

December, 2016

Dear Vo-Ag Instructors and County Extension Agents,

The Sioux Empire Farm Show will be held January 24-28, 2017 in the Expo Building on the W. H. Lyon Fairgrounds in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

The Junior Livestock Judging Contest will be held **Saturday, January 28 at 9:00 AM.** The contest is open to students who are current 4H/FFA members, however, college or post-secondary education students are not eligible.

Team competition consists of four individuals meeting the above requirements. All four scores of the members of the team will be counted toward the team score. Individuals may participate but not be eligible for team prizes.

Entry fee of \$25 per team must accompany the pre-registration which is required for any team to compete. Individual entry fee is \$7. Make checks payable to the Sioux Empire Farm Show, PO Box 1425, Sioux Falls, SD 57101-1425. **ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY Friday, JANUARY 13.** **After January 13, a late entry fee will be charged: \$30 per team and \$10 per individual contestants.** Substitutes on teams pre-registered will be accepted the day of the contest. Entry fee is non-refundable. **SATURDAY** check in time is from **8:00 AM to 9:45 AM.** **Contest starts at 9:00 AM SHARP.**

Classes to be judged **Saturday** are 3-4 classes of cattle, 2-3 classes of swine and 2-3 classes of sheep and market goats. We reserve the right to alter classes depending on the availability of livestock. Contestants will be allowed 8 minutes to judge each class. One class will be selected to break ties.

Winners will be announced and awards presented at **1:30 PM** in the Expo Building Saturday, January 28. Awards will be given to the top ten teams and top ten individuals. **We request that team members or a representative of the team be present to claim their award. Awards will not be mailed.**

Hopefully, this letter will help you plan your judging activities for your students and 4H members. Enclosed is the official entry form. **Please complete and return so entries are postmarked no later than JANUARY 13.**

Sincerely,

Cindy Christensen
Sioux Empire Farm Show Manager

SIoux EMPIRE FARM SHOW

The logo features the text "SIoux EMPIRE" in a bold, sans-serif font, with the letter "x" in red and the rest in black. Below it, "FARM SHOW" is written in a larger, bold, black sans-serif font. A red ribbon banner with white text "2017" and small white diamonds on either side is positioned below the text. The ribbon has a slight 3D effect with shadows.

Sponsored by the Sioux Falls Area Chamber of Commerce

JUNIOR LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST RULES SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2017 - 9:00 A.M.

EARLY ENTRY DEADLINE: Must be postmarked by January 13, 2017

EARLY ENTRY FEE: \$25 PER TEAM (4 member teams); \$7 per individual

LATE ENTRIES: Accepted at \$30 per team and \$10 per individual

CHECK-IN TIME: Saturday, January 28, 8:00 AM to 8:45 AM

1. The contest is open to students who are currently 4H/FFA members; however, college and post-secondary students are not eligible.
2. This is a team competition. A team consists of four individuals meeting the above requirements. Individuals may compete but not be eligible for team prizes.
3. An FFA Chapter or county 4H Club may enter as many teams as they wish; however, team members must be from the same FFA chapter or county 4H club to make up a team.
4. All four scores of the members of the team will be counted toward the team score.
5. All teams must be pre-registered. Teams not pre-registered will not be allowed to judge.
6. Substitutes on team pre-registered will be accepted the day of the contest.
7. Classes to be judged are 3-4 classes of cattle, 2-3 classes of swine, 2-3 classes of sheep and market goats. We reserve the right to alter classes depending on the availability of livestock.
8. Classes will be allowed eight (8) minutes to judge each class. One class will be selected to break ties.

Awards will be given to the top ten (10) teams and top ten (10) individuals. Winners will be announced and awards presented at 12:30 PM in the Expo Building on Saturday, January 28. We request that team members or a representative of the team be present to claim their award. Awards will not be mailed.



4-H AND FFA JUNIOR JUDGING CONTEST
REGISTRATION FORM

TO BE RETURNED TO THE SIOUX EMPIRE FARM SHOW TOGETHER WITH ENTRY FEE OF \$25.00 PER TEAM, \$7 PER INDIVIDUAL NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2017. AFTER JANUARY 13, \$30.00 PER TEAM, \$10 PER INDIVIDUAL.

Instructor/County Agent _____

ORGANIZATION _____

Address _____

Email _____ Phone _____

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

Team # 1 NAME AND AGE _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Team # 2 NAME AND AGE _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Make non-refundable check payable to: Sioux Empire Farm Show

The contest is open to students who are current 4-H/FFA members, however, college or post-secondary education students are not eligible. I hereby confirm that the above individuals are eligible to compete.

APPROVED BY _____

SIGNATURE OF COUNTY AGENT OR VO-AG INSTRUCTOR

Mail to: Sioux Empire Farm Show, P.O. Box 1425, Sioux Falls, SD 57101-1425

DATE POSTMARKED _____

DATE RECEIVED _____