

Texas Junior State Show Contest Rules

Belton Texas

Note that these are State Rules and differ from National Rules in some cases – if you are entering at the National level, you will need to see those rules as well as those deadlines. All contests require that the contestant be a member of the TJPHA or TJHA. All ages are as of January 1, 2017. Please check out our Facebook page for updated information – [2017 TJHA/TJHPA Hereford State Show](#).

Photography Contest

Photographs must conform to the JNHE subject area of Hereford Cattle, which includes photographs that highlight Hereford cattle on the farm, ranch or at a Hereford event, and in which the cattle are the dominant focus of the picture. Contestants must develop or have their own photographs developed. Photographs may be color or black and white, and must be 8X10 in size. Photos should be clearly labeled with the contestant's name and age (as of January 1st) on back of the photo. Photos should not be matted or framed. We will place them in a plastic sleeve for display and judging during the State Show. A maximum of two photographs may be entered per contestant. Photos must be submitted no later than Wednesday at 5:00pm at the designated Jr. sign-up table. The contest will be judged for first, second and third place in each age division.

Divisions are: Peewee (up to 9 years of age as of Jan 1st);
 Junior (10 – 13)
 Intermediate (14 – 17)
 Senior (18 – 21).

Promotional Poster Contest

The objective for the poster contest will be to promote the Hereford breed. Posters should promote or describe any Hereford activity or program. Creativity, originality, personal design and personal handwork will be considered in judging. Poster dimensions must be at least 14" X 22" and no larger than 22" by 28". Only one poster may be entered per contestant. Contestant's name and age (as of January 1st) should be put on the back of the poster. Posters must be submitted no later than 5:00pm on Wednesday at the designated Jr. Sign-up table. Posters will be judged and displayed during the State Show. The contest will be judged for first, second and third place in each age division.

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Shadow Showmanship

Contestants in this event cannot be younger than 6 years old. This event is designed to encourage Peewee and young exhibitors to ask an older exhibitor to assist them in the show ring to gain one-on-one experience in the actual show ring environment. Participants need not enter a heifer or steer to participate. Each participant needs to ask an exhibitor to borrow an animal. If the participant does not know an exhibitor, ask an advisor for assistance. Contestants must sign-up no later than 5:00pm on Wednesday at the designated Jr. sign-up table.

Creative Arts

This contest is sponsored by the Pollettes. The purpose of this contest is to encourage junior members to use their artistic skills and create an impromptu advertisement. The contest will follow the theme of the State Show. The Texas Pollettes will provide all art supplies and all artwork must be done at the workstation during the contest participation time. Only one 1 final entry will be accepted and judged from each contestant. All pre-Pee wee and Pee wee contestants will receive a participation prize. All other age divisions will be judged and prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each age division.

Divisions are:

- Pre- Pee wee (up to 7)
- Pee wee (7 to 9)
- Junior (10 – 13)
- Intermediate (14 – 17)
- Senior (18 – 21)

Pitchfork Award

The award is presented to the junior exhibitor that displays a combination of cleanliness, uniformity in stalling (exhibitor cards, panels, etc.)

Junior Herdsman Award

A nominating committee will observe exhibitors throughout the Texas Jr. State Show and nominate six individuals. Final selection will be made by exhibitors in a ballot vote at the conclusion of the show on Saturday. The top three individuals will be recognized, with the Outstanding Junior Herdsman, going to the junior receiving the majority of votes. In selection, emphasis is placed on the exhibitor's sportsmanship, presentation of show entries, work habits, honesty and knowledge about the Hereford Industry. Herdsman award candidates must enter and show an animal at the current state show. This award can only be received once in a junior's career.

Premier Jr. Breeder

Award points are computed from winnings in breeding animal classes; points are given only for individual classes; no points for champions or groups. In case of ties, sixth place will be counted on a 1-point basis. One award will be given - no separate award for horned and polled shows. Points computed in accordance with NJHA standards

Premier Jr. Exhibitor

Award points are computed from winnings in breeding animal classes. Only placings from a maximum of three animals will be allowed for each exhibitor. If an animal is exhibited in both the Owned and Bred-Owned shows, the highest placing will be counted toward the award. In case of ties, tabulations will proceed to division champions/reserves, giving 2 points for a champion and 1 point for a reserve. If no winner is determined at this point, additional animals' points will be counted until a clear winner is determined. Points computed in accordance with NJHA standards.

The following contests are sponsored by the Texas Pollettes

Texas Illustrated Speech Contest

Texas Pee wee Speech Contest

Texas Extemporaneous Speech Contest

These rules will be posted separately on the web site.

Herdsman Award winners

2004 Ilissa Nolan
2005 Kaylee Kuykendall
2006 Kani Knippa
2007 Jessica Coffelt
2008 Will Echols
2009 Kristen Brown
2010 Shelby Rogers & Malorie Phelps
2011 Erich Schatte
2012 Jonathan Chachere
2013 Garrett Cline
2014 Scott Chachere
2015 Hannah Schneider
2016 J.D. Schnitker
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