



Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service-Titus County
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To: County Extension Agents
Ag Science Teachers

Subject: Titus-Coryell County 4-H Online Plant ID Contest
Saturday, October 15, 2022
Held via judgingcard.com

Titus-Coryell County 4-H Online Plant ID Contest

The County Extension Agents in Titus and Coryell Counties are working together to provide this online educational opportunity for youth involved in the range and plant science project area to gain valuable experience and practice. We would like to see youth engage in educational activities using a different contest format as we are in the digital age and many times use digital images for identification purposes. We are asking coaches, teachers and agents to proctor their own students and we hope that each participant will do their very best work on their own to test the knowledge they have learned through this project area.

Date: Saturday, October 15, 2022

Time: 9:00 AM- 11:00 AM

Location: judgingcard.com

Eligible Participants: Open to all Texas 4-H and FFA members

Age Divisions: Junior- 3rd to 8th grade
Senior-9th to 12th grade

Entry Fees: Individual \$5.00
Team \$20.00

Registration: Registration opens September 22nd and will close on October 7th .
After registration closes, Agents and Ag Teachers will be sent instructions for their participants to fill out the e-scantrons. Instructions on how to access the contest will also be emailed prior to the contest date.
<https://www.judgingcard.com/Registration/Info.aspx?ID=15287>

Results: Results will be posted online at judgingcard.com

General Rules and Information

- 1) There is no limit to the number of teams that Agricultural Science Teachers or County Extension Agents may enter
- 2) Participants must be a current 4-H or FFA member to compete
- 3) Age Divisions: Junior Division (3rd to 8th grade) and Senior (9th to 12th grade)
- 4) Competing teams may consist of 3 or 4 members within the same age division. Scores of the 3 highest team members will compromise the team score
- 5) Individual participants may compete without a team.
- 6) All entries should be entered by the Ag Teacher or County Extension Agent on judgingcard.com by October 7th
- 7) Plants for the contest will be selected from the Master Plant List which may be found online at <https://www.judgingcard.com/resources/list.aspx> (2022-2026 Texas Plant ID CDE Identification List)
More study material and resources found here: <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/range-science/>

Contest Rules and Information

- 1) The contest will include 40 plants that may be either grasses, forbs, legumes or woody plants from the master plant list.
- 2) Participants will use a scantron to score the contest. (Plant Identification Form # 707-4) The cost for the e-scantron is included in the \$5.00 registration fee.
- 3) The list with plant names and numbers that participants will use to bubble in the scantron will be sent to all coaches, agents and ag teachers prior to the contest
- 4) The e-scantron will need to be submitted during the 9-11 AM time frame. Contest and instructions will be sent to participants before 9 AM, Saturday, October 15th.
 - a. Example of the e-scantron: <https://www.judgingcard.com/Info.aspx>
- 5) Scoring will be done by points. If the plant name is incorrect, no points will be given for characteristics correctly identified.
- 6) Plants will be pictures of live plant specimens
- 7) Plant ID Key will be verified by Dr. Barron Rector, Associate Professor and Extension Range Specialist
- 8) Awards (ribbons) will be mailed to top placing teams and individuals after tabulation of scores.

For questions or more information, please contact Callie Zoeller or Becky Coward.

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