To: General Livestock Judging Teams

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Re: Final Details for 2016 State General Livestock Judging Contest

Greetings Coaches!

Listed below is the schedule for the 4-H General Livestock Judging Contest. We are excited about this excellent opportunity for youth to learn about livestock, meet new people and experience healthy competition. We hope that you have a safe trip to St. Paul and we are looking forward to seeing you.

**Tuesday, August 23**
There will be a Coaches Meeting in Haecker Hall Room 205 on the University of Minnesota, St. Paul Campus at 6:30 p.m. Classes and cards will be outlined at this time. Any changes to teams and rosters must be made at this time.

**Wednesday, August 24**

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<td>6:00 a.m.</td>
<td>Optional breakfast in the State Fair 4-H Building (must have purchased tickets in advance along with the State Fair Registration process)</td>
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<td>6:30 a.m.</td>
<td>Registration and Pictures: Ruttan Hall B45</td>
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<td>7:30 a.m.</td>
<td>Orientation: Ruttan Hall B45</td>
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<td>8:00 a.m.</td>
<td>Contest begins: Beef Barn on St. Paul Campus</td>
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<td>11:00 a.m.</td>
<td>Box Lunches: Ruttan Hall B45. All participants are required to purchase a ticket for a lunch as a part of the State Fair registration. Followed by Reasons.</td>
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<td>3:00 pm</td>
<td>Official Reasons: Ruttan B45</td>
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<td>5:00 pm</td>
<td>Supper: Erickson Stage on 2nd Floor of 4-H Building on State Fairgrounds. All participants are required to purchase a ticket for a supper as a part of the State Fair registration process.</td>
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<td>5:30 pm</td>
<td>Awards: Erickson Stage 2nd Floor of 4-H Building.</td>
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**Grades**
Intermediate teams or individuals are 4-H members who have completed grades 6 – 8. Senior teams or individuals are 4-H members who have completed grade 6 to one year post-high school. Please note that for national trips (Louisville, Denver, and Kansas City) there are additional age requirements.
Classes
Teams will judge nine classes of livestock consisting as stated in the 2016 4-H Premium Book. The classes will be outlined at the Coaches Meeting on Tuesday, August 23 at 6:30 p.m.

Scores
Class scores are up to 50 points per class (50 is a perfect score), reasons score up to 50 points per class and 25 points per questions class.

The following will apply in the case of ties in both Individual and Team scores. Ties for each species will be broke first by species reasons score, second by species questions score and third by overall score. Team and Individual ties for reasons will be broke by overall score. Team and Individual ties for overall rank will be broke first by overall reasons score and second by overall questions score.

For teams judging four individuals, the low score for each species will be dropped.

Again this year the Minnesota 4-H General Livestock Judging Contest will be using the electronic ScoreCon Judging System.

Parking
Parking may sometimes be a problem on the St. Paul Campus. Parking will be available in the Gortner Avenue Parking Ramp and also the parking lot in front of the Andrew Boss Laboratory and Food Science and Nutrition buildings. Maps can be accessed via the web at http://campusmaps.umn.edu/tc/.

Contestant Dress Code
While there is no formal dress code, this is a professional contest and 4-Hers are encouraged to dress appropriately. There will be many 4-Hers in blazers, ties, khakis, etc. Nice jeans and button-down or polo shirts are also appropriate. Also, be prepared for rain as participants will be outdoors.

If you have any questions, please contact either of us:
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