

# JUNIOR VEGETABLES (for exhibitors 12 & younger)

Superintendent: Katie O’Gorman

**ONLINE ENTRY REGISTRATION STARTS JUNE 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021**

**ENTRY DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2021**

**Entry Fee:** \$5 fee for ages 5-12. All kids 12 & Under free admission to the fair.  
**Entry Arrival:** Monday, August 9, 2021 between 1:00 PM and 8:00 PM  
**Judging:** Tuesday, August 10, 2021  
**Judge:** TBD  
**Prize Checks:** Wednesday, August 18<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Competitive Exhibits Office, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

## General Junior Vegetable Rules

1. Open to exhibitors ages 12 and younger.
2. When bringing entries in, use Vehicle Gate “A” (the UPS Delivery 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 class #26.
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.
9. Any item receiving a placing can pick-up ribbons at the Main Office with their premium check beginning August 18<sup>th</sup>

## 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 \$5.00 \$4.00 \$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. Culinary Herb (*any variety*)

## POTATOES

Premiums for Classes # 1 – 4 \$5.00 \$4.00 \$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 red potatoes
2. Largest Potato
3. Best plate of 5, any other variety not listed above

## ONIONS, GARLIC etc

Premiums for Classes # 1 – 7 \$5.00 \$4.00 \$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 Onions, any Yellow Globe variety
3. 3 Onions, any Red Globe variety
4. 3 Onions, any White Globe variety
5. Any other onion variety not listed – 3 of a kind

## TOMATOES

Premiums for Classes # 1 – 4 \$5.00 \$4.00 \$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 \$5.00 \$4.00 \$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. 1 head Broccoli, *with green leaves on stem*
5. 1 Cabbage, any variety
6. 5 stalks Rhubarb- tops off
7. 1 Kale- 6 leaves, bundled
8. 1 Lettuce, any variety
9. 3 Cucumbers, any variety
10. 3 Pickles, any variety
11. 3 pods of Okra
12. 3 Peppers, Sweet Bell variety
13. 3 Peppers, Jalapeno
14. 3 Peppers, Red Hot Cherry
15. 3 Peppers, Hot Banana
16. 3 peppers any other variety not listed
17. 1 Pumpkin, any pie variety
18. 1 Pumpkin, Halloween Carving type
19. 1 Pumpkin, Decorative type
20. 3 Decorative Gourds, any variety
21. 3 Pumpkins, munchkins
22. 1 Squash, Butternut
23. 2 Squash, Yellow Summer type
24. 2 Squash, Zucchini type *maximum 6-8" long*
25. 2 Squash, any other variety not listed
26. Any other vegetable not listed- *limited to four (4) different entries (categories), list on entry form what you are entering*

## EXTRADORINARY CATEGORY

Erie County Fair Dates: August 11-22, 2021

**Premiums for Classes # 1 – 5 \$5.00 \$4.00 \$3.00**

1. Largest Pumpkin-1
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 Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup> providing they do not perish sooner.

**Premiums for Classes # 1 & 2 \$7.00 \$6.00 \$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. \*NEW\* Please include a short description on a 3x5 card of what you have created!