

## **NJAS Mentoring Program**

The National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) mentoring program is an opportunity for junior Angus members to utilize their experience at the NJAS to assist first time exhibitors at this event. It gives juniors of all ages the opportunity to meet and interact with members from different states.

### **Who can participate in this program?**

#### Mentors

Junior members interested in being mentors must be 14 years or older and attended at least two previous NJAS. Mentors must be able to have time to check on their protégés at least once a day.

#### Protégés

Protégés can be first & second time exhibitors at the NJAS who indicate that they would like to have a mentor for the week.

### **How does this program work?**

1. There will be a box on the entry forms for the NJAS in which members can mark if they want to be a mentor or protégé.
2. Mentors and protégés will be assigned before the event.
3. Mentors will be assigned to a protégé from a different state.
4. Mentors and protégés will be able to find out who they are assigned to when they go through check-in.
5. There will be a mixer at the NJAS hosted by the NJAA Board for all the program participants.
6. The participants who turn in their booklet by noon on the day of the Awards Program will be recognized as a group that evening at the Awards Program of the NJAS.

### **Guidelines for Mentors**

The importance of this position is to make your protégé feel at home during the NJAS. Here are some guidelines to help you accomplish this goal.

1. Help your protégé with rules and some basic information about the NJAS.
2. Take him or her to any competitions or contests that you may be involved with or you think he or she may be interested in.
3. Introduce him or her to other juniors in your state that are the same age.
4. Be able to answer questions and give advise to the junior and his or her family.