



REGION VIII

TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL & JUNIOR HIGH RODEO ASSOCIATION

July 2026

Region VIII TJHRA & THSRA Member,

We are so excited you have chosen to join The Great Region 8. Welcome to the family! Please be sure to review important information on our website www.thsra8.com. We will also communicate regularly through email, our facebook page - THSRA Region VIII & TJHRA Region VIII, and the Remind app. Communication is very important to us, please help us out and stay connected through each platform.

Introducing your

2026 – 2027 REGION VIII ADULT DIRECTORS

HS & JH President – Clint Shofner

HS Vice President – Eric Durbin JH

Vice President – Cole Evans

HS State Directors – Eric Durbin, Melinda Korczynski, Mark Weekley JH

State Directors – Cole Evans, Poncho Ortega, Shiloh Sosa

HS & JH Secretary – Vonda Pelton

Speed Event Director – Leslie Matt

Assistant Speed Director –

Timed Event Director – Able Dennis

Assistant Timed Event Director – Freddie Jo Guerra Goat

Director –

Rough Stock Director – Corey Cline

Ministry Coordinator – Corey Cline

2026 – 2027 REGION VIII STUDENT DIRECTORS

HS & JH President, Vice President, & Secretary – Voting will be at the first rodeo membership meeting. If you would like to run for student officer please email thsraregion8@gmail.com.

HS State Reporter – Rilynn Rein Springer

Our first rodeo . . .

SEPTEMBER 12, 2026 / Uvalde County Fairplex Arena

MANDATORY CHECK IN: HS & JH in Secretary's Office

Friday, Sept. 11, 6pm -8pm / Saturday, Sept. 12, 7:30 am- 8:45 am

At check in you will receive your back number, state ad sales & raffle tickets, rule book and all other important information from the national, state and regional offices. There will be friendly faces ready to help with any questions you may have.

9 AM Mandatory Membership Meeting in Stands.

MUST BE IN DRESS CODE with BACK NUMBER. Every contestant and at least one parent (guardian) is required to attend. We will be reviewing important information to kick off the new season and voting for student officers.

Rodeo to start 45 min. following the meeting.

2026-2027 Schedule . . .

RODEO 1 - September 12, 2026

RODEO 2 & 3 – October 17 - 18, 2026 / NO Rough Stock Events

RODEO 4 & 5 – November 14 - 15, 2026

RODEO 6 & 7 – January 9 - 10, 2027

RODEO 8 & 9 – February 13 – 14, 2027

RODEO 10 – March 20, 2027

AWARDS – March 21, 2027

*8:30 a.m. Saturday, 9 a.m. Sunday, Church Service 8 a.m. Sunday

High School and Junior High rodeo events run on the same days. The Order of Events is attached and can be found on our website. The remainder of the rodeos will start at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday and 9 a.m. on Sunday following our 8 a.m. church service, unless otherwise communicated in advance.

Attention Rough Stock Contestants:

All Saturday Rodeos will have 2 rounds of rough stock except for the October 17th rodeo – there will be NO rough stock that weekend. There is no rough stock on Sundays.

Attention Team Ropers & Steer Wrestlers / Chute Doggers:

For double-rodeo weekends, both rodeo runs will be run on Saturday.

In this membership packet . . .

1) MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION CHECK LIST

A guide for a GREAT start to your year!

2) NEW MEMBERSHIP / RENEWING MEMBERSHIP

<https://nhsra.equestevent.com/>

If you are a returning member do not create a new profile, use your existing login.

Membership Opens July 1 and must be filled out online through your profile.

- Print out the membership application and liability form. Fill out forms, have them signed and notarized.
- Upload to the NHSRA Portal and pay the National, State and Region dues online for this year.

3) ONLINE RODEO ENTRY – EQUEST EVENT PORTAL

<https://www.equestevent.com> - See packet for step-by-step instructions.

- Complete online rodeo entry form and make payment on equestevent.com
- There will be an added fee of \$50 for late entry per rodeo.
- All entry fees, late fees, and any returned checks must be paid before the rodeo starts or you will not be allowed to ride.
- Medical and Vet draw outs will be honored only if notified before the rodeo starts. A vet release must be provided if draw out involves your horse. If your horse is injured during the first rodeo, you must send in a vet release by the following Monday from your vet to receive a refund.
- State Sign up will follow Rodeo #10 - If you qualify for state, you will complete your state packet and PAY ALL FEES which include region long sleeve shirts you order, entries, RV sites, and stalls.

4) COMPLETE MEMBERSHIP PACKET ON REGION 8 WEBSITE

<http://www.thsra8.com>

- NEW MEMBERS ONLY - The packet includes photo release form, school form, W9, and social media policy. You will need to upload these forms on your NHSRA portal along with a copy of your birth certificate.
- NEW MEMBER AND RETURNING MEMBERS - You will need to upload Coggins and last year's final report card from the past school year.
- **August 28, 2026 DEADLINE** to upload all membership forms. Forms must be completed prior to entry in Rodeo #1.

5) PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS STATE LETTER

IMPORTANT! Texas Membership Requirements

- Ford Raffle Tickets – must sell 15 tickets
- Bloomer Raffle Tickets – must sell 3 tickets.
- Ad Program Sales - \$50 minimum

6) SPONSORSHIP LETTER

It's never too early to start signing sponsors!

- An event with less than 10 contestants will only be awarded a saddle if a sponsor donates directly to that event for the saddle.
- Rookie of the Year is only awarded a saddle if both boy and girl rookie saddles are sponsored. If only one is sponsored the donation money will be split for a different prize.

7) DRESS CODE

Back numbers are to be worn at all times once distributed at check in.

- CONTESTANTS FULL WESTERN ATTIRE as described in NHSRA rulebook is to be worn during the rodeos anytime you are under the covered arena area.
This includes but is not limited to arena, stands, warm up, bucking chutes, and concession stand.
- BACK NUMBERS, COWBOY HATS & SHIRTS TUCKED IN.

8) RV & STALL RESERVATIONS

Openstalls.com / these are NOT made through our Rodeo Secretary

- Stall & RV requests can be made at the time of reservation through the Open Stalls website but are not guaranteed.

9) COMMUNICATION

The following are our current and most up-to-date accounts. Please make yourself familiar with them to stay connected. The Remind app will be the most efficient way to keep everyone informed throughout the year. Please sign up when available.

Facebook and Instagram are fun ways to keep connected and share all the exciting events & big wins! www.thsra8.com for reference & important member info.

- EMAIL- thsraregion8@gmail.com.
- FACEBOOK – THSRA Region VIII & TJHRA Region VIII
- REMIND APP – Please be looking for an update on how to get the app & join the group when it becomes available

- INSTAGRAM – region8rodeo

See you in Uvalde!

We look forward to meeting new members and gathering again with those returning! When we say Region VIII is a family we truly mean it and we hope you will all feel that way too!

With teamwork and dedication to our children and the sport of rodeo, there is no doubt we have a successful and fun year ahead!

God's Blessings to You & Let's Keep Region 8 Great!

Region VIII THSRA & TJHRA Board

NEW! Jackpot Paid Out at 75%

Order of Events

8:30 AM SATURDAY Let's Rodeo

HS and JH Rough Stock 1st Rodeo JH
Poles/HS Poles
HS and JH Rough Stock 2nd Rodeo JH
Tie Down/HS Tie Down
JH Barrels/HS Barrels
JH Boys Breakaway/JH Girls Breakaway HS
Girls Breakaway
JH Ribbon Roping HS
Girls Goat Tying
JH Boys Goat Tying/JH Girls Goat Tying
HS Team Roping/JH Team Roping 1st Rodeo
HS Steer Wrestling/JH Chute Dogging 1st Rodeo HS
Team Roping/JH Team Roping 2nd Rodeo
HS Steer Wrestling/JH Chute Dogging 2nd Rodeo

SUNDAY

8 AM Join us for Christian Fellowship on the landing!

9 AM Let's Rodeo

Same order as Saturday without Rough Stock, Team Roping, Steer Wrestling & Chute Dogging.