



Ag Product ID Invitational Contest Memo

Date: Friday, April 5, 2024 & Saturday, April 6, 2024

Location: Texas A&M University-Commerce
Rayburn Student Center
2200 Campbell Street, Commerce Texas 75428

Contest: At the contestant's convenience anytime between 10:00 a.m.
and 1:00 p.m.

Registration. Each participating member is required to register on 4-HOnline and pay the district \$12.00 contest registration fee. Registration will begin on **March 6, 2024 and close at midnight on March 20, 2024.** No late entries will be accepted.

Participation. Contestants must be active 4-H members enrolled in a Texas 4-H and Youth Development County program in District IV. Contestants must also be academically eligible (according to UIL rules) to compete on the day of the contest. A contestant may compete as an individual or as a member on a team.

Age. Age divisions are determined by a participant's grade as of September 1st of the current 4-H year. Age divisions for this contest are:

- Junior (3rd, 4th, & 5th grades)
- Intermediate (6th, 7th, & 8th grades)
- Senior (9th, 10th, 11th, & 12th grades)

Entries per County. Each county may enter unlimited individuals per age division listed above. This is not a state-qualifying contest.

Suggested materials to bring for contest. Clipboard, blank paper, and pencils. No calculators allowed.

Contest Format. Participants will use the **Agriculture Product Identification Form #API-3** to indicate class placings. The scantron will be provided for each contestant. Click here for an example of the scantron [Agricultural Product Identification Form #API-3](#). **Please make sure the contestant is familiar with how to use this scantron.**

The contest is modeled after the 4-H Agriculture Identification Contest. The Ag Product ID Resource



District IV 4-H Youth Development Program

Guide is available on the Texas 4-H Food and Nutrition Webpage to assist in preparation for the contest.

Pictures of agricultural products grown in Texas will be displayed for the purpose of identification. Participants identify the products displayed and answer one or more multiple-choice questions about the product. There will be no communication between participants during the contest. Any communication during the contest must be directed to a contest official. Violation of this rule can result in removal from the contest. Ties will be broken by methods as determined by the judges. Decisions of this independent panel of judges will be final. The judges reserve the right to disqualify any participant whose parents or other representatives interfere with the flow of the competition.

Contest Procedures. As each student enters the contest area, he or she will be given a clipboard and pencil to use. Products will be arranged on tables with numbers and questions in front of each. Participants will stand in front of a different number to rotate around the tables. Students will be allowed 1 minute per item to write the requested information and will then be asked to move to the next number. When students have rotated through each of the 25 products, they will turn in worksheets, clipboards, and pencils and will be free to leave the contest area. Winners will be announced at the close of the contest on Saturday.

Awards. 1st through 5th place individuals in each age division will be presented.

Participants with Disabilities. Any competitor who requires auxiliary aids or special accommodations must contact the District Extension Office [or Denita Young at djyoung@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:djyoung@ag.tamu.edu) or note when registering on 4-H Online, at least 2 weeks before the competition to request such needs.

Contest Rules. District IV follows the rules set forth in the Texas 4-H Ag Product ID Invitational Contest Guide.

Resources.

[Resource Guide](#) | [Guide by Guide Section](#) | [Project Pages](#)

Contest Superintendents. Questions regarding the District IV 4-H Ag Product ID Contest should be directed to Brittnay Meyer at Brittnay.meyer@ag.tamu.edu.