

1. The HS State Finals is in Baker at the Fallon County Arena, June 7 – 12, 2021.
2. The chain of command if the contestants have a problem or question at the State Finals (Go to the Student Event Director, then State Director, etc).
3. At State the contestants need to be ready to compete when called. Please go over turn out rule.
4. Back Numbers: Please go over the back-number rule found in the NHSRA rule book on p. 27 #6a (3) “Contestants must wear numbers **on their backs** and number must be visible at all times while competing in their events, when at rodeo or rodeo grounds or any rodeo function and at the motel.”
5. Contestant **Arrival and Check-In times** are below. Please go over this schedule:
ARRIVAL TIMES:
 - QUEEN contestants – MUST ARRIVE No later than Monday, June 7th, and check in by 8:00 am.
 - CUTTING contestants – MUST ARRIVE No later than Tuesday, June 8th, between the hours of 8:00am – 10:00am.
 - ALL other contestants – Contestants are welcome to start arriving at the host facility as early as Sunday, June 6th, at noon with the last arrival time on Sunday being 7 pm. Arrival times on Monday- Wednesday will be from 8 am to 6 pm. No earlier – No later.**CHECK IN TIMES:**
 - CUTTING contestants will check in on Tuesday, June 8th, between the hours of 8:00 am – 10:00 am. No earlier – No later.
 - QUEEN contestants will check in on Monday morning 8:00 am, June 7th, at 8:00 am. No earlier – No later.
 - ALL other contestants will check in on Wednesday, June 9th, between the hours of 2:00pm – 6:00pm. No earlier – No later. (NOTE: Please note that ALL contestants must be checked in by 6:00pm Wednesday. There is no late check in for rough stock as in years past. This is very important to go over.)
6. Rough Stock Equipment Check: June 9th, 6:00 pm, right after contestant Check In, in front of the Rodeo Office.
7. Contestant Meeting: There will be a Contestants Meeting, Thursday, June 10th, at 7:00 am, in the Main Grandstands.
8. State Finals Stalls, Camping, Activities Registration – Contestants must register online through the State Finals Host committee website, <http://mtrodeofinals.com>. This registration will open on April 1st and end May 31st, 2021.
9. It is critical the contestants come to State prepared to fill out the paperwork for NHSFR.
 - REMIND THE CONTESTANTS THAT ALL NATIONAL PAPERWORK HAS TO BE DONE BEFORE THEY CAN HAVE THE AWARDS CEREMONY, SO GET PAPERWORK AS SOON AS YOU KNOW YOU ARE GOING.
 - Both parents need to sign/notarize the NHSFR release unless one parent is deceased, or one parent has sole legal custody. Both parents must be present to sign, a notary will be on site during NHSFR registration.
 - National Entry Forms will be posted on the website for people to print off and have the notaries done before State Finals.
 - Be prepared to decide whether they are camping or not at Nationals. These decisions will need to be made upon registration for the NHSFR at our State Finals competition.
 - NATIONAL CAMPING: Lincoln Nebraska
 - All NHSFR stall, jackpot and camping fees must be paid during NHSFR registration prior to leaving the State Finals competition.
10. Silver State Invitational Rodeo –MHSRA is no longer sponsoring or sanctioning SSIR. Any contestant interested may register for SSIR by printing and completing the appropriate entry paper available on the SSIR website, www.ssir.us. Any questions can be directed to the State Office.

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11. MHSRA Senior Scholarships - applications are available to download from our website. Make sure that the senior members are aware that they must mail their scholarship applications to the MHSRA State Office no later than Monday, May 20, 2021. Applications must be postmarked by this date. No late applications will be accepted. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

12. Remind the contestants:

- A. **Online Entries for the State Finals open May 11th through May 31st until midnight. Phone entries will be open on June 1st, from 12-2 pm, at 406-464-2686. THERE ARE NO CALL BACKS ON THURSDAY. MAKE SURE TO CHECK YOUR ENTRIES, BEFORE PHONE ENTRIES END.** Please make sure that contestants know that if they registered online on the State Finals host committee website that was for stalls, camping and activities only. **IT WAS NOT AN ENTRY FOR THE STATE RODEO. THE CONTESTANTS MUST ENTER ONLINE AT MHSRA.COM.** (queen contestant entries **WILL NEED TO CALL THE ENTRY OFFICE ON MAY 28th.**). Please emphasize this, I don't want anyone to miss entries. **NO EXCEPTIONS - NO EXCUSES – NO LATE ENTRIES**
Please post the included State Entry Reminder sheets (included in the district secretaries' packets) at some of the spring rodeos to remind contestants of entry date and times.
- B. Bring final spring semester report card to State. **If they do not have their final semester report card yet, they must bring their 3rd quarter report card.** NO GRADES, NO RODEO, NO EXCEPTIONS. **GRADES MUST INCLUDE THE NAME OF THE SCHOOL, NAME OF THE MEMBER, AND DATE.**

13. District Elections – Before nominations and elections please outline the duties of student officers which include, if elected to the State Officers positions, attending all board of directors' meetings and representing all of the MHSRA members. Also, event directors are required to help gather judges and timers' sheets during their respective events and being a runner for the State Office. All of these positions are important and encourage the members to decline nomination if they are not prepared to fulfill these positions.

14. Raffle Fundraiser Trailer – Members are encouraged to continue to sell tickets up and through the State Finals Rodeo until the drawing on Saturday, June 12th. The first 30 tickets sold are due to Barb Clark by April 30th, but members can still continue to sell above their first 30 tickets.

We will also need coverage for raffle trailer ticket sales during the week of the State Finals Rodeo. The following is the district assignment for coverage. Please make up your own schedule to assign parents to occupy the trailer and sell tickets during these times:

- **District 5 – Thursday, June 4th, 8:00 am until lunch break**
- **District 2 – Thursday, June 4th, lunch break until end of slack**
- **District 1 – Friday, June 5th, 9:00 am – end of slack**
- **District 4 – Friday, June 5th, 6:00 pm – end of evening rodeo**
- **District 3 – Saturday, June 6th, 11:00 am – until drawing**

15. Ask the members to bring one small item for the National Basket. Members may either bring a small item related to the theme or donate \$15 to go toward the purchase of the actual basket and additional items. The value of the item must be listed on the check in sheet so please keep in mind the value of the item. National basket items can be brought to check in at the State Finals. Please no homemade canned food items as we cannot include those items in our basket.

16. Grand Entry: The Student Officers voted to do away with the Battle of the Districts.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE. I HOPE YOU ALL HAVE A GREAT SPRING. CALL ME IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, 464-2686. SEE YOU AT STATE.