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As the American Angus Association® continues to work through the situation surrounding COVID-19, the health of our Angus family is our top priority. We know that the Eastern Regional and the National Junior Angus Show are important to many.

As of today:

- National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) has been moved to Tulsa, OK, on July 19-25, 2020.
- Eastern Regional Junior Show is scheduled as planned for June 25-28, 2020, in Lebanon, TN.

Details on both shows are outlined below.

National Junior Angus Show

Through discussions and collaborations with the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex and consideration of the Pennsylvania reopening plans and outlook, it has been determined that the 2020 NJAS cannot be held in Harrisburg. This is an incredibly challenging situation, and decisions around the most appropriate way to respond are difficult.

After significant deliberation and research of multiple options, we have made the decision to move the location of the 2020 NJAS to Tulsa, OK. The new dates of the show will be July 19-25, and the new entry deadline will be June 1 for paper entries and June 10 for ownership and online entries. NJAS will follow our 2020 Summer Show guidelines. See those [here](#).

Schedule: We are still exploring all aspects of the Tulsa schedule. It will not be the normal NJAS schedule as in years past. Once we have a schedule outlined, we will get that sent out as soon as possible.

Hotels: Staff continue to work through hotel information for Tulsa. We will have agreements with Tulsa hotels by May 18 and will post that information to the Association and NJAA websites with details. Keep in mind, hotels are working with limited staff and cannot handle an influx in calls. Please be patient and do not call the hotels in Tulsa until room blocks have been set up, which will allow for a smooth transition.

With the cancellation of the National Junior Angus Show in Pennsylvania, rooms booked in the block at the Sheraton Harrisburg Hotel, Staybridge and the Premier Best Western will be cancelled. If you booked within the block, please do not call the hotel as they are working with limited staff at this time and cannot handle an influx of calls.

Additional contest changes: In addition to the contests and events that have been previously changed, the in-person All-American *Certified Angus Beef*® Cook-Off Contest and Chef's Challenge has been canceled, and plans will be announced for a virtual alternative at a later date. The Extemporaneous Speaking Contest has been canceled. Social distancing guidelines will be used to help determine the status of additional contests.

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Eastern Regional Junior Angus Show

As of May 15, Eastern Regional is schedule as planned for June 25-28, 2020, in Lebanon, TN. Staff members have been working with the facility and host state to ensure state health and safety guidelines are met while also ensuring the event will be a great experience to all in attendance. We have extended the entry deadline until May 25 for paper entries and June 1 for ownership and online entry deadline.

The Eastern Regional Junior Angus Show will follow our 2020 Summer Show guidelines. See those [here](#).

Dates and Deadlines

Below is a list of updated entry, ownership and contest deadlines.

- May 25: Eastern Regional Junior Angus Show (ERJAS); Lebanon, TN – Paper Entry Deadline
- June 1: ERJAS – Ownership and Online Entry Deadline
- June 1: National Junior Angus Show; Tulsa, OK – Paper Entry Deadline
- June 1: Deadline for Photography, Graphic Design, Creative Writing, Public Speaking, and Career Development
- June 10: NJAS – Ownership and Online Entry Deadline

Entry fees

In the event that Eastern Regional Junior Angus Show or the National Junior Angus Show are canceled, entry fees will be fully refunded. If entries were submitted for the National Junior Angus Show in Harrisburg, PA, and you are no longer able to attend due to location change, please contact the Events and Education Department (events@angus.org) prior to June 10 to be reimbursed.

While this is the status of shows today, there may be more changes forthcoming. Modifications to the shows, events and contests are expected, as staff members work with state and facility officials to follow the necessary guidelines. Announcements will be made as quickly as possible to allow appropriate time for families to adjust their plans.

We are continuing to do everything we can to be able to hold this important event for our Angus family. We know it is the highlight of the summer for many. In the meantime, we appreciate your patience as we work through many unanswered questions.