

ARTS AND CRAFTS

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MANUAL – NONE – Arts & Crafts Record Sheet required

GENERAL GUIDELINES

1. Record sheets must be completed and entered in Green Folder.
2. Ceramic molds need not be exhibited.
3. Paint-by-number kits are not acceptable in Painting & Drawing.
4. Pictures or wall hangings must be ready for hanging to be considered for Champion or Reserve Champion. Examples of ready for hanging include: saw tooth hanger, triangle, wire, etc.
5. A craft exhibit with more than one article and titled a “set” must meet the following requirements: a “set” will be two or more items obviously together, matching or coordinated in design.
6. A 3 x 5 inch card is optional for all craft projects except ceramics, which requires a card.
7. During check-in on the day of judging a special name sign will be provided to you for the item while it is on display at the fairgrounds.
8. Projects entered after judging has begun will be considered LATE but it will be judged. It will not be considered for Champion or Reserve Champion. Projects received after that project category judging is completed will receive only a green participation ribbon.
9. Projects are to be completed by grade level. Grade level is determined as of February 1. **If you are repeating a grade you must enroll in the grade you are in as of February 1.**
10. **After signing up for your Arts & Craft projects you may not change your project choices past the official drop/add deadline (May 1). Example: if you sign up for Painting & Drawing, you stay in Painting & Drawing. Each 4-H'er may only take a maximum of TWO Arts & Crafts projects.**
11. **All projects are not to exceed a maximum size of 36” x 36” x 36”. Anything larger will not be eligible for Champion or Reserve Champion.**

BASKETS

General Rules

1. **PROJECT SHOULD NOT EXCEED 36" X 36" X 36"**.
2. Only the technique listed for each grade may be used.
3. Any basket that uses a technique not listed for their grade will not be considered for Champion or Reserve Champion.
4. All baskets may be stained or left natural.
5. Wooden bottoms are not to be used until Grade 8 and above.
6. Stenciling is acceptable in Grades 8 and above, but this will not be part of the judging.
7. Enhancements acceptable only in Grades 8 & above.
8. **EACH GRADE JUDGED SEPARATELY.**

Grade 3

10 x 10 inch square basket, no handle, using only basic over and under weaving with a single lashed rim. Twining around the base is acceptable. Colored reed may be used.

Grade 4

A square or rectangle basket any size with "D" handle using basic over and under weaving with a single or double lashed rim, with or without a solid bottom. Twining around the base is acceptable. Colored reed may be used.

Grade 5

A round-based basket with a solid twined base, with "D" or wire handle. Color and twining may be used in the basket. Lashed rim: single or double.

Grade 6

A 10 x 14 inch market basket using a wrapped or braided handle. Color and twining may be used. Lashed rim: single or double.

Grade 7

A twill weave basket with or without handle. If handle is used it must be wrapped or braided. Colored reed may be used. Lashed rim: single or double.

Grades 8 and above

Choice of basket using at least four (4) advanced techniques with degree of difficulty increasing each year. Examples: more advanced rib basket, all round reed basket, double wall basket, basket with a woven lid, basket woven over a mold, baskets made with natural materials, non-tradition basket such as lamp, plant stand, cradle, etc. Some examples of shaped baskets are: Amy's Basket, Shaker Cat Head, Elbow Basket, Cow Nose Basket, Egg Basket, Melon Basket. Some examples of tier baskets: Stair Basket, Double Shuttle Basket. More advanced examples: patterned basket, curls, Gretchen borders, braided border, plaiting, randing arrow twining, German weave base, triple twining, four rod wail, wire handles, swing handles, more than one basket woven together. Examples: patio basket, nut basket, peanut basket, Indian mending basket, Katy two pocket, and a folded rim.