

# GENERAL RULES FOR 4-H BUILDING EXHIBITS

These departments are open to youth who are participating in 4-H Youth Development Programs conducted by Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

All exhibitors are responsible to read and comply with the Allamakee County Fair 4-H General Exhibit Rules, 4-H General Rules and Regulations, and all 4-H department exhibit class rules and regulations.

Exhibitors must meet club guidelines and have an Application to Participate on file by June 15 to exhibit at the Allamakee County Fair.

**A 4-H project is a year-long activity to build knowledge of the project subject material. Projects are selected at enrollment time. A 4-H'er may or may not bring an exhibit from their project list to the Allamakee County Fair.**

1. Most exhibit classes have specific guidelines and requirements that will be included in the judging process. Members are highly encouraged go to <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects> to find information about judging criteria for exhibits that they create from their 4-H project learning.
2. Exhibitors must be 4-H'ers of an Allamakee County 4-H Club prior to May 1. The 4-H'er must have a current enrollment form completed. Age for exhibiting at the Allamakee County Fair (grade just completed):
  - Clover Kids (K-3)
  - Juniors - Grades 4, 5, or 6
  - Intermediates - Grades 7 or 8
  - Seniors - Grades 9, 10, 11 or 12
3. Eligible exhibits are an outgrowth of work done as a planned part of the 4-H'ers participation in 4-H projects or programs during the current 4-H year. Exhibits can be done by an individual or group and may represent all or part of the learning in the project or program.
4. Exhibitors in 4-H classes are not eligible to exhibit in a similar department of the FFA divisions or vice-versa. See also "4-H Department General Rules and Regulations".
5. Exhibits previously entered in an FFA Ag Science Fair or any other FFA event or competition may not be entered in any 4-H exhibit class.
6. Exhibits that do not comply with the class description, size guidelines, copyright restrictions, safety and approved methods will be disqualified and not put on public display at the Allamakee County Fair.
7. If the exhibitor chooses a display to illustrate what was learned:
  - Posters may not exceed 24" x 36" in size.
  - Chart boards, graph boards, project presentation boards, model displays, bi-fold/tri-fold boards, etc., may not exceed 48" x 48" in size. Maximum size is

determined by measuring the flat (unfolded) dimensions.

- Display boxes may not exceed 28" x 22" in height or width and 12" in depth.
8. Endangered and threatened plants and animals (includes insects), or songbird feathers and nests may NOT be used in any exhibit.
  9. Copyrighted materials and designs may not be used in an exhibit that is presented as original work by the exhibitor. Exhibitors must include permission from the copyright holder/owner when using copyrighted materials. Exhibitors must give proper credit to the original source of all materials/designs used in exhibits. (See *special rules for Visual Arts and general copyright information for 4-H'ers.*)
  10. The 4-H'er's goal and applicable exhibit standards will form the basis of the evaluation process. Evaluation criteria will include demonstrated learning, workmanship and techniques, and general appearance and design. Exhibitors will receive written evaluation comments on the exhibits and a blue, red, or white ribbon. The following ribbons will also be awarded:
    - Achievement – Lavender
    - Honorable Mention – Fuchsia
    - Alternate State Fair – Peach
    - Selected for State Fair – Green Rosette
  11. A written explanation, audio recording, or video recording is to be included as part of each exhibit. The exhibitor should respond briefly to the following questions about the exhibit:
    - What did you plan to learn or do? (What was your exhibit goal(s)?)
    - What steps did you take to learn or do this?
    - What were the most important things you learned?
- \*\*\*Check for additional requirements in exhibit classes for Food and Nutrition, Photography, and Visual Arts. Exhibits in the Clothing & Fashion, Sewing & Needle Arts, Home Improvement and Visual Arts Classes must identify and include a written description of the design elements and/or art principles used in the exhibit. Refer to the design elements and/or art principles reference in the Appendix.
12. All judges' decisions are final.
  13. Each item in an exhibit must be securely labeled, including the name of the exhibitor, club, and class number.
  14. Exhibits will be entered at conference judged on the Tuesday of fair week starting at 9:00 a.m. Clubs will be assigned specific times to present their entries. All exhibits will be displayed in the club booths at the 4-H Building. State Fair and Alternate State Fair selections will be displayed in designated areas.
  15. Exhibits will be released Sunday at 4:00 p.m. and no later than 6:00 p.m. Any exhibits removed prior to this time will result in a forfeit of premium money by the exhibitor. All exhibits will be removed from the building after 6:00 p.m. and taken to the Extension Office.

### Other Exhibit Information:

16. The Fair Board, 4-H Leaders, 4-H & Youth Development Committee Members, County 4-H Council or the Extension personnel will not be responsible for damages or loss of exhibits. Responsibility for theft, loss or damage of articles rests solely on the exhibitor.
17. Items selected to advance to the Iowa State Fair, must fit easily into a car for transportation to and from the State Fair. Due to the size and value of some exhibits; some exhibitors may need to provide transportation to and from the Iowa State Fair.
18. The 4-H & Youth Development Committee strongly encourages members to wear 4-H shirts and black, white, or blue jeans while at the Fair.
19. Each exhibit must have an entry tag, exhibit label, goal write-up, and Conference Judging Entry Form filled out completely and attached to the exhibit. Conference Judging Entry Forms must be handed in by the exhibitor after being judged. Failure to do so will mean no record of placing and therefore no premium can be awarded.
20. Exhibitors advancing to State Fair must have been in 5<sup>th</sup> grade and above in the last school year and have completed one or more years in 4-H.
21. The conference judging experience is for the exhibitors' personal growth. Parents may observe silently.
22. There is a limit of 5 exhibits per project area with the exception of Poster Communications (See Communications). This would mean that you may have 5 Photography exhibits **AND** 5 Food & Nutrition exhibits, **AND** 5 Home Improvement exhibits. This is a project area limit. It is not meant to be a limit for the number of exhibits that a 4-H member brings to the fair.

## CLOVER KIDS PARTICIPATION

Clover Kids are youth in grades K-3. These members can participate in all club activities. They may help at the fair during their club's scheduled Food Stand shift by bussing tables.

Clover Kids members may showcase their exhibits anytime on Tuesday of fair week. A caring adult will be provided for the Clover Kids members to share their experiences with how he/she created the exhibit.

Third grade Clover Kids may participate in Dog Obedience Classes if a parent is present. Clover Kids in grades K-3 may participate in the Pee Wee Dairy Show and the Lamb Lead. Clover Kids in grades K-3 may participate in Expressions Day events (\$15 Challenge, Fashion Revue, Clothing Selection, Educational Presentations, Working Exhibit, and Share – The – Fun.) Third grade Clover Kids may participate in Bucket Bottle. Livestock identification and entry forms are required for livestock exhibits (see livestock rules). These members are not allowed to participate in the 4-H and FFA Livestock or Dairy Auction and cannot receive premiums. Clover Kids will receive a Clover Kid participation ribbon.

## GUIDELINES FOR CONFERENCE JUDGING DAY

- Please read carefully prior to Conference Judging Day.
- All judging will take place in the Pavilion.
- Please come to the fair with all entry tags, exhibit labels, goal write-ups and the Conference Judging Entry Form filled out and attached to the proper exhibit.
- Complete a Conference Judging Entry Form to be used by the judges and handed in at the Ribbon Table.
- Please read the rules in the fairbook prior to conference judging.
- If you have questions about the procedure once you arrive, please ask for assistance. The 4-H County Council, Youth Development Committee, and staff will be on hand to assist members.

### Step 1

- Go to the Pavilion, enter in the north door and stop at the ENTRY TABLE located to your left as you enter the building.
- Volunteers will check you in by club and name. Have your Conference Judging Entry Form available, for the volunteers will need this for entry.
- **Note: All Clover Kids members will be judged conference style by a Clover Judge.**

### Step 2

Locate the judges stations you need to visit.

- A. Find an empty seat. You will be judged in order of arrival (1<sup>st</sup> come-1<sup>st</sup> serve).
- B. As you are judged, the judges will write comments on the evaluation form and he/she will circle the ribbon placing on the Conference Judging Entry Form.
- C. A Youth Development Committee member or 4-H County Council member is at each judging station to assist you if have any questions.

### Step 3

When you have completed judging - you **MUST** stop at the **COMPLETION TABLE**. At this time, your ribbon will be attached to the project and the Conference Judging Entry Form will be turned in. **(This is our only record of your fair exhibit, and we will use this form later to award premiums, so this stop is extremely important).** You may then take your projects to the 4-H Exhibit Building. If you have an exhibit that is held back to be considered for State Fair it will stay in the Pavilion.

### Step 4

Please place your exhibits in your club's assigned 4-H booth.

## **EXPRESSIONS DAY & STYLE SHOW**

Fashion Revue, Clothing Selection, \$15 Challenge, and Communications judging will take place on **Sunday, June 23, 2019**. This event is open to all 4-H'ers in grades K-12. Expressions Day entry forms are due into the Extension Office on or by June 1 to be eligible for participation. For additional requirements see class rules below.

- *To advance to the Iowa State Fair with a clothing exhibit, youth must be a senior 4-H member.*

## **4-H COMMUNICATION EVENT PROGRAM**

### **General Rules:**

1. 4-H'ers who have completed 4<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade (or that equivalent) are eligible to participate in communication events, with the exception of Extemporaneous Speaking - See event rules for age guidelines. Clover Kids, K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade may also participate. They will be awarded participation ribbons. Clover Kids are not eligible for the Iowa State Fair.
2. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibit may be given by one or more 4-H'ers. Teams consisting of youth of mixed grades will be entered in the class of the member in the highest grade level (i.e. a team with a 5<sup>th</sup> grader and an 8<sup>th</sup> grader must be entered in the intermediate/senior class).
3. Topics selected by the 4-H'er(s) should be an outgrowth of his/her 4-H experience(s). Topics should be appropriate for presentation to a general audience.
4. Educational Presentation and Working Exhibit participants will be involved in a "peer evaluation program".
5. Educational Presentation and Working Exhibit exhibitors will receive a written evaluation comments and ribbon (see General Rule for 4-H Building #8). Share-the-Fun participants will receive a participation ribbon and a written critique of the performance. Participants are expected to be present for awards given at the close of the event session.
6. Participants in the 4-H Communication Programs are expected to wear appropriate clothing representative of the 4-H Youth Program and/or the topic of the presentation.
7. 4-H'ers must use sanitary and safe procedures and methods at all times. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits involving food must follow established food safety guidelines.
8. **All participants are expected to comply with all copyright/trademark regulations. Copyrighted material may not be distributed without permission.**

## **EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION**

### **Purpose**

Provide an opportunity for 4-H'ers to demonstrate communication skills by presenting knowledge, information, or a process to an audience in order to gain a desired response.

**Class 880, Educational Presentation** (Clover Kid) -

Presentations must not exceed 10 minutes.

**Class 11101, Educational Presentation** (Junior) -

Presentations must not exceed 15 minutes.

**Class 11102, Educational Presentation** (Intermediate/Senior)

- Presentations must not exceed 20 minutes.

Participants must turn in a completed Educational Presentation Report form during event check-in.

## **WORKING EXHIBIT**

### **Purpose**

Provide an opportunity for 4-H'ers to communicate, interact with, and teach an audience in an informal and experiential way.

**Class 883, Working Exhibit** (Clover Kid) - scheduled for 15 minutes.

**Class 11201, Working Exhibit** (Junior) - scheduled for 25 minutes.

**Class 11202, Working Exhibit** (Intermediate and Senior) - scheduled for 45 minutes.

Participants must turn in a completed Working Exhibit Report form during event check-in.

## **SHARE-THE-FUN**

### **Purpose**

Provide an opportunity for 4-H'ers to share their skills and talents before an audience purely for the sake of enjoyment.

### **Class 11300, Share-The-Fun**

### **Share-The-Fun Rules**

1. Eligibility: 4-H'ers who have completed 4<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade (or that equivalent) in current 4-H year. Exception: If the Share-The-Fun act involves a whole club, the following criteria must be applied to determine if the club can be entered in the Share-The-Fun Program at the Iowa State Fair:
  - At least 80 percent of the performing group must have completed 5<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade in current 4-H year.
2. Clover Kids, K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade may also participate. They will be awarded participation ribbons. Clover Kids are not eligible for Iowa State Fair.
3. Share-The-Fun performances must not exceed (8) minutes in length. All entries will be given participation ribbons.
4. Skits, songs, stunts, short one-act plays, dance, and other entertainment will be acceptable. All performances must be appropriate for presentation to a general audience.
5. All performers must turn in a completed 4-H Share-The-Fun Report form at event check-in to confirm stage setup, cue music, etc.

## **EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING**

### **Purpose**

Encourage the development of communication skills by providing an opportunity to think, organize thoughts, prepare a speech, and respond to questions when given a limited amount of preparation time.

### **Class 11400, Extemporaneous Speaking**

#### **Extemporaneous Speaking Rules**

1. Participants must be senior 4-H'ers--9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade (or that equivalent).
2. Program format:
  - a. Thirty minutes before the program, each participant will draw three of the available topics, selecting one to speak on.
    - The selected topic will not be available to the other participants in the speaker's assigned room. The general nature of the topics will relate to 4-H. The other two topics drawn but not chosen will be returned to the available topics for the other participants.
  - b. A preparation room is to be used with one participant per speaking site admitted initially and one additional participant per speaking site admitted each 15 minutes as the program progresses. A participant may not leave the preparation room until it is time to speak, nor may a participant receive help from a parent, leader, other adult or any other youth. A program official will assist participants with the time requirements.
  - c. All reference material will be screened by a program official on the following basis:
    - Participant may bring his/her own books, magazines or newspaper clippings for reference during the thirty minutes of preparation.
    - Reference material must be printed material such as books or magazines (cannot be notes, outlines or speeches prepared by the participant or by another person for use in this program.
    - Some relevant reference material will be available in the preparation room. This material will consist of historical material related to the 4-H program.
  - d. Each speech shall be the result of the 4-H'ers own efforts using approved reference material that a participant may bring to the preparation room. No other assistance may be provided. Plain 3"x5" note cards will be provided for each participant in the preparation room. If notes are used, the 3"x5" note cards provided must be used in delivering the speech.
  - e. Only notes made during the preparation period may be used.
  - f. Each speech shall be **not less than four** but **no more than six minutes** with five minutes additional time allowed for related questions, which shall be asked by the judge. The participant will be shown time

cards in an ascending order (1, 2, 3, 4, 5) by the time keeper. "Stop" will be said at six minutes.

- g. The program timekeeper will introduce each participant by name. The participant will be expected to introduce his/her speech by title only.
  - h. Participants are not permitted to use any props, gadgets, posters or audiovisuals of any sort. A podium not will be available.
3. Speeches will be evaluated using the following criteria:
    - a. Content related to topic.
    - b. Knowledge of the subject.
    - c. Organization of material.
    - d. Power of expression.
    - e. Voice.
    - f. Stage presence.
    - g. General effect.
    - h. Response to questions.
  4. A judge's critique/conference with each participant will be included as a part of the program.

## **CLOTHING EVENT PROGRAM**

### **CLOTHING SELECTION**

- a. Participants should select and/or purchase an outfit that represents the 4-H'er's goal or intended use for the selected outfit.
- b. Have had individual planned or county experience(s) in choosing shopping alternatives, evaluating fit, quality and construction features, price, and cost comparison.
- c. Clover Kids, K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade may also participate. They will be awarded participation ribbons. Clover Kids are not eligible for Iowa State Fair.

**Clothing Selection NOTE:** Outfits may be selected and/or purchased from any source, including consignment shops, used clothing stores, etc. Clothing items which are home-sewn are not eligible unless the completed garment was purchased from a used clothing source. Clothing items which are custom sewn specifically for the participant are not eligible.

### **THE \$15 CHALLENGE**

- a. Participants should purchase an outfit that represents the 4-H'ers intended use for the selected outfit.
- b. Have had individual or county experience(s) in choosing shopping alternatives, evaluating fit, quality and construction features, price, and cost comparison.
- c. Outfits must be purchased at a garage sale, consignment store, or resale shop (i.e. Goodwill, Salvation Army, or other stores of this type.) Hand-me-downs or clothing as gifts that were selected by the 4-H'er belong in Clothing Selection. **Also items purchased in retail stores or online sites that do not sell second hand clothing (i.e. JCPenney, Wal-Mart, American Eagle or other stores of this type) belong in Clothing Selection."**

- d. Cost of outfit must be \$15 or less, not including shoes, accessories or undergarments.
- e. Receipt(s) **MUST** be turned in with Clothing Event Form.
- f. Clover Kids, K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade may also participate. They will be awarded participation ribbons. Clover Kids are not eligible for Iowa State Fair.

## **FASHION REVUE**

- a. Participants should be enrolled in the 4-H Clothing project in the current 4-H program year.
- b. Model a garment or outfit that is constructed, hand-knitted, machine-knitted, or crocheted during the current 4-H year.
- c. A garment or outfit consisting of one to three pieces such as party clothes, tailored suits, vest, slacks, shirt, skirt, active sportswear and/or coats are acceptable as Fashion Revue entries.
- d. Blouses, shirts, and sweaters are usually considered as garments. If they are used to complete an outfit, they may be constructed or selected.
- e. All other accessories and undergarments may be constructed or selected.
- f. Clover Kids, K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade may also participate. They will be awarded participation ribbons. Clover Kids are not eligible for Iowa State Fair.

## **ANIMALS**

### **10110 Animal Science**

An exhibit (other than the animal itself) that shows the learning about a large or small animal including beef, dairy cattle, dairy goats, dogs, horse & pony, meat goats, pets, poultry, rabbits, sheep and swine. Ownership of any animal is not required.

### **10120 Veterinary Science**

An exhibit that shows learning about keeping animals healthy.

**Class 231P, Pets** -- Any exhibit which the animal is a companion to the 4-H'er, and not used for meat, milk or recreation. The exhibitor should prepare a folder containing the following information: breed or pet species name; age and/or birth date of pet; characteristics and habits of the pet; care of the pet-diet, grooming, etc.; exhibitor's name age and year in the project; photos. Animals are allowed if on a leash or in a cage or carrier. The folder will remain on display in the club booth after the animal is taken home. (County only class)

## **AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES**

### **10210 Crop Production**

An exhibit that shows learning about the growth, use, and value of field crops.

### **10220 Environment and Sustainability**

An exhibit that shows the connections between humans and their environment including energy, stewardship, conservation, entomology, fish and wildlife, or forestry. Includes collections.

### **10230 Horticulture and Plant Science (includes Home Grounds Improvement)**

An exhibit that shows learning about the growth, use, and value of plants, small fruits, vegetable and flower gardens, and landscape design. (Garden crops and herbs are exhibited in separate classes—see below).

### **10235 Home Grounds Improvement**

An exhibit that shows learning about landscape plans, selection of landscape plants, ornamental garden features, home yard improvement, storage sheds, careers, etc.

### **10240 Outdoor Adventures**

An exhibit that shows learning about backpacking, biking, camping, canoeing, fishing, hiking or other outdoor activities.

### **10250 Safety and Education in Shooting Sports**

An exhibit that shows learning about safe and responsible use of firearms and archery equipment or wildlife management. (The exhibit may not include actual firearms; archery equipment allowed if tips are removed from arrows).

### **10260 Other Agriculture and Natural Resources**

An exhibit that shows learning about agriculture or natural resources and does not fit in any of the classes listed above.

### **County Classes (711C-711L):**

#### **Class 711C--GARDEN VEGETABLES**

The following classes are for actual plant specimens only. Vegetables should be prepared and displayed according to 4H-462, "Harvesting and Preparing Vegetables for Exhibit," <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/publications/4h462.pdf>.

- Lot
- 264. Beans, snap, 6 specimens
- 265. Beans, yellow wax, 6 specimens
- 266. Beets, 3 specimens
- 267. Cabbage, round, 1 specimen
- 268. Cabbage, red, 1 specimen
- 269. Cantaloupe, any variety, 1 specimen
- 270. Carrots, 3 specimens
- 271. Cucumbers, for slicing, 3 specimens
- 272. Cucumbers, dill, 3-5 inches, 3 specimens
- 273. Cucumber, for pickling, 6 specimens
- 274. Eggplant, standard or traditional, 1 specimen
- 275. Eggplant, cylindrical, 1 specimen
- 276. Honeydew melon, smooth skin, 1 specimen
- 277. Onions, red, 3 specimens
- 278. Onions, white, 3 specimens
- 279. Onions, yellow, 3 specimens
- 280. Peppers, bell, sweet, green, 3 specimens
- 281. Peppers, sweet any other variety, 3 specimens
- 282. Peppers, hot, jalapeno, 3 specimens
- 283. Peppers, hot, any other variety, 3 specimens
- 284. Potatoes, red, 3 specimens
- 285. Potatoes, white 3 specimens
- 286. Pumpkin, sugar pie, 1 specimen
- 287. Pumpkin, Jack O Lantern, under 16" tall, 1 specimen
- 288. Squash, summer, scallop or patty pan, 3 specimens
- 289. Squash, summer, zucchini, green, 3 specimens
- 290. Squash, summer, zucchini, yellow, 3 specimens
- 291. Squash, summer, any other variety, 3 specimens
- 292. Squash, winter, acorn, 1 specimen
- 293. Squash, winter, butternut type, 1 specimen
- 294. Squash, winter, any other variety, 1 specimen
- 295. Sweet corn, 3 ears with husks open on 1 side

- 296. Tomato, red slicing, 3 specimens
- 297. Tomato, cherry type, 6 specimens
- 298. Tomato, processing type, 3 specimens
- 299. Watermelon, any variety (large or small), 1 specimen
- 300. Any other kind of vegetable, not included in any previously named class, 3 specimens

**Class 711D--Herbs**

- 301. Parsley, 3 sprigs in a bottle of water
- 302. Any other individual herb, 3 sprigs in a bottle of water
- 303. Collection of 4 different herb species to be displayed in separate bottles of water. Specimens should include 3 sprigs with stems of adequate length for each species. A special exhibit card will be provided and **MUST** accompany the exhibit which lists individual herb species information.

**Class 711E--ORNAMENTALS**

- 304. Pumpkin, decorated, woody stem, any full pumpkin decorated with other vegetables, paint or other material. No carving. 1 specimen.
- 305. Pumpkin, miniature, 3 specimens
- 306. Gourds, small ornamentals, 3 specimens

**Class 711F--VEGETABLE COMBINATIONS**

307. The vegetable display must include five or more different vegetable crops grown in the exhibitor's home garden. For this class, herbs will count as vegetable crops. More than one variety of any particular vegetable can be displayed; however, not more than four items of the same vegetable can be displayed. For example, four tomatoes would constitute one vegetable, e.g. one large red slicing, one cherry tomato, one yellow tomato, and one processing tomato. The container display will be reduced one placing if it contains more than four vegetables of any one kind, e.g. more than four beans. The amount of produce exhibited should fit into the container and the specimens may not overflow onto the table. The vegetables should be prepared for exhibit as instructed in 4H-462, "Harvesting and Preparing Vegetables for Exhibit," <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/publications/4h462.pdf>. Any decorative basket, box or other decorative container, not larger than one-half bushel in size can be used. The exhibit will be judged 75% for the cultural perfection of the vegetables and 25% for decorative arrangement. A special variety card should accompany the exhibit with each crop clearly labeled as to the variety.

**Class 711G—Small Fruits and Tree Fruits**

**Class 711H—Flowers and Houseplants**

Exhibits should be prepared and displayed according to 4H-464, "Preparing Cut Flowers and Houseplants for Exhibit," <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/Publications/4H464.pdf>

**Class 711I--Jumbo or Most Unusual Vegetables**

Lot

- 310. Cabbage (max of 3 wrapper leaves), 1 specimen
- 311. Potato, 1 specimen
- 312. Pumpkin, (woody stem), 1 specimen
- 313. Squash, zucchini, 1 specimen
- 314. Squash, any other variety, 1 specimen
- 315. Tomato, 1 specimen
- 316. Watermelon, 1 specimen

**Class 711J—Item constructed from garden produce**

**Class 711K—Bucket of Flowers.** A 5-gallon bucket with flowers that have been grown by the exhibitor with a card included listing the variety of flowers. This will be judged by

the horticulture judge. After judging, all buckets will be placed around the fairgrounds to enhance the appearance during the fair.

**Class 711L Horticulture-Home Judged Garden** -- This project may consist of a vegetable and or flower garden. The exhibitor will prepare a folder containing photos, weed & pest control, knowledge of your gardening project and an explanation about the garden project. The fair folder will be used as the judging criteria for ribbon placing. Home garden judging will take place the week prior to fair. Exhibitors are responsible to inform Extension staff they have a garden to be judged.

**CREATIVE ARTS**

**10310 Music**

An exhibit that shows learning about musical performance, composition and arrangements, instruments, musical styles or history.

**10320 Photography**

An exhibit, either photo(s) or an educational display, that shows learning about photography from choosing a camera to modifying your photo. Still photos only, not video.

**Photography Special Rules:**

1. Photographs may be either black and white or color. They may be processed from negatives, slides, or digital cameras and computer manipulation programs. Photographs must have been taken since county fair of the previous year.
2. Photographs should be a minimum of 4" x 6". Finished size (including mounting/matting) of single photographs should not exceed 16" in height or width. Exception: Panoramic photos must not exceed 24" in length.
3. All photographs must be printed on photographic paper. Photos printed on canvas, fabric, ceramic, etc. will only be accepted as part of an educational display that shows learning about photography printing techniques, display, merchandising, etc.
4. Mounted photos can be (a) flush-mounted [no board showing] on mounting board, or (b) with mount borders [window mat or flat mount directly on board]. Exhibitors may cut their own mounting boards, use ready-cut window mats or have matting done professionally. 4-Hers are responsible for design decisions such as border, color and size. **Framed photographs (including floating frames) will not be judged.**
5. Non-mounted photos may be exhibited in a clear plastic covering.
6. A series is a group of photographs or slides [3 to 5] that are related or tell a step-by-step story. Photographs must be mounted together in story order or sequence. Slides should be numbered. Finished size of individual photographs in a series should not exceed 6" x 8".
7. Digitally altered photos should include a copy of the photo before changes.
8. Subject matter of photographs must be in good taste and be appropriate for public display in a 4-H setting.
9. Photographs depicting unsafe practices or illegal activities will not be displayed.

10. Iowa State Fair and County Fair 4-H photography exhibitors must use the Photo Exhibit Label to provide required information for photo exhibits.
11. Exhibitors entered in 4-H Photography are not eligible to exhibit in the FFA Photography show and vice-versa.

**10325 – Digital Photography Exhibit – A photo or series of photos submitted electronically, not printed.** Photos in this class will be submitted, viewed, evaluated, and displayed electronically.

**Digital Photography Exhibit Special Rules:**

1. Photographs may be either black and white or color.
2. Photographs will not be printed.
3. Entries may be a single photo or a series of photos. A series is a group of photographs (3 to 5) that are related or tell a step-by-step story. Series photo entries must have all photos in the series viewable at the same time.
4. Photos entered should be submitted in the highest resolution possible. A finished file size of 1 MB – 3 MB is recommended.
5. Photos should be submitted in an acceptable and commonly used format for ease of viewing.
6. Subject matter of photographs must be in good taste and be appropriate for public display in a 4-H setting.
7. Photographs depicting unsafe practices or illegal activities will not be displayed.
8. Iowa State Fair 4-H photography exhibitors must use the Photo Exhibit Label to provide required information for photo exhibits. The Photo Exhibit Label may be submitted electronically with the photo entry.
9. Photos entered in this class will be evaluated on the same evaluation criteria used for printed photographs.
10. Exhibitors entered in 4-H Photography are not eligible to exhibit in the FFA Photography show and vice-versa

**10340 Alternative/Creative Photography**

A single photograph or photographic image that has been created with an alternative photographic process, or a photograph that was creatively edited or modified beyond reality in a creative, imaginative and experimental way to make it more interesting and visually engaging. Could be a composite of multiple overlapped photographs.

**Alternative/Creative Photography Special Rules:**

1. Photograph/Image must be mounted on foam core no smaller than 4"x4" and no larger than 10" x 10" in height and width. No matting and no framing is allowed, put your creativity into the photography!
2. Photograph/Image can be created from film negative, digital negative, or digitally manipulated in computer.
3. Photograph must be on photo paper, canvas, or other flat material.
4. Exhibit must have Photo Exhibit Label on back with required information for photo exhibits. Include information about the processes used.
5. Subject matter must be in good taste and be appropriate for public display in a 4-H setting, photographs depicting unsafe practices or illegal activities will not be displayed.

**10345 Photography Idea/Educational Display**

An exhibit that demonstrates learning about photography that does not fit into any previous photography class. This class includes photos printed on canvas, fabric, ceramic, etc. as part of an educational display showing learning about printing techniques, display, merchandising, etc.

**10350 Visual Arts**

An exhibit that shows learning through original art, exploration of an art technique, or study of any other visual arts topic. For additional requirements, see General Rules for 4-H Bldg., #9.

**Visual Arts Special Rules:**

1. Exhibits made from kits or preformed molds will not be accepted. Exception: Preformed molds (greenware, whiteware) may be used to provide the appropriate surface for a process technique or application of original design.
2. If the exhibit is a finished art object, the source or inspiration of the design, design sketches, or other process for creating the object and design must be included.
3. Original works of art must be a creative expression of a design unique to the artist, or represent a significant modification to an existing design to make a new and original statement by the artist.
4. Exhibition of derivative works created by a 4-H'er is prohibited without the written permission of the original copyright holder/owner. Use of copyrighted or trademarked designs, images, logos, or materials in 4-H visual arts exhibits is prohibited unless written permission has been obtained from the copyright or trademark holder/owner. For additional information, see 4-H Exhibit Copyright Information at <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/4h/projects/visualart.htm>

**Class 821 Z, County Class**—Any exhibit which is not the original design of the exhibitor. Exhibits could be articles made from kits or pre-formed molds, or when the exhibitor only changes color, size, or materials of a pre-existing pattern or picture (e.g. ribbon instead of fringe, blue floss instead of pink, gingham instead of calico, etc.). Kits are defined as any pre-packaged item where the materials and design are pre-determined by the manufacturer. Examples of pre-formed molds would be purchased greenware or whiteware. **Exhibits in this class are not eligible for State Fair consideration.**

**FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES**

**10410 Child Development**

An exhibit that shows learning about children. Examples: child care, growth and development, safety and health, children with special needs, and careers in child development.

**10420 Clothing and – Constructed/Sewn Garments & Accessories-**

A constructed garment or accessory (sewn, knitted, crocheted, or other process) that shows learning about style, fashion, design, thrifty spending, wardrobe planning, types of fabrics, and clothing care. Exhibits must be intended to be worn by humans.

**10422 Clothing and Fashion – Purchased Garments & Accessories** – Purchased garments or accessories that shows learning about style, fashion, design, thrifty spending, wardrobe planning, types of fabrics, and clothing care. Exhibits must be intended to be worn by humans.

**10424 Clothing and Fashion – Other Ideas/Educational Exhibits** – Any other educational exhibit that shows learning about clothing and fashion including but not limited to design illustrations, exploration of clothing styles, careers, clothing care, etc.

***Clothing and Fashion Special Rule:***

*Outfits or accessories which will be worn during the Awardrobe Clothing Event may not be entered as a 4-H Iowa State Fair exhibit.*

**10430 Consumer Management**

An exhibit that shows learning through savvy budgeting, comparison shopping, money management, and consumer rights and responsibilities.

**10440 Food & Nutrition**

**Prepared and Preserved Product** - An exhibit of a prepared or preserved food product that shows skills or learning about cooking, baking, eating and choosing healthy foods, safety practices, or food preservation through the making of a prepared or preserved food product. See *Food & Nutrition Special Rules* below and HS 76 “*Foods for Iowa 4-H Fairs – Quick Reference Guide*” at <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/6434> for additional information regarding prepared and preserved food products.

**10445 Food & Nutrition – Educational Display** - An educational exhibit (poster, report, display) that shows skills or learning about cooking, baking, eating and choosing healthy foods, safety practices, or food preservation. See *Food & Nutrition Special Rules* below and HS 76 “*Foods for Iowa 4-H Fairs – Quick Reference Guide*” for additional information regarding prepared and preserved food products.

**Food & Nutrition Special Rules**

1. Any exhibit considered to be a food safety risk or portray a food safety risk will not be accepted, judged or displayed.
2. All food products/exhibits should be appropriate for human consumption.
3. Food product exhibits must be prepared, baked or cooked using only food grade utensils and containers.
4. Products that require refrigeration will not be accepted, judged or displayed.
5. Meat jerky products are prohibited.
6. The recipe must be included for any prepared food exhibit; credit the source of the recipe.
7. Preserved foods must include the Food Preservation Exhibit Label. Only food processed after August 1, of previous year is acceptable. Current USDA and/or Iowa State University guidelines for home food preservation must be used.
8. Preserved food exhibits **must** include two product samples. One will be opened for evaluation and discarded; the second will be placed on display and returned to the exhibitor. All perishable food products will be discarded when removed from display.

9. Prepared foods should be placed on a firm disposable plate or flat cardboard. Place food product exhibit in a reclosable plastic bag with entry tag fastened outside the bag.
10. The use of alcoholic beverages in the preparation or production of 4-H food exhibits is NOT permitted.
11. It is suggested to display (6) of the following prepared food products: cookies, doughnuts, bars, muffins, mints, rolls, etc. or (1) whole

**10450 Health**

An exhibit that shows learning through food choices, safe activities and skills such as first aid and CPR, careers, and healthy lifestyle choices.

**10460 Home Improvement**

An exhibit that shows learning in planning, improving and caring for your home living space. Exhibits may include new or refinished/reclaimed/restored items. For additional requirements, see General Rules for 4-H Bldg., #9.

**10470 Sewing and Needle Arts**

(sewn, knitted, crocheted, or other process) that shows learning and skill in sewing, knitting, crocheting, or other needle arts. May include the construction of household items such as pillowcases, curtains, table runners, quilts, wall hangings, or other items. Exhibits in this class are not intended to be worn by humans.

**10472 Sewing and Needle Arts – Other Ideas/Educational Exhibits**

– Any other educational exhibit that shows learning about sewing and needle arts including but not limited to construction techniques, use and care of fabrics and fibers, design illustrations, decorative processes, careers.

**10480 Other Family and Consumer Science**

An exhibit that demonstrates learning about a family and consumer science topic that does not fit any previous Family & Consumer Science class listed.

**PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**10510 Citizenship & Civic Engagement**

An exhibit that shows learning about or contributing to your community, your country or your world.

**10520 Communication**

An exhibit that shows learning about written, oral, and visual communication skills in their many forms.

**4-H POSTER COMMUNICATION**

**Purpose**

Provide an opportunity for 4-H'ers to communicate with and **tell a story or idea visually** about 4-H to the general public using the non-verbal form of communication on a poster.

**Class, 10530 4-H Poster Communication**

**4-H Poster Communication Rules**

1. Only one poster per 4-H'er may be entered.
2. All posters must be designed on, or affixed to, standard poster board or foam core board—size minimum of 14” x 20” or maximum of 15” x 22”.



3. Posters may be vertical or horizontal. Posters may be any medium: watercolor, ink, crayon, acrylic, charcoal, oils, collage.
4. Posters **cannot** be 3-dimensional. Materials used to make the poster may **not** extend more than 1/8 inch above the poster or foam core board.
5. Each poster **must** have the completed Poster Exhibit Entry Form attached to the back.
6. Posters **cannot** use copyrighted material or exact copies of other promotional designs, such as the Iowa 4-H Youth Conference theme logo.
7. 4-H'ers may include the 4-H clover in the poster.
8. The themes for "Communicating Through 4-H Posters" are found in the Appendix.

#### **10540 Digital Storytelling**

Any exhibit that demonstrates the application of technology to produce a creative movie/film/video. Exhibits may include a finished movie or video, creation of a detailed storyboard, editing techniques using digital video software, production techniques, or other display to share what was learned. Copyright permission must be obtained for any non-original material included as part of a film/movie/video.

#### **10550 Leadership**

An exhibit that shows learning about leadership skills and influencing others in a positive way.

#### **10560 Self-Determined**

An exhibit that shows learning as part of your 4-H adventure and does not fit any other class.

## **SCIENCE, ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY**

#### **10610 Mechanics**

Any exhibit that shows skills or learning about general mechanics or engineering solutions or that involve a combination of skills.

#### **10612 Automotive**

Repaired or restored vehicle

#### **10614 Electric**

Constructed or repaired article or educational display that shows skills or learning about electric wiring, appliances, lighting, electrical energy sources, safety, etc.

#### **10615 Small Engine**

Repaired or restored operating engine or educational display or other type exhibit that shows skills or learning about small engines. This class includes repaired or restored lawn tractors, small motorcycles, go-karts, etc.

#### **10616 Tractor**

Repaired or restored tractor.

#### **10618 Welding**

Constructed item or educational display that shows skills or learning about welding.

#### **10620 Woodworking**

Any exhibit that shows learning about wood, woodworking techniques, and safe uses of woodworking tools and

machines. Exhibits may include newly constructed or refinished/reclaimed/restored wood items.

#### **10630 Science, Engineering & Technology**

Any exhibit that shows learning about or helps explain how science and technology help us interact with the world. Topics include aerospace, biological and chemical sciences, computers & networking, earth & climate, geospatial mapping (GPS/GIS), robotics, or any other application of Science, Engineering, or Technology.

#### **Science, Engineering & Technology Special Rule:**

Exhibitors entered in the 4-H Science, Engineering & Technology classes may not enter in similar FFA Ag Mechanics classes and vice-versa.