

# JUNIOR AG-GRANGE

(for exhibitors 12 & younger)

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**ENTRY DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2023**

**Entry Fee:** \$5.00 (allows as many entries as you would like fair-wide).  
**Entry Arrival:** Monday, August 7, 2023, between 1:00 PM and 8:00 PM  
**Judging:** Tuesday, August 8, 2023  
**Prize Checks:** Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at the Competitive Exhibits Office, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM. Silk ribbons are also available currently. Any checks remaining after the close of the fair will be mailed.

## General Junior Vegetable Rules

1. Open to exhibitors ages 12 and younger.
2. When bringing entries in, use Vehicle Gate “A” (the Purveyor Gate) at the south end of the Event-Center Parking Lot (Route 62, South Park Avenue).
3. When and where possible variety names should be included to help educate the consumer.
4. Upon arrival, ANY class changes to the entry tags need to be made at the front table by officials. Changes not officially recorded will result in loss of placing and premium.
5. If an article is not brought in, the entry tag for that article must be returned to the Superintendent.
6. Exhibitors are allowed only one entry in each class, except in classes 40.
7. All articles for exhibition must remain on the grounds according to the rules of each department or forfeit their premium unless excused by the Fair Manager of the Society.
8. All perishable produce becomes the property of The Fairgrounds and will be donated to the local food pantry at the end of the Fair.

## Judging Criteria:

- a. Freedom of injury, disease, insect, sunburn etc.
- b. Excellence in market size and quality
- c. Trueness to variety type
- d. Uniformity of size, shape, color, and maturity
- e. Attractiveness, Cleanliness, color

**Judging Standards:** *The judging of plates is based on the quality uniformity, and preparation of the specimens. Each plate is judged as excellent, good, worthy, or no award. In order to receive an award, a plate must meet all the standards for that particular award.*

### Excellent

Clean  
  
Free from any damage  
  
Very uniform in size, shape, color, and maturity (not over 10% variation, or no noticeable)  
  
Of best market size and quality  
  
True to variety type

### Good

Free from damage (loss no more than 5% of the total weight of the vegetable)  
  
Relatively uniform in size, shape, color, and maturity (not over 25% variation)  
  
Of good market size and quality  
  
Fairly true to variety type

### Worthy

Fairly clean  
  
Free from serious damage and fairly free of minor damage (loss no more than 10% of the total weight of the vegetable)  
  
Fairly uniform in size, shape, color, and maturity (less than 100% variation)  
  
Of fair market size and quality

### No award

Dirty  
  
Seriously damaged by disease, insects, or mechanical means  
  
Over mature  
  
Extremely different in size, shape, or color  
  
Not satisfactory market size (a combination of the above points may make an exhibit undesirable)

## CULINARY HERBS

**Premiums for Classes # 1 – 11 Blue - \$5.00 Red - \$4.00 Yellow - \$3.00**

*Herbs must be displayed in regular mouth pint size mason jars. Jar must be clean and free of labels. Foliage should not go below water level. 10 stems per entry.*

1. Basil
2. Cilantro
3. Dill (foliage and green seed head)
4. Lemon Balm
5. Oregano/ Marjoram
6. Parsley, moss curled varieties
7. Parsley, plain leaf varieties
8. Rosemary
9. Sage
10. Thyme
11. Any other not otherwise listed

## POTATOES

**Premiums for Classes # 1 – 4 Blue - \$5.00 Red - \$4.00 Yellow - \$3.00**

*Potatoes for exhibition should be cleaned with a soft brush or by very gentle washing, so as not to break the skin or remove the typical characteristics shown by the skin.*

1. Best plate of 5, white potatoes
2. Best plate of 5, red potatoes
3. Largest Potato
4. Best plate of 5, any other variety not listed above

## ONIONS, GARLIC etc

**Premiums for Classes # 1 – 7 Blue - \$5.00 Red - \$4.00 Yellow - \$3.00**

*Onions, garlic, and shallots must be clean, (dried or cured) but not peeled. Roots must be removed, and stalks should be trimmed to approximately 1 inch.*

1. 3 Garlic Bulbs
2. 3 Leeks
3. 3 Shallots
4. 3 Onions, any Yellow Globe variety
5. 3 Onions, any Red Globe variety
6. 3 Onions, any White Globe variety
7. Any other onion variety not listed – 3 of a kind

## TOMATOES

**Premiums for Classes # 1 – 4 Blue - \$5.00 Red - \$4.00 Yellow - \$3.00**

*Exhibitors should remove stems from tomatoes. Small tomato varieties, such as cherry tomatoes, should be exhibited in groups of 5. Slicing tomato varieties should be exhibited in groups of 3.*

1. Slicing Tomatoes, Ripe
2. Slicing Tomatoes, Green
3. Grape Tomatoes, Ripe
4. Cherry Tomatoes, Ripe

## OTHER VEGETABLES

Premiums for Classes # 1 – 100 Blue - \$5.00 Red - \$4.00 Yellow - \$3.00

1. 5 pods of Snap Beans, any variety-  $\frac{1}{4}$ " *stem left on*
2. 3 Beets- *tops approx. 1"*
3. 3 Carrots, *approx. 1- $\frac{1}{2}$ " stems*
4. 3 Radishes, tops on
5. 1 head Broccoli, *with green leaves on stem*
6. 1 Cauliflower, *leaves removed, stem trimmed to base of head*
7. 1 Brussel Sprout, *stalk with roots removed*
8. 1 Cabbage, any variety
9. 1 plant Swiss Chard, any variety
10. 5 stalks Rhubarb- tops off
11. 1 Kale- 6 leaves, bundled
12. Spinach, any variety, 6 leaves bundled
13. 1 Lettuce, any variety
14. 1 bunch Celery, roots trimmed off
15. 3 Cucumbers, any variety
16. 3 Pickles, any variety
17. 1 Eggplant, any variety
18. 3 pods of Okra
19. 5 pods of Green Peas
20. 3 Peppers, Sweet Bell variety
21. 3 Peppers, Jalapeno
22. 3 Peppers, Red Hot Cherry
23. 3 Peppers, Hot Banana
24. 3 Peppers, any other variety not listed
25. 1 Pumpkin, any pie variety
26. 1 Pumpkin, Halloween Carving type
27. 1 Pumpkin, Decorative type
28. 3 Decorative Gourds, any variety
29. 3 Pumpkins, munchkins
30. 1 Squash, Buttercup
31. 1 Squash, Butternut
32. 1 Squash, Blue Hubbard
33. 2 Squash, Yellow Summer type
34. 2 Squash, Zucchini type *maximum 6-8" long*
35. 1 Squash, Acorn
36. 1 Squash, any other variety not listed
37. 1 Muskmelon
38. 1 Watermelon
39. 3 Sweet Corn, any variety- **must be picked from the stalk with a strip of husk removed. Do not strip entire ear**
40. Any other vegetable not listed- *limited to six (6) different entries (categories), list on entry form what you are entering*

## EXTRADORINARY CATEGORY

Premiums for Classes # 1 – 5 Blue - \$5.00 Red - \$4.00 Yellow - \$3.00

1. Largest Pumpkin
2. Largest Winter Squash
3. Largest Muskmelon
4. Largest Head of Cabbage
5. Abnormal/Mutant Vegetable, any Vegetable

## VEGGIE CREATURES

### Veggie Creature Department Rules

1. Open to exhibitors ages 12 & younger.
2. Any combination of vegetables are allowed. No Fruit. No artificial vegetables of any kind.
3. Vegetables do not need to be grown by the exhibitor.
4. Creatures will be judged for creativity, color, and public eye appeal.
5. The Fair is not responsible for any lost or damaged items.
6. Will be on display until Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup> providing they do not perish sooner.

Premiums for Classes # 1 & 2 Blue - \$7.00 Red - \$6.00 Yellow - \$5.00

Class #1 - Veggie Creature created by exhibitor 8 years old and younger.

Class #2 - Veggie Creature created by exhibitor between 9-12 years old.

Let your imagination grow wild and construct a sculpture using all vegetable components – **MUST** contain at least 2 different vegetables. For these 2 classes only, vegetables do not have to be home grown. Please include a short description on a 3x5 card of what you have created!

## HORTICULTURE

1. Flowering Plants- Hanging Basket, 1 plant variety, 10" or larger basket size
2. Flowering Plants- Hanging Basket, mixed planting, 2 or more plant varieties, 10" or larger basket size
3. Flowering Plants- Window Box, mixed planting, 2 or more plant varieties, 18-24" container length
4. Flowering Plants- Patio Pot, mixed planting, 2 or more plant varieties, 8" or larger pot size
5. Foliage Plants- Hanging Basket, 1 plant variety, smaller than 10" basket size
6. Foliage Plants- Hanging Basket, 1 plant variety, 10" basket or larger
7. Dish Garden- One Fairy Garden, 10-14" diameter container
8. Dish Garden- One Succulent Garden, 10-14" diameter container
9. Dish Garden- One Cactus Garden, 10-14" diameter container
10. Arrangements- Wild Flower Arrangement
11. Domestic Plant Arrangement
12. Holiday Arrangement
13. Herb Arrangement
14. Bean Jar Art (1 qt Jars)

### **\*\*SPECIAL HORTICULTURE AWARDS\*\***

#### **Budding Horticulturist Award**

*Donated by Westview Farms*

Rosette and \$40 for outstanding entry chosen from classes 1-6

#### **Future Florist Award**

*Donated by Fernshaw Gardens*

Rosette and \$40 for outstanding entry chosen from classes 7-13