

2024 Fort Bend County Fair & Rodeo School Youth Department

Chairman: Megan Pias, Meredith Hamm & Judy Johnson Directors in Charge: Marjie Pollard & Jennifer Hanzik

Department Hours

Friday, Sept. 27th.....12 noon to 9 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 28th....10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 29......12 noon to 9 p.m.

Mon. – Thurs., Sept. 30 - Oct. 3rd ...5 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Friday, Oct 4th....5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 5th....10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Important Dates

Exhibitor Packets Available September 3, 2024

Check-In Monday, September 23, 2024 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Culinary Check-In Tuesday, September 24, 2024 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Photo Opportunity for Rosette Winners Saturday, September 28, 2024 9:00 a.m.

Exhibit Check Out Sunday, October 6, 2024 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

General Rules

1. All Exhibitors and their entries are subject to the Fort Bend County Fair Association General Rules and Regulations and the School Youth General Rules and Regulations.

- 2. Exhibitors must be residents of Fort Bend County or zoned to a Fort Bend County School and currently enrolled in school (grades K-12).
- 3. School Youth Department Exhibitor's grade as of August 31, 2024:

Grade Level Group: K-2nd Grade Level Group: 6th – 8th Grade Level Group: 3rd – 5th Grade Level Group: 9th – 12th

- 4. School Youth Exhibitor packets will be available beginning September 3, 2024. Please contact FBCFSchoolYouth@gmail.com to request an Exhibitor packet.
- 5. School Check In: Monday, September 24, 2024, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. EXCEPTION: All Culinary entries are due Tuesday, September 24, 2024, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- 6. Judging: Monday, September 24, 2024 immediately after Check In. *Culinary* entries will be judged Tuesday, September 24, 2024, immediately after Check In.

Following judging, the Department will make every effort to contact the winners by phone for photographs. School Youth Department judges are knowledgeable in the areas they are asked to evaluate and can be selected from residents of Fort Bend County. A judge will request reassignment if he/she recognizes the work of any Exhibitor. The judge(s) decision is final.

7. Exhibit Check Out: Sunday, October 6, 2024, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

The Department will not be responsible for any items not picked up during the designated date and time. *Those not picked up by the deadline will be discarded.*

8. School Youth Exhibits may include projects made during the previous school year, as long as it adheres to the theme for the Exhibitor's Grade Level for the 2024-2025 school year.

- 9. All Exhibits must be clean and in good repair.
- 10. Exhibits in all Divisions must be the work of the Exhibitor.
- 11. Large exhibits cannot be accepted. Please keep projects to size indicated in specific Division Rules.
- 12. Awarding of Rosettes:
 - a) An Outstanding Rosette will be awarded in each Grade Level Group of each school in each Class at the discretion of the judges. (Example: Division I, Arts & Crafts, Ceramics: one Outstanding Rosette will be awarded to an entry in each Grade Level Group of each school, provided there is a minimum of three Entrants in each Grade Level Group.)
 - b) Best of Show Rosettes may be awarded in each Division at the discretion of the judges.
 - c) Judges reserve the right to award additional Rosettes to entries at their discretion.
- 13. Exhibits receiving Rosettes cannot be exhibited again at the Fair.
- 14. By majority vote, the Advisory Council reserves the right to refuse any exhibit.
- 15. The classroom teacher/teacher representative is required to sign a Release of Liability on behalf of the Exhibitors to the Fort Bend County Fair Association, County of Fort Bend and/or the School Youth Department for loss, damage, or injury to any persons or property while on the Fairgrounds property. Every precaution will be taken to eliminate any potential damage while the exhibits are in the Exhibit Hall.

SCHOOL YOUTH ENTRY GENERAL RULES

- 1. NO ENTRY FEE for School Youth Department entries.
- 2. SCHOOL ENTRIES are items made individually by students in the classroom and entered as a representative collection of work by a classroom teacher. Individual students will be awarded placing ribbons. Individual names must accompany the entry. No premiums will be awarded for ribbons in the School Youth Department.
- 3. Grade Roster is to be completed and submitted with entries. All School entries are to be pre-tagged with Exhibitor tags at Exhibit Check In.
- 4. Each school is limited to a maximum of 100 entries. The Department reserves the right to limit the number of entries per school based on the level of school participation. ** Each student is allowed to enter only 1 entry.**
- 5. All Exhibits are subject to the GENERAL RULES AND RULES UNDER EACH DIVISION.
- 6. Individual school signs will be provided by the Department. All other school signs will be removed. Student's name and school name on entry must be covered by the teacher for judging; student names may be displayed following judging.
- 7. Once an item has been checked in, it cannot be removed from the Creative Arts department until the official checkout on Sunday, October 6, 2024.
- 8. No entry may show or depict any type of trademarked brand, logo or slogan.
- 9. Due to family audiences, exhibits dealing with the following subjects will not be accepted and will be immediately disqualified: drug or alcohol related images, violence or gang activity, nudity, satanic or cult images, and racial/hate images.

- 10. By majority vote, the Advisory Council reserves the right to refuse any exhibit.
- 11. SCHOOL ENTRIES: Any classroom work which conforms to School Youth Entry General Rules 1 through 10.

EXHIBIT DIVISION & CLASSES

DIVISION I: ARTS & CRAFTS

Class:

- a) Ceramics
- b) Decoupage
- c) Jewelry
- d) Woodwork
- e) Stained Glass
- f) Tile Article
- g) Paper Flowers

- h) Plaques
- i) Soap Carving
- j) Tooled Metal
- k) Wood Burned Article
- 1) Sting Art on Nails on Board
- m) Leathercraft Article

- n) Macrame
- o) Seasonal Items
- p) Anything Made by Kit
- q) Any Other Not Listed

Division Rules:

- 1. Projects should be NO bigger than 36" x 36" x 36".
- 2. Jewelry must be entered in a self-sealing plastic bag with an entry tag attached to the outside.

DIVISION II: FINE ARTS

Class:

FINE ARTS A-Paintings

- a) Acrylic Paint
- b) Watercolor
- c) Oil Paint
- d) Any Other Not Listed

FINE ARTS B-Drawings

- a) Charcoal
- b) Crayon
- c) Pastel
- d) Pencil/Colored Pencil
- e) Pen/Ink
- f) Any Other Not Listed

FINE ARTS C-Other Media

- a) Collage
- b) Mosaic
- c) Sculptures
- d) Mixed Media
- e) Computer Generated Art
- f) Any other not listed

Division Rules:

1. Each Grade Level Group shall submit artwork based on the theme for each Grade Level Group:

Kindergarten: Cowboy/Cowgirl

1st: Farm Animal

2nd: Farm Scene

3rd: Western Scene

4th: Carnival Scene

5th: Rodeo Action

6th – 12th: No theme

- 2. <u>Grade Levels Kindergarten through 5th Grade</u>: The maximum finished outside perimeter size of the exhibit should be no larger than 9" x 12". All paintings or drawings must be mounted on a study background, (i.e. construction paper, poster board, matt or like-thickness backing) and may be flush with the artwork or presented as a border to the artwork. No double matts allowed.
- 3. Grade Levels 6th 12th: The maximum finished outside perimeter size of the exhibit should be no larger than 18" x 24". Painting or drawing must be mounted on a sturdy background, (i.e. construction paper, poster board, matt or like-thickness backing) and may be flush with the artwork or presented as a border to the artwork. No double matts allowed. Paintings or drawings may be presented on a canvas or similar medium and must conform to the maximum finished outside perimeter restrictions.
- 4. No frames or glass allowed.
- 5. Fine Arts C Other Media exhibits should be NO bigger than 36" x 36" x 36".

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6. A sculpture is the action or art of processing by carving, modeling, or welding plastic or hard materials into three-dimensional works of art such as a statue. Items using a mold to set the item are NOT considered a sculpture, example – stepping stones, mosaic on a cross or picture frame, etc. Those items should be entered in the ARTS & CRAFTS Division.

DIVISION III: PHOTOGRAPHY

Class:

- a) Animal Domestic
- b) Animal Wildlife
- c) Landscape
- d) Still Life
- e) People
- f) Building/Architectural

- g) Machinery
- h) Food/Drink
- i) Marine/Aquatic
- j) Plant/Floral
- k) Computer Enhanced
- 1) Any Other Not Listed

Division Rules:

- 1. Photographs must have been taken by the Exhibitor since the 2023 County Fair.
- 2. All photographs must be 8" x 10" ONLY and securely and permanently mounted on an 8" x10" solid photographic mount board or a board of like thickness.
- 3. No frames or glass allowed.
- 4. Exhibitors may enter up to 3 items, but they must be a different subject matter. (*Example: 1 still life, 1 animal, 1 landscape*)
- 5. Photos will be judged on the basis of composition, lighting, and originality.

DIVISION IV: CULINARY

Class:

CULINARY A

- a) Canned Vegetables
- b) Canned Fruit
- c) Jam
- d) Jellies
- e) Pickles
- f) Preserves
- g) Any Other Not Listed

CULINARY B

- a) Bread
- b) Cake
- c) Candy 4 pieces
- d) Cookies 4 pieces
- e) Muffins
- f) Pie
- g) Any Other Not Listed

Division Rules:

- 1. Canned items will not be opened and tasted.
- 2. Baked goods must be protected by disposable wrap & in disposable containers. All baked goods will become property of the Department. Exhibitors WILL NOT be able to pick up baked goods.
- 3. No cake mixes, prepared crusts or liquor/alcoholic beverages allowed.
- 4. Due to the time frame from check in to judging, refrigerated items must not be included and will be disqualified. This includes such items as cream cheese frosting, meats, and other ingredients that would be unsafe to eat if not refrigerated.