

# State FFA CDE Livestock Judging Guidelines

**Date of Contest: Friday Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018**

**Time: 9:00 AM, promptly**

**Place: UConn Cattle Research Unit (CRU)**

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## References:

- Modern Livestock and Poultry Production 8<sup>th</sup> Edition, James Gillespie
- National FFA Livestock Judging General Knowledge Exams 2013-2017

## Contest Format:

1. General Knowledge Test: 50 Questions all Multiple Choice

2017-Sheep

**2018- Swine**

2019- Beef

NOTE: The National Contest "test" covers all species

2. Individual Judging: 6 classes, two each of beef, sheep and swine

There will be two reasons classes: one breeding and one market

Reason classes will be 15 minutes long. Non-reason classes will be 12 minutes long.

3. There will be a keep/cull class consisting of 8 animals

4. Team event: evaluation of swine production records.

## Contest Rules:

- Absolutely no electronic devices allowed during the contest. Cell phones should be turned off.
- Each School is allowed four contestants with all four scores being totaled to make up the team score.
- The individual written test scores, judging scores, and reasons scores are added to the team event for the team total score.
- Official Dress **is recommended including boots**
- Dress in layers and for all types of weather .....the show must go on!!! Boots advised!

- Bring a lunch / water
- Bring EXTRA writing utensils.....more than one pencil
- Teachers / coaches.....**Bring clipboards and extra pencils**
- **There is no talking during the contest**.....this could lead to a student being excused from the contest.
- Please have students prepared for the contest with at least three prior practices.
- Please advise students to be waiting by their appropriate reasons area with two people ahead of them. EX: “one who is next, one on deck and one in the hole”.
- Please volunteer, or send a volunteer, to help monitor classes and to move students to appropriate reasons rooms.
  
- All the CAAE CDE rules apply to this contest.