

BEEF FITTING CONTEST

Friday, August 2, 2019 @ 12:30 pm
Registration closes: Thursday, August 1, 2019 at 5 pm
Entry Fee: \$ 20.00 per team

Awards Offered:

- First Place Team: \$100 Premium and Awards
- Second Place Team: \$80 Premium and Awards
- Third Place: \$40 Premium and Awards



Contest Information and Rules

1. Registration forms will be available at the Livestock Office during the Fair.
2. Each team will consist of four individuals. One team member must be from each age division: ages 9 to 12; ages 13 to 15; and ages 16 to 19. (Use contestant's age as of January 1, 2019.) The additional team member may be from any of the three age divisions.
3. All individuals must be good standing members of a 4-H Club, FFA or Grange Chapter and be an exhibitor at the 2019 fair.
4. Each team will be responsible for bringing a heifer or steer to use in the competition. Heifers and steers are not to be groomed but should be washed and dried. Animals will be checked before the competition begins.
5. Each team must provide their own fitting equipment. Once the contest begins, no team member may leave the area and no additional equipment may be brought into the area.
6. Once the fitting area is designated for each team by the contest officials, the team may set up their grooming chute and supplies in their designated area. These items should be in place at least 10 minutes prior to the announced starting time of the contest.
7. Each team will be allowed 30 minutes to fit their animal.
8. Each team member must fit a leg, using a clipper and blower.
9. All fitting and grooming techniques must be performed in an ethical manner.
10. Once the animal has been groomed and time is called, the team will stand at the head of the animal until the judges get to them to review their animal. When the judges arrive, the animal needs to be taken out of the chute and presented by the team. Judges will be encouraged to ask one question per team member at this time. Each team member must answer one question.
11. Judging:
 - a. Judging will be by a two-member panel of judges based on 50 points maximum from each judge. Each judge shall total their score and rank the teams in numerical order on the basis of their score. (Highest score first, lowest score last.)
 - b. The rankings (not the score) of the two judges shall be added for each team, and the final placings determined by the lowest composite rankings. Actual scores will be used only to break ties. In the event the participants are still tied, they shall be named co-winners and two awards will be given for that placing and none for the following placing.
 - c. Points will be awarded as follows:
 - i. Ability to fit - 20 points
 - ii. Participation of each team member - 10 points
 - iii. Overall effectiveness - 10 points
 - iv. Organization of supplies & equipment - 5 points
 - v. Knowledge & response to questions - 5 points