ST. MARY'S COUNTY FAIR
September 21-24, 2023

4-H FAIR BOOK 2023

Divisions, Classes,
Rules & Regulations

*** ON-LINE ENTRY SYSTEM - REGISTER ON-LINE AT ***

https://go.umd.edu/Fair2023

Registration Deadline for All 4-H Exhibits is <u>SEPTEMBER 5, 2023</u>
Animal entries need to be registered online & on paper forms.

Email Animal forms to: bdobbins@umd.edu
Mail Animal Forms to: University of Maryland Extension
St. Mary's County 4-H
P.O. Box 663
Leonardtown, MD 20650

If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in any event or activity, please contact us by September 7, 2023 at 301-475-4484

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GENERAL RULES

1. Classes are open to currently enrolled 4-H and FFA members in the five Southern Maryland Counties: St. Mary's, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and Anne Arundel. FFA members can show if they were 18 years old or younger as of **January 1 of the current year.**
2. University of Maryland programs, activities, and facilities are available to all without regard to race, color, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, marital status, age, national origin, political affiliation, physical or mental disability, religion, protected veteran status, genetic information, personal appearance, or any other legally protected class.
3. Except for the livestock, horse, judging contests and clover entries, ribbons will be awarded on the Danish system of judging. Under the Danish system, each exhibit will be judged on its own merit in relation to standards of quality and not in comparison with other entries in the same class. Each entry will be rated as blue, red, or white quality. Green ribbons, when awarded, represent participation awards with no premium to be paid. Exhibits not meeting the minimum standards for the class may be disqualified at the discretion of the judge and no ribbon or premium will be awarded.
4. Youth with mental and/or physical disabilities are encouraged to participate in all 4-H events and activities at the fair. All reasonable efforts will be made to make accommodations for those youth with special needs.
5. All 4-H members participating in the St. Mary's County Fair must abide by the Maryland 4-H Code of Conduct (go.umd.edu/ycoe) and UME 4-H Code of Animal Science Ethics (go.umd.edu/acoe) for 4-H & FFA Animal Exhibitors. Exhibitors found in violation of either of these sets of standards will be sent home and disqualified from placing, showing, or participating in the remainder of the St. Mary's County Fair. They will also forfeit all premiums associated with participation in the current year's St. Mary's County Fair.
6. Disorderly or disrespectful conduct will not be permitted.
7. The 4-H staff reserves the right to interpret all rules and regulations and resolve situations which may arise and is not restricted by the lack of a rule or regulation.
8. All 4-H youth, ages 8 to 18, who exhibit in the 2023 St. Mary's County 4-H Fair are required to complete and submit to the County 4-H Office one completed project record in order to be eligible to show at the 2023 County Fair.
    - All 4-H Horse exhibitors are required to complete the horse project record.
    - All 4-H Livestock participants are required to complete one project per species shown or sold at auction.
    - All 4-H Exhibitors (non-Horse/non-Livestock) are required to complete the minimum, one project record on fair exhibit or competitions (i.e. horticulture contest) of their choice. All 4-H youth are encouraged to complete a Record Book or Sr. Portfolio.
9. Project Record Completion Requirements
    - Complete the project record form
    - Record project exhibits or competitions
    - Give a project related demonstration or illustrated talk to an audience of 3 or more non-related people.
10. A trophy, plaque, or other award will be presented at the annual achievement program in each <u>indoor building division</u> to the **St. Mary's County 4-H member** who meets the following criteria (dependent on funding availability in 2023):
    - Accumulates the highest number of points in a division
    - Submits a completed 4-H Record Book for 2023 containing the completed project area for which he/she is competing
    - Participates in two county 4-H activities (**not including fairs**) regardless of project area
11. A Champion and Reserve Champion from St. Mary's County 4-H Members will be selected in age lots A-C of Divisions 2 through 16 and Division 18.
12. Exhibitors may enter up to, but not exceed, the maximum number of entries per class or subdivision as stated in the rules and regulations for each division. All members may enter any category for which they have completed their own exhibits, except Clovers do not participate in live animal exhibit categories (Divisions 1, 2 or 3).
13. **ALL EXHIBITS, including Livestock, must be registered online and submitted no later than September 5, 2023. The link for on-line registration is https://go.umd.edu/Fair2023. Livestock, Poultry, Rabbit and Horse Show entries must also be submitted on the appropriate registration form. Forms are available at the 4-H Office and online at https://go.umd.edu/SMC4HFairforms. Livestock and Horse & Pony Show forms must include the signature of each member's county extension staff.**
14. Special 4-H contests must also be registered and submitted on-line in order to receive a premium.

15. Exhibits will be judged on their own merit. Premiums are determined by points designated for each division. Each point is valued at 75 cents. Clover Members will receive a flat premium of five dollars ($5) for participation in the fair. Awarding of premiums, ribbons, and awards is dependent on availability of funds and are not guaranteed.

16. All exhibits must have completed exhibit tags securely attached prior to entry. Tags will be printed and distributed by the St. Mary's County 4-H Office. Exhibit tags will have the member's name, the division, section and class number and description of the exhibit. The Lot Number for your age as of January 1, 2023, will also be included on the exhibit tag: **LOT A (Junior)** - Age 8-10; **LOT B (Intermediate)** - Age 11-13; **LOT C (Senior)** - Age 14-18; **LOT L** (**Clover**) - Age 5 - 7. UME Staff reserves the right to correct entry divisions and/or classes.

17. Exhibits not entered in the 4-H building on the designated night will not be judged. Exhibits arriving early, late or left at the fair office will not be judged.

18. ALL 4-H BUILDING EXHIBITS WILL BE RELEASED ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, FROM 6:00 PM TO 7:00 PM. Any indoor exhibits removed before this time without special permission from 4-H staff will result in forfeiture of premiums and ribbons. Live animals may not be removed prior to 6:00 p.m. Sunday, September 24.

19. Any indoor exhibit that does not stand up to the weather or that spoils will be discarded by the Extension Staff. Ribbon and entry tag will remain on the display shelf.

20. All entries are the sole responsibility of the 4-H exhibitor making the entry. University of Maryland Extension, St. Mary's County 4-H, and the St. Mary's County Fair Association are not responsible for the misplacement, theft, loss or damage of property exhibited at the St. Mary's County Fair. Exhibits not picked up will be discarded.

21. Monitoring of the 4-H Building during fair hours is the responsibility of all St. Mary's County 4-H members. Clubs will be assigned blocks of time to provide monitoring of building during the week of the fair.

22. The decisions of the division judges will be final.

23. Dates, times and location of contests, capacity of entries and numbers of participants and spectators are subject to change in accordance with local, state or federal regulations, St. Mary's County Fair Association or 4-H policies.

24. PREMIUMS: Due to proposed Maryland budgetary constraints that are beyond the control of the 4-H Office and Fair Association, premium payments are not guaranteed. The Fair Association reserves the right to withhold a portion of premium monies, up to and including all of an exhibitor's earned premium payment for the 4-H fair.

4-H REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration will be completed on-line by September 5 at 11:59 p.m. To register:
1. Go to **https://go.umd.edu/Fair2023**
2. Click on Create an Account. Enter information and hit save.
3. Click on Entries. Choose the Division of each Entry. Then choose the Class. Hit the "+" button to add. For Livestock, add a class for each animal that will be exhibited at the fair.
4. **Livestock, Poultry, Rabbit and Horse Show entries must also be submitted on the appropriate registration for**m. Forms are available at the 4-H Office and online at go.umd.edu/SMC4HFairforms. Livestock and Horse & Pony Show forms must include the signature of the member's county extension staff
5. Additional copies of the 4-H Fair Book will be available in the St. Mary's County 4-H office, the Southern Maryland County 4-H offices, or the St. Mary's County 4-H website go.umd.edu/SMC4HFairforms

All On-Line Registration and Animal Forms must be complete by September 5, 2023 at 11:59pm

4-H FAIR ENTRY SCHEDULE*

(*Times, dates and locations are subject to change)

Division	Title	Entry Schedule	Judging Schedule
1	Livestock	Wednesday, Sept. 20, before 8:00pm	Thursday, Sept. 21, 6:00 pm (Dairy/Meat Breeding Goat**) Friday, Sept. 22, 8:00 am (Swine, Sheep, Beef, Market Goat**) Sunday, Sept. 24, 9:00 am OPEN SHEEP/GOAT CLASSES ONLY **NEW DAY/TIME**
2	Poultry & Eggs	Wednesday, Sept. 20, before 8:00pm	Thursday, Sept. 21, 9:30am–2:00pm
3	Rabbits	Wednesday, Sept. 20, before 8:00pm	Thursday, Sept. 21, 9:30am–2:00pm
4	Field & Garden Crops	Wednesday, Sept. 20, 4:00pm-8:00pm	Thursday, Sept. 21, 9:30am–2:00pm
5	Hobbies	Tuesday, Sept. 19, 4:00pm-8:00pm	Wednesday, Sept. 20, 9:30am–2:00pm
6	Crafts	Tuesday, Sept. 19, 4:00pm-8:00pm	Wednesday, Sept. 20, 9:30am–2:00pm
7	Plants & Flowers	Wednesday, Sept. 20, 4:00pm-8:00pm	**Interview Judging when entered**
8	Textiles	Tuesday, Sept. 19, 4:00pm-8:00pm	Wednesday, Sept. 20, 9:30am–2:00pm
9	Food Preparation	Wednesday, Sept. 20, 4:00pm-8:00pm	**Interview Judging when entered**
10	Canning/Food Preservation	Tuesday, Sept. 19, 4:00pm-8:00pm	**Interview Judging when entered**
11	Child Care	Tuesday, Sept. 19, 4:00pm-8:00pm	Wednesday, Sept. 20, 9:30am–2:00pm
12	Expressive Arts - Photography	Tuesday, Sept. 19, 4:00pm-8:00pm	**Interview Judging when entered**
12	Expressive Arts – Art/Writing	Tuesday, Sept. 19, 4:00pm-8:00pm	Wednesday, Sept. 20, 9:30am–2:00pm
13	Animal & Vet. Science	Tuesday, Sept. 19, 4:00pm-8:00pm	Wednesday, Sept. 20, 9:30am–2:00pm
14	Environmental Sciences	Tuesday, Sept. 19, 4:00pm-8:00pm	Wednesday, Sept. 20, 9:30am–2:00pm
15	Science & Technology	Tuesday, Sept. 19, 4:00pm-8:00pm	Wednesday, Sept. 20, 9:30am–2:00pm
16	Designated Projects	Tuesday, Sept. 19, 4:00pm-8:00pm	Wednesday, Sept. 20, 9:30am–2:00pm
17	Promotional Exhibits	Tuesday, Sept. 19, 4:00pm-8:00pm	Wednesday, Sept. 20, 9:30am–2:00pm
18	4-H Judging Contests	No pre-registration	See schedule for times
19	Special Contests	Pre-registration required	See DIVISION 19 for information
20	4-H Horse Show	Pre-registration required	SUNDAY, Sept 24, 2023 8:30am

2023 4-H EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES*

*Times, dates and locations subject to change

Thursday, September 21st

4:00 p.m. 4-H Building Open to Public

4:00 p.m. 4-H Photo Challenge Contest Begins (pre-registration required)

4:30 p.m. 4-H Livestock Judging Contest (Livestock Show Ring)

5:30 p.m. 4-H Horse Drill Team Performances (Show Arena)

6:00 p.m. 4-H Dairy Goat Fitting and Showing, Meat Goat Breeding Show, & Dairy Goat Show (Livestock Show Ring)**

9:00 p.m. 4-H Building Closes

Friday, September 22nd

8:00 a.m. 4-H Livestock Show Begins - Swine, Sheep, Beef, and Market Goat Show** (Livestock Show Ring)

9:00 a.m. 4-H Building Open to Public

10:00 a.m. Horticulture Contest (4-H Building contest closes at 4pm – open to all)

6:30 p.m. 4-H Cake Auction (Show Arena)

9:00 p.m. 4-H Building Closes

Saturday, September 23rd

8:00 a.m. Open Livestock Show Begins (Swine, Market Sheep, Beef, Market Goat)

9:00 a.m. 4-H Building Open to Public

10:30 a.m. Fair Parade

1:00 p.m. 4-H Rabbit Showmanship Contest (4-H Building)**

6:00 p.m. 4-H Livestock Auction (Livestock Show Ring)

9:00 p.m. 4-H Building Closes

Sunday, September 24th

8:30 a.m. Horse & Pony Show (Show Arena)***

9:00 a.m. 4-H Building Open to Public

9:00 a.m. Open Meat Breeding/Dairy Goat Show & Open Breeding Sheep Show (Livestock Show Ring)

1:00 p.m. 4-H Visual Presentation Contest (4-H Building – pre-registration required)**

4:00 p.m. Adult Livestock Showmanship Contest (following goat/sheep show in Livestock Show Ring)

5:00 p.m. 4-H Contest Results Announced (Livestock Show Ring)

6:00 p.m. Fair Closes! 4-H Building Exhibits released at this time.

** NEW DAY/TIME

DIVISION 1 - LIVESTOCK

Chairman: Robert L. Trossbach
Advisors: Barn Coordinators

4-H/FFA LIVESTOCK PREMIUMS

1st Place - $15; 2nd Place- $12; 3rd Place - $10; 4th Place - $8; 5th Place - $6; 6th Place - $5; 7th Place - $4

GENERAL LIVESTOCK RULES:

1. All livestock exhibits must meet health requirements of the Maryland State Department of Agriculture and must have a valid health certificate. **A copy of a valid health certificate must accompany all livestock entries. Livestock Exhibitor's Self Certification of Animal Health (**https://go.umd.edu/mdalsc**) should be completed and signed prior to entering fairgrounds. Any animal not having approved health papers and completed self-check forms will not be permitted to unload.**

2. All 4-H Livestock exhibits must be <u>owned or leased</u> by the 4-H member and <u>registered</u> with their County 4-H office as a 4-H project.
   a. Market animals must be the property of the exhibitor by June 1, 2023, and must be tagged with a Maryland 4-H Market Livestock Tag.
   b. Breeding animals must be owned or leased by the exhibitor only by July 1, 2023. Purebred animals must be registered with their breed association in the name of the exhibitor only. Commercial ewes and does must display a MD 4-H ear tag.

3. A Maryland State 4-H ear tag must be displayed on all market animals, commercial meat breed goats, commercial heifers and commercial ewes. The only exception is for earless goats. Tattoos must match a 4-H ear tag number and the tag must be displayed during show.

4. **All livestock must have "Official identification". In most cases, this means the animal will have to be identified using an official USDA Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) tag or MD scrapies tag that is associated with a registered premise.**

5. Exhibitors must use the livestock registration forms (go.umd.edu/SMC4HFairforms) from the St. Mary's County 4-H Office for all 4-H livestock exhibits **AND** register on-line at **https://go.umd.edu/Fair2023**. **ALL LIVESTOCK REGISTRATION FORMS** are due by **September 5, 2023,** to the St. Mary's County 4-H office informing us of your intention to show at the fair. **No late registration forms will be accepted.**

6. All youth registering in 4-H Livestock Classes must provide verification of completing a **Livestock Quality Assurance Training** program. A **UMD 4-H Code of Animal Science Ethics (**go.umd.edu/sm4-Hevents**)** must be on file in your county 4-H office. A **Feed Assurance Documentation Form** (go.umd.edu/SMC4HFairforms) must be completed and given to the 4-H Staff before your animal will be weighed at fair entry**.** No animals will be eligible to participate without these forms.

7. Animals cannot be unloaded on fair entry day until approved by the Livestock Chairman or assigned Advisor.

8. Stalls will be assigned by the Livestock Superintendent or their designee. Changes and alterations will not be allowed without their approval.

9. **All 4-H members must clean out their stalls before 9:00 a.m. each day and prior to opening to the public. Stalls should be maintained throughout the day. Walking aisles and the aisles around exhibitors' stalls should also be cleaned and maintained. Continual neglect of pens may result in forfeiture of premiums.**

10. Exhibitors may enter Three (3) market animals in each species. Only three (3) of each species may be sold at auction.

11. Animals registered as "breeding animals" are not permitted to exhibit in market classes.

12. **All purebred animals must have breed registration papers from the proper breed association in order to be shown in specific breed classes. Animals without breed registration papers will be entered in crossbreed classes.**

13. Drenching at any time after an animal arrives at fair or other 4-H activity or event premises is prohibited, except when performed by a licensed veterinarian in consultation with fair, event, UME, or 4-H officials for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal.

14. In Fitting and Showing classes, an exhibitor can only show one animal per showmanship class. Animals used for showmanship must be owned or leased by the exhibitor. Exhibitor must inform barn coordinator which animal is to be used in Fitting and Showing on the day of the show.

15. Any exhibitor showing an animal may have fitting assistance from an immediate family member. NOTE: the key word is assistance. This project is a learning experience and we want the exhibitor to learn by doing. The 4-H members are encouraged to assist other 4-H members; however, the exhibitor/owner of the animal must be present and involved with doing the work.

16. NO OUTSIDE help will be allowed. **No coaching from outside the show ring or contest area.**

17. A 4-H member can have a substitute 4-H member show an animal for them. In the event of an emergency, a substitute may be authorized by 4-H Staff.
   a. The substitute member should be the same age or younger (i.e. intermediates can have another intermediate or a junior show for them, but a senior cannot show their animal). For safety reasons, beef cattle should only be shown by 4-H members who have experience with handling beef cattle.

b. Members can have a substitute in market and breeding classes, but substitution is not permitted in Fitting and Showing classes.

18. To encourage the proper fitting and showing of livestock, an award will be presented to the Best Livestock Showman in Beef, Sheep, Swine, Market Goats and Dairy Goats, provided there is competition.

19. All exhibitors must wear the appropriate 4-H/FFA show attire during 4-H shows and during the 4-H livestock auction. If not in proper attire, you will not be permitted to enter the show ring (see Animal Showmanship Attire below).

20. **No cell phones are allowed to be used during showing of animals. Exhibitors using cell phones may be disqualified.**

21. The 4-H staff or 4-H Livestock Chairman has the right to combine, cancel, or create any class which they feel will benefit the fair proceedings.

22. Market animals must have been weighed and tagged at the county weigh-in and must be weighed again at the time of fair entry.

23. The market classes will be divided into weight classes after fair weigh-in. Re-weighing will NOT be permitted.

24. To sell at the Livestock Auction, market livestock must meet the following weight requirements: *Market Steers* must weigh a minimum of 1,000 pounds. *Market Goats* must weigh a minimum of 40 pounds. *Market Lambs* must weigh a minimum of 80 pounds. *Market Swine* must weigh a minimum of 200 pounds and weigh no more than 325 pounds.

25. Per Maryland Association of Agricultural Fairs and Shows and the Maryland Department of Agriculture (go.umd.edu/mdafs), ALL MARKET LAMBS MUST BE SLICK-SHORN PRIOR TO ARRIVAL at fairgrounds.

26. Only 4-H market livestock project animals that have been tagged, weighed, and registered in St. Mary's County will be permitted to sell at the St. Mary's County 4-H Livestock Auction in 2023, with the exception of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion in each species.

27. All Grand Champion market animals in all four species must be sold at the St. Mary's County 4-H Livestock Auction. Those receiving Reserve Grand Champion will have the option to sell.

28. Each 4-H Market Exhibitor will have one hour after each species show to designate any animals not to be sold at auction. No changes will be made after the one hour allotted time.

29. Animals should be kept in their pens or designated areas at all times except for show time or walking to the wash racks. Animals should never be walked or ridden in other areas of the barns or fairgrounds. This is for the safety of both the General Public and the animal.

30. Exhibitors of animals must furnish fresh water, food and care through Sunday at 6:00pm or until the animal is released from the Fairgrounds.

31. **All 4-H Auction sellers must write buyers "thank-you notes/letters". All thank-you notes should be submitted to the 4-H Office, stamped and ready to mail to your buyer, no later than Monday, October 2, 2023, before premiums will be awarded. Cards will be available to members to complete on Sunday.**

32. Exhibitors using sawdust will be responsible for removing the sawdust from the pens. Premiums will be withheld until this has been completed.

4-H AND FFA ANIMAL SHOWMANSHIP

ATTIRE:
1. The following show attire is required for all Exhibitors in Fitting & Showmanship, breed classes, market classes and Livestock Auction.

2. No farm names, club names, or other identification shall appear on show uniforms. Safe appropriate attire, including footwear is required at all times. Shirts must have collars and be tucked in with no undergarments showing. No shorts are allowed. Caps or other headwear shall not be worn in the show ring, except for approved headgear in the Horse Division. No Cell Phones are permitted in or out of the Show Ring during animal classes.

3. Exhibitors not adhering to the Show Attire Requirements will be excused from the show ring.
   4-H:
   Dairy Cattle, Dairy Steers & Dairy Goats – white slacks with white shirt. Approved neckpieces include: neck tie, bow tie, bolo tie or a tied bandana. Jewelry does not qualify as a neckpiece - no exceptions.
   Beef, Meat Goats, Sheep & Swine – green or tan slacks, white or tan shirt with green or black neckpiece. Approved neckpieces include necktie, bow tie, bolo tie or a tied bandana. Jewelry does not qualify as a neckpiece - no exceptions.
   Horses – appropriate riding clothes and headgear as defined in the MD 4-H Horse & Pony Rule Book (go.umd.edu/hprule)
   FFA: Dairy Cattle - white pants, white shirts, blue FFA tie, scarf and official FFA jacket.
   All Other Livestock - (except dairy cattle) black pants, white shirts, blue FFA tie or scarf and official FFA jacket.

GENERAL RULES FOR FITTING AND SHOWING:
1. Youth must do their own fitting for participation in these classes.
   a. Juniors and Novice members must be present and can receive hands-on assistance from immediate family, St. Mary's County UME volunteers and other current St. Mary's County 4-H members
   b. Intermediate and Senior members can receive assistance, however, the exhibitor/owner of the animal must be present and doing the work.

2. The following categories will be considered in the Fitting and Showing classes:
   a. FITTING OF ANIMAL
      i. Cleanliness - the animal should be clean and free from manure, stains, dirt, old hair, etc.
      ii. Animals should be washed, dried, clipped, and free from manure prior to entering the show ring.
      iii. Clipping and Grooming - the hair on the animal should be properly clipped and groomed to enhance the general appearance of the animal as appropriate for the species.
      iv. No false hair or coloring can be used to alter hair on animal.
      v. Condition - a slight to serious discrimination may be given to an animal if the body condition is over-conditioned or under-conditioned. No consideration is given to general type conformation.
   b. PERFORMANCE IN THE SHOW RING
      i. Presentation of animal - minimizing the minor faults of the animal (i.e. weak loin, too much set to legs, etc.)
      ii. Performances of animal - able to start, stop and pose quickly and correctly.
      iii. Exhibitor - should be alert; do the right thing at the right time; follow instructions of the judge; pay attention to your animal and the judge. Show person should be able to handle, with ease, any properly trained animal.
      iv. Exhibitor should show good sportsmanship and courtesy (i.e. do not crowd other animals in the show ring, friendly personality, etc.).
   c. KNOWLEDGE
      i. Exhibitor should know information about his/her animal (i.e. birth date, management practices, breeding, production, strong and weak physical type traits, etc.) as appropriate for animal. The judge may ask questions of the contestants during the class.
   d. PERSONAL APPEARANCE
      i. Exhibitor should portray a clean, neatly groomed and attired appearance. Proper 4-H showmanship attire is required.
      ii. Attire should reflect proper safety considerations, including footwear appropriate for show ring conditions.

SECTION A - BEEF CLASSES
Classes for All Breeds
Barn Coordinator: Susie Hall

GENERAL RULES:
1. All steers must be the property of the exhibitor by January 1 of the current year and must be tagged with a Maryland 4-H Livestock tag.
2. All Cattle must have an official Federal Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) tag. Brands or tattoos will only be accepted as official identification for registered breeding heifers.
3. Exhibitors must comply with all General Livestock rules and health regulations (page 7-8).
4. Breeding Heifers must be owned or leased by the exhibitor and registered with their breed association and the member's county 4-H Office in the name of the exhibitor only by July 1 of the current year.
5. Only Steers and Breeding Heifers with purebred bloodlines and breed association registration papers can show in Angus, Hereford, Shorthorn, Charolais, Simmental and other recognized classes. All others must show as crossbreed.
6. Exhibitors may enter a maximum of three (3) market animals. See General Livestock Rule #17 for obtaining help in showing additional animals.
7. Steers and heifers must be dehorned and healed.
8. Steers must be castrated and healed, except in class #107. For safety reasons, animals not meeting the criteria will not be accepted and will be sent home.
9. All 4-H exhibitors are responsible for providing the animals with fresh water in addition to feeding while on the fairgrounds, from unloading until 6 p.m. on September 24th.

SECTION A1 – Fitting and Showmanship Classes:
100. Fitting & Showmanship, Senior Division
101. Fitting & Showmanship, Novice Senior Division
102. Fitting &Showmanship, Intermediate Division
103. Fitting & Showmanship, Novice Intermediate Division
104. Fitting & Showmanship, Junior Division
105. Fitting & Showmanship, Novice Junior Division

SECTION A2 – Beef Steers/Bulls Classes:
106. Steer, 3 weight classes
107. Bull, Under 8 months (born after January 1 of the current year)
   Champion & Reserve Champion Steer
   Champion & Reserve Champion Bull

SECTION A3 – Breeding Heifer, Registered Classes:	SECTION A4 – Breeding Heifer, Commercial Classes:
108. Heifer, 2 to 3 years	116. Heifer, 2 to 3 years
109. Heifer, Senior yearling, 21 to 24 months	117. Heifer, Senior yearling, 21 to 24 months
110. Heifer, Junior yearling, 17 to 20 months	118. Heifer, Junior yearling, 17 to 20 months
111. Heifer, Spring yearling, 15 to 16 months	119. Heifer, Spring yearling, 15 to 16 months
112. Heifer, Summer yearling 13 to 14 months	120. Heifer, Summer yearling, 13 to 14 months
113. Heifer calf, Senior, 11 to 12 months	121. Heifer calf, Senior, 11 to 12 months
114. Heifer calf, Winter, 9 to 12 months	122. Heifer calf, Winter, 9 to 12 months
115. Heifer calf, Junior, 8 months or less	123. Heifer calf, Junior, 8 months or less
Champion Registered Breeding Heifer	*Champion Commercial Breeding Heifer*
Reserve Champion Registered Breeding Heifer	*Reserve Champion Commercial Breeding Heifer*

BEEF TROPHIES WILL BE AWARDED TO THE FOLLOWING:
Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Fitting & Showing
Best of Show Bull
Best of Show Female
Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer

SECTION B - DAIRY COWS
Barn Coordinator: Susie Hall

GENERAL RULES:
1. Exhibitors must comply with all general livestock rules and health regulations.
2. Sub-classes will be offered by breed.
3. **All Cattle must have an official Federal RFID ear tag.** Brands or tattoos will only be accepted as official identification for registered breeding heifers.
4. All animals for exhibition must be owned or leased and registered with their breed association and county 4-H Office in the exhibitor's name only by July 1 of the current year. Dairy animals in the Maryland 4-H Dairy Cattle Leasing Program must be assigned to the youth by June 1 of the current year. The exhibitor must comply with the rules stated in the Maryland 4-H Dairy Cattle Leasing Program.
5. Dairy animals must be owned or leased by the 4-H exhibitor before the animal is two (2) years of age to be eligible for exhibition in the cow classes. Cows in the Maryland 4-H Dairy Cattle Leasing Program must be assigned to the youth before the animal is two (2) years of age.
6. All 4-H exhibitors are responsible for providing the animals with fresh water in addition to feeding while on the fairgrounds, from unloading until 6 p.m. on Sunday of the current fair.

SECTION B – Dairy Cow Classes:
124. Fitting & Showmanship, Senior (14-18yrs)
125. Fitting & Showmanship, Senior Novice (14-18 yrs)
126. Fitting & Showmanship, Intermediate (11-13 yrs)
127. Fitting & Showmanship, Inter. Novice (11-13 yrs)
128. Fitting & Showmanship, Junior (8-10 yrs)
129. Fitting & Showmanship, Junior Novice (8-10 yrs)
130. Jr. Heifer calf, born after Jan 1 (under 8 mos)
131. Sr. Heifer calf, Sept 1 – Dec 31 (9-12 mos)
132. Jr. Yearling Heifer, Jan 1 – May 1 (13-28 mos)
133. Sr. Yearling Heifer, Sept 1 –Dec 31 (19-24 mos)
134. Cows, 2 years by July 1
135. Cows, 3 years by July 1
136. Bull, under 8 mos.
136a Dairy Steer

TROPHIES TO BE AWARDED TO THE FOLLOWING
Best of Show Female
Best of Show Bull

SECTION C- SHEEP CLASSES
Barn Coordinators: Wes Cory and Gabrielle Cory
Classes for All Breeds
(Wool/Fleece/Fiber entries entered in 4-H Building - see Division 13)

GENERAL RULES:
1. Exhibitors must comply with all general livestock rules and health regulations (page 7-8)
2. Tail Docking Policy – the policy for all youth in the sheep project (both market and breeding lambs) and for exhibition by 4-H youth in all fairs and shows in MD is as follows: It is recommended that sheep have their tails docked no shorter than the distal (far) end of the caudal tail fold. Any sheep or lamb showing signs of rectal prolapse will be disqualified from entry into 4-H events and will be sent home.
3. All sheep require scrapies identification. Registration tattoos/papers can be substituted for ear tags. Sheep should be identified at their place of birth.
4. Per Maryland Association of Agricultural Fairs and Shows and the Maryland Department of Agriculture, ALL MARKET LAMBS MUST BE SLICK-SHORN PRIOR TO ARRIVAL at fairgrounds.
5. Exhibitors may enter a maximum of three (3) market animals. See General Livestock Rule #17 for obtaining help in showing additional animals.
6. Halters will not be permitted for showmanship classes.
7. While showing sheep, the exhibitor must keep all four hooves of the animal firmly on the ground.
8. No artificial coloring may be used on any part of the animal regardless of class. Animals determined to have been artificially altered, will be disqualified from showing, along with the exhibitor, and will be sent home.
9. Wethers showing signs of testicle presence, unhealed scrotum, or other stag characteristics will be examined and determination will be made at that time if eligible to show.
10. Ewe lambs showing in breeding classes are not eligible to show in market classes.
11. Project animals must be born on or after January 1 of the current year.
12. All 4-H exhibitors are responsible for providing the animals with fresh water in addition to feeding while on the fairgrounds, from unloading until 6 p.m. on September 24th.

SECTION C1-Slick (specify on registration) Classes:
137. Fitting & Showmanship, Senior Division (14-18 yrs)
138. Fitting & Showmanship, Novice Sr. Division (14-18yrs)
139. Fitting & Showmanship, Inter. Division (11-13 yrs)
140. Fitting & Showmanship, Novice Inter. Div. (11-13 yrs)
141. Fitting & Showmanship, Junior Division (8-10 yrs)
142. Fitting & Showmanship, Novice Jr. Division (8-10 yrs)

SECTION C2 - Wool (specify on registration) Classes:
137a. Fitting & Showmanship, Senior Division (14-18 yrs)
138a. Fitting & Showmanship, Novice Sr. Division (14-18yrs)
139a. Fitting & Showmanship, Inter. Division (11-13 yrs)
140a. Fitting & Showmanship, Novice Inter Div. (11-13 yrs)
141a. Fitting & Showmanship, Junior Division (8-10 yrs)
142a. Fitting & Showmanship, Novice Jr. Division (8-10 yrs)

SECTION C3 – Ram classes:
143. Ram, less than 1 year

144. Pair of rams, under 1 year

Champion Ram and Reserve Champion Ram

SECTION C4 – Breeding Ewes, Registered Classes:
145. Ewe, 2 – 3 years
146. Pair of Ewes, 2–3 years, owned/leased by same exhibitor
147. Ewe, 1 - 2 years
148. Pair of Ewes, 1-2 years, owned/leased by same exhibitor
149. Ewe, under 1 year
150. Pair of Ewes, under 1 year, owned/leased by same exhibitor
150a. Twin lambs, either sex, owned/leased by same exhibitor
   Champion Registered Ewe
   Reserve Champion Registered Ewe

SECTION C5 - Breeding Ewes, Commercial Classes:
151. Ewe, 2 – 3 years
152. Pair of ewes, 2 – 3 years, owned by same exhibitor
153. Ewe, 1 - 2 years
154. Pair of ewes, 1 - 2 years, owned by same exhibitor
155. Ewe, under 1 year
156. Pair of ewes, under 1 year, owned by same exhibitor
157. Twin lambs, either sex, bred and owned/leased by same exhibitor.
   Champion Commercial Ewe
   Reserve Champion Commercial Ewe

SECTION C6 – Market Lamb Classes
158. Market Lamb (to be divided into weight classes)
159. Pair of Market Lambs

Champion and Reserve Champion Market Lamb
Champion and Reserve Champion Pair Market Lambs

TROPHIES WILL BE AWARDED TO THE FOLLOWING
Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Fitting & Showing (Wool)
Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Fitting & Showing (Slick)
Best of Show Ram, Best of Show Ewe
Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb

SECTION D - SWINE CLASSES

Barn Coordinator: Patricia Graves
Classes for All Breeds

GENERAL RULES:
1. Members must comply with all general livestock rules and health regulations. (page 7-8).
2. **All swine must have an official USDA Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) tag.**
3. Exhibitors may enter a maximum of three (3) market animals. See General Livestock Rule #17 for obtaining help in showing additional animals.
4. Pens of two (2) must be designated by ear tag number at weigh-in. Animals not designated will not show in pens of two (2). No substitutions. Exhibitor must own both animals.
5. Swine can be clipped; however, clipping must be completed prior to arrival at the Fairgrounds.
6. Water is the only dressing to be used on the swine while at the fairgrounds. Normal washing/cleaning substances may be used for regular cleaning in wash area.
7. Gilts may be entered in a market class, but any gilt entered in breeding classes is not eligible for market hog classes.
8. Project animals must be born on or after January 1 of the current year.
9. All 4-H exhibitors are responsible for providing the animals with fresh water in addition to feeding while on the fairgrounds, from unloading until 6 p.m. on September 24th.

SECTION D1 – Fitting & Showmanship Classes:
160. Fitting & Showmanship, Senior Division (14-18 yrs)
161. Fitting & Showmanship, Novice Sr Div (14-18yrs)
162. Fitting & Showmanship, Intermediate Div. (11-13yrs)
163. Fitting & Showmanship, Novice Inter. Div (11-13yrs)
164. Fitting & Showmanship, Junior Division (8-10 yrs)
165. Fitting & Showmanship, Novice Junior Div. (8-10yrs)

SECTION D2 – Swine Classes:
166. Boar, under 6 months
167. Gilt, under 6 months
168. Gilt, 6 to 12 months
   Champion and Reserve Champion Boar
   Champion and Reserve Champion Gilt

SECTION D3 – Market Hog Classes:
170. Individual Market Hog, divided into weight classes
171. Pen of 2 Market Hogs, 3 weight classes
   Champion and Reserve Champion Market Hog
   Champion and Reserve Champion Pen of 2 Market Hogs

TROPHIES TO BE AWARDED TO THE FOLLOWING
Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Fitting and Showing
Best of Show Boar
Best of Show Gilt
Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog

SECTION E - GOAT CLASSES

Barn Coordinators: Charles Hurry, Sr. and Connie Trossbach
Alpine, LaMancha, Nubian, Saanen, Toggenburg, Nigerian Dwarf, Boer, Recorded Grade, Oberhasli, Pygmies

DAIRY AND MEAT BREEDING GOAT RULES & REGULATIONS:
1. Exhibitors must comply with all general livestock rules and health regulations (page 7-8).
2. All goats require scrapies identification, and should be identified at their place of birth. Breed Association Registration tattoos/papers can be substituted for ear tags.
3. Kids born after July 1, may be shown at the fair provided the dam was purchased by the July 1 deadline.
4. **Pre-show milk-out must be completed after 6:00 am on Thursday, September 21 for all dairy goat does. Members must inform barn coordinator when milk-out is complete. Judge will discriminate against over-extended udders.**
5. All 4-H exhibitors are responsible for providing the animals with fresh water in addition to feeding while on the fairgrounds, from unloading until 6 p.m. on September 24th.
6. Exhibitors may exhibit only those animals that have met the following requirements:
   a. All goats must be does.
   b. **Horns must be tipped blunt**, which simply means removing the pointy tip of the horn. This can be done with a pair of hoof trimmers. Only a small amount of horn should be removed to prevent bleeding. **For the safety of the exhibitors, sharp horns will not be allowed.** The disbudding of market goats is encouraged.

    c. All goats must be tagged/tattooed for permanent identification. Tattoos should be in ear, tail or lip & clearly readable.

    d. All goats must be provided with a collar or halter. Prong/pinch collars are not permitted for use.

7. While showing, the exhibitor must ensure at all four hooves of the goat remain firmly on the ground.
8. Sub-classes will be offered based on registered and grade entries of each breed. Boers will be broken down by breed percentage (100%, 75%, 50% and crossbreed/commercial).
8. Boer and Pygmy breeds do not have to be in milk and should be registered in Meat and Fiber Breed Classes.

SECTION E1 – Market Fitting & Showing Classes:
172. Fitting & Showing Senior (14 + years)
173. Fitting & Showing Sr. Novice (14 + years)
174. Fitting & Showing Intermediate (11-13 years)
175. Fitting & Showing Inter. Novice (11-13 years)
176. Fitting & Showing Junior (8-10 years)
177. Fitting & Showing Jr. Novice (8-10 years)

SECTION E1 – Dairy Fitting & Showing Classes:
172a. Fitting & Showing Senior (14 + years)
173a. Fitting & Showing Sr. Novice (14 + years)
174a. Fitting & Showing Intermediate (11-13 years)
175a. Fitting & Showing Inter. Novice (11-13 years)
176a. Fitting & Showing Junior (8-10 years)
177a. Fitting & Showing Jr. Novice (8-10 years)

SECTION E2 – Dairy Goat Classes:
178. Kid, Junior – born after April 1 of current year
179. Kid, Senior – born Jan. 1- March 31 of current year
180. Yearling Dry
181. Milking Yearling
182. Doe in Milk, 2 – 3 years
183. Doe in Milk, 3 – 4 years
184. Doe in Milk, 4+ years

SECTION E3 - Meat and Fiber Breed Classes:
186. Under 6 months
187. 6 – 12 months
188. Yearling
189. 2 – 3 years
190. 3 – 4 years
191. 4+ years

MARKET GOAT RULES & REGULATIONS:
1. Exhibitors must comply with all general livestock rules and health regulations (page 7-8).
2. Exhibitors may enter a maximum of three (3) market animals. See General Livestock Rule #17 for obtaining help in showing additional animals.
3. Only wethers and does can be shown in the market classes. Does entered in the market classes are not eligible to compete in the breeding classes.
4. All goats require scrapies identification. Goats should be identified at their place of birth.
5. Goats must be provided with a collar or halter. Prong/pinch collars are not permitted for use.
6. Horns must be tipped blunt. For the safety of the exhibitors, sharp horns will not be allowed.
7. All male animals must be castrated and completely healed.
8. Project animals must be born on or after January 1 of the current year.

SECTION E4 - Market Goat Classes:
193. Market Goats   *Champion and Reserve Champion Market Goat*
194. Pair of Market Goats   *Champion and Reserve Champion Pair of Market Goats*

TROPHIES TO BE AWARDED TO THE FOLLOWING:

Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Fitting & Showing Meat Goat

Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Fitting & Showing Dairy Goat

Best of Show – Meat Breed Female

Best of Show – Dairy Breed Female

Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat

DIVISION 2 – POULTRY AND EGGS

Coordinator: Cathy Kershaw

POULTRY GENERAL RULES:
1. Only **TWO (2)** entries per class. **Entries must be made on-line (https://go.umd.edu/Fair2023), and the Poultry Registration Form must be completed and submitted to the 4-H Office no later than September 2, 2023.** Forms can be found at go.umd.edu/SMC4HFairforms
2. Poultry and waterfowl must be <u>tested and meet health regulations</u>. This includes chickens, turkeys, geese, and ducks. All poultry exhibitors must fill out a Self-Certification of Poultry Health (go.umd.edu/mdapsc), provide a negative Avian Influenza test and present this paperwork to the designated fair coordinator **prior** to unloading poultry. The Avian Influenza test must be conducted on at least 30 birds from a flock (or complete flock if fewer than 30) within 10 days prior to event and the birds must remain segregated from all poultry of unknown or positive Avian Influenza test status.
3. **Poultry Testing Day will be available at the St. Mary's County Fairgrounds for all poultry on Sunday, September 10 from 9 am – 12 pm. All birds will be done that day only, including turkeys. If you have any questions regarding testing, please contact Bubby Joy at 301-997-6470.**
4. A Maryland State Poultry Premise Registration Number will be required for all poultry entries at the St. Mary's County Fair.   Registration forms and information are available at mda.maryland.gov/AnimalHealth/Pages/poultry.aspx or locally from the Poultry Assistant Superintendent, Bubby Joy (301-997-6470)
5. The same bird may not be cross-entered in 4-H and Open Class.
6. **ALL ANIMALS MUST BE REMOVED ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 FROM 6:00 TO 7:00P.M.** Animals not removed at that time will result in forfeiture of premiums and ribbons.

POULTRY

SECTION A – Poultry Classes:	**Blue**	**Red**	**White**
200. Cockerels (1) under 6 months	5 pts.	3 pts.	2 pts.
201. Cocks (1) over 6 months	5 pts.	3 pts.	2 pts.
202. Pullets (1) under 6 months	5 pts.	3 pts.	2 pts.
203. Hen (1) over 6 months	5 pts.	3 pts.	2 pts.
204. Pen of 3 Hens	8 pts.	4 pts.	2 pts.
205. Turkey Hen	8 pts.	4 pts.	2 pts.
206. Turkey Gobbler	8 pts.	4 pts.	2 pts.
207. Ducks or Geese - pen of 2, either sex	6 pts.	4 pts.	2 pts.

Special Ribbon Awards for the Following:
Champion Turkey Pen, Champion Duck/Goose Pen, & Champion Chicken Pen

EGGS
(Enter in 4-H Building)
Point Value: Blue – 5 pts; **Red** – 3 pts; **White** - 2 pts

EGG GENERAL RULES:
1. Only one entry per class
2. All Eggs must have been produced by poultry raised by the Exhibitor.
3. All cartons must include 12 eggs as specified in classes.
4. All eggs must be correctly placed in carton with points down. Eggs must be uniform, crack free and clean.

<u>**SECTION B – Egg Class**</u>es:

208. Eggs - White (one dozen)
209. Eggs - Brown (one dozen)
210. Eggs - Colored (one dozen, same color)

DIVISION 3 - RABBITS

Coordinator: Cathy Kershaw

GENERAL RULES:
1. Exhibitors are restricted to **ONLY TWO (2) entries per class**.
2. **Entries must be made on-line, and the Rabbit Registration Form must be completed and submitted to the 4-H Office no later than September 5, 2023.** The Rabbit Registration form can be found at this link: go.umd.edu/SMC4HFairforms. Non-registered animals will not be accepted. Late registration will not be accepted.
3. All exhibitors must complete a Self-Certification of Rabbit Health (https://go.umd.edu/mdarsc) for all registered rabbits and present the form to the appropriate fair coordinator upon arrival at fair.
4. All Rabbits must be cleaned and well groomed. Any animal whose appearance does not meet this rule, may be refused.
5. All rabbits entered in the Showmanship contest must also be entered in another class for judging listed below.
6. The same rabbit(s) may not be cross-entered in 4-H and Open Classes.
7. **ALL ANIMALS MUST BE REMOVED ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, FROM 6:00 TO 7:00P.M.** Animals not removed at that time will result in forfeiture of premiums and ribbons.

RABBITS

SECTION A – Rabbit Classes:	Blue	Red	White
301. Buck - Junior - under 6 months of age	6 pts	3 pts	2 pts
302. Buck - Senior - over 6 months of age	6 pts	3 pts	2 pts
303. Doe - Junior - under 6 months of age	6 pts	3 pts	2 pts
304. Doe - Senior - over 6 months of age	6 pts	3 pts	2 pts
305. Market Pen of 3 *	8 pts	5 pts	3 pts

*Maximum weight of each rabbit in the market pen is 5 lbs. each. Maximum age is 69 days.

RABBIT SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

Saturday, September 23, 1:00 pm. in the 4-H Building**
**Time and location subject to change
Points: 1st-10 pts; 2nd-8pts; 3rd-6pts; 4th-4pts; 5th-2pts; 6th-1pt

SECTION B Classes:
310. Showmanship - Junior Division (8-10 years)
311. Showmanship - Intermediate Division (11-13 years)
312. Showmanship - Senior Division (14-18 years)

DIVISION 4 - FIELD & GARDEN CROPS

FIELD & GARDEN CROP GENERAL RULES:
1. Only crops and produce grown by the exhibitor may be entered. Exhibitors are restricted to one (1) entry per class number.
2. Items not standing up to weather conditions will be discarded with tag/ribbon displayed on shelf.
3. Champion and Reserve Champion Ribbons will be awarded in each Section of each age division to St. Mary's County 4-H Members
4. Exhibits must have been grown since last year's fair. Old crops will be disqualified.

FIELD CROPS
Point Value: Blue - 6pts; **Red** - 3pts; **White** - 1pt

FIELD CROP RULES:
1. Exhibitors must have participated in the harvest of all field crops.
2. Field Corn must be displayed in a sturdy box.
3. Grain shall consist of one quart of grain in a clear glass jar with a lid. Jars must be free of printing labels, and advertisements. A 3"x5" card must be attached to the exhibit with string or tape and have the following information printed on the card:
   a. Variety (e.g. Potomac Wheat)
   b. Was the seed "certified"?
   c. Intended Use (e.g. used on farm, saved for seed, sold, other – describe)

SECTION B1 – Grain Classes:
400. Field Corn - yellow, 5 ears
401. Field Corn - white, 5 ears
402. Field Corn, Shelled, 1 qt.
403. Rye, 1 qt.
404. Oats, 1 qt.
405. Barley, 1 qt.
406. Wheat, 1 qt.
407. Soybeans, 1 qt.
408. Sorghum, 1 qt.
409. Sorghum, 3 heads
410. Soybean Pant (ready to hang)

HAY RULES:
1. Exhibits shall consist of a bundle approximately 18"x18"x6" in size. Bundle must be securely tied 4 ways for hanging
2. A 3"x5" card must be attached to the exhibit with the following information printed on the card:
   a. Species (i.e. Alfalfa, clover, other, etc.)
   b. Which cutting (i.e. 1st, 2nd, etc.)
   c. Intended use (i.e. used on farm, saved for seed, sold, other – explain)

SECTION B2 – Hay Classes:
411. Mixed Hay
412. Alfalfa Hay
413. Lespedeza Hay
414. Clover Hay
415. Orchard Grass Hay
416. Other Hay, not listed - identify

VEGETABLE AND GOURD DISPAYS
Point Value: Blue - 18pts; **Red** - 12pts; **White** - 6pts

VEGETABLE AND GOURD DISPLAY GENERAL RULES:
1. This class is for a display of any kind or variety of vegetables/gourds from the home garden or farm grown by **the 4-H'er**
2. The garden vegetable display must contain no less than 6 kinds of vegetables and each properly identified.
3. The ornamental gourd display must contain no less than 5 varieties and each properly identified.
4. Size of the display must not exceed 2' x 2' per exhibit.
5. Judging of entries will be on the following basis:
   50% Quality of Vegetables/Gourds
   25% Attractiveness & Educational Value
   25% Number of different kinds & varieties of Vegetable/Gourds

SECTION C – Educational Display Classes
418. Vegetable Garden Display
419. Ornamental Gourd Display

VEGETABLE VARIETIES
Point Value: **Blue** - 6pts: **Red** - 3pts; **White** -1pt

VEGETABLE GENERAL RULES:
1. Vegetables must be uniform, clean and displayed on **a sturdy plate or small box**. Only one (1) entry per class number.
2. Exhibits should be your best product, chosen to stand up to the weather and of the same size and uniformity.
3. Exhibits not standing up to weather conditions will be discarded. Tag & ribbon will be displayed.
4. Fresh Herbs must be displayed in water with no root system. Leaves should be removed below the water line.

SECTION D –Vegetable Classes:

419. Beets - 5 topped
420. Broccoli - 1 bunch
421. Cabbage - 1 head
422. Cantaloupes - 2
423. Carrots - 5 topped
424. Corn, Sweet-Yellow - 5 ears
425. Corn, Sweet-White - 5 ears
426. Corn Indian/Ornamental, 5 ears
427. Cucumbers, Pickling - 5
428. Cucumbers, Salad - 3
429. Eggplant - 1
430. Gourds, ornamental - 3
431. Gourds, birdhouse - 1
432. Kale - 1 full bunch, in water
433. Lima Beans - 10 in pods
434. Mustard -1 full bunch in water
435. Okra - 5
436. Onions - Yellow - 5
437. Onions - White – 5
438. Onions - Purple 5
439. Onions, Green - 1 bunch
440. Onions, Red - 5

441. Peppers, Banana type - 5
442. Peppers, Bell type – 5
443. Peppers, Chili type – 5
444. Peppers, Jalapeno type - 5
445. Peppers, Cayenne type - 5
446. Peppers, Other, specify - 5
447. Popcorn - 5 ears
448. Potatoes, Sweet - 5
449. Potatoes, White - 5
450. Potatoes, Red - 5
451. Pumpkins – 1
452. Pumpkins, Miniature type -3
453. Pumpkins, Cushaw - 1
454. Radishes - 10
455. Snap Beans, Green – 12
456. Snap Beans, String – 12
457. Snap Beans, Yellow - 12
458. Squash - Summer - 3
459. Squash - Winter – 3
460. Sunflower (1), display in box
461. Tomatoes, Red – 5

462. Tomatoes, Mature Green – 5
463. Tomatoes, Red Globe type – 5
464. Tomatoes, Yellow Globe type–5
465. Tomatoes, Pear/Grape type – 5
466. Tomatoes, Plum Type - 5
467. Tomatoes, Cherry – 10
468. Tomatoes, Other type - 5
469. Turnips, topped – 5
470. Watermelon, any type – 1
471. Zucchini - 3
472. Vegetable not listed (5), specify
473. Unusual shaped vegetable (1)
     specify type

Special Classes:
Largest Pumpkin – all pumpkins
     included
Largest Watermelon – all watermelons
     included

SECTION E -Fruit & Nut Classes:

474. Nuts (plate of 6) specify type
475. Peanuts-2 plants tied together

476. Apples (plate of 5) specify type
477. Pears (plate of 5 pears)
478. Any fruit not listed above, Specify

SECTION F – Dried Herb Classes:

479. Parsley, ½ cup
480. Oregano, ½ cup
481. Chives, ½ cup
482. Mint, ½ cup
483. Rosemary, ½ cup

484. Basil, ½ cup
485. Sage, ½ cup
486. Other Dried Herb not listed,
     ½ cup, identify type

SECTION G- Fresh Herb Classes:

487. Parsley, 1 bunch
488. Oregano, 1 bunch
489. Chives, 1 bunch
490. Mint, 1 bunch

491. Rosemary, 1 bunch
492. Basil, 1 bunch+
493. Sage, 1 bunch+
494. Other Fresh Herb not listed

EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS GENERAL RULES:
1. Only one (1) exhibit per class. Exhibits must be about a Project area in this **Division only**.
2. No copyright designs or characters, such as cartoon/comic characters or logos, permitted
3. Posters must be no larger than 22" x 28". Displays cannot exceed 32" wide x 17" deep x 42" high. Videos should be on a flash drive.

SECTION H – FIELD AND GARDEN CROP EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS
497. Poster/Display+
498. Video+

+new class

DIVISION 5 - HOBBIES

Point Value: Blue - 8 pts; **Red** – 4 pts; **White**– 2 pts

GENERAL RULES:

1. <u>Include</u> a 3"x5" card explaining/identifying your collection (Section C). **All** collections must be securely attached to your display surface.
2. A collection that was entered in a previous year must have **five (5) new pieces,** with new pieces listed.
3. Items entered in Section C, Collection Hobby classes (#505 - #507), must include a 5"x7" photo of items in collection. Collections of value will be returned to member after judging. Photo with ribbon will be put on display. Member will be responsible for pick up.
4. You may enter only one (1) item in each class.
5. Boxes that hold any exhibit must be sturdy and decorated.
6. Building monitors & staff will not be held liable for loss, breakage or damage.
7. Soaps and crayons must have a 3"x5" card explaining ingredients and how they were made and displayed on a plate.
8. Class #518 (pillow decorated w/stitchery), pillow may be purchased - only decorative stitch work will be judged.

EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS

9. Only one (1) exhibit per class. Exhibits must be about a Project area in this **Division only**.
10. No copyright designs or characters, such as cartoon/comic characters or logos, permitted
11. Posters must be no larger than 22" x 28". Displays cannot exceed 32" wide x 17" deep x 42" high. Videos should be on a flash drive.

SECTION A - Creative Hobby Classes:

500. Models: assembled from kit, including Lego kits (no rockets or airplanes - enter under Division 15)
501. Ceramics (exhibit one article made in current year)
502. Pottery, original item (one article made in current year)
503. Jewelry, original pieces (displayed on sturdy card)
504. Item made using Lego's, Lincoln Logs, K'nex or Erector-type materials

SECTION C - Collection Hobby Classes:

505. Stamps
506. Coins
507. Other collection not listed

SECTION D – Scrapbook Classes:

510. Individual Scrapbook (judged on contents)

SECTION E - Craft Hobby Classes:

511. Knitting, any item
512. Crocheting, any item
513. Counted Cross Stitch, framed
514. Braiding (displayed on card if small)
515. Weaving, Hand or Loom

516. Latch hook
517. Needlepoint
518. Pillow, decorated w/stitchery
519. Macramé
520. Other Craft Hobby not listed

SECTION F - Homemade Item Classes:

525. Wood Carving
526. Wood Burning+
527. Homemade Crayons - 5

528. Hand-Dipped Candles - 2
529. Homemade Soap - 2 bars, wrapped
530. Other Homemade item not listed

EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS GENERAL RULES:

1. Only one (1) exhibit per class. Exhibits must be about a Project area in this Division only.
2. No copyright designs or characters, such as cartoon/comic characters or logos, permitted
3. Posters must be no larger than 22" x 28". Displays cannot exceed 32" wide x 17" deep x 42" high. Videos should be on a flash drive.

SECTION G – Hobbies Educational Exhibits Classes

535. Poster/Display+
536. Video+
+new class

DIVISION 6 - CRAFTS

Point Value: **Blue** – 6 pts; **Red** – 3 pts; **White** – 1 pt

CRAFTS GENERAL RULES:
1. You may enter only one (1) item per class. All classes are for individual entries.
2. All crafts must be complete - no wet glue or paint, etc. or it will be returned at check in. No Lego blocks.
3. All crafts must have been made since the prior fair.
4. Class #614 (Fabric Craft – no pillows) may not include items or split sets from Division 8 (Textiles).
5. The building monitors and staff will make every effort to protect entries but will not be held liable for loss, breakage or damage.
6. Items may be removed by building coordinators for demonstration purposes and returned to display for remainder of fair.

SECTION A – Craft Classes:

600. Heritage Craft - include 3x5 card with history of craft
601. Decorated Lampshade
602. Decorated Wood Craft
603. Wind Chimes, hanger ready, no kit
604. Fabric Painting
605. Tie-Dyed item
606. Special Occasion Craft (wedding, graduation, etc.)
607. Holiday Tree Ornament - ready to hang, no wreaths
608. Fall Craft
609. Spring Craft
610. Summer Craft
611. Winter Craft - no tree ornaments
612. Decorated Christmas Sweater
613. Dream Catchers
614. Fabric Craft - no pillows
615. Kitchen Utensil Art
616. Mosaic
617. Terra Cotta Item - decorated
618. Wire **or** String Art
619. Duct tape item (100% duct tape)
620. Glass Art
621. Plastic Canvas
622. Item made using Clays
623. Decorated swag, broom **or** wreath
624. Decoupage item
625. Basketry, paper twist, fiber, or cloth
626. Basketry, reed only
627. Decorated storage item (trash can, bins, etc.)
628. Covered Photo Album, made since last year's fair
629. Club Workshop Craft (completed during club activity)
630. Foam Craft
631. Recycled Craft
632. Ribbon Craft
633. Stepping Stone
634. Perler Bead Craft
635. Quilling Craft
636. Origami Item
637. Nature Craft
638. Other Craft - any craft item not listed above
639. Camp Craft

GIFT BASKETS GENERAL RULES:
1. Basket must have been made since last year's county fair.
2. Only one (1) entry per class. No baked good items.
3. Choose an appropriate container (not necessarily a basket – i.e., a soup pot for a soup basket)
4. Assemble a group of related small items that will fit in the container creating a theme.
5. Arrange items attractively. Use "bedding" to create height variety and support. Consider balance, scale, and proportion.
6. Wrap the arrangement attractively in cellophane or shrink wrap (be sure to follow directions). Shrink wrap is available at most craft stores.
7. Gift baskets will be judged on: Marketability, Design & Technical Skill (balance, proportion, color combinations, construction, quality and appropriateness of materials, originality.)

SECTION B - Gift Basket Class:
650. Gift Basket – specify theme

EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS GENERAL RULES:
1. Only one (1) exhibit per class. Exhibits must be about a Project area in this **Division only**.
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3. Posters must be no larger than 22" x 28". Displays cannot exceed 32" wide x 17" deep x 42" high. Videos should be on a flash drive.

SECTION C – Craft Educational Exhibits Classes
655. Poster/Display[+]
656. Video[+]

[+]new class

DIVISION 7 - PLANTS AND FLOWERS

Point Value: **Blue** – 6 pts; **Red** – 3 pts; **White** - 1 pt

INDOOR PLANTS GENERAL RULES:
1. Put your name on the bottom of your container. Pot or container must be clean. Pot size limit is 8" inches, except hanging baskets.
2. Only one (1) entry per class.
3. You must have had the plant in your possession for at least one month before putting it in the fair.
4. **All flowers** must be grown by the 4-H'er **except** for those used in arrangements.
5. Interview judging will be conducted (items will be "judged when entered"). Exhibitors not accompanying their item for judging will receive a participation ribbon. **Only exhibitor is permitted in judging area**.
6. Plants must be groomed by wiping off or spraying water to clean off glossy leafed plants. Plants that are too leggy should be propped up with a trellis or stake.

SECTION A - House Plant Classes:

700. African Violets
701. Begonia
702. Cacti and Succulents
703. Dieffenbachia
704. Ferns, any variety
705. Geraniums
706. Jade Plant
707. Philodendron

708. Pothos
709. Sanseveria (snake plant)
710. Schefflera
711. Spider Plant
712. Wandering Jew
713. Any other non-flowering plant not listed
714. Any other flowering plant not listed
715. Any other hanging plant not listed

SECTION B - Indoor Garden Classes:

720. Dish Garden containing 3 or more cacti or succulents
721. Three or more different foliage plants in 1 container
722. Terrarium with at least 3 different plants

723. Moss Garden, dish no larger than 10 inches
724. Other garden not listed

CUT FLOWER GENERAL RULES:
1. You may put only one (1) entry in each class. Flowers/foliage must have been grown by exhibitor this year.
2. Specimens must be in a **clear glass bottle or clear vase** and must contain some foliage.
3. Cut flowers will be disposed of at the close of fair with bottle/vase, tag & ribbon returned to exhibitor.

SECTION C - Cut Flower Classes:

730. Marigold, large flowering, 1 bloom
731. Marigold, Dwarf type, 3 blooms
732. Petunia, single or double, 3 sprays
733. Zinnia, large flowered, 1 bloom
734. Zinnia, small flowering, 3 blooms
735. Chrysanthemums, 3 blooms
736. Cosmos, 3 sprays
737. Celosia, 1 stem

738. Dahlia, 1 bloom
739. Gladiola, 1 spike
740. Salvia, 1 stem
741. Asters, 3 blooms
742. Calendula, 3 blooms
743. Nasturtium, 3 blooms
744. Snapdragons, 2 spikes
745. Any other flower or herbaceous foliage not listed

SECTION D - Foliage Exhibit Classes

750. Flowering Shrub, one branch not more than 18 inches (placed in a container of water).
751. Berried Shrub, one branch not more than 18 inches (placed in a container of water).
752. Any non-flowering tree or shrub, one branch not more than 18 inches (placed in a container of water).

SECTION E – Rose Classes

753. Hybrid Tea - 1 bloom
754. Grandiflora - 1 bloom
755. Floribunda - 1 spray

756. Climbing - 1 spray
757. Miniature or small flowered - 1 spray

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT GENERAL RULES:
1. You need not have grown or dried your own flowers.
2. Label container on the bottom with exhibitor number.

SECTION F – Flower Arrangement Classes:
760. Miniature fresh flower arrangement 5" or under overall
761. Fresh flower arrangement 5" to 18" overall
762. Miniature Dried flower arrangement 5" or under overall
763. Dried flower arrangement 5" to 18" overall
764. Silk flower arrangement under 18"
765. Theme arrangement: **"Any Holiday"**, dried or fresh
766. Corsage, any with trim

EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS GENERAL RULES:
1. Only one (1) exhibit per class. Exhibits must be about a Project area in this **Division only**.
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SECTION G – Plants and Flowers Educational Exhibits Classes
770. Poster/Display[+]
771. Video[+]
[+]new class

DIVISION 8 – TEXTILES
Point Value: **Blue** – 8 pts; **Red** – 5pts; **White** – 2 pts

GENERAL RULES:
1. Only one (1) entry in each class. **All exhibits** must have been constructed since previous county fair.
2. All work must be done by the 4-H member.
3. All exhibits must be cleaned, pressed and entered on hangers. Exhibitor should cover garment in clear plastic to protect from dust and insects.
4. Judging criteria: Quality of workmanship, coordination of fabric, pattern, notions, intended use, cleanliness, and personal creativity.

SECTION A – Clothing Classes:
800. Simple Blouse or shirt without collar or set-in sleeves
801. Blouse or shirt-with sleeves and/or collar
802. Skirt, shorts **or** pants-with elastic waist
803. Skirt, shorts **or** pants-with zipper
804. Pajamas, nightgown, bathrobe or loungewear
805. Sundress or other simple dress - no collar or sleeves
806. Jumper-cannot be worn alone
807. Dress –1 piece with collar and/or sleeves, details and/or trim
808. 4-H Fabric Item (shorts, skirt, dress, etc.)
809. Two-piece outfit-lined **or** unlined
810. Vest-decorated **or** undecorated
811. Simple jacket-unlined
812. Tailored jacket **or** coat
813. Evening wear
814. Clothing for Young Child
815. Garment-major construction by serger
816. Constructed garment decorated with needlework, appliqué or other fabric (no painted designs).
817. Clothing accessory- tote bag, purse, apron, etc.
818. Clothing accessory- scarf, belt, tie, hat, etc.
819. Holiday Costume
820. Face Covering – must be clean and un-used
821. Other clothing not listed

SECTION B - Fabric Construction Classes:
830. Pillow, original or from pattern
831. Window treatment
832. Bedspread, quilt **or** comforter using cloth
833. Dust Ruffle **or** pillow sham
834. Quilted Wall Hanging
835. Pot holders - set of 2
836. Tablecloth, table runner **or** 4 place mats with 4 napkins
837. Appliance Cover - toaster, blender, etc.
838. Fabric Construction Item using 4-H Fabric
839. Other Fabric Construction not listed

SECTION C – Miscellaneous Classes:
850. Beginner's Sewing Kit - (Juniors only) include at least 8 different notions a beginning sewer needs in a "sewing basket/container" they have decorated.
851. Sewing Kit - (Intermediate & Seniors only) include at least 12 different notions a sewer would need in a "sewing basket/container" they have decorated.

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SECTION D – Textile Educational Exhibits Classes
855. Poster/Display[+]
856. Video[+]

[+]new class

DIVISION 9 - FOOD PREPARATION

Point Value: **Blue** – 6 pts; **Red** – 4 pts; **White** – 2 pts

GENERAL RULES:
1. You may enter one (1) item per class
2. Each exhibit must be on a disposable plate and covered with plastic wrap or inserted in a plastic bag.
3. **All food entries must be accompanied by a 3" x 5" Recipe Card.** The Recipe Card should include the list of the ingredients, the amounts and the procedures for preparing the product. Recipe Cards must be printed or typed. Exhibits without recipe cards will receive a participation ribbon. **Recipe cards will not be returned**.
4. No mixes are allowed (cookie mixes, biscuit or pancake mixes, etc.) Cake mixes are not allowed, except in the Create-a-Cake class. Commercial frosting is not allowed. (Exception – Decorated cake classes may use commercial or fondant icing as only the decorations are judged.) Otherwise, the frosting recipe must be included on the Recipe Card.
5. Please bring the required number of items for each class for judging and display.
6. **PLEASE NOTE – All entries must be made by individual 4-Hers. Cakes and breads split in half does not make two entries. No group, team or shared product will be accepted.**
7. Interview Judging of baked goods will take place as you enter your exhibit. Exhibitor must be present; if not, a participation ribbon will be given. **Only exhibitor is permitted in judging area**.

SECTION A – Quick Bread Classes:
900. Biscuits – any, rolled or dropped (4)
901. Muffins – corn, plain, or whole wheat (4) no liners
902. Muffins – Fruit (4) no liners
903. Corn Bread – 2"x3" product (4)
904. Coffee Cake – identify type (1/2)
905. Ginger Bread (1/2)
906. Fruit **or** Fruit & Nut Bread - identify type (1/2)
907. Vegetable **or** Vegetable & Nut Bread - identify (1/2)
908. Cheese Bread (1/2)
909. Quick Bread (1/2)

SECTION B – Yeast Bread Classes:
915. Rolls – plain white (4)
916. Rolls – whole wheat (4)
917. Loaf – plain white (1/2)
918. Loaf – whole wheat (1/2)
919. Loaf – other, identify (1/2)
920. Coffee Ring (1/2)
921. Bread, Braided (1/2)
922. Rolls – other, identify type (4)

SECTION C – Brownies & Cookies Classes:
925. Brownies – any (5)
926. Bar Cookies 2" x 2" squares (no brownies) (5)
927. Snickerdoodles (5)
928. Oatmeal Drop Cookies (5)
929. Peanut Butter Cookies (5)
930. Chocolate Chip Cookies (5)
931. Sugar Cookies (5)
932. Refrigerator Cookies (chilled and sliced) (5)
933. Rolled Cookies, cut with cookie cutter (5)
934. Fancy Cookies (5) - (filled, iced, etc.)
935. Molded or Shaped Cookies - (by hand) (5)
936. Combination Cookie (5)
937. Other cookie, not listed (5)
938. Fruit Crisp (5)

SECTION D – Cake & Cupcake Classes:

940. Angel Food Cake (1/2)
941. Sponge Cake (1/2)
942. Pound Cake, no layers (1/2)
943. Spice Cake, icing, 2 layers (1/2)
944. White Cake, icing, 2 layers (1/2)
945. Yellow Cake, icing, 2 layers (1/2)
946. Chocolate Cake, icing, 2 layers (1/2)
947. Coconut Cake, icing, at least 2 layers (1/2)
948. "Create-a-Cake" boxed cake mix w/additions, include recipe (1/2)
949. Other Cake – any flavor (1/2)
950. Cup Cakes – white (4) no icing
951. Cup Cakes – yellow (4) no icing
952. Cup Cakes – chocolate (4) no icing
953. "Create-a-Cupcake" boxed cake mix with additions, include recipe (4)
954. Other Cupcake (4) any flavor iced or plain
955. Cake Balls/Pops (4) any flavor iced or plain
956. Jelly or Fruit Roll, no icing (1/2)

GIFT BASKETS/BOXES GENERAL RULES:
1. Items should be arranged in a decorated basket/box to be used as part of a gift. Place samples of each kind in plastic bag for judging. Recipe cards should include recipes for each edible item in the gift basket/box as well as the audience for which the gift is intended.
2. Bread items may be mini-loaves.

SECTION E – Gift Basket/Box Classes:

960. Quick Breads – 5 different kinds of quick breads
961. Yeast Breads – 5 different kinds of yeast breads
972. Cookies – 5 different kinds of cookies (3 each)

SECTION F – Pie (no frozen crust) Classes:

965. Best Pastry pie – (any) no crème fillings

SECTION G – Bread Machine Item Classes:

970. Loaf – white or whole wheat (1/2)
971. Loaf – sweet or vegetable (1/2)
972. Rolls – white, whole wheat, or sweet (4)
973. Other bread machine item, specify

SECTION H – Sweet Classes

975. Homemade Fudge, any (6)
976. Homemade Candy, any (6)
977. Other sweet not listed, identify (6)

SECTION I – Decorated Item Classes:

(Judged on appearance only. Entire cake or item to be displayed on non-returnable base/container.)

980. Novelty Cake - decorated to carry out an "idea." May be shaped/decorated to resemble an animal, person or idea (i.e. pizza, bunny, etc.). No birthday, shower or special occasion cakes.
981. Special Occasion Cake - decorated for a special event such as birthday, shower, wedding, etc.
982. Maryland 4-H Cake - decorated to carry out the idea of Maryland 4-H.
983. Non-Cake Decorated Item (i.e. sugar egg, etc.), using sugar base & royal icing.
984. Gingerbread Creations – no taller than 12", (houses, sleighs, etc.) using gingerbread, graham crackers, candies, pretzels, etc. Royal icing should be used.
985. Edible Art - using food items such as vegetables, fruits, herbs, seeds, etc. (ex. scenes, centerpieces, arrangements)
986. Decorated Cupcake – individual cupcake (2)
987. Decorated Cupcake – decorated cupcakes creating a design/scene

SECTION J – Homemade Miscellaneous Classes:

(Include a 3"x5" card with ingredients and method used to prepare)

990. Homemade Butter, ½ lb.
991. Cheese, Hard, ½ lb.
992. Cheese, Soft, ½ lb.

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SECTION K – Prepared Food Educational Exhibits Classes
995. Poster/Display[+]
996. Video[+]
[+]new class

DIVISION 10 - CANNING/FOOD PRESERVATION

Point Value: **Blue** – 8 pts; **Red** – 5 pts; **White** – 2 pts

GENERAL RULES:
1. The 4-H member must do the work. Please indicate on Entry Tag if "help was received in processing".
2. All entries must have been preserved within the last year (12 months).
3. Entries will consist of 1 (one) jar, unless otherwise specified.
4. Only one (1) entry per class.
5. Both standard and wide-mouthed pint or quart mason jars made specifically for canning will be accepted in class.
6. Label each jar clearly with 1) product name, 2) date preserved, 3) processing method and time for processing, and 4) source of the recipe. (e.g. Tomatoes/Date/Boiling Water Bath/#Minutes/Ball Blue Book)
7. Jams, jellies, fruits, tomatoes (low acid tomatoes need acidification) and pickled vegetables should be processed in a boiling water bath canner.
8. Vegetables and some low-acid tomatoes must be processed in a pressure canner. To process the low-acid food safely in a reasonable length of time takes a temperature above the boiling point (240-250 degrees).
9. ALL foods should be processed using a tested recipe. (Recipe sources - Ball Blue Book, USDA Complete Guide to Home Canning and So Easy to Preserve, or recipes found in pectin or other canning ingredients made by companies such as Kerr, Mrs. Waggs, Ball, etc.)
10. Dried foods may only be entered in the Dried Foods Classes.
11. **Interview judging will be conducted on one (1) item using each processing method (i.e. water bath, pressure canning, dried food). Additional entries will be judged on Wednesday.** Exhibitors not accompanying their item for judging will receive a participation ribbon. **Only exhibitor is permitted in judging area**.
12. Jars should not be opened during judging.
13. The decision of the judge is final.

SECTION A – Fruit Classes:

1001. Applesauce	1006. Peaches- pieces	1011. Raspberries - black
1002. Blackberries	1007. Pears – halves	1012. Raspberries - red
1003. Cherries	1008. Pears - pieces	1013. Any fruit not listed above
1004. Blueberries	1009. Plums	1014. Juices-any
1005. Peaches- halves	1010. Pumpkin, strained	

SECTION B – Vegetable Classes:

1020. Beans, green	1026. Corn-creamed or whole kernel	1032. Tomato Juice
1021. Beans, lima	1027. Peas	1033. Tomato Catsup
1022. Beans, wax	1028. Squash	1034. Tomato Paste
1023. Beets, sliced	1029. Sweet Potatoes	1035. Vegetable Mixture
1024. Beets, whole	1030. Tomatoes-broken in juice	1036. Any vegetable not listed, specify
1025. Carrots- whole/cut	1031. Tomatoes-whole in Juice	

SECTION C – - Special Canning Classes (must be displayed in a basket or decorated box):

1040. Emergency Meal - complete meal plus menu (5 jars); including label with contents in each jar.
1041. Fruit Variety Pack - three jars, labeled with contents.
1042. Jelly/Jam/Preserve Variety Pack – three jars, labeled with contents.
1043. Vegetable Variety Pack - three jars, labeled with contents.

DRIED FRUITS, VEGETABLES AND MEATS SPECIAL RULES:
1. Drying foods is a method of preserving. Food must be dried enough to inhibit all bacteria, molds and enzymes. Dried fruits and vegetables are clean, have characteristic color, and are brittle (vegetables) or leathery (fruits).
2. Jars should be ½ pint size standard clear canning jars.
3. Label all products with name, drying methods, and length of drying time.

SECTION D – Dried Fruit, Vegetable and Meats Classes:

1045. Dried Fruits - any, specify	1047. Dried Vegetables - any, specify
1046. Fruit Leather	1048. Jerky

SECTION E – Jam & Jelly Classes (USE STANDARD JELLY JARS):

1050. Grape Jam
1051. Plum Jam
1052. Strawberry Jam
1053. Apple Jelly

1054. Berry Jelly
1055. Combination Jelly
1056. Grape Jelly

1057. Blackberry Jelly
1058. Any Jam/Jelly item not listed
1059. Marmalade, any fruit

SECTION F – Preserve Classes:

1060. Berry
1061. Cherry
1062. Peach

1063. Pear
1064. Plum
1065. Tomato

1066. Green Tomato
1067. Fruit Butters
1068. Any preserve not listed

SECTION G – Relish and Pickle Classes:

1070. Pepper Relish
1071. Pickled Beets
1072. Pickled Pepper
1073. Pickled Fruit

1074. Spiced Fruit
1075. Bread & Butter Pickles
1076. Dill Pickles
1077. Salsa

1078. Watermelon Rind
1079. Chutney, any, specify
1080. Other Relish/Pickle not listed

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3. Posters must be no larger than 22" x 28". Displays cannot exceed 32" wide x 17" deep x 42" high. Videos should be on a flash drive.

SECTION H – Canning/Food Preservation Educational Exhibits Classes
1085. Poster/Display[+]
1086. Video[+]
[+]new class

DIVISION 11 - CHILD CARE
Point Value: **Blue** – 6 pts; **Red** – 4 pts; **White** – 2 pts

GENERAL RULES:
1. All entries must include a 3"x5" card explaining item, age recommendation, and educational value of the item.
2. Only one (1) entry per class.
3. All items must have been made this project year.
4. Judging Criteria: Safety; age appropriateness; educational value.

SECTION A - Child Care Classes:
1101. Toy- Original (not a kit, stuffed animal or doll)
1102. Toy- (made from a kit)
1103. Game - Attach instructions on how to play the game and give the appropriate age level.
1104. Stuffed animal, original (no kits)
1105. Soft doll, original (no kits)
1106. Babysitter's Scrapbook with pictures for a specific age group. Include age group on 3"x5" card.
1107. Basic First Aid Kit – include list of contents.
1108. Child Care reference book – a notebook that includes general and specific information on childcare and babysitting include short articles, activities you conducted as part of project work, or fact sheets
1109. Child Care/Babysitting Kit - Bag of books, toys, etc. for a Babysitting job (min. 10 items). Identify item with age level and how it would be used.

EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS GENERAL RULES:
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3. Posters must be no larger than 22" x 28". Displays cannot exceed 32" wide x 17" deep x 42" high. Videos should be on a flash drive.

SECTION B – Child Care Educational Exhibits Classes
1110. Child Care Poster/Display
1111. Video[+]
[+]new class

DIVISION 12 – EXPRESSIVE ARTS

PHOTOGRAPHY
Point Value: **Blue** – 8 pts; **Red** – 5 pts; **White** – 2 pts

PHOTOGRAPHY GENERAL RULES:
1. Only one (1) entry per class.
2. Photos must have been taken **by the 4-Her** since the previous year's county fair. Pictures entered previously will be disqualified
3. Filters should not be used on photographs with the exception of classes 1225* and 1255*.
4. Interview judging will be conducted (items will be "judged when entered"). Exhibitors not accompanying their item for judging will receive a participation ribbon. Only exhibitor is permitted in judging area. **Members with a large number of photo entries will pick their five (5) favorite pictures for interview judging. All pictures will be judged, but only five (5) will have verbal comments made by judges.**
5. All photos must be at least 4" x 6" in size and not larger than 11" x 14", except sequence/story classes, which should be a minimum 4" x 6", maximum of 5" x 7" in size. (Example: Buildings, flowers, people)
6. All photos must be mounted on a firm board using spray adhesive, heat seal or other permanent mounting medium. Use pre-cut mat if needed. **Foam Core is not acceptable. Do not frame the photos**. Photos may be mounted horizontally or vertically. Matt size should correspond to photo size: Photo 4x6-mat 5x7; Photo 5x7-mat 8x10; Photo 8x10-mat 11x14; Photo 11x14-mat 16x20.
7. All pictures entered must be neat and organized.
8. Class number 1220, 1223, 1250 and 1253 must be mounted together to show the sequence and/or story the pictures are portraying.
9. **Do NOT cover photos with plastic, cellophane, or ANY other covering. Do Not use Glass frames.**
10. The following information must be printed on the upper left-hand corner of the back of the mount: Exhibitor's Name, 4-H age, 4-H County/City, title of picture, date picture taken, and type of camera used. Digitally altered must specify what was altered*.
11. The entry tag should be attached with string and taped to the back to hang on the right side (top front) of the photo.
12. **Judging:** Composition (40 pts); Storytelling ability; (30 pts); Photo quality (20 pts); Developing and printing (5 pts); Mounting (5 pts).

SECTION A - Black and White Photograph Classes:
1201. Building, no barns
1202. Landscape, with/without structure
1203. Seascape
1204. Stormy Weather
1205. Sunset or Sunrise
1206. Flower or Plants
1207. Photo of One Person
1208. Self Portrait Photo
1209. People - Two or more
1210. Animals
1211. Birds or Insects
1212. Seasonal Scene
1213. St. Mary's County Farms & Barns, identify
1214. Action Photo - any subject matter
1215. Special Occasion Photo (wedding, graduation, etc.)
1216. Picture using trick photography.
1217. Picture of 4-H, photo that captures spirit of 4-H'er
1218. Picture of Maryland - captures the spirit of the State
1219. Picture of St. Mary's County-captures spirit of County
1220. Sequence of two to four related pictures
1221. Photo developed by 4-H'er
1222. First Year photograph
1223. Photo Story, 4 or more photos telling story
1224. Any other photo/shot not listed above
1225. Digitally Altered
1226. Ariel/Drone photo[+]

SECTION B - Color Photograph Classes:
1231. Building, no barns
1232. Landscape, with/without structure
1233. Seascape
1234. Stormy Weather
1235. Sunset or Sunrise
1236. Flowers or Plants
1237. Photo of One Person
1238. Self Portrait Photo
1239. People - Two or more
1240. Animals
1241. Birds or Insects
1242. Seasonal Scene
1243. St. Mary's County Farms & Barns, identify
1244. Action Photo - any subject matter
1245. Special Occasion Photo (wedding, graduation, etc.)
1246. Picture using trick photography.
1247. Picture of 4-H, photo that captures spirit of 4-H'er
1248. Picture of Maryland - captures the spirit of the State
1249. Picture of St. Mary's County-captures spirit of County
1250. Sequence of two to four related pictures
1251. Photo developed by 4-H'er
1252. First Year photograph (1st time Projects)
1253. Photo Story, 4 or more photos telling story
1254. Any other photo/shot not listed above
1255. Digitally Altered
1256 . Ariel/Drone photo[+]

[+]new class

ART

Point Value: Blue – 6 pts; Red – 3 pts; White – 1 pt

ART GENERAL RULES:
1. Only one (1) entry per class.
2. Exhibitor must have done all work on the project, and entries must have been completed since last year's county fair.
3. Entries must be original paintings and drawings in all media, except paint-by-number pictures.
4. Cartoon figures, such as Sponge Bob, Mickey Mouse, Snoopy and other copyrighted images such as Nike, Coke, McDonalds, and/or business names and logos, etc. may not be used.
5. **All exhibits must be mounted on stable background (poster board) or framed (except Creative Writing classes) and ready to hang prior to arrival at the fairgrounds.** Wooden frames with wire attached are preferred. **NO GLASS FRAMES WILL BE ACCEPTED.** Participation ribbon if not mounted or framed.
6. Maximum finished sizes, including matting and/or framing are as follows: Senior – 36"x48", Junior and Intermediate – 24"x36". All fine art mats and work, excluding oils, should be protected with acetate to prevent smudges.
7. Class #1269 Digital art - Drawing must be entirely original work drawn by exhibitor (no auto shapes or images or clip art from online). Print and mount item and include a 3x5 card stating name of work, device-used (tablet, pc/mac/laptop, etc), and software or app used to create drawing.
8. Creative writing should be entered in an office-style file folder with the entry tag stapled inside at the top only. A single page may be displayed in a plastic page protector. No notebooks please.

SECTION C - Creative Painting and Drawing Classes:

1260. Oil Painting
1261. Acrylic Painting
1262. Watercolor Painting
1263. Pastels
1264. Charcoal Drawing
1265. Black & White Pencil Drawing
1266. Color Pencil, Crayon, Marker Drawing
1267. Pen and Ink Drawing
1268. Paint by Number
1269. Digital art – Drawing
1270. Mixed Media
1271. Other, not listed
1272. String Art Work (using paint)

SECTION D - Creative Writing Classes:
1280. Poetry
1281. Short Story (500 word limit)

EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS GENERAL RULES:
1. Only one (1) exhibit per class. Exhibits must be about a Project area in this **Division only**.
2. No copyright designs or characters, such as cartoon/comic characters or logos, permitted
3. Posters must be no larger than 22" x 28". Displays cannot exceed 32" wide x 17" deep x 42" high. Videos should be on a flash drive.

SECTION E – Expressive Arts Educational Exhibits Classes
1285. Poster/Display[+]
1286. Video[+]

[+]new class

DIVISION 13 - ANIMAL & VETERINARY SCIENCE
Point Value: **Blue** – 6 pts; **Red** – 3 pts; **White** – 1 pt

ANIMAL AND VETERINARY SCIENCE GENERAL RULES:
1.   Posters must be no larger than 22" x 28". Only one (1) entry per class
2.   Displays must be sturdy enough to stand alone and cannot exceed 32" wide x 17" deep x 42" high. Tri-fold display boards recommended.
3.   These classes are open to all members enrolled in any animal project (Livestock, Horse, Dog, Cat, Rabbits, Poultry etc.).

SECTION A – Animal Classes:
1301. Poster or display that demonstrates the basics of animal behavior and/or handling (i.e. behavior of sick vs healthy animal, proper technics to lead or show an animal, etc.).
1302. Scrapbook or poster of 10 breeds of a specific animal species with a description of each breed's traits.
1303. Poster or display on the diseases and/or parasites of any animal.
1304. Poster or display on proper animal grooming.
1305. Display or poster of animal anatomy such as body parts or body systems (digestive, respiratory, circulatory, etc.)
1306. Poster or display showing the basic needs of an animal or good animal management practices.
1307. Poster or display related to Quality Assurance procedures used as a part of your project.
1308. Poster or display of any item relating to small animal projects (dog, cat, rabbits, poultry etc.).
1309. Poster or display showing the use of various animal by-products.
1310. Animal Halter made by 4-H member (specify species intended for).
1311. Other poster or display related to animals and/or veterinary science not listed.

WOOL – FLEECE - FIBER
Point Value: **Blue –** 10 pts; **Red –** 8 pts; **White –** 5 pts

WOOL, FLEECE AND FIBER GENERAL RULES:
1.   Exhibitors may enter one (1) item per class.
2.   Any producer may enter one fleece per breed, provided he/she owned or leased the animal at time of shearing.
  a.   Fleeces entered by breed should be shorn from a sheep clearly representative of that breed.
  b.   Other fleece/fiber may be from any sheep, llama or alpaca.
  c.   Fleece must be shorn in current year.
  d.   A yearling fleece may have 16 month's growth.
  e.   Fleece must be neatly tied with twine.
3.   Preparation - Fleece should be rolled properly-flesh side out and tied with twine, in such a way to allow adequate handling, but not affect the character or attractiveness. Each fleece must be tagged with the following: Name and address of exhibitor, breed and sex of animal, and number of month's growth.
4.   The decision of the Judge is final.

SECTION B - Wool/Fleece/Fiber Class:
1320.   Purebred - Medium wool (Group 1: Cheviot, Corriedale, Dorset, and Montadale)
1321.   Purebred - Medium wool (Group 2: Hampshire, Shropshire, Southdown, and Suffolk)
1322.   Purebred - Fine Wool 62-80 (Ramborullet, Merino)
1323.   Colored-medium wool (48-60)
1324.   Colored-long wool (36-48)
1325.   Other Wool, Fleece or Fiber not listed; identify
1326.   Mohair or Angora Fiber

DIVISION 14 – ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

Point Value: Blue - 6 pts**, Red -** 4 pts**, White -** 1 pt

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES GENERAL RULES:
1. You may enter no more than one exhibit in each class description.
2. Display size cannot exceed 32" wide x 17" deep x 42" high. Tri-fold display board recommended. Poster size must be no larger than 22" x 28".
3. Exhibit must include 3"x 5" card explaining materials used and how made for class 1401,1402, and 1411.
4. Collections must include information about the collection by either labeling the samples or providing a 3" x 5" card which explains the collection.

SECTION A – Natural Resources Classes:

1401. Wild bird feeders
1402. Wild bird houses, with/without perch (note species bird house was designed for)
1403. Shell Collection (min. 15 samples)
1404. Rock Collection (min. 15 unpolished samples)
1405. Leaf Collection (min. 15 different samples from trees, shrubs, etc.)
1406. Mature Tree Bark Collection (min. 10 species)
1407. Wildflower Collection (min. 10 different samples)
1408. Grass Collection (min. 10 different samples)
1409. Fossil Collection (min. 5 different samples)

1410. Soil Collection (min. 10 different samples)
1411. Print Casting (min. 3 samples)
1412. Forestry Educational Display
1413. Wildlife Educational Display
1414. Shooting Sports Educational Display
1415. Sports Fishing Educational Display
1416. Water Quality Educational Display
1417. Recycling Educational Display
1418. Outdoor Recreation Educational Display
1419. Other Natural Resource Educational Display

HONEY AND BEESWAX GENERAL RULES:

1. All honey and beeswax must be property of the Exhibitor and must be produced by him/her within the last 12-month period.
2. Only one (1) entry allowed in each class.
3. Honey should be 1 lb, in a glass or clear plastic "classic" honey jar
4. Display size cannot exceed 32" wide x 17" deep x 42" high. Tri-fold display board recommended. Poster size must be no larger than 22" x 28".

SECTION B – Honey and Beeswax Classes:

1440. Amber Honey
1441. Dark Honey
1442. Honey Comb
1443. Artistic – any molded beeswax
1444. Block of Beeswax
1445. Beeswax Candles
1446. Beekeeper's Educational poster or display
1447. Other Honey/Bee item

DIVISION 15 - SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Point Value: **Blue** – 10 pts; **Red** – 5 pts; **White** – 3 pts

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY GENERAL RULES:
1. Only one (1) entry per class.
2. Copies of plans used must be attached. A wiring diagram and statement of intended use must accompany each exhibit. Enclose all documentation in an envelope printed with the Exhibitor's name, age, phone #, 4-H county and class. Attach envelope to exhibit with string or tape.
3. Poster must be no larger than 22" x 28". No copyrighted cartoons/designs may be used.
4. Displays must be sturdy enough to stand alone and cannot exceed 32" wide x 17" deep x 42" high. Tri-fold display boards recommended.

ELECTRIC GENERAL RULES:
1. A wiring diagram and statement of intended use must accompany each exhibit. Enclose all documentation in an envelope printed with the Exhibitor's name, age, phone #, 4-H County and class. Attach envelope to exhibit with string or tape
2. Used exhibits must be in a clean/presentable condition. Exhibits not meeting safety requirements (i.e. improperly wired) will be disqualified.
3. Judging Criteria: Design; Workmanship; Approved Materials; Practicality; Originality; Safety (must meet Code); Performance

SECTION A – Electric Classes:
1501. Reading lamp or general-purpose lamp
1502. Electrical poster **or** display on various wires & their uses
1503. Build a working switch
1504. Flashlight made from material found around your house.
1505. Extension Cord or Drop Light
1506. Electrical Motor Educational Display
1507. Robotics Educational Display

WOODWORKING AND METAL WORKING GENERAL RULES:
1. Plan, blueprint or sketch used in construction must accompany exhibit, along with a statement of intended use. Enclose all documentation in an envelope printed with the Exhibitor's name, age, phone #, 4-H County and class.
2. Attach envelope to exhibit with string or tape. Wood Exhibits must be made of worked wood (cut, shaped, etc.) All exhibits must be finished.
3. Attach 3"x5" card with tools used and indicate if help was received.

SECTION B – Woodworking/Metal Classes:
1510. Bookshelf, bookends, rack or key holder
1511. Tool Box, Sawhorse, Chest or Storage Box.
1512. Indoor/Outdoor furniture (ex. table, stool, chair, etc.)
1513. Decorative Lawn Ornament (planter, holiday item, etc.)
1514. Wooden Toy (no kit unless wood is worked).
1515. Refinished Furniture Item (attach a picture before it was refinished) briefly describe process used; identify type of finish.
1516. Woodworking project, not listed, made with tools (state tools used on 3"x5" card).
1517. Constructed (non-welded) metal item.

AEROSPACE GENERAL RULES
1. This section is open to all model rockets and airplanes that are designed and built from scratch or pre-made kits.
2. Model Judging Criteria: (a) Properly shaped and sized fins/wings; (b) strength and smoothness of joints; (c) smoothness and attractiveness of painting; (d) overall beauty of the finished model.
3. Posters must be no larger than 22" x 28"in size.

SECTION C – Aerospace Classes:
1520. Aerospace Craftsmanship – made from scratch
1521. Aerospace Craftsmanship – made from kit
1522. Aerospace Educational Display or Poster

WELDING GENERAL RULES
1. Welding items must have been fabricated by the exhibitor in the current 4-H year.
2. Welding Judging criteria shall include: Workmanship (including weld quality, squareness and fit of joints and finish), overall design, originality and usefulness.
3. Posters must be no larger than 22" x 28" in size. Displays cannot exceed 32" wide x 17" deep x 42" high, self-standing. Tri-fold display board recommended.

SECTION D – Welding Classes:
1525. Welding Safety Poster or display
1526. Welding Craftsmanship – any small article

SMALL ENGINE GENERAL RULES:
1. Posters must be no larger than 22" x 28" in size. Displays cannot exceed 32" wide x 17" deep x 42" high, self-standing. Tri-fold display board recommended.

SECTION E – Small Engine Classes:
1530. Poster/display of small engine parts (labeled)
1531. Poster/display of tools used to work on small engines.
1532. Poster/display of one item (your choice) relating to the small engine project

DIVISION 16 – EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS
Point Value: Blue – 8 pts; **Red** – 5 pts; **White** - 2 pts

EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS GENERAL RULES:
4. Only one (1) exhibit per class.
5. The purpose of these exhibits is to inform others of the topic of the exhibit; it is NOT to chronicle the exhibitor's experience in a project or hobby.
6. Exhibits may be of any topic covered in the category listed. Project area should be prominent on poster or display.
7. No copyright designs or characters, such as cartoon/comic characters or logos, permitted
8. Posters, Displays or Videos may be used. Posters must be no larger than 22" x 28". Displays cannot exceed 32" wide x 17" deep x 42" high. Videos should be on a flash drive.

SECTION A – Educational Exhibits

1619. Leadership Experience
1620. Service Learning/Community Service
1621. Bicycle Project
1622. Health and Fitness
1623. Theater/Dance
1624. Entomology Educational Display
1625. Other poster/display from project not previously listed or completed in another division.

DIVISION 17 - CLUB PROMOTIONAL EXHIBITS

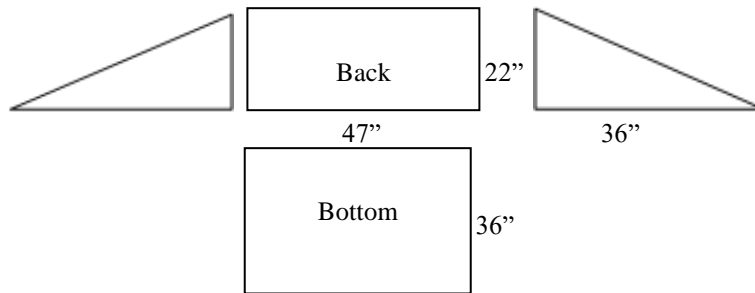**(Open to St. Mary's County 4-H Clubs only)**

CLUB BOOTH

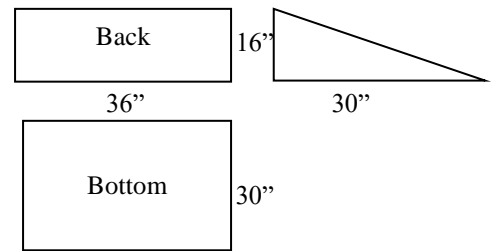**Blue** - $20; **Red** - $15; **White** - $10

CLUB BOOTH GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. Clover Clubs may enter a club booth for publicity purposes only.
2. No copyright designs or characters permitted.
3. Clubs must register their booth online by **September 5, 2023**.
4. **Work must be done by the 4-H Members**. Leaders serve as advisors only. Booths will be disqualified if Rule is violated.
5. Due to limited space, booths exhibits are for St. Mary's 4-H Clubs only. Each club is limited to one (1) booth.
6. Booths will be entered between 4pm and 8pm on **Tuesday, September 19**.
7. Since the State Fair has revised their booth sizes, booths may be one of two sizes: 1) Traditional St. Mary's dimensions – 47" wide x 36" deep, with the back of the booth 22" high; or 2) new revised State Fair dimensions - 36" wide x 30" deep x 16" high. **The sides must be the shape of a right triangle.**
8. Pre-construction of back, sides or bottom in a self-standing manner is permitted, as long as measurements match #7. Each booth must contain a card with the current affirmative action statement as follows: "The University of Maryland, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources programs are open to all and will not discriminate against anyone because of race, age, sex, color, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, religion, ancestry, or national origin, marital status, genetic information, or political affiliation, or gender identity and expression."
9. All Booths should have the 4-H Clover logo. Only legal 4-H Clover logos may be used.
10. The club name <u>must</u> be a prominent part of the booth. A 3"x5" card with the club name, city, county, leader's name and phone number must be attached to the back of the booth in the upper right-hand corner.
11. Contents of the booth **MAY NOT** exceed the dimensions listed above. Booth items should be securely fastened. Booths will be covered with clear plastic to protect contents; however, the fair is not responsible for damage or loss. Nothing in the booth may be taller than the sides of the booth where the item is placed – it should not come in contact with plastic.
12. **Judging:** Booths will be judged on their own merit using the following criteria: Effective Title (short, personal,); Conveys Message (accomplishes purpose); Attracts Attention (stopping power); Holds Interest (encourages study); General Appearance (simple, balance, color); Workmanship (neat, well- constructed); Suitable Subject (timely, personal, informative).

Traditional St. Mary's Dimensions   **New State Fair Dimensions**

Back — 22" — 47" — 36" — Bottom — 36"

Back — 16" — 36" — 30" — Bottom — 30"

SECTION A – Club Booth Classes:

1701. 4-H Club Promotional Activity

4-H CLUB BANNERS
Blue - $15, **Red** - $10, **White** - $5

CLUB BANNER GENERAL RULES:
1. Only St. Mary's County 4-H Clubs may enter. One (1) banner per club. Banners must have been created since last year's county fair. St. Mary's County 4-H clubs who have entered banners in previous years may hang those banners for display and publicity with no premium value.
2. No professionally made banners permitted.
3. Banner size shall be no smaller than 3'x3' and no larger than 3' x 5'. Letters, club logo, and materials are choice of club.
4. **No copyright designs or characters permitted**. Banner must include club name and town or county name and 4-H Clover Logo. Only Legal 4-H Clover logo designs can be used.
5. **ALL BANNERS MUST BE READY TO HANG ON DOWEL/ROD SUPPLIED BY CLUB**. Banners may be removed for the parade and then returned for display.
6. All banners must be pre-registered under club name to receive premium.
7. All banners must be brought to the 4-H building on **Tuesday, September 19**.

SECTION B – Club Banner Class:
1702. 4-H Club Banner

Group Club Projects
Blue - $15, **Red -** $10, **White -** $5

GROUP CLUB PROJECTS GENERAL RULES:
1. A group project must have participation of no less than four (4) club members from the same club, with equal participation in the group effort from each member. Exhibits not meeting these criteria will receive a participation ribbon.
2. Group Club projects must be pre-registered by designated leader under the name of their club only.
3. A 5"x7" card must accompany exhibit and include: Member's names & 4-H ages, description, use of item, tools, & equipment. If made using a pattern, attach the pattern to entry. For Club Scrapbook, only include members' names and 4-H ages.
4. Only one (1) item per class may be entered by the group.
5. Group projects will be judged under the guidelines of their respective project division as applicable.

SECTION C – Group Club Classes:
1710. Group Club Project-specify project area.
1711. Group Club Scrapbook (judged on contents – not outside).

DIVISION 18 - JUDGING CONTESTS
Premiums will be awarded to individuals as follows**: 1st** - $8; **2nd** - $6; **3rd** - $4; **4th** - $2; **5th** to **12th** - $1

JUDGING CONTEST GENERAL RULES:
1. All 4-H/FFA members in the five (5) Southern Maryland Counties are eligible to participate.
2. Horticulture and Livestock Judging will be conducted on an underlined individual basis by 4-H members.
3. **Only 4-H/FFA participants will be permitted in contest area.**
4. Age divisions will be your 4-H age as of January 1 of the current year. Juniors (8-10), Intermediates (11-13), Seniors (14-18).
5. No pre-registration required for Horticulture or Livestock Judging. Check contest schedules for times.

SECTION A - Judging contest classes and schedules

1801.	Livestock	Thursday, September, 21	4:30 p.m.
1802.	Horticulture	Friday, September, 22	10:00 a.m. – 4:00p.m.

DIVISION 19 - SPECIAL 4-H CONTESTS

Premiums for Visual Presentation and   only:
Junior (age 8-10) - **1st**-$10; **2nd**-$8; **3rd**-$6; **4th**-$4; **5th**-$2
Intermediate (age 11-13) - **1st**-$11; **2nd**-$9; **3rd**-$7; **4th**-$5; 5th-$3
Senior (age 14-18) - **1st**-$12; **2nd**-$10; **3rd**-$8; **4th**-$6; **5th**-$4

VISUAL PRESENTATION CONTEST

Sunday, September 24, 1:00 pm (In 4-H Building – time and location subject to change)

VISUAL PRESENTATION CONTEST GENERAL RULES:
1. Contest is open to all St. Mary's County 4-H members.
2. You must be pre-registered to participate and receive premiums.
3. All Demonstrations and Illustrated talks must be a minimum of 2 minutes in length and no more than 10 minutes in length.
4. Team Demonstrations will consist of 2 presenters and must be registered in the age division of the oldest member. Team members must participate equally in their presentation.
5. All props and supplies are the responsibility of the contestant. Items removed from the exhibit shelf must be returned for remainder of county fair.
6. All contestants must be in the demonstration area by **12:45** pm and ready when your name is called. Live Animal demonstrators must report at **12:45** pm, but do not bring your animal with you.
7. A demonstration is showing how to do something from start to end. An Illustrated talk is providing an illustration and then telling the audience about it. Please be sure to follow these guidelines.

SECTION A - Visual Presentations

Demonstration Classes:
1900. Demonstration- Clover, Individual (5-7 yrs)
1901. Demonstration-Junior, Individual (8-10 yrs)
1902. Demonstration-Intermediate, Individual (11-13 yrs)
1903. Demonstration-Senior, Individual (14-18 yrs)

1904a. Team Demonstration – Clover (5-7 yrs)
1904. Team Demonstration - Junior (8-10 yrs)
1905. Team Demonstration - Intermediate (11-13 yrs)
1906. Team Demonstration - Senior (14-18 yrs)

Live Animal Demonstration Classes:
1907. Junior, Individual (8-10 yrs)
1908. Intermediate, Individual (11-13 yrs)
1909. Senior, Individual (14-18 yrs)

Illustrated Talk Class:
1910. Illustrated Talk - all ages

PHOTO CHALLENGE CONTEST
Thursday, September 21 – Saturday, September 23

PHOTO CHALLENGE GENERAL RULES
1. This contest is designed to provide 4-H Members with an opportunity to develop and demonstrate creative and communication skills while demonstrating their knowledge and enjoyment of photography. Participants will participate in divisions according to their 4-H Age: Clovers (ages 5-7 as of 1/1/22), Junior (ages 8-10 as of 1/1/22, Intermediate (ages 11-13 as of 1/1/22), or Senior (ages 14-18 as of 1/1/22). Pre-entry is **required.**
2. Participants will provide their own digital camera. The 4-H Office does have four (4) cameras that can be borrowed for this contest; however, the quality of the pictures cannot be guaranteed. Beginning Thursday, September 21 at 4:00pm through Saturday, September 23 at 12pm, participants will be allowed to canvass the fairgrounds and shoot scenes that best highlights the St. Mary's County Fair. Participants should consider variety, diversity and uniqueness when choosing their scenes. Participants must select the scene, aim the camera and take the pictures without outside assistance or guidance. Participants must remain on the fairgrounds and are not allowed to enter areas off-limits to the general public. At the end of the allotted time, participants must email their best 5 photos to bdobbins@umd.edu by Saturday, September 23 at **6:00pm.**
3. Entries will be printed as 4x6 photographs and judged. The top 3 in each age division will be mounted and displayed in the 4-H indoor building on Sunday, September 24. Entries not placing in the top 3 will have their best single photograph displayed.
4. A Champion ribbon will be awarded to the Best Collection of Pictures in each age division class.
5. The photo displays will be returned to the contestant; however, the originals will become the property of the University of Maryland Extension and may be used to promote 4-H on a variety of materials and mediums. Participants will be required to sign a release.

SECTION B – Photo Challenge Classes

1920. Clovers (ages 5-7)
1921. Junior (ages 8-10)
1922. Intermediates (ages 11-13)
1923. Seniors (14-18)

CLUB FLOATS
1st Place $20,   **2nd Place** $15,   **3rd Place** $10

CLUB FLOAT GENERAL RULES:
1. Clubs must pre-register their float by **September 5, 2023**, to receive 4-H premiums. Clubs must also register their float with the Fair Association Office no later than Friday, September 22, 2023, using the entry form found in the St. Mary's County Fair Book. Questions on the parade should be directed to the Fair Office Staff.
2. Floats will be entered and judged in the official County Fair Parade on Saturday, September 23, 2023.
3. **Work must be done by 4-H members**. Leaders may serve as advisors only. A General 4-H Chairperson will disqualify any float where this rule is violated.

SECTION D – 4-H Club Float Class
1940. Club Float

DIVISION 20
ST MARY'S COUNTY FAIR HORSE SHOW 2023
Date: Sunday, September 24, 2023 at 8:30 am

Location: St. Mary's County Fairgrounds 42455 Fairgrounds Rd, Leonardtown, MD – Proceed to the south entrance and turn at the "Fast Stop" to the designated horse trailer parking area.
Chairperson: Noelle Mast - barmhorsemanship@gmail.com
Registration: Samantha Dobbins - Sdobbins1218@gmail.com
Premiums awarded:
1st place - $20;   **2nd place** $15;   **3rd place** $12;   **4th place** $10;   **5th place** $6;   **6th place** $3
RULES
1. All exhibitors will be charged the fair admission fee to enter the fairgrounds. Pay the entry fee at gate then get a wrist band at the registration desk to go in and out as needed. Week-long fair admission passes can be pre-purchased on the Saturday before the fair. There are no class fees for this show.
2. Youth is defined as riders 18 years old and under as of January 1, 2023
3. Novice is defined as riders in their first or second year of showing.
4. Open classes are open to all riders regardless of age or years of experience.
5. All horses MUST provide proof of negative Coggins test within one (1) year of show date AND Proof of Equine Influenza Virus and the Equine Herpes Virus (Rhino pneumonitis) vaccination within 180 days of show date. This information is required at entry desk.
6. Placings will be through six (6) place with ribbons in each class and Champion & Reserve ribbons in each division. Additional prizes may be provided based on Sponsorships.
7. All riders, regardless of discipline, must wear approved ASTM certified helmets while mounted on the Fairgrounds property.
8. Patterns will be posted at 7:45am the day of the show.
9. Schooling in designated warm-up ring only. Riders may walk horses in the main ring to familiarize themselves and their mounts to the setting prior to class 1, after class 16, and after class 33.
10. Course walk for jumping available for 10 minutes prior to class 24.
11. Classes may be combined or cancelled due to less than six (6) entries or may be divided at the discretion of the show committee. Any question regarding the conduct of the show shall be decided by the show committee and its decision shall be final. The judge's decision is final. The St. Mary's Fair Association will not be responsible for loss or injury to horses, ponies, riders or loss of property.
12. In the event of inclement weather on show day, an announcement will be made at 6 AM the day of the show
13. Over fences riders may not enter more than 2 Open over fence divisions.
14. Please note that martingales are not permitted in any under saddle class & only standing martingales are permitted over fences. Only standard nose cavessons are to be used on the bridle. No pony/horse boots permitted in the Hunter Divisions.

DEFINITIONS:
Equitation/Horsemanship classes to be judged on rider's ability to sit in the saddle correctly, hold the correct riding posture and control the horse.
Pleasure classes to be judged on functional correctness, quality of movement, including consistency of their gaits, and attitude to provide a pleasurable ride.
Hunter over fences and under saddle classes to be judged on performance, manners, even hunting pace & style.

Disciplined Rail is an advanced pleasure class which tests the skills of both horse and rider, as they execute specific gaits, transitions and movements as requested by the judge. The class is judged on performance and manners.

DIVISIONS

SHOWMANSHIP - Showmanship focuses on the exhibitor's ability to fit and show a horse at halter. Judges evaluate the grooming and fitting of the horse and the expertise of the exhibitor in presenting the horse to the best of his or her ability. Contestants must work a predetermined pattern consisting of maneuvers such as walking, trotting, pivoting, backing and setting up.

ENGLISH/WESTERN LEADLINE — Open to riders ages 8 years and under of any discipline. Pleasure to be judged partially on horse's suitability. Riders may not cross enter into any other division but walk.

ENGLISH/WESTERN WALK DIVISION — Open to riders 10 years and under of any discipline on ponies or horses. No cross entering into any other division except the lead line division. If entries warrant, this division will be subdivided by ages (6 & under; 6-10).

NOVICE RIDER DIVISION (Western/English) —Open to any rider in their first or second year of showing. Jumps may be trotted or cantered. Canter/lope may be split at judge's discretion.

YOUTH WESTERN DIVISION — Open to riders 18 years and under on ponies or horses. 4-H Riders will accumulate year-end points in this division. Riders may ride two handed and in a snaffle bit.

YOUTH ENGLISH DIVISION — Open to riders 18 years and under on ponies or horses. 4-H Riders will accumulate year-end points in this division. Fence height 18".

OPEN 18" HUNTER DIVISON — Open to all ponies, horses & riders. May not cross enter into other divisions where the fence height exceeds 2'. Fences may be trotted or cantered.

OPEN 2' HUNTER DIVISION —Courses to be cantered. Open to all. May not cross enter into classes where the fence height exceeds 2'3".

OPEN 2'3" PLEASURE DIVISION –   Courses to be cantered. Open to all. May not enter classes where the fence height is below 2'.

OPEN 2'6" HUNTER DIVISION - Courses to be cantered. Open to all. May not cross enter into classes where the fence height is below 2'.

OPEN WESTERN PLEASURE DIVISIONS – Western Pleasure will be judged on functional correctness, quality of movement including consistency of their gaits, and attitude. Horsemanship to be judged on the riders' body positions, how they sit a saddle and their ability to control the horse. Disciplined Rail is an advanced pleasure class which tests the skills of both horse and rider, as they execute specific gaits, transitions and movements as requested by the judge. The class is judged on performance and manners.

OPEN RANCH RIDING DIVISIONS - This class measures a horse's ability to be a pleasure to ride while being used as a conveyance from performing one ranch task to another. The horse and rider are asked to perform a pattern that includes changes of gait, extension of gait, crossing logs and lead changes. All maneuvers should be performed as if the horse were being used on a ranch, and the horse should demonstrate a high level of training, relaxation and quality of movement in all gaits. Patterns for Ranch riding will be posted day of the show. Ranch rail is held with all participants riding concurrently on the rail.

Class List - 2023 St. Mary's County Fair Show

Western
1. Novice Rider W/J Pleasure
2. Novice Rider W/J Horsemanship
3. Novice Rider W/J Simple Pattern

4. Youth W/J Horsemanship
5. Youth W/J/L Horsemanship (Brief Lope)
6. Youth W/J Simple Pattern

7. Open W/J Pleasure
8. Open W/J Horsemanship
9. Open W/J Disc. Rail

10. Open W/J/L Pleasure
11. Open W/J/L Horsemanship
12. Open W/J/L Disc. Rail

13. Open Ranch Rail W/J
14. Open Ranch Riding W/J

15. Open Ranch Rail W/J/L
16. Open Ranch Riding W/J/L

Combo
17. Novice Youth Showmanship
18. Novice Adult Showmanship
19. Open Showmanship
20. Champion Showmanship (1st & 2nd from classes 17--19)

21. Eng/West Lead Line 8 & Under Pleasure
22. Eng/West Lead Line 8 & Under Equitation/ Horsemanship

23. Eng/West Walk 10 & Under Pleasure
24. Eng/WestWalk 10 & Under Equitation

English
25. Novice Rider W/T Pleasure
26. Novice Rider W/T BRIEF Canter Equitation
27. Novice Rider Pleasure O/F - 18" - may not be penalized for trotting fences

28. Youth W/T Pleasure
29. Youth W/T BRIEF Canter Equitation
30. Youth Pleasure O/F - 18" - may not be penalized for trotting fences

31. Open 18" Hunter O/F-will not be penalized for trotting fences
32. Open WT Equitation Under Saddle
33. Open WT Hunter Under Saddle

34. Open 2' Hunter O/F
35. Open 2' Equitation O/F
36. Open 2' Hunter Under Saddle

37. Open 2'3" Pleasure O/F
38. Open 2'3 Equitation O/F
39. Open Pleasure Under Saddle

40. Open 2'6" Hunter O/F
41. Open 2'6" Equitation O/F
42. Open 2'6" Hunter Under Saddle

HOW TO ENTER

Pre-entries must be received by **September 18, 2023.** Complete online at:
tinyurl.com/SMCFHorseShow2023

Or complete the following entry form and mail to Fair Horse Show, University of Maryland, 26737 Radio Station Way, Suite E-2, Leonardtown, MD 20650 or email to Samantha Dobbins sdobbins1218@gmail.com. One form for each rider/horse combination. If you register at tinyurl.com/SMCFHorseShow2023 , you do not have to mail in entry form. PLEASE PRINT NEATLY

2023 ST. MARY'S COUNTY FAIR HORSE SHOW ENTRY FORM

Rider Name		Rider DOB	
Mailing Address			
Phone #	Email Address		
Horse Name (must match Coggins)		Horse DOB	
Horse Owner (if different than rider)		Phone#	
Emergency Contact		Phone#	
Class Numbers:			

LIABILITY RELEASE: I/we agree that we are participating in the St. Mary's County Fair Horse Show at the St. Mary's County Fair at our own risk. I/we agree for ourselves and our family members, heirs, personal representatives and assigns, to release and hold harmless the St. Mary's County Fair Association, Inc. and all their members agents, officers, representatives, and assigns of and from all claims, demands, and legal liability for any economic and non-economic losses due to bodily injury and/or death and/or property damage sustained by me and/or my minor children in relation to this horse show, riding or being near horses owned by myself or third parties before, after or during this horse show while on, approaching or leaving the Fairgrounds or otherwise related to this event.

Signature of Rider or Parent/Guardian	Date
Printed Name	