



Intercollegiate Meat Judging Contest

In cooperation with the American Meat Science Association

Superintendent:

Leslie Frenzel, American Meat Science Association

Sunday, October 19, 6:00 a.m., Nebraska Beef, Omaha, NE

Entry Fees: \$40 per registrant

Online entries and information is available at www.meatjudging.org

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American Meat Science Association

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Entry Deadline: September 1, 2025

An Awards Dinner will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 19.

Location to be announced.

1. This contest includes National and American Division teams.
2. A team shall consist of four (4) students. No college shall be represented by more than one team.
3. Alternates will be allowed to judge in an Alternates Contest. However, they will lose their eligibility for this contest in the future.
4. A contestant must be an undergraduate student who is a regularly enrolled student at the institution he/she represents. It is further required that the contestant has at no time served as an instructor in any college, university, or secondary school.
5. Teams will judge or grade thirteen (13) classes as follows:
 - a. Two classes of beef carcasses
 - b. Two classes of wholesale beef cuts
 - c. Two classes of pork carcasses
 - d. Two classes of fresh pork cuts
 - e. Two classes of lamb carcasses

6. The above classes for judging will consist of four (4) exhibits each. Reasons will be written (American Division) or questions answered (National Division) on five (5) of the above classes.
 - a. One class of 15 beef carcasses for quality grading.
 - b. One class of 15 beef carcasses for yield grading.
 - c. One class of 10 specification cuts (American Division).

7. Each carcass in the quality grading class must be graded as high, average, or low within one of the following U.S. grades:
Prime, Choice, Select (high or low only), Standard, Commercial, or Utility.
Each carcass in the yield grading class must be graded to the nearest tenth within one of the five (5) yield grades. The beef grading classes, and the specifications as officially recognized by the USDA.

8. No contestant will be eligible to compete in any judging contest at the American Royal if they have any sanctions or disciplinary action taken against them by the North American Livestock Show & Rodeo Managers Association, The International Association of Fairs and Expositions, 4-H, FFA, and/or breed association(s).