and as part of the Rodeo. The schedule is as follows (*All times subject to change):

Friday, October 22nd

- 5:30 pm performance – AgLand Arena
- 7:00 pm performance – Rodeo Arena

Saturday, October 23rd

- 11:00 am performance – AgLand Arena
- 1 pm performance – AgLand Arena
- 3 pm performance – AgLand Arena
- 7:00 pm performance – Rodeo Arena

Sunday, October 24th

- 12:30 pm performance – AgLand Arena
- 2:30 pm performance – AgLand Arena
- 4:00 pm Performance - Rodeo Arena

Contestants should be at the check-in area 30 minutes prior to the start of their performance. Only one parent or guardian may stay with their contestant behind the bucking chutes when contestants enter the arena for their performance.

5. Release Form. Parents or a Legal Guardian must complete and sign the Contestant Waiver & Release Form. If the Release Form is not signed, the contestant will not ride.

6. Grounds Admission. Each contestant will receive one complimentary Grounds Pass for the day of their Mutton Bustin' Ride.

7. Protective Gear. Protective gear (vest & helmet) will be provided by the Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo. Vests & helmets must be worn by all contestants. ONLY BVFR vests and helmets will be allowed to be worn for Mutton Bustin'. **NO SPURS ALLOWED!**

8. Clothing. Contestants must wear jeans, a long sleeve shirt and closed-toe shoes or boots. Any contestant failing to wear correct attire will not be permitted to ride.

9. Proof of Age. BVFR reserves the right to request a copy of contestant's birth certificate to confirm contestant's age. Any contestant shown to be in violation of the BVFR Mutton Bustin' age requirement shall be ineligible for any future participation in the Mutton Bustin' event.

10. Judging. Judges will judge and score each contestant. **JUDGES DECISION WILL BE FINAL.**

11. Awards. Awards will be given during each performance and all contestants will receive a trophy.

12. Restricted Areas. One parent/legal guardian may accompany the contestant to the Staging Area; parents are prohibited from accompanying contestants into the arena. They will be in good hands with members of the Brazos Valley Fair Rodeo Committee.

13. Photography. Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo encourages each parent or family member to take pictures safely from the arena seating areas. Absolutely no parents will be allowed on the arena floor to take photographs.