

## 2009 CALF SCRAMBLE

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### **CONTESTANT ELIGIBILITY**

1. Contestant must have reached their 12th, but not their 18th birthday on January 1, 2009 and not be enrolled beyond their Junior year in high school. FFA and 4-H members must reside in the State of Texas and be active members of an FFA Chapter or 4-H Club.
2. There will be 19 performances during the 2009 San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo, 24 (12 FFA & 12 4-H) contestants and 12 calves will be selected for each performance. Contestants and calves will be placed in the arena as determined by S.A.L.E.
3. No participant will be permitted in more than one scramble performance, either FFA or 4-H, in any one year.
4. Contestants may be awarded only one (1) San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo Calf Scramble Purchase Certificate during his or her FFA or 4-H career.

### **CONTESTANT SELECTION**

1. Contestants will be selected ONLY by their AST or CEA.
2. Each participant must complete a current Minor's Release. BOTH PARENTS must sign the Minor's Release. If the parents are divorced or if one is deceased, one signature is sufficient, but "divorced" or "deceased" must be noted on the Minor's Release. If one parent cannot sign in front of the Notary, an affidavit must accompany the Minor's Release. Incomplete forms **WILL NOT BE** returned. The Supervisor of the Participant will be notified and the first available alternate from that Area or District will be assigned to that position.
3. Medical survey forms will be required for each contestant. These forms will be mailed in December to the contestant's Supervisor. A form for each contestant must be completed and mailed to the Livestock Department by January 15, 2009. In addition, contestant's requiring medical attention 30 days prior to their scramble date MUST provide a doctor's release at check-in. Contestants will not be allowed to scramble if either of these requirements are not met.
4. S.A.L.E. will only accept Minor's Release Forms from FFA or 4-H Coordinators, postmarked by October 1, 2008. Contestants will be notified of their acceptance through their FFA or 4-H Supervisors. All appropriate credentials to enter the S.A.L.E. grounds, rodeo ticket purchase information, maps and any other correspondence will be sent directly to the FFA or 4-H Supervisors.
5. Those participants that cannot compete on the day posted for their FFA Area or 4-H District may switch with another participant, prior to January 15, 2009. The request to change must be made in writing and sent to the Livestock Office. The Livestock Office will keep these requests on file and will accommodate if possible. In the event that a change is possible, both parties will be notified immediately. No changes will be made after January 15, 2009. Participants that cannot be accommodated will be responsible for attending the date as posted or will be replaced by the next eligible alternate.
6. The Interscholastic League State Executive Committee, in cooperation with the State Board of Vocational Education, has formulated a plan to permit Calf Scrambles and still protect the participant's amateur standing. This is accomplished by placing the matter under the supervision of the Agricultural Science Department of the participating school and the AST. Participants are prohibited from receiving anything of cash value for winning the athletic portion of the program.

### **ARENA RULES**

1. Contestants will carry a halter into the arena, with an attached ten-foot rope supplied by S.A.L.E. Neither the halter nor the rope may be used as a lariat. The halter must be placed on the animal as instructed in the Calf Scramble Orientation.
2. Contestants may not work as a "team". Each contestant will attempt to catch and halter one of the calves. Each contestant catching a calf is required to lead that calf across the finish line without assistance. After placing the halter on the calf, the contestants will not be permitted to fasten the rope onto their bodies in any manner.

3. If a contestant has hold of a calf, no other contestant will be allowed to touch the calf unless it breaks away. If two or more contestants catch the same calf, they will be ordered by the referee to release the calf.
4. If a calf is caught by the tail, the contestant will be allowed a reasonable amount of time to place the halter on the calf. However, at the direction of the referees, the contestant must let the calf go.
5. Poor sportsmanship will automatically disqualify the contestant. Undue roughness will not be tolerated, whether towards participants or to the animal. There will be no less than 8 referees appointed.
6. Proper attire must be worn. Jeans, closed-toed shoes, and the issued Calf Scramble t-shirt are required. (Overalls, flip-flops, sandals, shorts, and hats/caps are not allowed.)

### **PURCHASE CERTIFICATE RULES**

1. The S.A.L.E. Purchase Certificate value is \$800.00. This Purchase Certificate may be used to purchase animals in only one of the following Junior Breeding Animal Departments: Beef, Dairy, Swine, Sheep and Goats.
2. Animals purchased with the S.A.L.E. Certificate must be approved by the Exhibitor's AST or CEA.
3. Purchase, delivery, possession, and registration transfer into Exhibitor's name must all take place before the required date as listed below:
 

Breeding Beef, Dairy, Sheep and Goats:	November 1, 2008
Breeding Swine:	December 1, 2008
4. Exhibitors may NOT purchase animals from themselves, immediate family members, family ranches or partnerships or their AST or CEA. This is to include animals which were previously owned or bred by exhibitor, immediate family members, family ranches or partnership or their AST / CEA.
5. If animal(s) is/are purchased for less than the Purchase Certificate amount, a check will be issued to the seller for the actual cost of the animal(s). Under any circumstance, checks will NOT be issued to the exhibitor, 4-H Club, FFA Chapter, Supervisors or exhibitor's parents.
6. Exhibitors may combine their winnings from S.A.L.E. with other major Stock Shows. Exhibitors must designate on the S.A.L.E. Purchase Certificate, which show they are combining Purchase Certificates. The original, completed S.A.L.E. Purchase Certificate must be sent to San Antonio. The original registration papers and the health papers must be sent to the Show early in the calendar year. (ex. Fort Worth, San Antonio, Austin, Houston) The original registration will be forwarded to and held by the last show in the calendar year in which Purchase Certificates were combined.
7. Upon purchasing a Calf Scramble project(s), exhibitors are required to:
  - A. Submit the Original S.A.L.E. Purchase Certificate, Original Registration Papers and Health Papers to the Livestock Department by December 15, 2008.
  - B. Submit appropriate entry materials through their Supervisor by December 1, 2008.
  - C. Submit an Official S.A.L.E. Calf Scramble Record Book by January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009.
  - D. All animals purchased with a San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo Calf Scramble Certificate must return and show at the 2009 San Antonio Stock Show as the Exhibitor's 4-H or FFA project(s) in the Junior Breeding Show.
8. Exhibitors that fulfill the S.A.L.E. Calf Scramble requirements listed above will receive the original registration papers for their project at the conclusion of the 2009 San Antonio Stock Show.
9. Exhibitors who fail to fulfill all or part of the obligations as listed, will result in the revocation of all rights to the Purchase Certificate and possible repayment of all or part of the value of the Purchase Certificate to the San Antonio Livestock Exposition, Inc.