

## NCMGA JUNIOR PRODUCER AWARD RULES

This award is designed to encourage and recognize youth in their goat breeding programs.

1. Youth must have a current and active membership in NCMGA for at least 6 months prior to the competition conclusion in December.
2. Any youth between 9-21 years of age that has a current NCMGA membership may enter.
3. Submissions should be mailed to NCMGA by December 31.
4. All information on the submission is subject to verification. We encourage all competing youth to give information as accurately and honestly as possible.
5. Youth competing must be the primary decision maker in their production goals. They must also be the primary party to carry out those decisions.
6. Show records are not to be included in submission as this competition is to reflect production.
7. A 2-4 page (excluding tables) resume of goat activities and achievements are to include, but not limited to:
  - a. Herd description in detail. Do not include registered names, instead describe by using ear tag numbers, barn names, markings, gender, age, percentage, etc
  - b. Production goals
  - c. Husbandry responsibilities to maintain your herd
  - d. Current marketing plan
  - e. Current production achievements (can include kid counts, birth weights, adg, etc or other)
  - f. Projected breeding plan for the following year
  - g. Projected marketing plan for the following year
  - h. Biggest trial in your goat project
  - i. Favorite success in your goat project
8. 1-page essay on the current state of the meat goat or breeding goat industry and how you can contribute to it as a youth producer.
9. Include your financial records from January 1 to December 31. These can be obtained from your 4-H or FFA record books or done in an independent format that tracks monthly costs and profits of your project.
10. Must be type in 12 font. No herd names, art, photos or logos.
11. Submissions should be to NCMGA postmarked by December 31 and judging will take place at the next board meeting.