PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST RULES & GUIDELINES

1. All of the general rules of the CCJLS are applicable to this contest.

2. Exhibitor Eligibility – To compete in the Cherokee County Junior Livestock Show Photography Contest, an exhibitor must be a member of 4-H or FFA.

3. Exhibitors will be divided into three age categories:

a) Pee Wee- See General Rule #4.

Please note, Pee Wee *MUST* follow photo submission deadlines; including email submissions.

b) Junior –ages 9-12 years old

c) Senior – 13 years old and up

4. Time of Entry and Check-In: The entry form and $30.00. for each entry (or $10.00 for Pee Wee) must be completed and turned in by - see Deadline and Schedule Dates.

DIGITAL ENTRY DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 28, 2027- MIDNIGHT

Entries will be disqualified if submissions are not received by the deadline

*Entries MUST be emailed to kbeasleyccjls@gmail.com
Size Ratio: any size ratio, except panoramic, is acceptable.
File Size: Photo must be a minimum of 1 MB (1,000 KB) and a maximum of 20 MB.

Tips: Upload the highest resolution possible. Review your photo at 100% size before uploading. Check your photo's file properties and/or metadata to ensure it meets the file size requirements. 1 MB (megabyte) is equivalent to 1,000 KB (kilobytes). Photos that are less than 1,000 KB do not meet the minimum file size requirement.

5. Each exhibitor will be permitted only one entry per photography class. Photos may be submitted only one time and in only one class. Questions arising in classification of entries will be resolved by the superintendent in charge of the photography division.

6. All classifications will be checked upon online submission by a superintendent.

7. Project submitted online must reflect entry form. Failure to do so will result in entry being disqualified. No Exceptions.

8. All entries must have been made by the exhibitor since the last CCJLS photography contest and be the original work of the exhibitor. All photography shall be suitable for display to the general public. Exhibitors should avoid adult themes or subjects in the displays, and may be disallowed in the discretion of the superintendent or the CCJLS Committee.

9. All entries must be received by February 28, 2027 to be blindly scored by a panel of pre-selected judges. The top 10 entries in each class will be notified via email used to submit photography entry no later than March 14, 2027 and will be required to bring properly matted entry to be displayed during the show. **The top 3 entries in each class will need to be prepared for interviews as well.** ALL PEE WEE ENTRIES WILL BE INTERVIEWED AND WILL NEED TO BRING THEIR MATTED PHOTOGRAPH. If an exhibitor leaves the barn or is not immediately available for interview, they will forfeit their place.

Each photograph will be judged against a set of judging criteria and not against photographs of peers. Based on total points awarded for each photograph, winners will be awarded prizes in each class according to placings. Judges decisions will be final.

10. First place winners will compete for Division Grand Champion and Reserve – Junior and Senior

13. A judge may not be used more than two years in a row for the same division.

14. Alterations: Color and Black & White photos are allowed in all classes. Although slight computer enhancements are allowed, such as cropping, minor adjustments of lighting, and red-eye reduction; substantially altered photography, such as applying design styles, or using computer graphics will disqualify an entry.

16. Top 10 photography entries will be required to 2024 be matted with a sturdy backing. Required sizing is 8x10 photograph mounted on an 11x14 backing. Stretched canvas boards are accepted without mats or frames. No frames or glass allowed due to weight and safety.

17. All entries must include a 6-8 sentence paragraph describing the subject & methods of photography used for the entry.

18. Photography Classes are as follows: Peewee, Junior & Senior Classes

o Animals: Domestic & Wildlife – Focuses on tamed - pet or livestock OR animals commonly found in the wild – wildlife in nature, zoos and/or petting zoos. Photos should not include people.

o People – Focuses on all walks of life, parenting & family, children, models/fashion, sports, couples. All individuals in the photos must have provided consent and permission to be photographed. If requested, a release will be needed from the photographer and subject.

o Landscape: Nature & Plant – Focuses on the beauty of the outdoors including: landscapes, cityscapes, seascapes, farms, flowers, trees, sunsets, etc. Photos should not include animals or people.

o Theme: Sunsets– This class will focus on a different aspect of agriculture each year.

The theme for the 2027 CCJLS is Sunsets.

BAKED GOODS CONTEST RULES & GUIDELINES

1. Any food item deemed not in an appropriate container will not be judged and will be disqualified.
2. Each exhibitor will be permitted only one entry per division per class. Questions arising in classification of entries will be resolved by the superintendent in charge of the Baked Goods contest.
3. Project entered on show day must reflect entry form. Failure to do so will result in entry being disqualified. No Exceptions.
4. Recipes exhibited must be created solely by the exhibitor as a result of their regular school curriculum or as a 4-H/FFA project.
5. ***All work must be done by the exhibitor***.
6. Time of Entry: The entry forms and $30.00. entry (or $10.00 for Pee Wee) must be completed and turned in by - see Deadline and Schedule Dates. Food entries will be accepted on - Deadline and Schedule Dates.
7. Awards: Winners will be awarded prizes in each class according to placings. First place class winners will compete for their respective division Grand Champion and Reserve.
8. A judge may not be used more than two years in a row for the same division.

Divisions: Cake, Mini Cake, Theme (2027 Pie)

Cake Division
Class 1: Decorated/Frosted

Class 2: Plain Glazed/Bundt

Mini Cakes Division (Can include, but not limited to)
Class 1 Cupcakes
Class 2 Muffins
Class 3 Brownies

2027 THEME DIVISION

ALL AGES *EXCEPT* PEEWEE

Chocolate Pie

9. ***All food items MUST be on a thin board or paper plate (no glass) and in a disposable container (NO EXCEPTIONS).*** Disposable containers can be round, square, or rectangular cardboard cake boxes with closable lids or cardboard boxes/boards wrapped in white freezer paper covered with clear plastic wrap. Disposable aluminum containers with lids and/or covered with clear plastic wrap are also acceptable. Purchased paper doilies may be used. No glass containers will be accepted.
10. All food items must be made from scratch. No item that is a packaged mix or pre-made is allowed. This includes but is not limited to cake mix, pudding mix, gelatin mix, biscuit mix, cornbread mix, pre-made icing, frosting mix, prepared dough, pie crust mix, prepared pie dough.

No food requiring refrigeration will be accepted. Items containing fresh fruit will be accepted but CANNOT be garnished with fresh fruit. *Superintendent's decision on perishability is final.*

All food entries may be "blindly judged" and scored by a panel of pre-selected judges. The top entries will then be interviewed by the judges and placed according to their scores. Each exhibitor must be available during judging for questioning about his/her recipe. If an exhibitor leaves the barn or is not immediately available for interview, they will forfeit their place. **NO EXHIBITORS OR PARENTS ARE ALLOWED TO BE PRESENT DURING THE BLIND TASTING.**

All food entries, including Grand and Reserve winners will become the property of the CCJLS.

11. Two copies of the recipe will be needed at check-in. One copy needs to be attached securely to the food item and not have wording that identifies the owner. The other copy will have exhibitor's name, age division, and club/chapter name printed neatly on the back. Recipes must be typed on standard copy paper (8.5x11). ***NO HANDWRITTEN RECIPES WILL BE ACCEPTED. NO EXCEPTIONS***.
12. Recipes shall not be repeated more than every 4 years.
13. Exhibitors will submit one photograph of themselves for each entry working on their entry/entries.
14. ***ALL ENTRIES WILL BE CUT AND TASTED.***

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CANNED GOODS CONTEST RULES & GUIDELINES

1. Any food item deemed not in an appropriate container will not be judged and will be disqualified.
2. Each exhibitor will be permitted only one entry per class. Questions arising in classification of entries will be resolved by the superintendent in charge.
3. Project entered on show day must reflect entry form. Failure to do so will result in entry being disqualified. No Exceptions.
4. Recipes exhibited must be created solely by the exhibitor as a result of their regular school curriculum or as a 4-H/FFA project.
5. ***All work must be done by the exhibitor***.
6. Time of Entry and Check-In: The entry forms and $30.00. entry (or $10.00 for Pee Wee) must be completed and turned in by - see Deadline and Schedule Dates. Food entries will be accepted on - Deadline and Schedule Dates.
7. All containers must be standard canning jars (mayonnaise jars, etc. will not be accepted). Rings and rims must be left on the jars. Jars with rusted rings will not be accepted. Pectin may be used in jellies, jams, and preserves. No decorated jars will be accepted.
8. Entries must be the work of the exhibitor and have been processed in the last year.
9. **Entry must be a minimum of TWO 1 pint jars. One jar will be tasted & judged and the other will be entered into the silent auction to benefit the CCJLS Scholarship fund excluding the Grand & Reserve Champions. All jars must be labeled with the exhibitor's name, age division, and club/chapter name placed on the bottom of the jar.**
10. Canning will be judged in accordance with the Ball® Canning Guidelines and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Guidelines.
11. Canned items exhibiting clear indication of spoilage will be automatically disqualified.
12. Two copies of the recipe will be needed at check-in. One copy needs to be attached securely to the food item and not have wording that identifies the own er. The other copy will have exhibitor's name, age division, and club/chapter name printed neatly on the back. Recipes must be typed on a standard piece of copy paper (8.5x11). NO HANDWRITTEN RECIPES WILL BE ACCEPTED. ***NO EXCEPTIONS***
13. All food entries will be "blindly judged" and scored by a panel of pre-selected judges. The top 10-15 entries will then be interviewed by the judges and placed according to their scores. Each exhibitor must be available during judging for questioning about his/her recipe. If an exhibitor leaves the barn or is not immediately available for interview, they will forfeit their place.
14. NO EXHIBITORS OR PARENTS ARE ALLOWED TO BE PRESENT DURING THE BLIND TASTING.
15. Awards: Winners will be awarded prizes in each class according to placings. One Grand Champion and One Reserve Champion will be selected from the first place class winners.
16. A judge may not be used more than two years in a row for the same division.

Class 1
Jellies, Jams, Preserves

Class 2
Pickled Items

Class 3
Salsa/Relish