



East Texas State Fair

Pasture and Wildlife Plant Identification Contest

Rules

1. Eligibility: Each FFA Chapter and organized 4-H Club can enter one team per Chapter or 4-H Club plus one team for each Agricultural Science Teacher or 4-H leader.
2. **If a student is involved with another East Texas State Fair event, they will be allowed a grace period. However, all team members MUST be present at the site no later than 15 minutes past contest start time.**
3. Teams shall consist of four persons who are members of the same Chapter or Club. **Absolutely no substitutions** from other Chapters or Clubs are allowed. Team score will be derived from three high individual scores on each team. To be eligible, team members must be enrolled in school, below college level, and be a member of the Chapter or Club they represent.
4. There will be no entry fees, but the team coach must register from the link posted on the fair website, etstatefair.com.
5. Twenty-five plants for the contest will be selected from the plant list of fifty plants shown. The list of fifty plants may be found at etstatefair.com under competitions – Plant ID.
6. Contestants will be given score cards and will have one minute to identify, write in the common name, and check the characteristics of each of the plants in the contest. Scoring will be by points. **IF THE NAME IS INCORRECT**, no credit will be given **for characteristics identified**. Plants used may be mounted or live specimens, or a combination of the two. In the event of a tie, judges will decide who shall receive the award and their decision will be final.
7. **PRESENTATION OF AWARDS** will be held at **1:30 p.m.** on the Optimum Stage at the Fair Grounds, 2112 West Front Street, on the day of the contest. **Plaques** will be presented to the five top teams and five top individuals. A \$1,000 scholarship will be presented to the highest place senior, sponsored by the Soil & Water District.