

SOUTHWESTERN EXPOSITION AND LIVESTOCK SHOW

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2020 CALF SCRAMBLE RULES

GENERAL

1. Each exhibitor, participant or other individual or entity participating in any aspect of the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show, including without limitation, livestock and animal entrants, and calf scramble participants (collectively, "Exposition and Livestock Show Participants") including any of their heirs, dependents, assigns, agents or representatives in any capacity, hereby waives all rights and claims for damages, and do hereby agree to release, hold harmless and unconditionally indemnify the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show, directors, sponsors and co-producers of any Exposition and Livestock Show events, and any officials or employees, thereof, from and against all liability, costs, expenses, claims and damages, even if caused by the alleged negligence or gross negligence of the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show, which the Exposition and Livestock Show Participant or the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show may at any time suffer or sustain or become liable for by reason of any accidents, damages, injuries or incidents either to the person or property, or both, or the Exposition and Livestock Show Participant, or if any other parties, in any manner arising from such Participant's participation in any Exposition and Livestock Show event or at any Exposition and Livestock Show premises which is in any way connected with the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show, its officers, directors, members, agents, sponsors or employees. Exposition and Livestock Show Participant also recognizes that it will be solely responsible for any consequential or other loss, injury or damage to, or occasioned by, arising from, any horse or other livestock used by the Participant or present at the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show, including the preparation, duration and disbanding of said Show and any parts thereof. Each Exposition and Livestock Show Participant further agrees to execute such releases or other writings or other documents which evidence Participant's acknowledgment and understanding of the foregoing release and indemnity, provided, however, the provisions hereof shall prevail in the event that a conflict or other inconsistency is discovered regarding the contents of this provision, and any release executed by a Participant. Further, Exposition and Livestock Show Participant grants permission to the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show and their designees to use Exposition and Livestock Show Participant's image or likeness in connection with any broadcast or other reproduction of this event.
2. **INCOMPLETE MINOR RELEASES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.** All information requested on the Minors Release must be complete. There must be two adult witnesses to the signing of the Release by the parents and the participants. **BOTH PARENTS** must sign the Release. However, if the parents are divorced, or if one is deceased, one signature is sufficient, **BUT THE NOTATION OF "DIVORCED" or "DECEASED" MUST BE IN THE SPACE PROVIDED**, or Minors Release will be returned.

SELECTION OF CONTESTANTS

1. The 2020 Calf Scramble will be held in 22 of the Rodeo performances. There will be twenty (20) participants and seven (7) alternates scheduled for each performance. The participants will be guaranteed a position in the Scramble. The alternates will be used to fill any vacancies.
2. Participants should be carefully selected using the guidelines listed under Paragraph 3.
 - a. The Calf Scramble is made available to both girls and boys who reside in the State of Texas and are members of 4-H or FFA.
 - b. Scramble participants must be 14, 15, 16 or 17 years of age on January 1, 2020, and not beyond their junior year of high school. (Born 9/01/02 – 1/01/06)
 - c. Each 4-H Club's or FFA Chapter's entries must be received at one time as a group.
 - d. **ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVE BASIS.** Students will be notified through their AST or CEA about their status. After all positions have been filled, remaining applications will be kept on file and AST or CEA will be notified should a position become available.

- e. Each County Extension Agent or Agricultural Science Teacher may enter a maximum of six students. The following chart should be followed with regard to the number of participants in relation to the number of alternates. Designation must be made on the entry application indicating whether the applicant is a participant or an alternate.

ENTRIES NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS CHART WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

<u>Number of Applicants</u>	<u>Number of Participants</u>	<u>Number of Alternates</u>
1	1	0
2	2	0
3	2	1
4	3	1
5	3	2
6	4	2

- f. If for any reason a participant or alternate is forced to withdraw from participating in the Calf Scramble, it is the responsibility of the AST or CEA to notify the Calf Scramble Office immediately. Failure to notify the Calf Scramble Office may disqualify other participants from that Chapter or County.
3. The following questions should be taken into consideration by ASTs or CEAs when selecting participants.
- a. The Scramble Purchase Certificate awarded to the winner is for the purchase of a registered beef or dairy heifer, and will be mailed to the winner. Most participants have had to add more money in order to obtain a suitable animal for showing. Would the participant’s parents be financially able to add extra funds if it is necessary?
 - b. Does the participant have suitable facilities for caring for and developing the animal of their choice?
 - c. Does the participant have a real desire to own and show a registered animal?
 - d. Is the participant the type who will devote the required attention to the animal in an effort to bring a good animal to the 2021 Show that he or she, their sponsor, their supervisor and the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show will be proud to exhibit?
 - e. Are the participants’ grades satisfactory enough to allow them to participate in the Scramble, as well as to spend the time away from school (principal permitting) to bring the animal to the 2021 Show and stay with her for the days necessary to show and care for her?
 - f. Will the participant be conscientious in submitting regular monthly reports to the Calf Scramble Office and to the sponsor?

ARENA RULES

1. Participants and calves will be placed in the arena as directed by the arena director.
2. The Calf Scramble will be refereed by an appointed group of referees.
3. Participants will take into the arena a rope halter which will be supplied by the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show. The halter cannot be used as a lariat. Halters must be placed on the head of the animal in the usual way. (It is suggested that the supervisors of all participants instruct the participants in the proper use of a rope halter, and how to place it on the head of a calf before coming to the Show to participate in the Scramble.)
4. At no time will a participant be permitted to tie the rope to his body or belt.

5. Each participant will attempt to catch and halter one of the calves released in the arena. The participant catching a calf is required to halter it and lead it across the finish line.
6. If a participant catches a calf, no other participant will be allowed to touch the calf unless it breaks free.
7. If a participant catches the calf by the tail, they will be given a reasonable amount of time to work around to its head; otherwise, the referee will instruct them to release the calf.
8. If two or more participants simultaneously catch the same calf, the calf will be released.
9. If a participant loses a calf with his halter on, it then becomes a “free calf”. The participant is permitted to recapture the calf by the halter or rope, but any other participant who catches this calf will have to catch it in the usual manner, then remove the halter and put their own halter on the calf.
10. A participant who catches and properly halters a calf and leads it across the finish line will be declared a winner when so indicated by the referees.
11. Undue roughness will not be tolerated by the referees. Poor sportsmanship automatically disqualifies any participant.
12. Contestants must wear blue denim jeans and a Calf Scramble jersey. (Jersey to be provided by the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show.)
13. Shoes with any type of metal cleats will not be allowed.

INTERSCHOLASTIC RULING

The Interscholastic League State Executive Committee in cooperation with the State Board of Vocational Education has formulated the following model for the Calf Scramble Rules which permits the event, but still protects the participant’s amateur standing. This is done, as will be noted in the Rules, by placing the whole matter under the supervision of the Agricultural Science Department of the School and Texas AgriLife Extension Service and prohibiting the participants from receiving anything of cashable value for winning the athletic part of the program.

1. A participant shall not receive rewards of any kind for participating in a Calf Scramble.
2. Special awards may be given for these animals when they are exhibited in competition with other animals, and all awards and other money derived from the sale of the animal will belong to the participants as a reward for their labor, feed, veterinary, insurance and other costs, after the year’s project has been completed and the animal shown at the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show.
3. Title to an animal received in a Scramble shall not pass to the participant catching the calf until the participant has demonstrated under competent supervision their interest in caring for the animal and their ability to follow competent instructions in feeding, grooming and showing said animal. The animal must be returned for exhibit at the next Show, unless circumstances approved by the Livestock Show Management, sponsor and supervisor, make this impractical. Example: The animal may turn out to be unsuitable for the project due to deformity, disease or other unforeseen reasons.
4. Animals received in a Scramble will not be allowed to be sold, traded or disposed of until the participant receives title to the animal. Under no circumstances will a “For Sale” sign be displayed while an animal is being exhibited at the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show.
5. Payments will only be made to the seller of the animal. No payments will be issued directly to a winner or member of the winner’s family. Students, parents, or supervisors will not be issued payments for reimbursements.

RULES FOR PURCHASING HEIFERS WON IN THE CALF SCRAMBLE

1. A participant catching a calf in the Calf Scramble and otherwise being declared a winner will receive a purchase certificate valued at \$500 with which they may use to purchase a registered beef or dairy heifer of their choice. The eligible breeds will be listed on the backside of the purchase certificate. This certificate, along with complete instructions, will be mailed to the winner's AST or CEA approximately two weeks after the conclusion of the Show.
2. Winners must purchase their animal from a bona fide herd outside of their immediate family (i.e. winners may not purchase an animal from themselves or a family member).
 - a. The heifer **MUST BE PURCHASED BY THE WINNER NOT LATER THAN JUNE 1, 2020**. Registration certificates must be transferred and/or recorded in the purchaser's name on or before November 1, 2020.
 - b. **BEEF HEIFERS:** The calf must be recorded or registered in the association records of one of the following breeds: ABERDEEN-ANGUS (Black), BEEFMASTER (must be registered with B.B.U.), BRAFORD, BRAHMAN, BRANGUS (must be registered with IBBA), BRAUNVIEH, CHIANINA, CHAROLAIS, GELBVIEH, HEREFORD, LIMOUSIN, LONGHORN, MAINE-ANJOU, POLLED HEREFORD, RED ANGUS, SANTA GERTRUDIS, SHORTHORN, SIMBRAH, SIMMENTAL. Beef Heifers must have been born on or after January 1, 2019.
 - c. **DAIRY BREEDS:** The calf must be purebred and registered in the association records of one of the following breeds: AYRSHIRE, BROWN SWISS, GUERNSEY, HOLSTEIN, JERSEY or MILKING SHORTHORN. Dairy heifers must have been born on or after December 1, 2018.
 - d. There will be no separate classes for Scramble heifers. Dairy heifers will be shown in the Junior Dairy Show. Depending upon breed purchased, beef heifers will be shown in the Junior Beef Heifer or Open Beef Cattle Shows. Beef and Dairy Heifers must meet eligibility requirements for their respective classes at the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show.
3. No payments will be issued as reimbursement to a winner's relative or supervisor. Payments will only be issued to the seller of the animal.
4. The purchase certificate should be given to the seller of the animal. The seller is responsible for transferring the registration certificate to the Scramble winner's name. The transferred registration papers and Scramble purchase certificate must be submitted by the seller to the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show, Attn: Calf Scramble, P.O. Box 150, Fort Worth, TX 76101-0150, at one time, before payment will be issued.
5. Any certificate not redeemed by September 1, 2020, will automatically become null and void. In the event that breed association requirements restrict the registration of an animal before this deadline, the purchase certificate and an affidavit stating that the animal has been purchased from the seller must be sent to the Calf Scramble office to be kept on file until the registration papers are received.
6. The payment will not exceed the amount of the certificate. If an animal is purchased for less than the amount of the certificate, a check will be issued from the Stock Show to the seller for the actual cost of the animal.
7. The original registration certificate will remain in the files of the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show until the recipient has entered this heifer in the 2021 Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show.
8. The obligations of the Calf Scramble Program must be met and this must be verified by the Scramble winner's supervisor. If not, the winner will be required to return the \$500 to the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show.

REPORTING AND EXHIBITION

1. Once a month, beginning with the month of June, the winner is required to submit a monthly report about their project. Winners must devise their own method of record keeping and make their monthly reports in the form of a letter. These reports, as well as any photographs, folders, etc., should be sent to the student’s sponsor. The Calf Scramble office should receive a photocopy of the reports and other material the sponsor receives. The January 2021 report should be a final essay on the entire project titled “My Scramble Project”.
2. Depending upon breed purchased, winners must exhibit their animal in the Junior Division or Open Division of the 2021 Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show. Scramble exhibitors must indicate boldly on the entry card that their entry is a SCRAMBLE HEIFER. Braford and Longhorn will show in their respective open show.
3. Original registration certificate will be mailed out upon receipt of 2021 Junior Livestock Show entry.
4. Depending upon breed purchased, winners must care for their animal in accordance with the rules of the Junior Show or open Show Divisions.

COMBINING CERTIFICATES

Winners will be allowed to combine their Fort Worth Calf Scramble purchase certificates with certificates won at other livestock shows. The Calf Scramble Office must be notified prior to selection of the heifer.

CALF SCRAMBLE SCHOLARSHIPS

A minimum of thirty scholarships with a total of \$21,500 will be awarded to Calf Scramble exhibitors participating in the 2020 Calf Scramble. The scholarship recipients will be selected by a committee based on the Scramble exhibitor’s overall performance, including monthly reports, essay and placing at the 2021 Show.

Due to the outstanding efforts of the Calf Scramble Committee, minimum scholarship commitments have been exceeded for several years. The following guide outlines last year’s scholarship totals:

Scholarships awarded in 2019 to Calf Scramble Exhibitors totaled	
	\$291,000.
1 -	\$ 16,000
4 -	\$ 10,000
10 -	\$ 8,000
45 -	\$ 3,000
10 -	\$ 2,000

<p>To be eligible for scholarships, please review the “Reports and Exhibition” section at the top of this page.</p>
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These scholarships will be provided to the winning students to use as scholastic assistance beginning with their initial semester of enrollment at a college or university of their choice. To be eligible for scholarships, please review the “Reports and Exhibition” section at the top of this page.

RODEO TICKETS

It is not necessary for the students, parents or supervisors to purchase rodeo tickets to view the Calf Scramble. The Calf Scramble Committee will escort the group to the designated areas.

For those who wish to attend the entire performance, a block of tickets will be reserved and may be purchased on a first-come, first-served basis until January 3. Once contestants have been notified of the performance they are to compete in, supervisors are encouraged to contact the ticket office as soon as possible to ensure desired seating. Ticket orders from each 4-H Club or FFA Chapter should be made at one time as a group. No complimentary seating will be provided.

After the post scramble meeting, the Calf Scramble Committee will escort the students back to the viewing area. Those students will not have a seat, unless they purchased a ticket; but this will allow the students whose families purchased tickets, to meet them at the conclusion of the rodeo.



2020 ENTRY APPLICATION

MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:
SOUTHWESTERN EXPOSITION AND LIVESTOCK SHOW
ATTN: CALF SCRAMBLE, PO BOX 150, FORT WORTH, TX 76101-0150
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(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

Contestant's Name _____

Date of Birth (9/1/02 – 1/1/06) _____ Grade (8, 9, 10, 11) _____

Mailing Address _____

Social Security Number _____ Phone Number _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Contestant's E-Mail Address _____

FFA Chapter or 4-H Club _____ County _____

AST or CEA's Name _____

Chapter/Club Mailing Address _____

Chapter/Club Physical Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Office Phone Number _____

AST or CEA's Cell Phone Number _____

AST or CEA's E-Mail Address _____

THIS APPLICANT WILL BE:

PARTICIPANT _____ ALTERNATE _____

THIS AGREEMENT MUST BE FULLY COMPLETED BEFORE THE CONTESTANT WILL BE PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CALF SCRAMBLE

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

I, or we, _____ and _____ (hereinafter "Parents" whether one or two),
(Father) (Mother)

Parents of _____ ("Contestant"), a minor, born _____

I (We) the undersigned, hereby make application to enter the above event, subject to the rules and regulations of the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show, all of which I (We) have read, and agree to the provisions contained therein, including without limitation the provisions relating to the release and limitation of liability of the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show, the unethical fitting of livestock, the merchantability of livestock and the substance abuse policy and agree to the provisions contained therein as a part of this contract. I (We) understand the inherently dangerous nature of participating in Stock Show and Rodeo events, and I (We) knowingly assume all risks in connection with my participation in these events. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (We) waive and relinquish, covenant not to sue, and fully release and forever discharge Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show, its directors, officers, sponsors, employees, rodeo producers, agents and volunteers (SWELS Parties) from any and all claims, causes of action and/or liabilities whatsoever, at common law or otherwise, for personal injury, including death, loss, and damages which I (we) may sustain as a result of or in connection with my participation in any activity held by or under the direction of SWELS during January and February 2020, even if such claim or injury is caused by the sole or concurrent negligence of any SWELS parties.

I (We), also, hereby grant authority to the physician or physicians of the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show, or any other medical personnel which they designate, to administer any treatment as may be deemed necessary or advisable in the treatment of this contestant.

I (We) grant permission to SWELS and its designees to use my image or likeness in connection with any Rodeo broadcast, rebroadcast, or other reproduction of the event and in any Rodeo publicity, advertisement, or program.

NOTE: Signatures of Parents, Contestant and Witnesses MUST BE THEIR OWN. This release will not be accepted unless the signatures of Parents and Contestant are witnessed by TWO ADULT WITNESSES.

(Father's Signature)

(Mother's Signature)

(Contestant's Signature)

WITNESS:

1 _____
Signature

2 _____
Signature

Address

Address

SIGNED this _____ day of _____, 20_____