MISSISSIPPI JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL RODEO ASSOCIATION STATE FINALS RODEO

Lamar County Multipurpose Center Purvis, Mississippi

May 24-26, 2024

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND MAKE SURE YOU FILL OUT PAPERWORK CORRECTLY

The State Finals Rodeo will be held at the Lamar County Multipurpose Center in Purvis, MS. Performances will begin with the grand entry promptly at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 24th and Saturday, May 25th, 2024.@ 6:00 p.m. Mandatory Check in for state finals contestants will be on Friday, May 24 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. in the office at the concession stand. All contestants must check themselves in. There will be a MANDATORY meeting held in the bleachers. The meeting will begin PROMPTLY at 5 PM on Friday, May 24th, 2024. Role will be called at this meeting. Failure to be at the meeting, when it begins will result in disqualification. At this meeting, each contestant will be advised of the rules in each event, judges will be present to answer any questions. This is your opportunity to ask anything you are unsure of. ALL CONTESTANTS MUST BE IN FULL WESTERN ATTIRE AT THE MANDATORY MEETING. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS RULE WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION.

To be eligible to compete in the State Finals, a contestant/family must have sold $100 for a single child or $200 for 2 children or more in ads, $100 in raffle tickets for a single child and $200 for 2 or more children, and worked or paid the non-work for the fundraiser rodeo’s. NO ADS, RAFFLE TICKETS or WORK FEES MONEY WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE STATE FINALS.

Each state contestant/family is required to donate an item to the silent auction of at least $25.00 in value. Please turn this in when you check in on May 24th.

For a contestant to be eligible to compete at State Finals, he/she must submit an official transcript/report card which shows year end grades in each subject completed. The transcripts need to be mailed as soon as possible from the school Make sure the transcript/report card shows the year end 2023-2024 grades. INCOMPLETE TRANSCRIPTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Call the school when the year is over and check to be sure the transcript/report card has been mailed or you can pick it up in a sealed envelope with a stamp/signature across the seal. This is your responsibility. If you do not get out of school prior to the end of the finals, you will need to have the school provide a progress report in a school envelope, seal it and sign across the seal, and bring it with you. You will need to turn it into the office by 4 p.m. Friday, May 24th, so that we can have all paperwork ready for the mandatory meeting. It is also advisable that you get 2 copies of your transcript/report card if you are concerned that I will not receive it before the finals. Mail one to the secretary and bring one with you to the finals. Both must be in a sealed school envelope. These can be mailed to P.O. Box 1204 Summit, MS 39666

ENTRIES:

All entries will be online as they have been all year. Entries will open on April 19th, 2024. The entry deadline is May 7, 2024. Late Entries will start on May 8th, 2024, for $400.00 and will end on Tuesday, May 21, 2024.

Camper hookup/stall fees need to be mailed in. You can reserve, but they will be assigned as you arrive. We will have shavings on site.

All contestants must submit a copy of a current coggins test for each horse brought to the multipurpose facility. A copy of the coggins should be turned in or mailed to the MJHSRA P.O.BOX 1204 Summit, MS 39666 before the finals or bring a copy with you. You will need to keep the original and have them on hand at the finals. Please do not send coggins that will expire before May 25th. Coggins will NOT be accepted at the mandatory meeting; they must be turned in during check in.

A $10.00 grounds fee is required for each horse that you will be using at the State Finals, if you are not renting a stall for that horse.

State Finals Payouts will not be given until the awards ceremony.

Each contestant attending the National Junior High Finals will need to sign up immediately following the awards. We need to know immediately if you do not plan on attending. Bring your checkbook and be prepared to pay all fees. Parents will need to be there to sign and have papers notarized. We will have a notary there.

DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE WEEK OF THE FINALS TO MAKE SURE EVERYTHING IS IN ORDER. We do not want to keep any child from riding in the finals because you did not get their paperwork/grades to the secretary in time.

FULL WESTERN ATTIRE WILL BE REQUIRED FOR EACH CONTESTANT DURING THE ENTIRE RODEO PERFORMANCES FROM THE MANDATORY MEETING THROUGH All EVENTS EACH DAY. STATE FINALS BACK NUMBERS ARE REQUIRED. THEY WILL BE GIVEN WHEN YOU CHECK IN.

IMPORTANT NOTE FOR ALL 8th GRADERS: You will be recognized in the arena at the beginning of the first performance on Friday, May 24th. Please be lined up in the alley prior to the grand entry @ 5:50. Be on time, please.