

Boone County Fair Youth Arts ***4-H is a Whirlwind of Fun***

General Information

Boone County Fair: Tuesday, July 18, 2023 - Saturday, July 22, 2023

Project Entry & Judging: Sunday, July 16, 2023: 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm for 4-H Club Members
3:00 pm for Jr. Superintendents

Pre-Fair Fun: Monday, July 17, 2023: Robotics Competition/Demonstration and Pedal Tractor Pull

Achievement Day: Thursday, July 20, 2023:

May include: Fashion Revue
Demonstrations
Public Speaking
Theater Arts
Table Decor Exhibits

Project Release: Sunday, July 23, 2023: 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

**Any projects that are not picked up during this time may be disposed of, unless prior arrangements have been made.

State Fair Projects: A date will be set for when Boone County Fair projects need to be returned to the Extension Office for transportation to the Missouri State Fair

**As a reminder, 4-H Members are limited to two items and one demonstration in the 4-H Building at the Missouri State Fair.

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Any changes to this information will be given to 4-H Club Leaders as soon as possible.

Youth Arts Rules & Regulations

1. **All exhibitors MUST have their entries registered by June 23, 2023.** *The platform which will be used for project entry is still being determined.*
Youth may only register for projects in which they are currently enrolled in through 4-H Online. **If a member intends to bring three items for judging in a specific project, all three items must be registered separately.** Youth will not be penalized for registering more projects than they actually enter for judging.
2. **Items must be made in the current year and must be the work of the 4-H member submitting them.** Items exhibited cannot be made using a school or camp curriculum. Items made using resources from school or camp will be allowed; for example: extension cords made at camp cannot be entered but a painting using brushes from school can be entered.
3. Entries in the Youth Arts division will be accepted from members of any Boone County youth organization, including FFA, FHA, 4-H, JFA, Campfire Girls, Boy Scouts, and Girl Scouts. Only entries submitted by members of a Boone County 4-H club will be eligible to be selected as State Fair winners.
4. **Project entry is Sunday, July 16, 2023 from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm.** Projects will be judged using conference judging, a process which allows each exhibitor to be present and discuss their exhibit with a judge. Projects entered by non-Jr. Superintendents after 3:00 pm may not be considered eligible for exhibition in the 4-H Building of the Missouri State Fair. The building will CLOSE after all conference judging is completed and will OPEN to the public when the fair opens at **4:00 pm on Tuesday, July 18, 2023.**
5. Items made by 4-H members should reflect the skills they have learned in their 4-H project, the needs and interest of the 4-H'er, and quality workmanship. Members should use the 4-H project literature and "Clover" for ideas and criteria. The Youth Arts committee has the right to reject any exhibit that they deem inappropriate for exhibition. **EACH MEMBER IS LIMITED TO THREE (3) ENTRIES PER PROJECT.**
6. Items are displayed at the risk of the 4-H member. The Boone County Fair, Boone County 4-H, and the Junior Division of the Fair will not be responsible for the loss or damage to an exhibit, regardless of the reason.
7. All exhibits may be "any item made", unless otherwise stated. The 4-H member may display any item made in their project. This includes notebooks, file cards, photo displays, posters or educational displays. Regardless of the project, the required dimensions for that type of item must be used. Items that do not comply with size or other specifications will not receive a premium or ribbon.
 - a. **Notebook** - use a three-ring binder with region, county, and name on the spine.
 - b. **Posters** - posters can be no larger than 14"x22", must be flat (no foam board), and any 3-D items shall not be more than 1/8" above the surface of the poster board.
 - c. **Educational Display** - educational displays should not exceed 12" in height, 12" in depth and 14" in width, can include three-dimensional items, and must be free standing. **Posters with items taped to them do not qualify as educational displays.**
 - d. **Working Models** - these exhibits should show how things actually work (cutaway sections of motors or computers) or can be used to help people identify parts, such as those of a motor or computer. Working models should require floor space no larger than 24"x24".

8. Perishable items such as food, vegetables, crops, and home grown items may not be returned after the fair. Perishable items will be discarded throughout the fair when quality has deteriorated. If a decorated cake is made with fondant and the fondant fails, the cake will be removed from display. If an item is no longer suitable for exhibit, it will be removed and the tag with a card stating its removal will be left in its place.
9. **Fire Hazard Prevention: After the entry has been judged and is on display, any exhibit that uses batteries, such as circuit boards or robots, should not have any wires connected to the battery; rather the wires should be taped behind the battery or tape should be placed over the ends of the battery.**
Another option: Do not attach a battery, but indicate "Battery Goes Here".
10. Judging and Awards: All judging of exhibits will be done on the basis of the Danish system, which includes blue, red and white ribbons. If any premium money is awarded, it will be divided at a ratio of 3 points for a blue ribbon, 2 points for a red ribbon, and 1 point for a white ribbon.
11. The number of exhibits designated for the Missouri State Fair from each project area is at the discretion of the judge based upon quality of the exhibits with the following exceptions:
 - 1) Photography - 10 entries to the State Fair
 - 2) Cake Decorating - 6 entries to the State Fair
 - 3) Posters - 6 entries to the State Fair
 - 4) Demonstrations - 15 entries to the State Fair
 - 5) Working Demonstrations - 4 entries to the State Fair
12. **Each 4-H member is limited to a total of two exhibits at the Missouri State Fair.** Missouri State Fair project selection is not made until after the final 4-H member has completed their judging. If a member has more than two exhibits selected for State Fair, the member must make a decision regarding the two items they wish to send. However, the Youth Arts Chairperson only needs to be notified in the event that one of their items is in any of the following categories; photography, cake decorating, posters, demonstrations, or working demonstrations. At that time, an Alternate State Fair project will be chosen.
13. **All items going to exhibit at the State Fair need to be brought, by the 4-H member, to the Boone County Extension Center by a date to be determined.** It is the responsibility of the 4-H member to pack State Fair items safely for transport. Neither Boone County 4-H nor the Missouri State Fair are responsible for damage to any project displayed in the Missouri State Fair 4-H Building. Items that are too large to display at the State Fair may submit a photograph, with final approval determined by the Boone County 4-H staff.
14. Exhibits may not be removed, without prior permission, before the project release time on **Sunday July 23, 2023 from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm.** The Boone County Fair, Boone County 4-H, and Junior Division cannot be held responsible for exhibits left after 3:00 pm on Sunday, July 23, 2023.
15. 4-H Members that are 13 years of age or older are eligible to apply to be a Junior Superintendent. More information will be available by early July regarding the application process.
16. Clover Kids, age 5 to 7 years old, will be allowed to show three (3) items. They will not receive any premium money but will receive participation ribbons.
17. Boone County Youth Arts does not guarantee premium money, merchandise, prizes, or special awards will be given to any exhibitors.

Project Specific Rules

Boone County Fair Youth Arts Theme Project:

This year's Youth Arts theme is *4-H is a Whirlwind of Fun*.

Any 4-H'er may create a project that relates to the theme to be displayed in the Youth Arts Building throughout the fair

Theme Projects WILL NOT be judged for a specific project and will not be awarded ribbons or premium money. They will not be eligible for the Missouri State Fair

Theme Projects will be included in the "People's Choice" awards and winners will be announced at the conclusion of the Boone County Fair

Amphibians, Reptiles, Livestock, Pets, etc...:

No live animals may be used as a part of the project/exhibit in Youth Arts

Cake Decorating:

Decorated cakes should not be real cakes, styrofoam forms are recommended

Cakes should not exceed 13" in height, including the cake board

Cake boards should be sturdy

Only Royal Icing, rolled fondant, or a commercial product that will harden and preserve the cake should be used

Items such as pineapple tops, real flowers, or other perishable items should not be used as decorations

Candy decorations may be used, but only if they are non-melting

Cookbooks, Notebooks, Scrapbooks, etc...:

Should be a 1 page/1 side representation of the complete project

Size should not exceed 12" x 12"

Page should be in a clear protective sleeve or zipper bag

Page should not be framed

Electricity, Robotics, etc...:

Any item that requires the use of electricity or batteries must have the power source removed upon completion of judging.

Entomology and Geology:

Box size must be no larger than 18" long x 24" wide and 3 ½" deep

All boxes must have a clear display lid that is securely fastened, no open boxes

All items inside the box should be named, labeled, and mounted to allow for boxes to be displayed horizontally, if necessary

Floriculture:

Live plants or cut specimens must be displayed in a container no larger than 8" in diameter

Plants or flowers may be fresh or dried, not silk or plastic, and must have been grown by the 4-H'er

Gardening and Foods:

The 4-H'er must have grown the fruits/vegetables and/or made the food item
Items should be brought to the fair in disposable containers
Items must be of reasonable quality to last more than one week - do not send casseroles, cream or fruit pies, items made with cream cheese, etc...
A tasting sample and ingredient list should be included with foods
Mini-sized versions of cakes and breads are acceptable
Contact your project leader regarding specific requirements for plating of fruits, vegetables, biscuits, cookies, muffins, etc...

Photography:

Photographs must be 8" x 10" or smaller
Photographs MUST be mounted on a rectangular 8" x 10" matte board.
Matte boards may be any color but MUST NOT have any cutouts
Photographs should be in a clear protective sleeve
For additional rules regarding digital editing, contact your project leader

Shooting Sports:

No live ammunition may be brought in for judging or display
Remove all arrow points

Table Decor:

Table Decor is open to all 4-H'ers, you do not need to enroll in a specific project
Tables must be set-up during conference judging and will remain in place throughout the fair
Judging for Table Decor will take place during Achievement Day activities
Please go to this link for ideas and guidelines (dates and contact information is not accurate for the Boone County Fair):

<https://extension.unl.edu/statewide/wayne/Lancaster%20Tablesetting%20Contest.pdf>

Welding, Woodworking, and Other Large Exhibits:

You may bring large items to be judged and displayed at the Boone County Fair, however, you might not be able to display them at the Missouri State Fair. Prior approval for the display of large items must be granted through the State 4-H office. Submitting a photograph of the large item is encouraged!

All other project rules and regulations can be found in the Clover Magazine, the Boone County Fair website, and the Missouri State Fair website. For all additional questions and clarifications, contact your project and/or club leader.