



# JUDGING CONTEST March 18, 2022 | TBD

Held in conjunction with the Ohio Beef Expo Ohio Expo Center | 717 E. 17th Ave Columbus, Ohio

#### Contest open to all 8-21 year olds (as of 1/1/22)

The OCA BEST program's Stockmanship Division provides a pathway for youth to participate in the BEST program without showing an animal. It expands BEST participants' knowledge of cattle and provides youth with an opportunity to showcase their abilities and talents outside of the show ring. The Stockmanship division is comprised of beef industry-focused events and competitions that are in conjunction with BEST shows. This division of the BEST program is open to all Ohio youth. If an existing BEST participant would like to sign up for the Stockmanship division, they will do so under their BEST user profile at best.ohiocattle.org for no additional cost outside of existing cattle nominations. If age-eligible individuals would like to participate in the Stockmanship division, but don't have cattle enrolled in the 2021-2022 BEST program, they should create their username and profile at best.ohiocattle.org and select to participate in the Stockmanship division. Non-cattle exhibiting BEST Stockmanship participants must have a current \$75 family OCA membership and will pay a one-time participation fee of \$60. Individuals may sign up for the Stockmanship program at any point throughout the season.

#### **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**

7:00-8:00 AM	Registration
9:00 AM	Judging Contest - Location TBD
2:30 PM	Judging Contest Awards and Photos

## Early Registration Deadline: Monday, March 7, 2022 | \$10 per participant

## LATE Registration Deadline: March 8-18, 2022 | \$15 per participant

#### **Judging Contest Rules**

- Registration for the contest is \$10.00 per individual and \$40.00 per team if registered by March 7, 2022. Team registration after March 7, 2022 up until the day of the contest will be \$15.00 per individual and \$60.00 per team. ALL registrations must be made online at www.ohiobeefexpo.com.
- 2. Teams do not have to be from the same county or chapter. Teams can consist of 3 or 4 people, the 3 highest scores count for the team placing.
- 3. All participants should bring a Steno Notebook or clipboard and No. 2 sharpened pencil.
- 4. Competitors will be allowed 12 minutes to evaluate each class.
- 5. While the contest is in progress there will be no conferring between contestants or between a contestant and anyone else except as directed by the group leader.
- 6. Animals will be numbered from left to right as viewed from the rear.
- 7. Coaches and parents are not allowed to mingle with contestants after the contest has officially started. If they are viewing the contest they must remain in the seating area. Only contestants and contest personnel are permitted in the judging area.
- 8. A perfect score in the placing of a class will consist of 50 points.
- 9. Determination of placings when scores are tied:
  - a. If tied, the contestant or team having the highest score on questions shall be listed first.
  - b. If still tied, the contestant or team having the highest placings scores on question classes shall be listed first.
  - c. If still tied, the discretion of the committee will be used to break all ties.
- 10. If questions concerning the interpretation of the rules arise, the decision of the judging contest committee shall prevail.
- 11. Questions will be asked orally at the conclusion of the judging portion of the contest. Students will not be receiving a list of questions to answer while judging, but rather will be answering the questions based on memory.
- 12. Points for the OCA BEST Stockmanship division will be awarded individually to participants based on their overall judging contest finish.
- 13. Judging Contest Awards will include Recognition of Junior & Senior Division Top 10 Individuals & Top 5 Teams

## **For More Information**

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