

LAKE COUNTY 4-H YOUTH DEPARTMENT

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The 4-H theme for the 2023-2024 year is “Plant Your Feet in 4-H.”

GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

1. This department of the Lake County Fair is open to bona fide members of Lake County 4-H. All 4-H members exhibiting must be in good standing as certified or approved by the 4-H Extension Agent, and meet the criteria as specified for the exhibit category.
2. 4-H'ers may only put items in this building except for baked goods.
3. All exhibits must be in good condition and presentable. Each exhibited article must be owned, produced, or made by the exhibitor and completed after May 1, 2023.
4. The Lake County Fair and 4-H program will not take responsibility for lost, damaged, or misdirected forms, entries, or exhibits.
5. The judge's decision shall be final on all exhibits. The modified Danish System of judging will be used in determining awards. *Cloverbud entries will not be judged but will receive a participation ribbon.*
6. Items not picked up by **6:00 PM on Monday, April 15, 2024**, will not receive premium money.

Registration

The entry form can be found at the end of the premium book; this entry form is turned in with all items on the day of check-in on **Monday, April 1, 2024**.

Check-in

All entries will be turned in on check-in day: **Monday, April 1, 2024, from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm**

Check-out

Monday, April 15, 2024, from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

Entries picked up before or after the pickup times, without prior arrangements with the 4-H Faculty and Staff, will result in the retention of the exhibitor's premium money. Items not picked up by **6:00 PM on Monday, April 15, 2024**, will result in the retention of the exhibitor's premium money.

Premiums

Blue - \$ 3.00 | Red - \$ 2.00 | White - Participation

Best in Lot: Rosette and \$10.00

Best in Class: Rosette and \$15.00

Best in Show: Rosette and \$30.00

- Exhibitors will only be paid the highest premium of the award level. For example, Best in Class will receive \$15.00, but if an item wins Best in Class and Best in Show, it will receive \$30.00.
- Best in Lot and Best in Class will not be awarded to every class. These awards may be awarded based on the number of entries and the judge's discretion.

4-H CLASS A – CLOVERBUD

Cloverbuds may enter up to ten (10) items into the 4-H Building. Only ribbons will be awarded to Cloverbuds; no premium money will be distributed.

4-H CLASS B – HORTICULTURE

- Cut flowers and bedding plants must have been grown by the exhibitor.
- Plants must be labeled with the common name.
- Specimens must be of exhibition quality. All specimens must be clean, free of insects and disease, and well-groomed with no dead leaves. Containers must be in good condition. To facilitate watering, all plants must be provided with a tray.
- The superintendents reserve the right to reject, limit, or disqualify entries.
- Youth exhibitors are responsible for watering their plants.
- Produce will not be stored in a fridge.
- Only one (1) entry per lot.

LOT

1. Vegetables – Plant
2. Vegetables – Produce
3. Fruit – Plant
4. Fruit – Produce
5. Trees
6. Terrariums – growing plants arranged in a dish or bottle. Driftwood and figures may be used.
7. Floral Arrangements
8. Ornamental Plants
9. Flowering Plants

4-H CLASS C – CANNING

- Entries must be in standard clear jars with new rings.
- Jars should be washed, polished, and labeled as to contents and date canned.
- Exhibitors may enter up to two entries per lot. [USDA's Complete Guide to Home Canning | National Institute of Food and Agriculture](#) must be followed.
- Include a recipe with complete directions. Entries will be disqualified if the recipe is not present.
- Only one (1) entry per lot.

LOT

10. Fruits or Vegetables in a 1-pint jar
11. Jam and Jellies in ½ pint jar
12. Pickles in a 1-pint jar
13. Fruit or Vegetable Butter in ½ pint jar

4-H CLASS D – DECORATIVE ARTS

- It may not have been entered previously.
- Only one (1) entry per lot.

LOT

14. Wreath
15. Wall Hanging
16. Decoupage
17. Stencil Decorated Item
18. Seasonal Decorations
19. Holiday Decorations
20. Mosaics
21. Other items not listed

4-H CLASS E – SEWING

- Clothing may be sewn, knitted, crocheted, or hand-woven.
- **Submit all items on wire hangers.**
- It will be judged based on its outside appearance and finishing.
- Exhibitors may enter up to two entries per lot.

LOT

22. Clothing
23. Accessories
24. Quilt Square
25. Household Items
26. Hand Quilted
27. Machine Quilted
28. Tied Quilt
29. Crochet, knitted
30. Cross Stitch Article
31. Other items not listed

4-H CLASS F – CRAFTS

- It may not have been entered previously.
- Exhibitors may enter up to one (1) entry per lot unless noted.

LOT

32. Jewelry (appropriately mounted)
33. Tie-dyed Article or Decorated T-shirt (must be on a hanger)
34. Leather Article
35. Recycled Art
36. Article of Natural Material
37. Candle or Candle Holder
38. Resin
39. Paper Art
40. LEGOS – Creative
41. LEGOS – Set
42. Painted Rocks
43. Other items not listed (2)

4-H CLASS G – WALL ART

- It may not have been entered previously.
- Exhibitors may enter up to two (2) entries per lot unless noted.

44. Acrylic
45. Watercolor
46. Oil
47. Cartoon/Anime (3)
48. Hand Drawing (3)
49. Other items not listed

4-H CLASS H – DIGITAL ARTS & GRAPHIC DESIGN

- It may not have been entered previously.
- Exhibitors may enter up to one (1) entry per lot unless noted.

50. Digital Art
51. 2D Digital Art (*drawing, painting, or pixel art created using software*)
52. 3D Digital Art (*3D painting modeling, or sculpting using 3D software*)
53. Digital Mixed Media (*includes digital collage and integrated digital art*)
54. Other items not listed (2)

4-H CLASS I – PHOTOGRAPHY

- Exhibitors can submit up to five (5) entries but only one (1) entry per lot.
- Photos need to be 8” x 10” and mounted on an 8” x 10” mat board. For more information, contact the Lake County 4-H staff at 352-343-4101.
- Blue-ribbon entries can be submitted to the state photography contest. Photos at the state level must be submitted electronically to the 4-H agent.
- Refusal rights: Lake County 4-H reserves the right to refuse inappropriate or unsuitable entries.

LOT

- 55. People
- 56. Animals
- 57. Plant/Flora
- 58. Scenic
- 59. Architectural Elements

LOT

- 60. Still Life
- 61. Black & White
- 62. 4-H Theme
- 63. Altered Imaging
- 64. Agriculture

4-H CLASS J – WOODWORKING

- Must be constructed from wood by a member and not just sanded, decorate i.e. = assembled in some way (not a prefab kit, see Class F, Lot 38).
- Exhibitors may enter up to two items per lot.

LOT

- 65. Child’s Toy
- 66. Furniture
- 67. Bird House or Feeder
- 68. Wood Burning
- 69. Other items not listed

4-H CLASS K – FORGING & WELDING

- It must be constructed from metal by a member.
- Exhibitors may enter up to two items per lot.

LOT

- 70. Yard Metal (judged on originality not welding)
- 71. Welding (judged on welding techniques)
- 72. Forging (judged on skill/originality)

4-H CLASS L – ANIMAL FEVER

- Exhibitors must pay \$5.00 for their Animal Fever figurine.
- Refer to the Lake County 4-H FYI for more registration information.
- The entire entry display may be no larger than 9” x 9” and no higher than 9”. **Any displays that are larger than the specified requirements will be disqualified.**



4-H CLASS M – TRI-FOLD BOARDS

Premiums: Blue - \$10 Red - \$5

- One entry per exhibitor, with entries being created by the 4-H member.
- The tri-fold board must be 28” x 40” to be accepted.
- The 4-H emblem must be included somewhere on the exhibit and include citations for sources of information and photos either at the bottom front or on the back of the display board.

4-H CLASS N - 4-H MEMBER DEMONSTRATIONS

Premiums: Blue - \$10 Red - \$5

- Open to any Lake County 4-H Member
- Youth members who give a demo are provided a complimentary ticket to the LCF. Only participants will receive free admission on the day of their demonstration. **IF A MEMBER RECEIVES A TICKET BUT DOES NOT PRESENT THEIR DEMONSTRATION, THEY WILL FORFEIT ALL PREMIUM MONEY.**
- Exhibitors may present a prepared demonstration in the 4-H demonstration area at any time to adult volunteers at the 4-H booth. 4-H youth must sign in and have two (2) volunteers sign off.
- Each member may do one demonstration.
- **Team demonstrations are allowed within the same age division.**
- Time requirements: JR & INT: 3 to 12 minutes and SR 5 to 12 minutes
- Demonstrations will be awarded a \$10 premium.
- Cloverbuds can do a demonstration for participation only. **(No premiums will be given to Cloverbuds).**

4-H CLASS O– GAME BOARDS

Premiums: Blue - \$10 Red - \$5 Club - \$20

Rules

- Only one board may be entered per club and/or member.
- Maximum Board Size 20” X 30”.
- The exhibit must include a light to indicate the correct answer.
- Suggested Materials Needed: please get in touch with the 4-H Office.
- Game Boards will be judged on the complexity of the board, general appearance, and educational quality.

2024 Lake County 4-H Fair Entry Form

Please check the Lake County Fair Premium Book for rules, regulations, premiums, and entry schedules. Each entry form must be filled out and accompanied by tagged exhibits. Items will be entered on Monday, April 1, 2024, from 3:00-7:00 pm. Exhibit check-out is Monday, April 15, 2024, from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM; left items will lose premium money. Any items left will be discarded by Monday, April 22, 2024, unless an arrangement has been made with the 4-H Office.

Member Name: _____

4-H Club: _____

____ Cloverbud (5-7) ____ Junior (8-10) ____ Intermediate (11-13) ____ Senior (14-18)

Do not write on the back of this form; please fill out additional forms if needed.

Class Letter	Lot Number	Description of Article Example: Hand drawing - birds on a fence

Do you plan on doing a member demonstration class N? Please circle: Yes No

Please list any special accommodations the 4-H member might require.

I agree to abide by the 4-H Code of Conduct with all exhibits entered in the 4-H Building at the Lake County Fair. I agree to comply with the published official release time of removal of exhibits unless prior approval is given. I understand that premiums will not be given for entries unless they are listed on my entry form.

Member Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

