

Date: March 30, 2023

To: County Extension Personnel, Volunteer 4-H Leaders and Ag-Ed Instructors

From: Bryan Kutz, Coach U of A Livestock Judging Team

RE: Youth Livestock Judging Camp

The Eighteenth Annual U of A Animal Science Youth Livestock Judging Camp will be conducted at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville on June 26<sup>th</sup> – June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The camp is open to boys and girls ages 9 and up, and participation will be limited to 100 youth.

The camp will be led by Bryan Kutz with the assistance of Allison Harman other members of the Animal Science faculty and staff and also members of the U of A Livestock Judging Team. The instruction will include current types in slaughter and breeding cattle, sheep, meat goats, and swine; judging livestock in six categories; live animal and carcass relationships; the use of performance data and preparing and presenting oral reasons. The methods of instruction will include lecture, demonstration, hands-on experience, one-on-one coaching and critiquing, and question and answer sessions. Each participant will prepare and present several sets of oral reasons. Groups will be divided into Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced.

We have defined what constitutes a beginner, intermediate, and advance so each participate can receive more from the camp.

**Beginner** – Have never attended camp with no judging experience.

**Intermediate** – Previously attended camp in the beginner division. Can have only been in the intermediate group at livestock judging camp for two years regardless of age. If they win the Intermediate Overall they **MUST** move up to the Advance group the following year.

**Advance** – If they are a member of a FFA or 4-H Livestock Judging Team regardless of experience they **MUST** be put in the advance group.

The judging camp will begin Monday morning, June 26<sup>th</sup> with check in between 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. at the Pauline Whitaker Animal Science Arena and conclude with the Livestock Judging Contest on Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> after the awards presentation and pictures (approximately 3:00 p.m.).

The youth will be housed at the Holiday Inn Express, Fayetteville AR and meals will be served at the Pauline Whitaker Animal Science Center or offsite at farms. Men and Women chaperones will be provided. The chaperones will be housed at the hotel with the youth and will accompany the youth in all sessions of the camp. **If you want to room with someone in particular, please make a note of that on your entry form.** Additional agents, volunteers or instructors that attend will pay \$175.00 for rooms and meals. **Please include application form, so that they will also receive follow up information and housing arrangements.**

**The fee of \$300.00 per person if paid by May 15<sup>th</sup> or \$325.00 if paid after May 15<sup>th</sup> includes:**

1. Double room (four people to a room) for Monday and Tuesday nights (**personal items**)
2. Seven meals beginning with lunch on Monday and concluding with lunch on Wednesday

3. Refreshments and an evening entertainment
4. Bound copy of the 2023 U of A Livestock Judging Manual
5. Judging notebook
6. Insurance and transportation to campus and judging sites
7. Official Livestock Judging Camp T-Shirt

**If you are commuting the fee of \$250.00 per person if paid by May 15<sup>th</sup> or \$275.00 if paid after May 15<sup>th</sup> will include everything listed above with the exception of the double room on Monday and Tuesday nights and breakfast each day.**

Checks must be made payable to University of Arkansas and received with the application form, statement of agreement, health release, and **copy of your insurance card (front and back)**. Please mail all information to: Dianna Watson, University of Arkansas, AFLS B106, Fayetteville, AR 72701. Refunds will not be made after May 22<sup>nd</sup>. **Late fees of \$25.00 will be assessed for all applications postmarked after May 15<sup>th</sup>.**

*Follow up information will be mailed shortly after the deadline to the attendees.*

Please duplicate the application packets to meet your needs. Please provide participants and their parents with the following phone numbers:

Bryan Kutz	479-575-4337	Pauline Whitaker Animal Science Center	479-575-2169
Dianna Watson	479-721-3969	Animal Science Department (Main Office)	479-575-4351
University of Arkansas Police	479-575-6626		

State \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_

School/Chapter/Club \_\_\_\_\_

Chaperone \_\_\_ Student \_\_\_ (please check)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

4-H \_\_\_\_\_ FFA \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

Skill Level: \_\_\_ Beginners 13 & Under \_\_\_ Beginners 14 & Up \_\_\_ Intermediate \_\_\_ Advance \_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in School (Fall 2023) \_\_\_\_\_

**This camp is limited to those students ages 9 and up.**

Registration Fee: \$300.00 per person (\$25.00 late fee after May 15th) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee: \$250.00 per commuter (\$25.00 late fee after May 15th) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fee: \$175.00 per Agent, Volunteer, or Instructor \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Official Judging Camp T-Shirt: YS YM YL YXL AS AM AL AXL A2X A3X (Circle size)

**MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: University of Arkansas**

Fee includes two nights lodging in a local hotel, meals, Livestock Judging Manual, transportation on campus, refreshments, entertainment, T-shirts and insurance.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Applicant)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Parent/Guardian)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Extension Agent/Ag-Ed Instructor)

Please mail all application materials and fee to:

ATTN: Dianna Watson  
B-106 AFLS Building  
University of Arkansas  
Fayetteville, AR 72701  
dlwatso@uark.edu

**Absolute Deadline: May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023**  
**No refunds after: May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Insurance ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

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Student's Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Work Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Person to be contacted in case of Emergency: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Co. \_\_\_\_\_ Policy No. \_\_\_\_\_

1. Is he/she taking any medications on a regular basis? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, what \_\_\_\_\_
2. Is he/she under a doctor's care at this time for any medical problem? \_\_\_\_\_. If yes, what \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Physician \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_
3. Does he/she have any chronic medical problems? (eg. Asthma, diabetes, epilepsy, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Has he/she had a close relative die from a heart attack before the age of 40? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Does he/she have a history of a head injury resulting in a loss of consciousness? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Does he/she have a history of mental health problems? \_\_\_\_\_. If yes, what? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Date of last Tetanus Shot: \_\_\_\_\_

The Student Health Center of University of Arkansas is hereby authorized to render primary medical care to my son/daughter during his/her participation in Livestock Judging Camp. This authorization is not intended to provide any unusual authority to the Student Health Center expected that authority necessary for routine and/or emergency medical care to a student residing on campus.

Medical diagnosis and treatment information shall be released to Director of Activity, following each medical visit to insure that medical recommendations and prescribed treatment will be available for the benefit of the student.

I authorize my son/daughter to receive medical care at the closest medical facility while Livestock Judging Camp is in session. This authorization is required in order to provide routing and/or emergency care to a student participating in Livestock Judging Camp.

Please sign below hereby agreeing to the conditions stated above.

Print Parent/Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Witness's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: Parent/Guardian will be responsible for charges that exceed our insurance coverage.**

**AGREEMENT ON CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARTICIPANTS  
U of A LIVESTOCK JUDGING CAMP**

We the undersigned, agree that \_\_\_\_\_  
(Applicant's Name)

will obey the rules of conduct for the Livestock Judging Camp set forth below:

1. Attend and be on time at all events and activities.
2. Observe hours set for being in rooms at night.
3. Avoid abuse of room furnishings. Participant or Guardian will pay for damages done.
4. No boys will be allowed in girls' rooms nor girls in boys' rooms either as individuals or as groups.
5. Participants will remain with their assigned groups throughout the events and activities of the camp – youth are not to leave hotel or training sites at any time.
6. Participants are to wear nametags at all times.
7. Observe rules of good manners and good grooming. (Manner of dress, make-up, hairdo, haircut, cleanliness, etc.)
8. Participant possession or use of alcoholic beverages and/or illegal drugs is prohibited. Violation of this regulation will result in delegates being sent home at their expense.
9. The University of Arkansas prohibits the use of tobacco and alcohol in any public place on campus.
10. If participant drives a vehicle, he/she will be required to park his/her vehicle at the Animal Science Center and turn over the keys to the camp leader.

Conduct not in keeping with the high standards of 4-H and FFA work and the University of Arkansas will not be tolerated. Flagrant violation of points listed above will result in the member being sent home at their own expense.

We understand the reason for this agreement is to insure conduct and behavior that will result in every participant receiving the full benefit and enjoyment of the education experience at the Animal Science Livestock Judging Camp, and it is not intended to place undue restriction upon them.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_(Applicant)

Signed \_\_\_\_\_(Parent/Guardian)

Date \_\_\_\_\_