## NCMGA JUNIOR PRODUCER AWARD

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 9 to 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 aren't 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.
- 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.