2023 South Carolina State Fair

President's Choice Award for Equine

Purpose:

The President's Choice Award was designed to bestow the highest recognition to an outstanding specie exhibitor of the South Carolina State Fair who has demonstrated exceptional involvement in the livestock industry, advocate for agriculture and recognized as a recipient of the highest honor of the South Carolina State Fair.

President's Choice Award Recipients will be selected in the following species: Jr/Open Beef, Jr/Open Dairy, Dairy Goat, Sheep, Smallstock, Open Swine/Junior Swine, Jr Market Goat, Jr Market Lamb, and Youth Horse.

Guidelines:

- The South Carolina State Fair President's Choice Competition is open to all 2023 South Carolina State Fair youth and open exhibitors (an exhibitor is defined as an individual that exhibits an animal show in a minimum of one class in one specie show and receives an official placing by the judge.)
- Contestants may only compete in one specie area in which they are currently exhibiting.
- Once a youth exhibitor is recognized with the President's Award, they will not be eligible to compete for this award in the same specie again. Youth winners are eligible to compete in the open division in future years.
- Once an open exhibitor is recognized with the President's Award, they will not be eligible to compete in future years.

Selection Information:

This distinguished award will be selected by the species superintendent and support staff.

The intent of this prestigious award is determined on the following criteria:

- Overall presentation of horse and exhibitor.
- Horse is well groomed, well cared for, and in fit condition.
- Tack is well maintained and clean.
- Exhibitor is well groomed and appropriately attired.
- Overall exhibits good horsemanship.
- Courtesy to other exhibitors, spectators and show officials will count towards the award. Disregard for show and facility rules and regulations will count against award calculations.
- Positive interaction with the public during the designated species competition time frame, where applicable.