

Important Rules Changes and Reminders for 2020

The following rule changes will be enforced/implemented for the 2020 Brazos County Youth Livestock Show, unless otherwise stated.


General Rules

2. Application for Entry

E. A single exhibitor is required to be designated on weight cards prior to classification.

Summary of Change: New rule requiring the specific exhibitor to be determined prior to classification.

10. Exhibition of Entries

 I. All exhibitors must take a picture at the show backdrop with the show photographer within one hour of the completion of their respective show, or they will forfeit their sale position. Their position in the sale will be filled at the discretion of show management.

Summary of Change: Pictures must be taken within 1 hour of show completion or sale lot will be forfeited.

17. Exhibitors, exhibitor family, friend and/or associates will not enter or attempt to enter the stall, pen or exhibit area of another exhibitor without the expressed consent of the exhibitor, exhibitor's parent, guardian, or show official, nor shall they handle, give, apply or provide any substance, or remove from the stall, pen or exhibit area any animal or exhibit. Violation of this rule may result in immediate suspension, expulsion, forfeit of any and all prizes, and/or removal from the show grounds, and/or any other penalty as solely determined by a majority vote of a quorum of the Board of Directors.

Summary of Change: New rule forbidding unauthorized contact with animals/entries; detailing possible penalties for violations.

18. No exhibitor will be allowed to enter any contest of the show if money is owed from the previous year(s) by the exhibitor or the exhibitors parents.

Summary of Change: New rule prohibiting entry by exhibitors that owe money to the association.

Premium Auction Rules

4. C. If any exhibitor has more than two (2) entries eligible for the premium auction, they must notify the recording secretary, in writing on Friday of the show, prior to the start of the Heifer show as to which entry should be dropped from the premium auction. Exhibitors with Market Steers have until 30 minutes after the conclusion of the market steer show to make their drops. Failure to do so will necessitate that the show management make this determination.

Summary of Change: Moves up the drop deadline for exhibitors that do not have market steers.

4. F. **Grand Champion** and **Reserve Grand Champion** of each market species division **MUST** sell regardless of the two-item rule. If the exhibitor has two Breed Champions and exceeds the two-item rule and does not choose by the end of the allowed drop time which one to drop the show management will decide by a random draw.

Summary of Change: Eliminated requirement to sell Breed Champions; clarifies selection of sale slot for exhibitor with multiple Breed Champions.

8. The premium auction sale order will operate on a rotational basis every year in the stated order following all Grand and then Reserve Grand Champions. The order will have two (2) subsets and the members of the subsets will rotate within their respective subset. The Grand Champion steer will remain as the first lot in the sale and the other three Grand champion species in Subset #1 will rotate in order every year. Reserve champions will mirror the order of the Grand champions. The remaining sale lots will sell according to the order outlined below. **The Overall Grand Agricultural Mechanics Project and Overall Reserve Grand Agricultural Mechanics project will sell immediately following all the Overall Grand and Reserve Grand animal species in each category.**

SUBSET #1

- 1) **Market Goats (2020)**
- 2) **Market Barrows**
- 3) **Market Steers**
- 4) **Market Lambs**

SUBSET #2

- 1) **Family & Consumer Sciences (2020)**
- 2) **Market Turkeys**
- 3) **Market Broilers**
- 4) **Market Rabbits**

SUBSET #1 WILL ALWAYS SELL IN THE PREMIUM AUCTION BEFORE SUBSET #2

Summary of Change: Clearly defines sale position of Agricultural Mechanics projects.

9. When all animals within a class are exhausted for sale lots, the next animal will be picked by a random draw from the remaining classes by show management.

Summary of Change: Defines procedure for sale lot selection under these circumstances.

Procedure for Rule Formulation

1. A form for recommendation of new rule/rule revision/schedule change is printed in each show catalog. The same form printed in the catalog will be also be printed as a separate item and distributed to Agriculture Science Teachers, Extension Agents and Adult Leaders for distribution to pertinent parties for return to the livestock show management within three weeks **(21 days)** of the completion of the show. Copies of the form will also be given to each show division chairperson for distribution to each of the division's exhibitors at the time of the show to be returned to the show division chairperson or management within three weeks **(21 days)** after the show.

Summary of Change: Allows 21 days to submit rule changes.

Drug Use Policy

10. Drugs

The Brazos County Youth Livestock Show will not tolerate the presence of Ractopamine Hydrochloride (Topmax) in Market Poultry.

Summary of Change: New rule clarification. Repeated under Market Broilers and Market Turkeys.

Market Barrows

1. Validation

To be eligible to enter, all market barrows must be validated with the Texas Swine Validation Program administered by Texas AgriLife Extension Service and the Texas Education Agency, division of Agriculture Science and Technology OR during the BCYLS market barrow validation program. The Brazos County Youth Livestock Association reserves the right to have hair follicle samples collected for DNA analysis by the Official Show Veterinarian, or his/her designated agent on the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion market barrow, as well as any other randomly selected market barrows. In the event the DNA analysis reveals there is not a positive match, the animal shall be disqualified and all trophies, awards, add-ons and premium auction money received by the exhibitor in connection with this exhibit shall be forfeited and the exhibitor's immediate family shall have a permanent life-time ban from entering or participating in any event sponsored or produced by the Brazos County Youth Livestock Association. BCYLS County Validated pigs will have a BCYLS tag and will have DNA samples collected at validation. Premium money forfeited by a disqualified

exhibitor will go to the first pig in the respective class that did not make the sale or a random draw if there are not pigs in the class that did not make the sale. If a pig loses its validation ear tag, the exhibitor or family should notify the county agent or ag teacher within 72 hours to request to have the pig re-tagged. Barrows arriving at the show without tags will incur a \$50 re-tag fee and a \$25 DNA sample fee. Those entries will automatically have DNA samples collected and tested.

Summary of Change: Provision for County Validated DNA samples; defined penalties for forfeited money; specified fees for retagging.

5. **Classification**

C. There must be six (6) market swine of a breed to make a breed division; otherwise, they will show in the OPB class.

Summary of Change: Increases the number of swine required to make a breed.

8. **Classes**

Determination of number of weight classes will be based on the number of exhibits entered in that breed division. The market barrow committee will make available to all exhibitors the number of weight classes and specific weights of each breed division following the weigh-in of all barrows at the show.

Summary of Change: Removes restrictions on weight class breaks.

Market Steers

7. **Release**

Steers not eligible for the premium auction will be released at the conclusion of the Mandatory Premium Auction Meeting.

Summary of Change: Delays release of steers.

Market Lambs

4. **Minimum Weight**

IMPORTANT

Lambs must weigh a **minimum of 120 pounds** at weigh-in.

Summary of Change: Increases minimum Lamb weight.

Rule 12: Special Awards – Removed County Bred Lamb Awards

Summary of change: Removed county bred lamb awards.

Ag Mechanics

Divisions V, VI, & VII, are open only to individual owned and constructed projects. The **Overall** Grand and **Overall Reserve** Grand Projects from Divisions V, VI, & VII will be eligible for sale in the Premium Auction. Ownership of projects selling in the Premium Auction will be transferred to the highest bidder.

Summary of Change: Addition of “Overall” to clarify sale eligibility.

Commercial Steers

9. Judging

Steers will be graded individually as follows:

Quality/Yield Grade	Points
Prime: Grade 1	15
Grade 2	14
Grade 3	13
Grade 4	8
Choice Grade 1	12
Grade 2	10
Grade 3	9
Grade 4	3
Select: Grade 1	6
Grade 2	5
Grade 3	4
Grade 4	2
All Grade 5's	1

REA	Points
13-18in	5
11.5-12.9in	4
10-11.4in	2
>18 in	3
<10in	1

Summary of Change: Modifications to points awarded for individual steer grade.

BCYLS Queen's Contest

3. Expectations

Each contestant must participate in the pre-sale of tickets for the Queen's dance and raffle. They must also be present the entire duration of the premium auction and any appearances assigned to them. They must be present the night of the interview for their interview. If the contestant cannot

complete the duties that take place prior to the dance, they will forfeit their prizes. If they cannot complete their duties the night of the premium auction, they will not be able to run for Queen the next year. Queen's contest prizes will not be dispersed until successful completion of all duties at the discretion of the Division Chair. Queen contestant interviews are **March 8, 2020** at **6:00 p.m.**

Summary of change: Clearly defines expectations of contestants and consequences for non-compliance.

6. Prizes – GUARANTEED MINIMUM

Queen - \$1500 scholarship

1st Runner-up - \$1000 scholarship

2nd Runner-up - \$750 scholarship

High Ticket Sales – TBD Scholarship

- **If additional money is available, the scholarship amounts may be adjusted.**

Summary of change: Additional scholarship for High Ticket Sales

BCYLA Livestock Judging Contest



Division Chairperson – Matt Stokes & Nick Philipello

General Rules for the BCYLA Judging Contest

1. Contestants must be bona fide 4-H or FFA members and certified as such by their coach at registration to be eligible to participate in the contest. Only Texas 4-H and FFA members may enter.
2. Coaches may enter as many individuals and teams as desired. Livestock judging teams will consist of three (3) or four (4) members, with the three (3) highest scores tabulated to comprise the team score.
3. The contest will be divided into Junior, Intermediate and Senior Divisions. Contestants in 3rd grade to 5th grade will be considered Juniors; contestants in 6th to 8th grade will be considered Intermediates; and contestants in 9th to 12th grade will be considered Seniors.
4. Entry Fees: \$10.00/Individual or \$40.00/Team pre-entered: \$15.00/Individual or \$60.00/Team on the day of the contest.
5. Contestants will be allowed eight (8) minutes per class.
6. There will be no cheating allowed. Anyone caught cheating will be removed from the contest immediately and disqualified. No cell phones or electronic devices will be allowed in the contest.
7. Scores will be on placing and questions only – no reasons. The tie breaking classes will be by standard deviation.
8. All scores will be tabulated using computer scan sheets. All contestants will be required to:
 - a. Correctly fill in their name, team name, team number, class placings and question answers. A mistake in the team number column will result in disqualification.
 - b. Use #2 pencils.
 - c. All ovals must be colored in completely and must be dark.
 - d. Any stray marks or mistakes must be erased completely.

- e. DO NOT fold or bend scan sheet in any way which may prevent the scan sheet from being read by the scanner. Any scan sheet which jams the scanner will result in disqualification.
 - f. Any scan sheets that are incomplete, incorrectly filled out, etc. for any reason will be scored a zero (0).
 - g. All scores tabulated by the computer are final; no changes will be made.
9. The decision of the contest officials is final.
10. Results will be posted on www.judgingcard.com
11. Contest Day Registration Packet Instructions Card: The registration card must be completed with the FFA or 4-H Club name, team member's names, and division to be entered (Junior, Intermediate, or Senior).. FFA chapters or 4-H clubs with more than one entry in a division must distinguish between teams (i.e. Blue FFA #1, Blue FFA #2, etc.)
12. Awards

Individual Awards

Junior, Intermediate & Senior Divisions

1st Place: Belt Buckle - High Point Individual

2nd-10th Place: TBD

Team Awards

Junior, Intermediate & Senior Divisions

1st-3rd Place Plaque

Summary of Change: Addition of specific rules for BCYLA Judging Contest.

Family & Consumer Sciences – Woodworking/Metalworking

Woodworking/Metalworking - Items from this category must be individually constructed, cannot be a chapter project. Self-contained battery-operated features are allowed. Electrical components that require a wall electrical outlet or that are not self-contained are not allowed. A brief description of steps taken to construct the entry, including special techniques and types of materials used, must be submitted on a FCS project form. Portfolios are optional, but the project form is still required.

Small projects are any project in which all single measurements (length, width and height) are less than 48". Small projects must be 100% ready for display when checked in and will be taken back by a volunteer. All entries must be within a size that can safely be carried through a single standard door. Please consider this during your planning.

Large projects are any project in which a single measurement (length, width or height) is 48" or larger. Large projects will be allowed a maximum of 20 minutes of setup time in the exhibit hall. FCS Committee members reserve the right to require individuals to leave the exhibit hall upon completion of setup or at the committee member's discretion. Setup must be finished by 9:00 am.

Summary of Change: New measurement requirement for size classification.

Family & Consumer Sciences – Photography

Photography Items – Exhibitor may enter a maximum of four (4) photos. All photos for competition must be the work of the exhibitor. A single photo cannot be entered in multiple categories (For example: the same photo cannot be duplicated in multiple categories – the same picture in color and black and white classes). Each photograph **MUST** be printed 8 in. by 10 in. in dimension on photo paper. All prints **MUST** be **PERMANENTLY** mounted on mount board (mat board material) or a thin foam board no larger than 8 in. by 10 in. Matting (of any kind) or framing is **NOT** allowed and will result in disqualification. Exhibitors **MUST** be able to provide original negatives, disk or print, if requested. Each entry must include the following information to ensure proper entry category: **Category, Title of Photo, Aperture, Shutter Speed, ISO; if using mobile phone, list phone model (ex. Samsung Galaxy 9). A description of how the photo was taken (2-4 sentences) must be included.** The information must be legibly printed or typed and securely affixed to the back of the photo in the center. If entering a photo in the Digital Manipulation/Special Effects Division, a description of the manipulation/special effects used must be included with the information listed above as well as a 4 in. x 6 in. copy of the original photo(s).

Category A: Fine Art: Color or Black & White including:

Still Life (pre-arranged or set-up by photographer)

Florals (focus on plant or flower structure - not scene or landscape)

Details/Macro (Close-up features of any object or design features (geometric lines, patterns, textures, inanimate objects)

Category B: Landscape/Architectural Structures: Color or Black & White including:

Natural scenes (sunsets, clouds, landscapes, etc.)

Rural scenes (farms, fields, etc.)

Urban cityscapes

Buildings/Structures

Underwater scenes

Category C: Portraits: Color or Black & White

People (active or inactive)

Animals (domestic or wild, sea creatures, etc.)

Insects

Category D: Brazos County Ag Life: Color or Black & White. Any photo taken during a fair/show or of agricultural commodities within Brazos County.

Category E: – Digital Manipulation/Special Effects **Photographs include any manipulation forms from what the camera took for artistic purposes.** Any photo that has been enhanced to bring out dramatic or artistic qualities, these enhancements can occur using the camera or developing process. Antiquing, hand coloring, hand-tinting, sepia-tone photos, bleaching, collage and photo composites would be entered in this division. **Reasonable and customary photo edits not to be included in the category include cropping, straightening and sharpening.** A description of what manipulation/special effects were used must be included on the back of the photo. **Must be accompanied by a 4 in. x 6 in. copy of the original photo(s).**

Family & Consumer Sciences – Classes and Judging Criteria

10. Classes and Judging Criteria

Class 1 - Baked Goods

- Category A Quick Breads
- Category B Yeast Breads
- Category C Cookies
- Category D Pies
- Category E Cakes/Cupcakes
- Category F Candy
- Category G Miscellaneous

Judging Criteria

- Complexity of Recipe/Ingredients
- Taste
- Characteristics of the Product
- Appearance/Creativity/Eye Appeal
- Accuracy to the Recipe

Class 2 - Canned Goods

- Category A Fruits & Fruit Juices
- Category B Jams/Jellies/Preserves
- Category C Pickled Items
- Category D Salsa
- Category E Vegetables
- Category F Miscellaneous

Judging Criteria

- Complexity of Recipe/Ingredients
- Characteristics of Product
(lack of sediment, bubbles, color, etc.)
- Taste
- Inclusion of the Recipe Details

Class 3 – Sewing

- Category A Constructed Garments
- Category B Constructed Purses
- Category D Quilted Article
- Category E Needle Point
(crewel, embroidery, cross stitch)
- Category F Knitted Article
- Category G Sewn items for the home: tablecloth, pillow, curtains
- Category H Miscellaneous

Judging Criteria

- Construction – Quality of Work
- Construction – Method Used
- Appearance
- Suitability of Fabric to Project
- Degree of Difficulty
- Description of Steps

Class 4 – Arts & Crafts

- Category A Crafts from Kits
- Category B Paintings & Drawings
- Category C Leather Work
- Category D Beading/Jewelry
- Category E Holiday Crafts
- Category F Miscellaneous

Judging Criteria

- Appearance
- Construction – Finishing of Item
- Construction – Method Used
- Design – Suitability
- Design – Originality

Class 5 – Woodworking/Metalworking

- Category A Small Woodworking,
under 48"
- Category B Large Woodworking,

Judging Criteria

- Appearance
- Construction – Finishing of Item
- Construction – Quality of Work

	48" and larger	Construction – Method Used
Category C	Small Metalworking, under 48"	Design – Suitability
Category D	Large Metalworking, 48" and larger	Design – Originality

Class 6 – Ornamental Horticulture

Category A	Dish Garden/Terrarium
Category B	Potted Plants (single plant variety)
Category C	Potted Plant (more than one variety)
Category D	Fresh Floral Arrangements
Category E	Silk Floral Arrangements

Judging Criteria

Overall appearance
Plant Suitability & Marketability
Plant Characteristics & Principles of Design
Creativity & Difficulty
Portfolio

Class 7 – Photography

Category A	Fine Art: Color or Black & White
Category B	Landscape/Architecture Structures: Color or Black & White
Category C	Portraits: Color or Black & White
Category D	Brazos County Ag Life: Color or Black & White
Category E	Digital Manipulation/Special Effects

Judging Criteria

Technical (Focus, Exposure, Lighting, Quality)
Subject (Creativity, Composition,
Impact, Uniqueness)

Summary of Change: Elimination and addition of various categories.

Family & Consumer Sciences – Peewee Division



Division Chairperson – Angela Catlin & Stephanie Czajkowski

Refer to 2020 Daily Show Schedule for specific information regarding project check-in and show times.

Special Rules for the Family and Consumer Sciences Division

1. Eligibility

Exhibition is open to Brazos County residents in Pre-K (4) through 2nd grade who are not current 4-H, FFA or FCCLA members. Exhibitors in the Peewee Division are not required to be members of the Brazos County Youth Livestock Association.

2. Entry

An official entry form will be available on the BCYLA website: www.bcylnet.net. Only one exhibitor's name and signature will be allowed on the entry form. Completed entry with applicable fees are due at validation. An FCS project form for each Baked and Canned good is due at validation. An FCS project form is due at check-in for the following: Baked and Canned Goods and Arts & Crafts. An entry fee of

\$10.00 per item entered will be payable with the entry form. Late entries for the FCS division will be accepted up to two (2) weeks after the deadline (postmarked and/or given to the Division Chairperson) at a penalty of ten (10) times the specified entry fee.

No early entries will be accepted. Each exhibitor may have more than one (1) entry per class. Each item exhibited must be the work of the exhibitor in whose name it is entered. All items must have been completed since the last year's BCYLS. **Judges reserve the right to change an entry from one category/class to another.** The BCYLS Family and Consumer Sciences Committee reserve the right to refuse inappropriate or unsuitable entries. Any entry not following the rules will not be judged.

The use of alcoholic beverages in the preparation or production of food exhibits is NOT permitted.

3. **Identification and Submission of Items**

Each item exhibited will be assigned a number, and that number will be placed on the entry card and item on the day of the show. The exhibitor's name should not be listed on the project.

Baked Goods - All items must be presented in a **STURDY** disposable container and covered. No glass will be accepted. Small items such as cupcakes, cookies, bars, and candies are to be exhibited in groups of at least six. Items that are pre-sliced or cut into parts will not be judged (except for cookies, bars, and candies that are cut for grouping). Exhibitors must submit an FCS Show Project form at validation and bring a copy with the entry on the day of the show. The form must specify all steps used in preparation of the product. All items will be cut and may be tasted. All parts must be 100% edible. EXCEPTION: Those items such as columns, toothpicks, etc. used for support. No food item that requires refrigeration will be accepted. Items defined by USDA or FDA as requiring refrigeration include pumpkin, chess or pecan pies whose fillings use eggs and milk as major component; cream cheese frosting or fillings where cream cheese is a major component of the item; and items that include raw eggs and are not heat processed, such as homemade mayonnaise.

Fresh fruit is not allowed. Note this is not a complete list. If further clarification is needed concerning this rule, please contact the FCS committee prior to validation. Recipes will be reviewed at validation, and you may be asked to substitute part of or an entire recipe. All baked good items, with the exception of Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Baked Goods and Jr., Int. and Sr. Class Champion and Reserve Class Champion Baked Goods, will be sold following the judging in the FCS exhibit hall. The proceeds from these sales will be used to benefit the FCS division. **Label all baked good items with the name of recipe only for bake sale.** Any baked good items that are not purchased will be subject to the regular release rule, see Rule #4.

Arts & Crafts - Items in this division are to be judged on appearance, construction and originality. Entries should be neatly displayed. Item should be attractive, creative and clean. Paintings and drawings can be matted and framed at the discretion of the exhibitor. **Self-contained battery-operated features are allowed. Electrical components that require a wall electrical outlet or that are not self-contained are not allowed. Projects must be 100% ready for display when checked in and will be taken back by a volunteer. All entries must be within a size that can be safely carried through a single standard door. Please consider this during your planning.** A brief description of steps taken to make the entry, including special techniques and types of materials used, must be submitted on a FCS project form.

4. **Release**

Any baked or canned good items not picked up by check out time will be thrown away. Any other items not picked up by check out time, will be forfeited to the BCYLA FCS committee. Neither the BCYLA nor its representatives will be responsible for the items not picked up by check-out time.

5. **Liability**

The BCYLA and its representatives will not be responsible for accidents and broken or stolen items.

6. **Division Age Groups**

The division will consist of one age group.

8. **Awards**

Awards will be awarded to the 1st place winner in each Category. Awards will also be awarded to Class Champions and Reserve Class Champions.

9. **Premium Auction**

Items entered in the peewee division are **not** eligible for sale at the premium auction.

10. **Classes and Judging Criteria**

Class 1 - Baked Goods

- Category A Quick Breads
- Category B Yeast Breads
- Category C Cookies
- Category D Pies
- Category E Cakes/Cupcakes
- Category F Candy
- Category G Miscellaneous

Judging Criteria

- Complexity of Recipe/Ingredients
- Taste
- Characteristics of the Product
- Appearance/Creativity/Eye Appeal
- Accuracy to the Recipe

Class 4 – Arts & Crafts

- Category A Crafts from Kits
- Category B Paintings & Drawings
- Category C Leather Work
- Category D Beading/Jewelry
- Category E Holiday Crafts
- Category F Miscellaneous

Judging Criteria

- Appearance
- Construction – Finishing of Item
- Construction – Method Used
- Design – Suitability
- Design – Originality

Summary of Change: Addition of Family & Consumer Sciences Peewee Division.