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Dear 2021 Texas FFA Rodeo Contestants,

Congratulations on your participation in the 2021 Texas FFA Convention Rodeo! The PRCA and Jr. Rodeo have partnered with the Texas FFA to become further involved to provide further opportunities in agriculture and western lifestyle events, in particular rodeo.

Our collaboration with the Texas FFA Convention Rodeo provides contestants an opportunity to qualify for the 2022 Jr. NFR. Based upon total entries per event, we will announce the number of contestants who will qualify for the 2022 Jr. NFR. At the rodeo registration, we will announce the number of qualifying slots available.

The Jr. NFR, which will crown Jr. World Champions, attracts the best youth contestants who have qualified through a variety of pathways, including the top place winners from all major youth rodeo associations. We anticipate more than 1,400 contestants in 2022. The Jr. NFR is a tournament-style rodeo, and the champions in timed events qualifies for the semi-finals of RFD-TV's The American and a chance to ride for a share of \$2 million.

Jr. Rodeo, the PRCA's official youth program, launched in 2019. Jr. Rodeo provides contestants the opportunity to compete in the core rodeo events: bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, bull riding, steer wrestling, tie-down roping, team roping, barrel racing and breakaway roping.

These extracurricular experiences will shape your future success. We are proud of our involvement with the Texas FFA Convention and hope to educate you about rodeo and the importance agriculture plays for our American heritage.

We are offering a discounted Jr. Rodeo membership for all Texas FFA Rodeo Contestants. Sign up at www.jrrodeo.org or visit the Jr. Rodeo booth.

We wish you the best of luck and look forward to meeting you.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anthony Baitkowski".

Anthony Baitkowski
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