

PANHANDLE DISTRICT 1 4-H

To: County Extension Agents – ANR, FCH, 4-H

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Contest Superintendent District 4-H Specialist

Subject: **District 1 Consumer Decision Making Contest**

Contest Date: **October 28, 2024**

Location: Rex Baxter Exhibit Building

Registration: **Deadline midnight October 9, 2024** via 4-H Online
Registration Fee: **\$15**
Late Registration: October 14-18, 2024 **\$50**

Schedule: 1:00 p.m. Check in
1:15 p.m. Orientation
1:30 p.m. Contest Start

Age Categories: 3rd - 5th grade – Junior
6th – 8th grade – Intermediate
9th – 12th grade – Senior

It is the responsibility of the agents to validate and correct placement of youth in age categories. Counties may move juniors up to intermediates, but intermediates can NOT be moved up to seniors or down to juniors.

Contest Format

- Contestants will use scantron form Universal A. These will be provided to all participants at the contest.
- **Contestants need to bring 2 #2 pencils and a clipboard.**
- Teams will consist of 3 – 4 members. An unlimited number of teams and individual entries from each county are permitted.
- Contestants will have 7 minutes to place each class. There will be 6 classes
- Junior Participants will not give reasons
- Intermediates will give reasons over 1 class and may use notecards
- Seniors will give reasons over 2 classes.
- Contestants will be allowed 2 minutes to give each set of reasons
- Reasons Classes will be announced during the orientation
- Contestants will only be allowed to bring clip boards, pencils, scantron, and blank paper into the judging area!

Classes: There will be 6 placing classes at the contest. 5 classes will be selected from the Texas 4-H Consumer Decision Making Study Guide. One will be a mystery class. 2024 Classes will be as follows:

Athletic Shoes

Cell Phones

Grocery Meats

Laptop/Chromebooks

Outdoor Backpacks

Televisions

Contest Resources can be found at:

<https://d14-h.tamu.edu/project-resources/consumer-education-project/>

<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/consumer-education/>

[https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/General Judging Contest Rules 2018.pdf](https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/General_Judging_Contest_Rules_2018.pdf)

State Qualifiers: The Top 3 Senior and/or individuals in the district contest will qualify to compete at Texas 4-H Roundup. It is possible that two, or three qualifiers could all come from the same county. Juniors and Intermediates are not eligible for state competition.

Scantron: <https://www.judgingcard.com/ScanSheets/samples/705A-12.pdf>



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