

2017 Aggie Commercial Steer Camp

Held on the Texas A&M University Campus

July 26-27, 2017



Day 1 - Wednesday July 26, 2017

Held at the Texas A&M Beef Cattle Center on FM 60 west of College Station

- 9:00am Check in at the Texas A&M University Beef Center
Doughnuts, Kolaches, Juice and Coffee
- 9:30am Moderator – Andy Herring
Live Finished Steer and Carcass Yield and Quality Grading Basics – Dan Hale
Live Finished Commercial Steer Evaluation Exercise– Jason Cleere, Texas A&M University
Ultrasound Demonstration – Casey Worrell
- 12:00noon Lunch – Animal Science as a Major – Leslie Frenzel, Texas A&M University
- 1:00pm Optimal Nutrition for Commercial Steers – Jason Banta, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension

Time	Parent/Volunteer Track	Youth Track
2:00pm	Practical Consideration for Raising Commercial Steers: Selecting Calves, Housing, Health - Jason Cleere	See and touch the digestive system of a steer. BQA Chute Side Demonstration Jason Banta
3:00pm	Overview of the Commercial Steer Contests around Texas Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™ San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo TCFA Junior Fed Beef Challenge	How to present yourself well in front of groups and interviews (Chris Boleman) Preparing for 2-minute speech to be given by each participant the next day (Billy Zanolini)

- 5:00pm Observe a Mock Interview and Example Presentation with Q&A
- 6:00pm Adjourn Dinner on your own

Day 2 – Thursday July 27, 2017

Held at the Rosenthal Meat Science and Technology Center on Campus

- 7:30am Doughnuts, Kolaches, Juice and Coffee
- 8:00am Moderator – Andy Herring
Our Commercial Steer Contests Experiences – Lessons Learned, Don, Dawson and Dax Dittrich

Time	Parent/Volunteer Track	Youth Track
9:00am	Record books Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™ San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo TCFA Junior Fed Beef Challenge	Youth will go through rotations – With former contest participants advising and critiquing Mock Interview Presentation - Youth give 2-minute presentations Quiz from the previous day 's topics
10:30am	Parents talking to parents on how to make this the best possible experience for your child. How to help your child prepare for the interview, quiz and presentation portions of the contest.	Continue

- 11:00am Review Carcasses from Previous Day's Market Steer Evaluation – Dan Hale, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension
- 12:00 noon Awards will be given based on the Evaluation, Interview, Quiz Score and Presentation by age category
- 12:15pm Lunch
- 12:30pm Beef Check-off, Jason Bagley, Texas Beef Council
- 1:00pm Optional Session – How to study for the Retail Cut Identification portion of the contests – Davey Griffin, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension
- 3:00pm Adjourn

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Information Sheet

also see <https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu/steer>

Register Online or By Phone - Registration Ends July 15th. Hotel Blocks end July 11th.

Register online at <https://agriliferegister.tamu.edu/steer> Register by phone: 979-845-2604 Credit cards are accepted.

Refunds

Full refunds will be given if you notify Conference Services 979-845-2604 prior to July 22. After July 22 there are no refunds.

Eligible Youth

This program is open to boys and girls that are 13 years old and older as of July 25, 2017. All youth must be accompanied by a supervising adult. It should be understood that there will be lecture and demonstration portions to the program and it may be difficult for younger attendees to stay focused through the workshop. Each participant will also give a 2-minute presentation, go through a mock interview and be asked to take a quiz.

Chaperones

Each student or group of students must be accompanied by a chaperone or parent. The care and supervision of the students will be the sole responsibility of the chaperone or parent. Those serving in the role of supervising the students must attend all Commercial Steer Camp scheduled events. They must be over 21 years of age and either be a parent or a teacher, county agent or a volunteer that has undergone a background check at the county level.

Registration Fee and Deadline

Cost of the Commercial Steer Camp will be \$175 per camper and \$100 per adult/chaperone. The participants will be expected to cover their expenses for travel to the program, lodging, and extra food costs.

The Registration Deadline will be July 15, 2017 and a maximum of 60 participants (youth and adult) will be allowed for this event. Registration will be conducted by Conference Services with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension

Lodging

A hotel block has been made at the Hampton Inn in College Station. The rate is \$109.00. The reservation cutoff date is July 11, 2017. To make reservations, call 979-846-0184 and use group code: ACS. 320 S Texas Avenue, College Station, TX 77840

Proper Attire

Participants will be performing hands-on activities around livestock and in meat processing area. Long pants and close-toed shoes are required by all participants. Jewelry, watches, gum, and tobacco products will not be allowed in the meat processing facility. Participants will be expected to dress with modesty in mind and knowing they will be with cattle and meat products.

Parking On Monday at the Beef Center on FM 60 and on Tuesday at the Rosenthal Meat Science Technology Center on Campus

There is free parking at G. Rollie White Visitor Center and at the Beef Center for the Monday July 25th portion of the program. When you arrive on Monday and if you have a automobile you must obtain a parking permit for Tuesday's parking. You must cross out the correct date and display the parking hang tag properly to avoid parking tickets. We are not responsible for parking tickets and you will be expect to handle this ticket on you own.

Questions

Registration, hotel questions and workshop content questions should be directed to Dan Hale at dhale@tamu.edu 979-587-9245