

Agriculture

Division 10

Field, Garden & Orchard Crops

**New Mexico State Fair
September 10 – 20, 2026**

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Fruit & Vegetables

Entry Date

Tuesday, September 8, 2026

8:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Judging

Wednesday, September 9, 2026

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

General Rules

Premiums will not be paid except as noted in guidelines. Classes are subject to change.

1. All entries and awards in this department shall be subject to the general rules and guidelines. **Pay attention to size and number restrictions; entries not meeting guideline criteria will not be judged.**
2. Entries in this department must be products of the State of New Mexico and must have been grown or raised by the exhibitor in 2026 and may be required to sign an affidavit of compliance with this rule.
3. Not more than one sample of any variety of farm products grown on the same farm may be entered, (Junior Exhibitors are exempt provided their entries are in the Junior Division).
4. The outer surface or skin of agriculture or garden products entered must be natural. Coatings or artificial repairs are not allowed.
5. **Advertising or selling products are prohibited. Raffles of any sort are not allowed.**
6. **Address labels** for exhibit tags **must** accompany entries. Address labels help to speed up taking entries and alleviates mistakes in spelling of names and addresses. Exhibitors are to bring produce and unload directly behind the Agriculture Building.
7. Judges shall, without bias, consider merit only in selecting awards and when passing on best collection and shall consider quality of distinct variety first and number variety second.

8. When there is no competition or when an exhibit is not worthy of first prize, the judge shall place it in the class to which it belongs, as judged by the standard of the article. The judge shall decide what is standard.
9. Precautions are taken for the safety of all entries, but in no case, will the New Mexico State Fair, the state of New Mexico, employees, contractors or volunteers be held liable for the loss or damages to any entry while in the Fair's possession. Participants are encouraged to carry their own insurance.
10. Participant recognizes that marketing of the Fair and its grounds requires use of photography and video. Participant hereby expressly grants to the Fair the irrevocable, assignable right and license to take, use and publish participant images and work without the need for any other approval. Images and work will not be used for profit.
11. Participants are responsible for picking up their own entries or provide written authorization for pick-up by another individual.
12. **Entries** must be picked up Monday, September 21, 2026, from 9:00am – 5:00pm. Any entries or items remaining on the Fairgrounds after this date will be considered abandoned and shall become the property of the NM State Fair to be disposed of at its discretion.

Head or Ear Grain

Section 110

Class 1-18

Samples must be 10 heads or ears except sunflower and broom corn.

1. Amaranth
2. Broom corn, (12) heads with seed, up to 18" in length.
3. Corn, white dent
4. Corn, yellow dent
5. Corn, Indian white
6. Corn, Indian blue
7. Corn, Indian mixed
8. Milo, red
9. Milo, white or yellow
10. Popcorn, rice
11. Popcorn, pearl
12. Popcorn, strawberry
13. Quinoa
14. Millet
15. Sorghum, hybrid grain
16. Sunflower, (3 heads)
17. Sorghum, grain any variety

Sweepstakes

**One winner from Class 1 – 17
Rosette & \$10.00**

18. Corn, 10 ears, any variety
**One winner from above list
Rosette & \$10.00**

Sections 111 – 118

Class 19 – 242

Ribbon Awards

1st 2nd 3rd

Largest Head or Ear Grain

(Primarily judged on size or weight)

Section 111

Class 19-21

19. Corn, any variety (1 ear)
20. Grain Sorghum, any variety (1 head)
21. Sunflower, (1 head)

Cotton

Section 112

Class 22-27

22. Best 3 lbs. seed cotton, upland Acala variety.
23. Best 3 lbs. seed cotton, other upland varieties.
24. Best 3 lbs. seed cotton, Egyptian or long staple.
25. Best 20 open bolls, upland Acala variety.
26. Best 20 open bolls, other upland varieties.
27. Best 20 open bolls, Egyptian or long staple.

Grain and Seed

Section 113

Class 28-47

(Each sample: One gallon of cleaned seed)

28. Alfalfa
29. Barley, any variety
30. Broom corn
31. Millet, foxtail

32. Millet, pearl
33. Milo, red
34. Milo, white or yellow
35. Oats, red
36. Oats, white
37. Peanuts
38. Peanuts, Valencia
39. Rye, any variety
40. Sorghum, hybrid grain, red
41. Sorghum, hybrid grain, white
42. Sorghum, sweet, any variety
43. Soybeans, any variety
44. Sudan grass, sweet
45. Sudan grass, any other variety
46. Wheat, hard red spring
47. Wheat, hard red winter

Sheaf Grain

Section 114

Class 48-53

Sheaf sample must be at least 3 inches and not greater than 5 inches at center, with leaves stripped off. Three sheafs per entry.

48. Barley
49. Oats, red
50. Oats, white
51. Rye, any variety
52. Wheat, hard red spring
53. Wheat, hard red winter

Sheaf Forage

Section 115

Class 54-62

Sheaf sample must be at least 3 inches and not greater than 5 inches at center bands, leaves unstripped. Three sheafs per entry.

54. Alfalfa
55. Clover
56. Millet, foxtail

57. Millet, pearl
58. Sorghum, forage
59. Sorghum, grain
60. Soybeans
61. Sudan grass, sweet
62. Sorghum and Sudan grass hybrids

Grass and Forage

Section 116

Class 63-70

All exhibits in this class must be in bales of 8" x 10" x 16", or in standard commercial bales.

63. Alfalfa
64. Clover
65. Cow peas
66. Native Prairie
67. Oats
68. Soybeans
69. Sudan grass
70. Sorghum and Sudan grass hybrids

Vegetables

(Primarily Judged on Best Market Quality)

Section 117

Class 71-211

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 71. Artichoke, Jerusalem (5 tubers) 72. Artichoke, Globe (3 heads) 73. Beans, Green snap (12 pods) 74. Beans, Yellow wax snap, (12 pods) 75. Beans, Green lima (12 pods) 76. Beans, Pinto (12 pods) 77. Beans, Dry pinto (1 qt.) 78. Beans, Dry lima (1 qt.) 79. Beans, Dry, any other variety (1 qt.) 80. Beans, Purple pod (12 pods) 81. Beans, Yard-long (6 pods) 82. Beans, Any other variety, not dry (12 pods) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 83. Beets, Red table (3 roots without tops) 84. Beets, Any other color (3 roots without tops) 85. Broccoli (1 head) 86. Brussels Sprouts (7 heads) 87. Cabbage, Green round (1 head trimmed) 88. Cabbage, Red round (1 head trimmed) 89. Cabbage, Green flat (1 head trimmed) 90. Carrot, Imperator type (5 roots, trimmed) 91. Carrot, Chantenay type (5 roots, trimmed) 92. Carrot, Nantes type (5 roots, trimmed) 93. Carrot, Specialty (5 roots, trimmed) 94. Cauliflower (3 heads with wrapper leaves) 95. Collards (bunch of 7 leaves) 96. Corn, Sweet (3 ears in husks) 97. Cucumber, Green slicing (3 fruits, 4" minimum) 98. Cucumber, Lemon slicing (3 fruits) 99. Cucumber, Armenian slicing (3 fruits) 100. Cucumber, Pickling (6 fruits, 4" maximum) 101. Cucumber, Gherkins (6 fruits) 102. Eggplant, Italian, round (3 fruits) 103. Eggplant, Asian, long (3 fruits) 104. Eggplant, Rosa Bianca (3 fruits) 105. Eggplant, Specialty (3 fruits) 106. Garlic, Soft neck (5 bulbs, cleaned as for sale) 107. Garlic, Hard neck (5 bulbs, cleaned as for sale) 108. Garlic, Elephant (5 bulbs, cleaned as for sale) 109. Garlic, Braided (18" to 24" long) 110. Gourds, Large birdhouse/bottle type (1 fruit fresh, mature, not dried) 111. Gourds, Dipper type (1 fruit fresh, mature, not dried) 112. Gourds, Other (1 fruit) 113. Gourds, Small ornamental, fresh, not dried, and mature (5 fruits, less than 3" in diameter) 114. Gourds, Large ornamental and warted (fresh, not dried, & mature - 5 fruits) 115. Kale (bunch of 10 leaves) 116. Kohlrabi Green or Purple (3 without leaves) |
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117. Leaf Lettuce, 5 Leaves
118. Lettuce, 1 head
119. Melon, Native (1 fruit)
120. Melon, Cantaloupe (1 fruit)
121. Melon, Casaba (1 fruit)
122. Melon, Honeydew (1 fruit)
123. Melon, any other variety (1 fruit)
124. Okra (8 pods)
125. Okra, Red (8 pods)
126. Onion, Dry, white globe (3 mature bulbs)
127. Onion, Dry, white flat (3 mature bulbs)
128. Onion, Dry, yellow globe (3 mature bulbs)
129. Onion, Dry, yellow flat (3 mature bulbs)
130. Onion, Dry, red any type (3 mature bulbs)
131. Onion, Green (12 plants without roots, tops trimmed)
132. Parsnips (3 roots without tops)
133. Peas, Green or English (12 pods)
134. Peas, Green black-eyed (12 pods)
135. Peas, Green southern, any other variety (12 pods)
136. Peas, Dry black-eyed (1 qt.)
137. Peas, Dry southern any other variety (1 qt.)
138. Pepper, Green bell (3 fruits)
139. Pepper, Red bell (3 fruits)
140. Pepper, Yellow bell (3 fruits)
141. Pepper, Black bell (3 fruits)
142. Pepper, Bell, any other color (3 fruits)
143. Pepper, Sweet Italian (6 fruits)
144. Pepper, Sweet, other (6 fruits)
145. Pepper, Green cherry (6 fruits)
146. Pepper, Red cherry (6 fruits)
147. Pepper, Ancho, green (6 fruits)
148. Pepper, Ancho, red (6 fruits)
149. Pepper, Green native (6 fruits)
150. Pepper, Red native, (not dry) (6 fruits)
151. Pepper, Green Chile, long-podded varieties (6 fruits)
152. Pepper, Sandia Variety Green Chile, not long pod (6 fruits)
153. Pepper, Red Chile (not dry), long-podded varieties (6 fruits)
154. Pepper, Sandia Variety Red Chile, not long pod (6 fruits)
155. Pepper, Yellow Chile, long-podded varieties (6 fruits)
156. Pepper, Green Cayenne (10 fruits)
157. Pepper, Red Cayenne, not dry (10 fruits)
158. Pepper, Green Habanero (10 fruits)
159. Pepper, Orange Habanero, not dry (10 fruits)
160. Pepper, Red Habanero (10 fruits)
161. Pepper, Green Jalapeno (10 fruits)
162. Pepper, Red Jalapeno, (not dry) (10 fruits)
163. Pepper, Green Serrano (10 fruits)
164. Pepper, Red Serrano (10 fruits)
165. Pepper, Green, small, pungent type (10 fruits)
166. Pepper, Red (not dry) small, pungent type (10 fruits)
167. Pepper, Yellow, small, pungent type (10 fruits)
168. Pepper, Any other color, small, pungent type (10 fruits)
169. Potato, Yellow/gold (5 medium sized tubers)
170. Potato, Red (5 medium sized tubers)
171. Potato, Russet (5 medium sized tubers)
172. Potato, Blue (5 medium sized tubers)
173. Potato, Fingerling (7 tubers)
174. Potato, Any other variety or color (5 medium sized tubers)
175. Potato, Sweet, any variety (5 tubers)
176. Pumpkin, Large yellow round, field type, Mammoth King, Connecticut Fields, etc. (1 fruit)
177. Pumpkin, Halloween type, yellow-white, medium, round, (1 fruit)
178. Pumpkin, Pie or sugar type, small to medium, round, flattened at ends, orange-yellow (1 fruit)
179. Pumpkin, Yellow miniature (3 fruits)
180. Pumpkin, White miniature (3 fruits)
181. Pumpkin, Heirloom specialty (1 fruit)
182. Radish, White Daikon (1 root)

183. Radishes (3 bunches of 6, roots with tops)
184. Rhubarb, Any variety (6 stalks)
185. Squash, Summer, any variety not listed (3 fruits)
186. Squash, Yellow summer, crookneck or straight neck, (3 fruits)
187. Squash, Summer, scallop types, white, yellow or green (3 fruits)
188. Squash, Summer, marrow (zucchini, Coco Zelle, Caserta, etc. (3 fruits)
189. Squash, Winter, banana types (yellow, orange, gray) (1 fruit)
190. Squash, Spaghetti (1 fruit)
191. Squash, Winter, Hubbard types (blue, gray, green, yellow) (1 fruit)
192. Squash, Winter, butternut (1 fruit)
193. Squash, Winter, buttercup (1 fruit)
194. Squash, Winter, turban (1 fruit)
195. Squash, Winter, acorn (1 fruit)
196. Squash, Winter, any other not listed above (1 fruit)
197. Swiss chard (bunch of 10 leaves)
198. Tomato, Large red, round commercial (5 fruits)
199. Tomato, Red heirloom (5 fruits)
200. Tomato, Yellow heirloom (5 fruits)
201. Tomato, Other heirloom (5 fruits)
202. Tomato, Yellow, commercial (5 fruits)
203. Tomato, Roma or paste type (5 fruits)
204. Tomato, Tomatillo with husk (5 fruits)
205. Tomato, Cherry (12 fruits)
206. Tomato, Cherry, any other variety or color (12 fruits)
207. Tomato, Yellow pear (12 fruits)
208. Turnip, Any variety (3 medium fruits without leaves)
209. Watermelon, Red flesh, long type, any variety (1 fruit)
210. Watermelon, Red flesh, round type, any variety (1 fruit)
211. Watermelon, **not** red flesh, any variety (1 fruit)

Largest Vegetables

(Primarily Judged on Size and/or Weight Should Be of Good Quality)

Section 118

Class 212-242

212. Beet, Table (1 root without top)
213. Cabbage (1 round head, trimmed)
214. Cabbage (1 flat head, trimmed)
215. Carrot (1 root without top)
216. Cauliflower (1 fruit)
217. Corn, Sweet (1 ear in husk)
218. Cucumber, Not Armenian (1 fruit)
219. Cucumber, Armenian (1 fruit)
220. Eggplant (1 fruit)
221. Gourd, Large birdhouse/bottle type fresh, mature, not dried (1 fruit)
222. Gourd, Other (1 fruit)
223. Melon, Native (1 fruit)
224. Melon, Cantaloupe (1 fruit)
225. Melon, Honeydew (1 fruit)
226. Onion, Dry globe (1 bulb, any color)
227. Onion, Dry flat, any color (1 bulb)
228. Pepper, Bell, any color (1 fruit)
229. Pepper, Long green (1 fruit)
230. Pepper, Long red, not dry (1 fruit)
231. Potato, Any variety (1 tuber)
232. Potato, Sweet, any variety (1 tuber)
233. Pumpkin, Atlantic Giant, Hungarian Mammoth Type (1 fruit)
234. Pumpkin, Any variety (1 fruit)
235. Squash, Summer, any variety (1 fruit)
236. Squash, Winter, banana type (1 fruit)
237. Squash, Winter, Hubbard type (1 fruit)
238. Squash, Winter, any other variety (1 fruit)
239. Tomato, Any variety (1 fruit)
240. Turnip (1 root without leaves)
241. Watermelon, Long type (1 fruit)
242. Watermelon, Round type (1 fruit)

Chile Specials

Special Rules for Chiles

Section 119

Exhibitor must arrange exhibit using a basket, tray, plate, or other container of not more than 18" square or diameter and 6" depth. Due to limited space in refrigerated cases, height of container with Chile added, cannot be more than 8".

Perfect Score = 100 Points

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| Quality of Products | 50 |
| Arrangements | 25 |
| Neatness, Attractiveness & Originality Number of Varieties ... | <u>25</u> |
| Total = | 100 |

Class 243-246

- 243. Chile Ristra (String of Chile not less than 3' long)
- 244. Chile Ristra (String of Chile not less than 5' long)
- 245. Chile Collection

Premiums

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| 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| \$25.00 | \$20.00 | \$15.00 |

- 246. Best Chile Display, (WILL BE AWARDED FROM ABOVE WINNERS IN: CLASS 243 – 245: Eligible entries automatically entered and judged).

Premium

\$10.00 & Rosette

Garden Exhibit

Section 120

Rules

Collection of five or more different products grown in exhibitor's 2025 garden. Quantity of each variety should consist of at least half the amount required as single item exhibit in this department. Exhibitor must arrange exhibit using standard size basket, crate, tray or plate, or any other container. Due to limited space in refrigerated cases, dimensions of exhibit container are limited to 2'x2'x6", height of container with vegetables added cannot be more than 8".

Garden Exhibit Score Card for Judging

Perfect Score = 100 Points

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| Quality of Products | 50 |
| Arrangements | 25 |
| Neatness, Attractiveness & Originality Number of Varieties | <u>25</u> |
| Total = | 100 |

Class 247

- 247. Garden Exhibit

Premiums

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| 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| \$20.00 | \$15.00 | \$10.00 |

& Rosette

Fruits

(Primarily Judged on BEST Market Quality)

Section 121

Class 248-291

Five (5) specimens per exhibit unless otherwise specified, apples and pears must have stems.

- 248. Almonds (1 qt.)
- 249. Apples, Jonathan
- 250. Apples, Golden Delicious
- 251. Apples, Red Delicious

- 252. Apples, Rome Strains
- 253. Apples, Winesap
- 254. Apples, Braeburn
- 255. Apples, Arkansas Black
- 256. Apples, Gala
- 257. Apples, Granny Smith
- 258. Apples, Fuji
- 259. Apples, McIntosh
- 260. Apples, Any other variety, name variety
- 261. Apricots – Any variety (5 fruits)
- 262. Berries, Any variety (10 fruits)
- 263. Figs, Fresh, not dried (10 fruits)
- 264. Grapes, White, any variety, name variety
(3 bunches)
- 265. Grapes, Red, any variety, name variety (3
bunches)
- 266. Grapes, Purple, name variety (3 bunches)
- 267. Jujube (10 fruits)
- 268. Nectarines
- 269. Peaches, Elberta (regular)
- 270. Peaches, J.H. Hale
- 271. Peaches, Alberta
- 272. Peaches, Red Haven
- 273. Peaches, Any other freestone, name variety
- 274. Peaches, Any cling, name variety
- 275. Pears, Asian
- 276. Pears, Bartlett
- 277. Pears, Red Bartlett
- 278. Pears, Keifer
- 279. Pears, Anjou
- 280. Pears, Bosc
- 281. Pears, Any other variety, name variety
- 282. Pecan, Any variety (1 qt.)
- 283. Pistachio, (1 qt.)
- 284. Plums, European
- 285. Plums, Japanese
- 286. Plums, American & American hybrids
- 287. Pomegranate (5 fruits)
- 288. Quince
- 289. Raspberries (10 fruit)
- 290. Strawberries, Any variety (10 fruits)
- 291. Walnuts, English, Black, any Variety (1qt.)

Largest Fruits

(Primarily Judged on Size and/or Weight,
Should be of Good Quality)

Section 122

Class 292-299

- 292. Apples, Red Delicious (1 fruit)
- 293. Apples, Golden Delicious (1 fruit)
- 294. Apples, Rome (1 fruit)
- 295. Apples, Any other variety (1 fruit)
- 296. Nectarines (1 fruit)
- 297. Peaches, Any variety (1 fruit)
- 298. Pears, Any variety (1 fruit)
- 299. Quince (1 fruit)

Fresh Cut Herbs

Section 123

Class 300-318

1 bunch of 5 stems 6"-12" long. When wilting occurs, entries will be disposed.

- 300. Basil, Large leaf
- 301. Basil, Fine leaf
- 302. Basil, Not Green
- 303. Catnip
- 304. Chives
- 305. Cilantro
- 306. Dill
- 307. Garlic Chives
- 308. Lavender
- 309. Lemongrass
- 310. Lemon Verbena
- 311. Marjoram
- 312. Mint, Including spearmint, peppermint,
chocolate mint, etc.
- 313. Oregano
- 314. Parsley
- 315. Rosemary
- 316. Sage
- 317. Tarragon
- 318. Thyme

Fruit: Special Exhibit

Section 124

Class 319

319. Fruit: Special Exhibit entries must be made separately and be in a conventional bushel basket or plastic container with comparable dimensions or a topless standard 40-pound apple box of cardboard construction.

The exhibit should include at least four types of fruit (example: apples, pears, plums and grapes).

All entries become the property of the New Mexico State Fair to be delivered to a charitable organization at the close of the Fair.

These entries will be judged on basis of quality, number of varieties and appearance.

Premiums

| 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd |
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| \$25.00 | \$15.00 | \$10.00 |

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Box Fruits

Section 125

Class 320-346

All Fruit must be tray-packed in standard commercial containers, (4 separate layers, all layers will be judged).

- 320. Apples, Jonathan
- 321. Apples, Golden Delicious
- 322. Apples, Red Delicious
- 323. Apples, Rome
- 324. Apples, Stayman
- 325. Apples, Winesap
- 326. Apples, Braeburn

- 327. Apples, Arkansas Black
- 328. Apples, Gala
- 329. Apples, Granny Smith
- 330. Apples, Lodi
- 331. Apples, Fuji
- 332. Apples, Grimes Golden
- 333. Apples, McIntosh
- 334. Apples, Any other variety, name variety
- 335. Grapes, Best lug, any white variety, name variety
- 336. Grapes, Best lug, any red variety, name variety
- 337. Grapes, Best lug, any purple or black variety, name variety
- 338. Peaches, Best lug, any variety, name variety
- 339. Pears, Bartlett
- 340. Pears, Keifer
- 341. Pears, Anjou
- 342. Pears, Lincoln
- 343. Pears, Duchess
- 344. Pears, Any other variety, name variety
- 345. Plums, Best lug, any variety (except prunes), name variety
- 346. Prunes, Best lug, any variety, name variety

Special Shapes

Section 126

Class 347

Judges will pick their favorite.

- 347. Odd and interesting shapes, an vegetable or fruit.

Premiums

| 1 st | 2 st | 3 rd |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| \$15.00 | \$10.00 | \$5.00 |

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