



Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show

2025 FWSSR FIDDLE SHOWDOWN

INFORMATION SHEET

Sunday, January 26, 2025

West Arena

ENTRY DEADLINE NOVEMBER 15, 2024
LIMITED TO TEXAS RESIDENTS ONLY

Registration: 3:00 p.m.

Contest: 3:30 p.m.

The Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show will hold our annual FWSSR Fiddle Showdown. The contest is open to all students between the ages of 14 – 18, as of January 1, 2025, who are enrolled and attending public, private or home school elementary or secondary school in Texas.

A minimum of \$7,500 in scholarships and awards will be available. The scholarship funds will be provided to the winning students to be used as scholastic assistance and will be available beginning with their first semester of full-time enrollment at a college or university of their choice.

Students awarded a scholarship will receive a certificate(s) indicating the amount of the scholarship won. The scholarship will be paid beginning with the first semester the student is enrolled in an accredited degree plan at a college or university. The certificate(s) should be presented to the registrar of financial aid office of the college or university the student chooses to attend. Instructions for redemption are printed on the back of the certificate(s). Upon verification of the student's enrollment, the Stock Show will issue a check directly to the student's college or university.

AGE DIVISIONS

Senior (Ages 14-18), Age as of January 1, 2025

Contestants must be enrolled in, and attending, public, private or homeschool elementary or secondary school in Texas. This competition is limited to youth who are U. S. Citizens with Texas residency. Non-United States citizens and Foreign Exchange students are ineligible to compete. All contestants must have a personal Social Security Number to be eligible to participate. **Scholarship recipients will be required to provide their social security number after the show in order to receive their scholarship.**

ENTRY INFORMATION

Print, complete and return the entry application including the entry fee of \$20.00, one application and entry fee per contestant. Two complimentary season passes will be provided with each entry. These passes will allow admittance to the grounds and access to the West Arena. Submit application with payment in the form of check or money order made payable to Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show.

RESULTS

Results can be found at fwssr.com. Please allow 24 hours for results to be posted.

AWARDS

Senior Division Scholarships:

1 st	\$2,500
2 nd	\$2,000
3 rd	\$1,500
4 th	\$1,000
5 th	\$ 500

Senior Division Awards:

Buckle – 1st place
Ribbons – 1st through 5th place

*For questions regarding the Fort Worth Stock Show Fiddle Showdown please contact Kathy Sawyer at sawvertunes@yahoo.com or at 817-689-0718.



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FWSSR FIDDLE SHOWDOWN CONTEST RULES

1. Each contestant must be prepared to play a breakdown, waltz and tune of choice for his or her first round.
2. Judges will determine what types of tunes will be played if subsequent rounds are called for.
3. No contestant shall play the same tune more than once during the contest.
4. Each fiddle tune played must be in the **public domain**.
5. Contestants may play with or without accompanists. The number of accompanists will be limited to 3.
6. No amplified instruments may be used.
7. No cross tuning on stage.
8. No sheet music shall be displayed in the competition area.
9. Contestants must agree to comply with any and all safety protocols deemed necessary by the FWSSR.

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