WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR
4-H AND FFA LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

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The overall high-point individual will receive a $500 scholarship.

Registration for the event will open on August 15, 2025 on www.judgingcard.com and will close on September 15, 2025 at midnight. Late entries will be accepted on contest day at $25 per individual.

September 20, 2025

Registration	7:00 – 8:00 a.m.
Orientation	8:00 – 8:15 a.m.
Contest Begins	8:15 a.m.
Awards Program	1:00 p.m.

Please plan to arrive early enough to allow for adequate time to register. This is especially important for larger counties and FFA chapters. Official placings and reasons will be given immediately following the Contest.

Registration Fee: $12 per Individual

General Rules

1. Contestants must be bona fide 4-H or FFA members and certified as such by their coach at registration to be eligible to participate in the contest. Only Texas 4-H and FFA members may enter.
2. Coaches may enter as many individuals and teams as desired. Livestock judging teams will consist of three (3) or four (4) members, with the three (3) highest scores tabulated to comprise the team score.
3. The contest will be divided into Junior, Intermediate, and Senior divisions. Contestants in 3rd – 5th grade are Juniors; contestants in 6th – 8th grade are Intermediates; and contestants in 9th – 12th grade are Seniors.
4. Contestants will be allowed eight (8) minutes per class.
5. Scores will be on placing and questions only—no reasons. The tie-breaking classes will be by standard deviation.

6. All scores will be tabulated using computer scan sheets.
    a. All contestants will be required to correctly fill in their name, team name, team number, class placings, and question answers. A mistake in the team number column will result in disqualification.
    b. All contestants will be required to use #2 pencils.
    c. There will be no cheating allowed. Anyone caught cheating will be removed from the contest immediately and disqualified. No cell phones or electronic devices will be allowed in the contest.
    d. All ovals must be colored in completely and must be dark.
    e. Any stray marks or mistakes must be erased completely.
    f. DO NOT fold or bend the scan sheet in any way which may prevent the scan sheet from being read by the scanner. Any scan sheet which jams the scanner will result in disqualification.
    g. Any scan sheets that are incomplete, incorrectly filled out, etc. for any reason will be scored a zero (0).
    h. All scores tabulated by the computer are final; no changes will be made.
7. The decision of the contest officials is final.
8. Any unclaimed awards at the conclusion of the awards presentation will be taking to the Washington County Fair office. It will be the responsibility of the winner to make arrangements to claim their award by November 1, 2025 after which any unclaimed items will become property of the Washington County Fair.
9. Each contestant should understand that:
    a. For livestock judging, there will be eight (8) classes of animals, if available, and 2 question classes. Two classes of barrows; two classes of heifers; two classes of market steers; one class of market lambs; and one class of market goats.
    b. Each contestant's class placings must be bubbled-in on the scan sheet in the "Placing Classes" section under the proper class number.
    c. Each contestant's answers to the questions must be bubbled-in on the scan sheet in the "Questions/Exam" section under the proper question number.
    d. If no placing or question answer is bubbled-in, or if more than one bubble is filled in for a single class or question, a "zero" will be scored for that class.
    e. For Placing Classes, each class is worth a maximum of 50 points.
    f. For Question Classes, each class is worth a maximum of 25 points -- 5 questions per class with each question worth 5 points. Questions classes will be announced during Orientation prior to the start of the contest.
    g. If you have questions, please ask our Livestock Judging Committee volunteers who will do their best to assist you. Good Luck in the contest!!
10. Results will be posted on judgingcard.com.

Contest Registration Information

1. On the registration packet is a team number. Even if you are judging as an individual (not with a team), you are assigned a team number. Make sure each contestant knows his or her team number because it will be used to complete the scan sheet.
    a. Junior teams will be in the 1000 series.

   b. Intermediate teams will be in the 2000 series.
   c. Senior teams will be in the 3000 series.
   d. In the event a team has mixed age groups, they must judge at the highest level of any team member.
2. In the registration packet, **each contestant will have a scan sheet furnished** and a group letter—A-H for livestock contestants. Each contestant should wear the self-adhesive name tag in the packet that bears his or her assigned group letter. This tag must be clearly visible during the entire contest, and each contestant must stay with his or her letter group during the entire contest.
3. Each contestant must print, then bubble-in, their assigned TEAM NUMBER (discussed above) on the scan sheet in the area designated "Chapter, County or Club Number". Do not put a school or club number in this box; only the assigned team number on the registration card and on the outside of the packet should be entered here. If this number is not on the scan sheet or is incorrect, a contestant or team will not receive a score at today's contest.
4. Each contestant must clearly print, then bubble-in, his or her name in the area designated "Last Name/First Name".
5. Each contestant's team name should be printed in the "Team Name" box at the top of the scan sheet.

Individual Awards

The overall high-point individual of the contest will receive a $500 scholarship.
Junior, Intermediate and Senior Division High Individual – Belt Buckle
2nd – 5th Place Junior, Intermediate and Senior Division High Individuals – Prize

Team Awards

1st – 5th Place Junior, Intermediate and Senior Division Team – Banner
1st – 3rd Place Junior, Intermediate and Senior Division Team Members – Prize

Washington County Awards – In Each Age Division

1st Place – Larry Glenz Memorial Cash Prize; Buckle
2nd Place – Banner
3rd Place – Banner