

# Livestock Evaluation Contest

Department: 5 • Division Code: LE

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Competition Date: Tuesday, October 12, 2010  
Scoring: Northwest College, Powell, WY  
Registration: NILE Office, (406) 256-2495

6:30 - 7:30 a.m. Registration - Expo Center  
7:30 a.m. Pre-contest instructions  
7:30 a.m. Judging all classes of livestock - Expo Center Arena  
Reasons will be given in rotation with classes  
12 noon Lunch - Grandstands  
(requires pre-paid lunch ticket - order on entry form)  
4 p.m. Awards - Grandstands



**Purpose:** To provide educational experience and incentive to learn more about meat animal evaluation and pricing. Also, to assist young people in enlarging their acquaintances among leaders in the livestock field and improve their communication skills.

**Registration:** Due October 1, 2010. **NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED, NO EXCEPTIONS.** Entries must be paid in full prior to competition. A purchase order is not considered a full payment. Names of team members and the chaperon, advisor, or leader attending with team must accompany entry form. Entries for ALL teams will be \$40. Entry forms are available from the NILE office or at [www.thenile.org](http://www.thenile.org).

**Eligibility:** Contestants must compete on either a 4-H or FFA team in order to be eligible for awards. Teams cannot be made up of individuals from separate FFA chapters or counties. FFA contestants must be currently enrolled in high school. An FFA team is eligible for national judging trip award if no more than one team member has previously won a national judging trip. In such case, past winner is not eligible to participate in team trip. If two past national trip winners are included on team, team is not eligible for trip award.

**Maximum Entry:** Two 4-H teams per county consisting of one (1) senior team and one (1) junior team — one (1) FFA team of four per chapter. Only those team members officially entered may judge from the arena floor. Additional judges are NOT allowed on the floor.

**Teams:** FFA teams will consist of one four (4) member team with top three scores counted as a team. 4-H teams will consist of one (1) senior team and one (1) junior team each consisting of four (4) members with top three scores counting as a team, Senior Member - 14 years and over as of current school year.

- All participants will be expected to remain in the contest until the announced hour of completion.
- Participants will be allowed a time of ten minutes to judge each class. Each participant is asked to judge independently and separately from other contestants or team members. This means there will be no visiting during the time of judging, upon penalty of disqualification. Any participant with a cell phone on their person during the contest will face automatic disqualification.
- The chaperon, advisor or leader is required to register their team, pick up judging packet and attend the leaders meeting prior to contest. The chaperon, advisor or leader must also be available to help in the contest. Coaches will also be asked to give a phone number where they can be contacted during the contest in case of emergency.
- Production records will be available on some classes of Breeding Stock. Final placing will be based on records as well as visual appraisal. For references you can use Market Lamb Evaluation, Bulletin 343; Judging and Classification of Wool, Bulletin 285; Sheep Raising for Beginners, Bulletin 324; Evaluating Modern Beef Cattle, Bulletin #1104, which are available from MSU, Bozeman, or from your local county agent. Procedures to Evaluate Market Hogs are available from Montana Pork Producers, Wayne Gipp, MSU Extension.
- All results as announced at the awards program are final. One award will be given in each category, all ties will be broken.
- The judging contest will consist of up to (16) classes selected from the following: beef - live feeder calf, breeding and cull-keep or market class; swine - market, breeding; sheep - market, breeding, cull; and reason classes. (The management reserves the right to alter any classes because of difficulty in securing livestock or any other reason).
- The first place Montana FFA team may represent the State of Montana at the National Western Livestock Evaluation Contest, January 2011, during the National Western Stock Show in Denver. If the first place team does not elect to participate at Denver the second through sixth place teams will be awarded the opportunity in order of placing, and will be awarded the money. If none of the top six teams participate at Denver, the money will revert to NILE. NILE will award the 1st place Montana FFA Team with a \$300 scholarship to help defray travel expenses. Team must apply to NILE for money on return from competition in Denver by submitting an invoice within 30 days of Denver competition or it will be forfeited.

**Awards:** Team champion & reserve champion FFA, Sr. & Jr. 4-H - plaque to each member & chapter, 3rd - 5th place teams - ribbon to each member (FFA, Sr. & Jr. & chapter). Individual champion & reserve individual champion FFA, Sr. & Jr. 4-H - plaque, 3rd - 6th place individuals (FFA, Sr. & Jr.) - ribbons. Division champion awards (Individual): Champion Beef, Sheep, Swine & Reasons Judge - FFA, Sr. & Jr. - plaque.



# Livestock Evaluation Registration

Payment or signed purchase order or school voucher **MUST** accompany entry form  
Or mail to: NILE, PO Box 1981, Billings, MT 59103, Phone (406) 256-2495, www.thenile.org  
FAX: (406) 256-2494 (only credit card or P.O. entries accepted by fax)  
NILE is not responsible for fax transmission errors - please phone to confirm receipt.

**(Entries must be postmarked by October 1)**

FFA Chapter/4-H Club \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

FFA Advisor/4-H Leader/Coach \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

County Ext. Agent (if 4-H) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Please list your 4 team members. Coaches may substitute any team member(s) up until the closing time of team check-in if necessary. Any questions regarding this process, please contact the NILE office at 406-256-2495.

**Only one (1) FFA team per chapter. Only one (1) Sr. and one (1) Jr. 4-H team per county. Teams must be made from members of the same chapter/county. Individuals must be part of a team in order to qualify for awards.**

FFA Team Member Names Please type or print clearly	Sr. 4-H Team Member Names	Jr. 4-H Team Member Names
1. _____	1. _____	1. _____
2. _____	2. _____	2. _____
3. _____	3. _____	3. _____
4. _____	4. _____	4. _____

\_\_\_\_\_ Team(s) @ \$40 per team..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Lunch Tickets - Tuesday, October 12 @ \$7 each..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Credit Card Payment Option: (circle one)      Visa      Mastercard      Discover		
A \$5 confirmation charge will be assessed for credit cards		
Name on Card _____		
Billing Address (address where statement is received): _____		
Card # _____	Exp. Date _____	Verification # _____
Signature _____		Date _____

**Make checks payable to NILE, or if using a voucher/purchase order or credit card, see below:**

**Voucher/P.O.** (valid only if copy of P.O. or voucher is attached)

School or District Name \_\_\_\_\_ Voucher/P.O. # \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Authorization \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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