

**Bell County Youth Fair
Invitational Agriculture Product ID Contest
2020 Contest Rules**

Date: Friday, Feb. 7, 2020

Location: Bell County Expo – Belton, Texas

Entry Fee: \$10.00 per contestant during pre-registration; \$15.00 per contestant on-site

Registration: 11:30-12:00 noon

Contest Begins: 12:00 noon

Contest Results & Awards: TBD

Ag Product ID Contest Superintendent: Michael Canales, 254-541-6293 cell

Pre-registration: \$10/contestant prior to deadline Chapter Advisors and County Extension Agents can enter teams through www.judgingcard.com

Registration: \$15/contestant on-site Registration will be from 11:30-12:00 noon at **Bell County Expo Center** the morning of the contest. The contest is open to any and all 4-H Clubs and FFA Chapters in Texas. Individuals who wish to compete without a team are also welcome.

Teams may consist of three or four members, with the three highest scores being used. There will be a junior division (8th grade and below), and a senior division (9th-12th grade). In order for junior members to qualify for High Point Awards, they should not be placed on a Senior Team. The number of teams entered per chapter/club is unlimited.

1. Contest Format.

- a. 20 Texas agricultural products are selected from the attached Texas Agriculture Products List and exhibited at separate stations.
- b. Contestants select the correct identification of each product from four possible answers.
- c. Each station also has one multiple choice question pertaining to the product on display. Questions are general to the industry that produced the product, (i.e. Texas' national ranking, economic impact to Texas, general nutritional content, region of production) or specific to the individual product that is on display (i.e. cooking method, use, growing season, specific nutrition of the cut or variety).
- d. Contestants are given 40 seconds at each station to answer both questions.
- e. Contestants must advance from one exhibit to the next when instructed to do so.
- f. Contestants must evaluate each exhibit in sequence and will not be allowed to return to any exhibit after advancing.

2. Scoring. Contestants will receive five points for each product that is correctly identified and five points for each question that is correctly answered. However, for points to be awarded on questions pertaining directly to the product displayed, the product must be correctly identified. (Total possible points: 200 per individual.)

3. Team Scores. Team scores will be determined by the combined score of the three (3) highest scoring individual team members. The contestant with the lowest score will be designated as alternate, but will still be eligible to receive individual awards. (Total possible points: 600 per team.)

4. Ties: Five stations will be selected as tie breakers in advance of the contest. Teams with the highest cumulative scores at these five stations will win any ties. If ties still remain, winners will be determined by a method designated by the contest officials.

5. Study Guide. The Ag Product Identification Study Guide can be found at the following link: <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/Ag-Product-ID-Information.pdf>

6. Scan Sheet. The Agricultural Product Identification Form scan sheet, Form #API2 will be used. http://agrilife.org/d84h/files/2013/09/Ag_Product_ID_Scan_Sheet.pdf

7. Additional Resources. The following websites are recommended references. Teams will also benefit from their own web searches and by visiting supermarkets to view products listed on the Texas Agriculture Product List.

Texas International Produce Association - <http://texipa.org>
TAMU Extension Horticulture & Crops - <http://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/>
USDA Cuts of Beef - <http://www.certifiedangusbeef.com/cuts/Default.aspx>
Pork Cuts - <https://texaspork.org/pork-facts/>

8. Awards: Awards will be presented as follows:

High Team: Senior and Junior -	Banner and Individual Ribbons
2nd – 5th Place Teams: -	Individual Ribbons
High Individuals – Senior and Junior -	Buckle
2 nd – 5 th Place Individuals	Individual Ribbons

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