

WYOMING STATE 4-H WOOL JUDGING CONTEST

This Contest is held at the UW Wool Lab at the University of Wyoming Student Farm located by Hansen Arena.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Friday, April 19th, 2024

3:00 p.m. Check-in (Wool Lab Classroom at UW Wool Lab Building)

3:30 p.m. Orientation

4:00 p.m. Wool Judging Contest begins.

The awards ceremony will take place at 2:00 pm on April 20th at the Animal Science Meat Lab on the University of Wyoming Campus (after the Meat Judging Contest). Lunch will be provided to those who are registered.

CONTESTANT ELIGIBILITY

Youth entries are submitted by either the family or County 4-H Educator and will be verified using zSuites. Youth will compete as individuals. Counties can enter an unlimited number of youth in each age division. Counties will designate the individuals that will make up teams. Junior team designations can be from junior or intermediate age divisions, while senior teams must be in the senior age division.

CONTEST CLASSES & JUDGING

Judging classes for the contest will consist of the following categories:

6 Wool Classes (50 points per class):

Wool Classes, Possible Points = 300

6 Sets of Questions (13) from each of the placing classes (2 points per question)

Questions, Possible Points = 300

Grading Line (15 fleeces)

Grading, Possible Points = 225

Total possible points for the contest (all three categories) is 825

Contestants will be allowed 12 minutes for each judging class and 25 minutes for the Fleece Grading Line.

*** Optional Reasons – Any Senior, Intermediate or Junior can give the optional reasons. This will not be scored with the other classes or affect the overall scores. There will be separate prizes for those who choose to give reasons. ***

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SCORING

The 2024 State Contest will be scored with Scantrons. We understand this is a big change from past years, so please reach out with questions. Please see the example scantron that is posted to our website for your youth to get familiar with the scantron and practice before the contest.

CONTEST AWARDS

1st place Senior Team – Choice of the following trips:

- Western National Roundup Wool Judging Contest in Denver, CO (January 2025)
- Wool Judging National Contest at Dallas State Fair (October 2024)

2nd place Senior Team will win the remaining trip if eligible.

Various items will be awarded for Junior and Senior teams and individuals.

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

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