

**2008 NACTA  
Livestock Judging**

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**Friday, April 18, 2008 – 7:30 am**

**Location** – Equine Arena at the Tarleton Ag Center

**RULES**

1. The contest will consist of nine (9) classes of livestock with (5) sets of oral reasons. It is anticipated that we will have 3 beef cattle (2 reasons), 3 swine (2 reasons), 2 sheep (1 reason), and 1 boer doe class.
2. Both two year and four year divisions will judge the same classes.
3. Each school may enter two teams, one official and one unofficial. Only the official teams are considered for the sweepstakes award. The official participating team must be designated prior to the start of the contest. All five members of the official team will be eligible for individual awards, but the Top 4 will be used for the team scores. Unofficial teams/members are not eligible for awards, and their placings will NOT enter into the determination of the sweepstakes award.
4. Contestants will have 15 minutes per class for ALL classes. Contestants will be allowed 2 minutes per class for their oral reasons.
5. Announcements during the contest pertaining to the soundness, performance data, etc. will take precedent over written rules.
6. Placings will be recorded upon the Universal Form A scan sheet with a #2 pencil.
7. Scan sheets WITHOUT a team number bubbled in will be disregarded.
8. Official placings and cuts will be presented after the completion of oral reasons.
9. The contest coordinator will supply the required scan sheets and any other materials required. Use of notes during oral reason presentation will NOT be allowed. Contestants are allowed to bring only a notepad and pencils.

10. No cell phones, pagers, or conferring during the contest will be allowed. Contestants observed in violation of this WILL be eliminated from the competition.
11. Tie Breakers:
  - a. The contestant/team with the highest reasons score will be awarded the higher placing.
  - b. The contestant/team with the highest score on market classes will be awarded the higher placing.
12. Results are FINAL after they are announced!