

4-H Showmanship Sweepstakes

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Sponsored by Coweta County 4-H Ag Discovery Club

When: Friday, September 23rd at 6:30 p.m.
Where: Livestock Arena
Awards: Grand Champion: \$50, embroidered jacket, and rosette
Reserve Champion: \$30, engraved gift and rosette

RULES:

- 1) This contest is open to the 1st place Junior and Senior 4-H showmanship competitors in each of the following livestock species: horses, dairy heifer, dairy goats, rabbits and poultry. Junior 4-H'ers will be in 7th & 8th grades. Senior 4-H'ers will be in 9th-12th grades.
- 2) Participants will be expected to use the correct showmanship technique for species shown. Learning the show techniques for each species is the responsibility of the 4-H'er. A packet of resource materials is available upon request from the Extension Office.
- 3) General appearance should be that of neatness and cleanliness. Boots, riding shoes, or other closed toed shoes should be worn.
- 4) The contest will be divided into five parts (one for each livestock species) with a different judge for each of the five livestock departments represented.
- 5) Each exhibitor will show four different species of animals. Exhibitors will not show the animal species with which they qualified. In the case of qualifying in two or more species, the decision to show which species will be that of the 4-H'er.
- 6) Animals used in the contest will be selected by the Coweta County Extension Staff. Exhibitors cannot show their own animal.
- 7) Each judge will rate the participants on a scale of one to nine with one being the best. The exhibitor with the fewest total points in the five classes will be the winner. In case of a tie, the winner will be determined by the greatest number of first place finishes in individual classes.
- 8) The reigning Grand Champion may not compete in the current year's contest. He or she may compete the following year, if eligible. The reigning Grand Champion may compete in the current showmanship qualifiers. In case of he or she placing first, the second place winner will advance to the Sweepstakes. The Reserve Champion may compete in consecutive years.
- 9) If the 1st place winner chooses not to participate, the 2nd place winner will be given the option.

“Share” competitions do not earn eligibility for Sweepstakes