

July 24, 2025

To: Extension Agents and FFA Advisors

From: Rachael Brooke
District Extension Agent

Re: Rooks County Free Fair Livestock Judging Contest

The Rooks County 4-H Council and the Rooks County Free Fair would like to invite you and your livestock judging teams to participate in the Rooks County Free Fair Livestock Judging Contest.

The contest will be held THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 2025 at the Rooks County Fairgrounds located just off Highway 183 on the south edge of Stockton. Registration will be from 1:45-2:00 p.m. at the 4-H Building and the instructions will begin at approximately 2:00 p.m. in the Sutor-Blauer Arena.

Each county, club, or chapter may enter as many four-member teams as they wish with the top three scores from each team comprising the team score. If you do not have enough judges for a team, individuals may compete for individual awards.

The contest will consist of the following classes: market hogs, breeding gilts, market lambs, meat goats, market steers, and breeding heifers. Juniors (ages 7 to 8) will have a set of questions; intermediates (ages 9-13) will give one set of oral reasons while seniors (ages 14 and over) will give two sets of oral reasons.

I am enclosing a copy of the contest rules for your reference. I would also like to invite you, as a sponsor, to participate in the old-timer contest.

This will be a great opportunity to prepare your team for the Kansas 4-H Livestock Sweepstakes. I hope to see you on August 7!

Judging Contest

Livestock Judging Contest

Thursday, August 7, 2025, 2:00 p.m.

1. The 3 highest scores from a chapter or county will make up the team.
2. Classes to be judged may consist of the following: Beef, Goats, Sheep, and Swine.
3. The contest is open to all 4-H and FFA members.
4. In FFA, the members must have completed at least 1 year of Agriculture Education and will not have graduated from high school earlier than 2025.
5. Senior, Intermediate, and Junior Division awards will be sponsored by Doug and Kori Bigge. The top 3 individuals will receive awards.
6. The divisions for the contest will be as follows:
 - A. Senior Division - ages 14 and over
 - B. Intermediate Division - ages 9 to 13
 - C. Junior Division - ages 7 to 8

Old-Timers' Livestock Judging Contest

The Rooks County Free Fair Old-Timers' Livestock Judging Contest should provide fun for some of the (older??) judges in the area.

Rules of the Contest

1. Date of Contest: Thursday, August 7, 2025, 2:00 p.m.
2. Registration from 1:45-2:00 p.m. at the 4-H Building
3. Classes to be judged may consist of the following: Beef, Goats, Sheep, & Swine.
4. Age Categories (age figured as of time of contest)
 - Division I 18 years through 29 years of age
 - Division II 30 years of age and over