

La Junta Kid's Rodeo & Race Meet

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Dear Rodeo Contestants:

It's time for the 88th Annual La Junta Kid's Rodeo. This years dates are August 1-3, 2025 with the Queen/Princess contest being held on Thursday, July 31, 2025.

A schedule of events is listed on the back of this letter, and enclosed you will find your entry form. Entries must be postmarked by July 18, 2025 or you can enter online by 11:59 pm on July 27, 2025.

Prizes will be given to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each event in each division. Arena champ, jockey champ, runner-up, and all around will receive prizes in all age divisions. As in the past, a portion of the entry fees will be jackpotted in all age divisions. All-Around Champions in each age division will receive a saddle.

We realize that there are many other things going on the weekend of our rodeo. If you require a set up, please remember that set ups are on a first come, first serve basis. Please let me know AS SOON AS POSSIBLE so that I can try to accommodate you on this. Unless you request a set up you will be put in whatever performance there is room in. There is a possibility that you may not have all your events on the same day unless you specifically ask for them to be.

A limited number of stalls with runs will be available to rent at the rodeo grounds. The cost will be \$35 per stall for the weekend with payment due with entry fees. If you are interested in renting a stall, please call me at the number at the bottom of this letter to reserve one. We also have a few electrical hookups. Cost for the electrical hookups is \$25 for the weekend with PAYMENT DUE WHEN YOU CHECK IN AND PICK UP YOUR BACK NUMBER.

Rule books can be found on our website www.ljkidsrodeo.com

**WESTERN ATTIRE CONSISTING OF COWBOY BOOTS, HATS, AND LONG-SLEEVED SHIRTS (<u>TUCKED IN!!</u>) ARE

REQUIRED FOR ALL EVENTS, INCLUDING THE QUEEN/PRINCESS CONTEST AND THE AWARDS PRESENTATION.**

Your rodeo number must be on your back before you enter the gate in ANY event, otherwise it will result in a disqualification.

Your age as of January 1 of the current year must be on your entry form. (Be prepared to produce a copy of your birth certificate if asked.) There is a \$10 office charge for each contestant, and that fee must be added into your entry fees. Please complete one registration form for each contestant. Please remember that you cannot participate if a parent or guardian has not signed your entry form. Confirmations will be posted on the website and also on our Facebook page. Additional forms may be downloaded from our website at www.ljkidsrodeo.com.

Arena will take precedence over the track. Senior team ropers and junior ribbon ropers please indicate if you have a partner you are entering with as well as if you are roping/running or heading/heeling. If you do not have a partner please indicate if you want to rope/run or head/heal and an attempt to draw you a partner. There is no guarantee that we will be able to draw you a partner so please make every attempt to find your own partner. If you have any questions please call Kevin Waggoner at (719)529-5365 or Tess Jackson 719-469-4774.

Each family will receive 2 free parent passes. All other passes must be purchased at the gate.

ABSOLUTELY NO VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED ACROSS THE TRACK ONCE THE RACES HAVE STARTED!!!

NO DRUGS OR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WILL BE ALLOWED ON THE GROUNDS DURING THE RODEO.

The Queen/Princess contest will be Thursday, July 31, 2025. Contestants should report to Valley Cowboy Church, just south of the rodeo grounds at 4:30 pm for instruction before the modeling portion of the contest which will start at 5:30 pm. Horsemanship will start at the rodeo grounds at the conclusion of the modeling. Prizes will be awarded after the horsemanship competition. Please indicate on your entry form the title the contestant will be riding under (if it is a brand, please draw the brand and spell it out also).

Also please don't forget to list how many guests will be attending the modeling portion so that the committee can plan for refreshments. For more information please contact Darla Miller (719)242-8186.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL THE CONTESTANTS AND I HOPE YOU ALL HAVE A GREAT RODEO! Tess Jackson, Rodeo Secretary

88th ANNUAL LA JUNTA KID'S RODEO & RACE MEET SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, July 31, 2025 Queen/Princess Contest

4:30 p.m. Contestants check in at Valley Cowboy Church

5:30 p.m. Modeling Competition Begins

***Horsemanship Competition Begins at the arena following completion of modeling

Friday, August 1, 2025

5:00 p.m. Goats, Poles, Flags, and Ribbon Roping

7:00 p.m. GRAND ENTRY (follows preliminary events)

Royalty Introductions & Dedication

Evening Rodeo Events

Non-Contestant (6 & under) Fun Event

Saturday, August 2, 2025

5:00 p.m. Goats, Poles, Flags, and Ribbon Roping

7:00 p.m. GRAND ENTRY (follows preliminary events)

Royalty Introductions

Evening Rodeo Events

Non-Contestant (6 & under) Fun Event

Sunday, August 3, 2025

2:00 p.m. Goats, Poles, Flags, and Ribbon Roping

GRAND ENTRY (follows preliminary events)

Royalty Introductions

Evening Rodeo Events

Awards Presentation