

# **WYOMING STATE 4-H MEAT JUDGING CONTEST**

This contest is held at the Animal Science Meat Lab on the University of Wyoming Campus in Laramie, Wyoming.

## **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE** *(subject to change)*

8:00 am	Check-in and get county judging packet
8:30 am	Orientation immediately followed by start of contest for ALL contestants **(Juniors, Intermediates, and Seniors)**
12:00 pm	Lunch
2:30 pm	Award Presentations (tentative, will be immediately after Meats Judging Contest)

## **CONTESTANT ELIGIBILITY**

Youth entries are submitted by the County 4-H Educator and will be verified using 4-H Online. Youth will compete as individuals. Counties will designate the individuals that will make up county teams. Counties can send an unlimited number of youth in each age division (junior teams 8-13 and senior teams 14 and older).

## **CLASSES**

All classes will be selected from the following possibilities:

Carcass Classes	Beef, Pork, and Lamb
Wholesale Classes	Beef Ribs Beef Rounds Beef Short Loins, Short-Cut Beef Strip Loins Pork Fresh Hams Pork Should Boston Butts, Bone-In Pork Loins, Center Cut
Retail Class of either	Beef Chuck, Arm Roast Beef Rib, Rib Steak, Lip-on Beef Rib, Ribeye Steak Beef Loin, T-Bone/Porterhouse Steak Beef Loin, Top Loin Steak, Boneless Beef Loin, Top Sirloin Steak, Boneless Beef Round, Round Steak (Bone-In or Boneless) Pork Shoulder, Blade Boston Roast Pork Shoulder, Blade Steak Pork Loin, Blade Chop Pork Loin, Blade Roast Pork Loin, Rib Chop Pork Loin, Loin Chop Pork Ham, Smoked Center

All contestants will be allowed 12 minutes per class.

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## RETAIL CUT IDENTIFICATION

Contestants will identify species, wholesale, and retail cuts as outlined below:

Seniors – 30 cuts

Juniors & Intermediates – 20 cuts

*Jr./Int. ~ Each age division will identify 10 of the same cuts and 10 cuts will be age-specific.*

## QUESTIONS & REASONS

Contestants will give reasons and/or answer questions on specific classes based on their age division.

Juniors: 4 sets of questions with use of notes, or 3 sets of questions and 1 set of reasons

Intermediates: 2 sets of questions with use of notes, 2 set of oral reasons

Seniors: 4 sets of oral reasons

Reasons and questions classes will be determined by the Official Committee.

## RESOURCES

Helpful information can be found on the American Meat Science Association's web site.

<http://www.uwyo.edu/4-h/youth/contests/meatjudging/retail-cuts.pdf>

The following pages provide examples of placings and questions cards as well as the Retail Identification Score Sheet that will be used at the contest. Blank forms can be found online at [www.Wyoming4H.org](http://www.Wyoming4H.org).

## CONTEST AWARDS

1<sup>st</sup> place Senior Team – Choice of the following trips:

- National 4-H Meats Judging Contest, Kansas City, MO (November)
- Western National Roundup, Denver, CO (January)

2<sup>nd</sup> place Senior Team will win the remaining trip if eligible.

Various banners, plaques, trophies, and pen sets will be awarded for Junior and Senior teams and individuals.

If the 1<sup>st</sup> place senior individual is not on the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> place team they will be offered a \$500 scholarship to participate in a 4-H leadership experience.

\*\*\* If you are interested in supporting the Wyoming 4-H Program, please contact:

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## JUDGING CARDS

All cards will have the contestant's name, county, class number, and contestant number printed on them. Youth only need to *clearly* indicate their chosen answer.

## Placings

In the example below, the contestant has chosen "N" as their placing for the class.


Contest Name: Sample MJ Contest

402a001
Contestant Number: 402a
Freddie 4-H
Class Number: 001
Class Name: Beef Carcasses
County Name: +NH Non 4H
 <b>SAMPLE</b>
 A - 1234 G - 2134 M - 3124 S - 4123 B - 1243 H - 2143 <b>N</b> - 3142 T - 4132 C - 1324 I - 2314 O - 3214 U - 4213 D - 1342 J - 2341 P - 3241 V - 4231 E - 1423 K - 2413 Q - 3412 W - 4312 F - 1432 L - 2431 R - 3421 X - 4321

## Questions

In the example below, the contestant has indicated the answers to be as follows:

1. #4
2. #2

Both methods are acceptable to indicate the contestant's desired answer.

<b>practice</b>	
	Contestant Number: <b>101b</b>
101b001	<b>Mickey Mouse</b>
Class Number: <b>001</b>	
Class Name: <b>Questions Class</b>	
Team Name: <b>Carbon</b>	
Q Num	Answer
1	[1][2][3] <b>(4)</b> [Y][N]
2	[1] <b>(2)</b> [3][4] [Y][N]
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