

**TO:** Ag Instructors, County Extension Advisors, and 4-H Leaders

**WHAT:** Lake Land College Livestock Judging Contest - Mattoon, IL

**WHEN:** Saturday March 11, 2023 - Contest begins at 9:00 A.M.

* Pre-Registration Required via Google Form distributed by Feb 1, 2023
* Registration Form will close on Monday March 6, 2023
* No late entries will be accepted

You will not have to designate team members when you register - that can be done the

 morning of the contest. No additions the morning of the contest.

 Arrive between 8:00-8:45am to check-in at Fieldhouse the morning of the contest.

The students and staff of the Lake Land College Agriculture Division are again making plans for our Annual Livestock Judging Contest and would like to invite you to participate. We feel confident that our contest will have quality classes for your students to evaluate.

The contest will offer 9 classes; 3 cattle, 3 swine, 2 sheep and 1 goat. The contest will offer **3** divisions, detailed below. Please feel free to bring as many teams as you can. Division information:

# **Junior Questions - Use ScanTrons**

**Please Bring a Clipboard and No 2 Pencil!**

**8th Grade and Younger**

4 team members, Top 3 scores count

Judge 9 Classes, Answer 3 Sets of 10 Questions

**Senior Questions - Use ScanTrons**

**Please Bring a Clipboard and No 2 Pencil!**

**9th Grade and Older**

4 team members, Top 3 scores count

Judge 9 Classes, Answer 3 Sets of 10 Questions

# **Reasons - Use ScanTrons**

**Please Bring a Clipboard and No 2 Pencil!**

**All Ages**

4 team members, Top 3 scores count

Judge 9 Classes, Deliver 4 Sets of Reasons

One class in each species will have performance data that may include:

**Cattle EPD’s**: Birth Weight

 Weaning Weight

 Yearling Weight

 Milk Weight

 Breed Relevant Indexes

**Swine EPD’s**: Loin Eye Area

 Back Fat

 Number Born / Number Weaned

 Days to 250 lbs.

 Sow Productivity Index

**Sheep EPD’s**: 60 Day Weight

 120 Day Weight

 Type of Birth – single, twin, triplet

 Type of Rearing

 Dwarf Gene Status

The entry fee is $10 per student for questions contestants and $20 per student for reasons contestants (lunch included). This can be paid at registration.

The contest will be held on the Lake Land College campus, located one-half mile south of I-57 at Exit 184. If you are planning to arrive in Mattoon on Friday evening, there are high-quality motels located just off I-57 at exit 190, just 6 miles north of Lake Land’s campus.

 Super 8 Motel – (217) 235-8888

 Baymont Inn – (217) 234-2355

 Hampton Inn – (217) 234-4267

Following the contest, the results will be announced and top teams and individuals will receive awards. In addition, the Lake Land Ag staff and students will be available to answer any questions you might have concerning the college.

If you have any questions, call Hayden Wilder at (219) 208-1466 or email at hwilder@lakelandcollege.edu. We look forward to seeing you on March 11th.