



2026 SCJLS Top Hand Award

The SCJLS Top Hand Award encourages students to participate in events and activities that promote leadership, volunteerism, education, and marketing.

If a tie occurs, the SCJLS Board will vote on the individual who has exhibited the most volunteerism and support for the SCJLS. The SCJLS Board has authority to give or take away points based on participation.

If there are any questions, please reach out to smithcountyjuniorlivestockshow@gmail.com.

Requirements are as follows:

- 4-H, FFA, or FCCLA member of participating club/chapter
- Must be in grades 9-12
- Be an active member of the SCJLS Junior Board
- Attend the SCJLS marketing workshop
- Assist at the 2026 SCJLS
- Exhibit a minimum of one project in the 2026 SCJLS

Program outline:

- Participation between March 29, 2025 through March 27, 2025.
- Participants must record participation at www.smithcountyjls.com/top-hand

Participation	Description	Points
SCJLS Participation	Help the Board of Directors during the SCJLS with set-up, tear-down, and ring assistance.	5 points show set-up 5 points ring assistance 5 points auction set-up
May Open Meeting	Attend the May open meeting to provide and receive feedback for the SCJLS.	15
Marketing Workshop	Attend the fall marketing workshop.	15
Validations	Actively participate in Smith County validations, including but not limited to paperwork, holding animals, and assisting with set up and cleanup.	10 points each
Sanctioned Events	Actively participate in SCJLS sanctioned events	10 points each per three hours of work
Sponsorships	Gain "Friend of the Show" sponsors. The sponsor must tell us your name and points will be awarded upon payment. <i>*Sponsor must not be related to the participant*</i>	20



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Events Included:

- Lindale Chamber Banquet (April 7, 2025)
- SCJLS open meeting (May 5, 2025)
- Lindale Championship Rodeo (May 15, 2025)
- Lindale Championship Rodeo (May 16, 2025)
- Lindale Championship Rodeo (May 17, 2025)
- Summer validation (June 2025)
- Lindale Golf Tournament (September 15, 2025)
- Lindale Country Fest (October 11, 2025)
- Fall validation (October 2025)
- Swine validation (November 2025)
- Stock-N-Stuff Jackpot Show Setup (December 19, 2025)
- Stock-N-Stuff Jackpot Show (December 20, 2025)
- Rabbit validation (February 2026)