

STATE VOTING DELEGATE

State delegates are required to be of high moral character and conduct at all times. State delegates have a very important task at the Junior National Hereford Expo (JNHE). Delegates are responsible for representing their state and selecting the National Junior Hereford Association (NJHA) directors, who will lead the organization the next three years. This is not a responsibility to be taken lightly as the election directly affects all NJHA members and the future of this junior program.

1. State voting delegates must be a minimum of 16 years of age to cast votes for future board members. In the instance your state does not have two junior members in attendance at the Junior National Hereford Expo that meet the 16-year-old age requirement, your state may nominate one or two members who are under the age of 16, but they must be brought before the National Junior Hereford Association Board of Directors and approved before they can serve as a voting delegate.
2. Delegates should handle the NJHA candidate selection process with the upmost respect to board members, candidates, advisors and staff and use maturity in their judgment and decision-making process.
3. Delegates must be nominated by their state. Nominations for state delegates are due electronically by **June 15th**
4. Delegates are required to attend the delegate orientation meeting **Saturday, July 11 at 6 p.m.** in order to be eligible to cast a vote for the future NJHA board members.
5. Delegates are required to dress appropriately and professionally, this is a business setting, therefore, business casual is preferred, jeans and a button up shirt are acceptable; dirty, ripped or holey clothes are not acceptable.
6. Delegates are required to be at the delegate orientation meeting at least 10 minutes prior to get checked in and receive a name badge. Name badges will be required to vote and attend the NJHA membership meeting and director election on **Monday, July 13 at 6 p.m.**
7. Phones must be turned off during the orientation meeting, candidate round-tables and NJHA membership meeting.
8. No inappropriate questions are to be directed at NJHA board candidates at any time throughout the election process.

**If for any reason the NJHA board, NJHA advisors or American Hereford Association staff see that the guidelines are not being followed, delegate(s) may be dismissed from their duties.

**State delegates will be nominated by state advisors and submitted electronically by June 15.