

The Larry Higgins

BISON JUNIOR JUDGING

CONTEST

Friday, January 24, 2025 at 9 a.m.

Hosted by the National Bison Association (NBA) and Rocky Mountain Bison Association (RMBA). Held in conjunction with the Gold Trophy Show & Sale during the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) in Denver, CO.

CONTEST HIGHLIGHTS

- Participants will judge four classes of bison and provide oral reasons on one class, as selected by the judges.
- Open to individuals 8 to 21 years old who are academically eligible (i.e. passing all classes). Individuals will compete in one of three divisions:
 - Junior Division: Grades 3rd – 6th
 - Senior Division: Grades 7th – 12th
 - Collegiate Division: Freshman – Senior in College
- Everyone competes as an individual, but can choose to compete in the Team Division as well.
- Top 3 in each division receives a plaque.
- Scholarships will be awarded to the top three scoring individuals in the Senior and Collegiate divisions.
- NBA/RMBA membership not required, but available; no entry fee.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Register online at <https://bit.ly/jrjudging> or in-person. The contest will be held in The Yards at the NWSS, by the bison pens. Day-of registrants are asked to check-in early. Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m.; judging begins by 9 a.m. Awards will be presented around 12 noon.

For more information: Visit <https://bit.ly/rmbajrjudging> or contact Jim Matheson at jim@bisoncentral.com or 303-292-2833.

Hosted by:



SENIOR DIVISION SCHOLARSHIPS

1st - \$1,000

Sponsor: Twin Brook Farm



2nd - \$750

Sponsor: Canadian River Bison



3rd - \$500

Sponsor: Texoma Bison Company



COLLEGIATE DIVISION SCHOLARSHIPS

1st - \$1,500

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2nd - \$1,200

Sponsored by the Rocky Mountain Bison Association



3rd - \$900

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