SHEEP SKILLATHON

ENTRY DEADLINE: DECEMBER 1, 2015

Superintendents: Dr. Shawn Ramsey

Tuesday, February 16

Registration:	1pm	MAC
Contest:	2pm	MAC

This show is subject to the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo General Rules, Junior Rules, and Special Rules listed in this section.

Contributors: Texas Lamb Validation Program & Texas Lamb Breeders Association

Description

This knowledge based competition is designed to enhance the educational experience of exhibiting at the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo by incorporating production and industry perspectives for the 4-H and FFA exhibitors. Contestants will be challenged with questions, skill stations, and a public speaking component encompassing various facets of the sheep industry.

SPECIAL RULES

- **1. Entry:** An entry fee of \$25 made payable to S.A.L.E. is required. Entries must be submitted online and official San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo entry forms must be completed.
- 2. Eligibility: Contestants must meet all Junior Show Rule Requirements.
- **3. Divisions:** The contest will be divided into three divisions.

Junior	Ages 8 - 10
Intermediate	Ages 11 - 13
Senior	Ages 14 - 18
Age as of Augus	st 31, 2015

4. Contest:

Juniors: *Preliminary Round*- Consists of a written exam and identification stations. *Finals*- The top 5 scoring contestants will advance to a final round of skill stations.

Intermediates/Seniors: Preliminary Round- Consists of a written exam and identification stations. Finals- The top 5 scoring contestants will advance to a final round of skill stations and a speech/thought question on a sheep industry issue.

- **5. Awards:** Texas Lamb Breeders Association will provide \$2,000 for special awards. Texas Lamb Validation Program will provide \$2,000 for special awards.
- 6. Study Materials: The questions and topics will come from the following sources:

Sheep Skillathon Study Guide: <u>http://animalscience.tamu.edu/academics/sheep-goats/</u>

Sheep Skillathon Score Sheet

I. <u>Exam</u>		Exam Total:
Time: Scoring:	1 hour to complete exam Senior – 100 Multiple Choice questions - 1 point each Intermediate – 50 Multiple Choice questions – 1 point each Juniors – 25 Multiple Choice questions – 1 point each	
II. <u>Identifica</u>	tion Stations	
Time: Scoring:	1 hour to complete Skill Stations (8 minutes per station) 7 stations = 110 pts.	
1. Medic (ation Potential areas: Medicine/Treatments)	Total:
2. Equip (ment Potential areas: Equipment used in a sheep production op	Total:
3. Nutrit	ion Potential areas: Feeds and feeding)	Total:
4. Healt	h Potential areas: Common symptoms of disease)	Total:
5. Breed	s Potential areas: Qualities of different sheep breeds)	Total:
6. Breed	s ID Potential areas: Identification of breeds)	Total:
7. Aging (Potential areas: Determine age of pictured sheep)	Total:
	Identif	ication Station Total:

III. <u>Finals:</u> (The top 5 placing contestants from each age division will advance to finals – Exam scores will be used to break ties scoring)

Part 1: Skills Stations

Time: 30 minutes to complete Skill Stations

Scoring:

Junior:	3 stations at 50 points each
Intermediate:	4 stations at 50 points each
Senior:	4 stations at 50 points each

Part 2: Speech/Thought Question

Time:	10 minutes to prepare speeches. Speeches are a maximum of 5 minutes
	Intermediate/Senior – Speech and Thought Question
	Junior: - NO SPEECH
Scoring:	45 points for speech, 5 points for thought question

Speech

Poise/Presentation (15 pts.)	
1. Easily understood?	
2. Is the voice expressive?	
3. Is the speaker confident and natural?	
Topic (30 pts. Total)	
Content (0-15 pts.)	
Organization (0-5pts.)	
Accuracy (0-10 pts.)	
Thought Question (5pts.)	

Speech Total:_____

OVERALL PLACING: