

2021 Wood County Jr. Fair Straw Bale Stacking Contest
Tuesday, August 3rd, 2021 Time TBA
Entry Fee \$20 per Team

A timed event Contest: The contest will consist of a 3-person team loading 32 bales of straw (40-50lbs each max.) on a conventional single axle pickup truck; drive through a designated obstacle course and unload and stack the straw in designated areas. Truck Division: ½ to ¾ ton and 1 ton and up. Electronic timer or 3 stopwatches are to be used. **SAFETY AND GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP FIRST. THE BEST TIME WINS.**

Contest Rules

- 1. The use of alcoholic beverages or drugs before or during the contest is prohibited and not be tolerated.**
2. Truck divisions: ½ to ¾ ton; 1-ton and up entries. All trucks must be a standard conventional 5'-8' step side or fleet bed. No sideboards roll bars or other devices may be used. NO DUAL-AXLE TRUCKS OR SEMI PERMITTED.
3. Youth Teams will consist of two (2) youth members and one (1) adult advisor or parent/member from Wood Co or outside County 4-H Clubs, FFA Chapters, or any other organized youth organizations participating in the Current Wood County Fair.
4. Attire for Contest Teams will be a sleeved shirt, jeans and tennis shoes, boots, or heavy shoes. Matching or Club t-shirts allowed. Work gloves optional. (No sleeveless, torn/holey shirts, torn/holey jeans, or shorts. No Cami tops permitted).
5. The contest will be limited to the first 20 teams signing up. Applications are located in the Wood County Fair office. Extra teams will be put on a waiting list. See registration form.
- 6. The VEHICLE DRIVER MUST BE LICENSED AND COVERED TO OPERATE THE INSURED PICKUP TRUCK TO BE USED.** Driver must show valid proof of driver's license and vehicle insurance before competing.
- 7. SPEEDING OR CARELESS DRIVING WILL BE AN AUTOMATIC DISMISSAL (DQ) FROM THE COMPETITION.**
8. The contest will be a timed event with a maximum of 10 minutes allowed for each team competing to complete the contest. At the beginning of each team's competition, Truck must be completely stopped, parked and the engine turned off with all the team members seated in the front seat buckled with the truck doors closed. If all the aforementioned is complete, time will start and end at the sound of the judges' whistle. **THE JUDGE (S) DECISION IS FINAL.** Timing may be done by electronic timer or by 3 stopwatches. Stop watches use: Averaging of all three times will be used to determine the team's official time. Additional penalties will be added to the official stopwatch or electronic time.
9. All team members must ride in the cab of the truck through the entire course with truck doors closed and seat buckle on. Failure to comply will result **in AUTOMATIC DISMISSAL (DQ) FROM THE COMPETITION.**
10. A (5) second penalty will be added:
 - For each **broken** bale
 - For each **fallen** bale from the truck once it is loaded and must be reloaded
 - For not **stacking** bales correctly-team must restack correctly for the next team
 - For **knocking** or **running** over a traffic cone or obstacle during the designated course
11. All bales must be loaded and unloaded by hand. The bales must be loaded in the truck bed transported through the designated obstacle course, unloaded, and stacked correctly in the designated place.
NO "SUDDEN STOP" UNLOADING OF ANY BALES IS ALLOWED-AUTOMATIC DQ FROM COMPETITION
12. All bales falling from the truck must be reloaded onto the truck unless it is a broken bale. Broken bales will be left on the ground during the timing of the team's run but must be picked up and removed from the contest area by the team's members after their time has stopped.
13. Loading, reloading, unloading, and stacking of bales will take place only after the truck has completely stopped and the engine is turned of and all team members un-buckle their seat belts and get out of the cab.
14. At the end of each team's run, time will stop only after the bales have been loaded, transported, unloaded, and stacked in the designated area, and all the team members seated, and seat buckled in the cab with the truck doors closed. Truck must be completely stopped, in park and the engine turned off. If all of the aforementioned is complete, time will end at the sound of the judges' whistle.
15. Payouts of \$60 for 1st, \$30 for 2nd, and \$15 for 3rd.
16. You can pre-register at fair office or day of event. We will take only 20 teams.
- 17. EVENT WILL START ½ HOUR AFTER LAST HORSE RACE. ALL TRUCKS WILL AND MUST ENTER THROUGH GATE A**

