

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 9, 2015

TO: D6 County Extension Agents

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Extension Program Specialist 4-H

SUBJECT: 2015 D6 4-H Wool & Mohair Judging and Evaluation Contests

The D6 4-H Wool & Mohair Judging and Evaluation Contests will take place Wednesday, April 8th, 2015 at the Auto Wrangler Sale Pavilion, located on the north end of the lamb, goat and swine barn on the San Angelo Fairgrounds. The physical address is 50 East 43rd Street, San Angelo, TX 76903.

Schedule:

4:30 p.m. Registration

5:00 p.m. Orientation & Competition

TBA Awards Program (at completion of tabulation)

The 2015 Texas 4-H Roundup Rules and Guidelines will be followed. The document can be obtained on the Texas 4-H Website at http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/roundup/. A resource available to help prepare for the contest includes the "Judging Wool and Mohair" publication, obtained through the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Bookstore, http://www.tcebookstore.org/.

Contestant entry will be made via 4-H Connect, https://texas.4honline.com/, during the timeframe of March 16-27, 2015. The registration fee is \$10 per contestant. The team name (e.g. Martin County Senior Team #1) and team member names will need to be provided.

For emergencies the day of the contest, please contact Aaron Renfroe, contest chair, at 325.226.0761.

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2015 D6 4-H WOOL & MOHAIR JUDGING AND EVALUATION CONTESTS INFORMATION

Wool & Mohair Judging and Evaluation Contests Committee:
Aaron Renfroe (Chair), Amanda Necessary, Chase McPhaul and Houston Dobbins

There is no limit on the amount of teams a county may enter.

Age division is based on the current 2014 - 2015 4-H year:

Junior Ages: 8 and in the 3rd grade, 9 & 10
 Birth dates between: Sept 1, 2003 – Aug 31, 2006

• Intermediate Ages: 11 to 13

Birth dates between: Sept 1, 2000 – Aug 31, 2003

• Senior Ages: 14 to 18

Birth dates between: Sept 1, 1995 – Aug 31, 2000

A team may consist of both junior and intermediate 4-Hers, but that team must compete on the intermediate level. Only seniors may constitute a senior team since it is a qualifying contest. The top three senior teams advance to state competition at Texas 4-H Roundup in College Station, June 10th.

TEAMS MAY COMPETE IN ONE CONTEST ONLY, EITHER WOOL OR MOHAIR. DESIGNATION WILL BE MADE PRIOR TO THE CONTEST VIA 4-H CONNECT ENTRY.

<u>Mohair Classes</u>: Two classes of four fleeces each will be placed and reasons checked. Twenty mohair samples will be evaluated for fineness.

<u>Wool Classes</u>: Judge two classes of wool and complete an evaluation form on each. Evaluate 20 fleeces for grade, staple length and yield.

No printed materials may be used as an aid during the contest. Contestants are ONLY allowed to have a clipboard and #2 pencils.

Ribbons will be awarded to each participant. The top three teams and individuals in each age division will be recognized. Additional prizes may be provided at the discretion of the contest committee.

ENTRIES THAT DO NOT MEET THE DEADLINES AND/OR REGISTER ON 4-H CONNECT PROPERLY WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.