

## **THE ROLE AND DUTIES OF THE JUNIOR ANGUS ADVISOR**

The role and duties of the state junior Angus association advisors will vary somewhat for each state, although the basic responsibilities and requirements will remain the same.

Junior Angus advisors should possess a youthful attitude with a willingness to give of themselves for the betterment of the next generation. They should be positive in nature and look for the good in people.

Junior Angus advisors are role models and examples to the young men and women they work with, not only while at the junior Angus activities and events, but in the way they live their lives and in all that they do and say.

Junior Angus advisors serve as teachers to the junior membership. They provide inspiration and enthusiasm for what the juniors are doing. They are looked to for wisdom in decision-making and should serve as an ethical example of how to live ones life.

Junior Angus advisors are a key communication link between the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA), the state adult Angus association, the state Angus auxiliary and the state junior Angus association members. It is the role of the advisor to help inform the junior membership of activities, events and opportunities for involvement on a local, state, regional and national level.

Junior Angus advisors should encourage “new ideas” for the organization. The world in which we live is always changing. The state junior association should update, change and, develop programs that meet the needs of the membership it serves.

Junior Angus advisors should attend all meetings and activities of the state junior Angus association. By doing this they bring a level of importance to the event, and they are an example to the membership that participation in these events is important. If the Junior Angus advisor cannot attend an event or activity, they should designate another adult to be “in charge” if there are problems.

Junior Angus advisors should oversee the organization of the state junior Angus association activities and events. However, the junior Angus advisor should not do the work for the juniors as the planning and coordination of these events is a learning experience for the juniors. While they may not always do the work at the level you would desire it done, it is better for the juniors to do the work and learn from the experience than to have the advisors or parents do the work for the juniors.

Junior Angus advisors should serve as a sounding board, the “go to” person when hard decisions must be made by the state junior Angus association. The junior Angus advisor should draw on their experience and the experience in others to advise the juniors in their decision-making.

The junior Angus advisor should oversee the financial aspects of the junior Angus association. Helping advise the juniors in making wise and prudent spending decisions with the organizations’ funds.

Lastly, junior Angus advisors can not always be a “friend” of the junior members. The advisor must help establish the perimeters that the organization and its membership must work within. The advisor must promote discipline and organizational structure for the betterment of the total association.