2023 New Mexico State Fair

FFA Booth Rules

Superintendent: Russell Walter

Special Rules

1. See Junior Division General Rules (4H & FFA)

2. Chapters to put in booths at the NM State Fair shall be determined at the summer meeting of the NMAETA.

3. Each chapter is entitled to only one entry.

4. Exhibits must be in place by noon on the first Saturday of the fair and will be released no later than 6:00pm on the last Sunday of the fair, at the discretion of the Superintendent.

5. Each chapter is required to maintain its booth exhibit in a clean and orderly manner.

6. Each booth will be 8' deep, 12' wide and 5' high in the back. No holes are to be made in the walls or floor of the booth. If done, the FFA chapter responsible for the booth will be expected to pay to have the booth repaired.

7. Nothing should be used to cover the walls.

8. Items used in the display should fit the dimensions of the booth.

9. Commodity/Natural Resource displays – focus should be on NM grown commodities and resources displayed in the front 1/3 of the booth. Booths must have a minimum of 5 items or a maximum of 10 items. Items should be placed on a plate or tray to enhance the overall presentation, all samples should be clearly labeled.

Fruit	**5 items per plate**
Vegetables	**5 items per plate**
Melons/Pumpkins	**1 item per plate**
Eggs	**1 dozen per plate**
Grain	**10 per plate (head, sheaf)**
Dried Grain	**1 per plate**
Potted Plant	**1 per plate**
Nuts	**1 plate**
Beans	**1 plate**
Field Crops/Forage	**1 plate**
Forestry	**1 plate (wood chips, shavings, lumber, firewood, pine cones)**
Wool/Mohair or other animal fibers	**1 plate**
Dairy	**½ gallon carton/container**
Wildlife	**1 item per plate (hide, antlers, skulls)**
Honey	**1 pint per plate**
Natural Resources	**1 item/sample per plate**

Awards

First Prize……………………………………………………………………………………....**$200.00**

Second Prize………………………………………………………………………………….**$150.00**

Third Prize…………………………………………………………………………………..**$100.00**

All Other Booths………………………………………………………………………………… **$50.00**

NM State Fair Educational Booth –Scorecard

Educational Value – 100 points	Attractiveness of Exhibit – 100 points	Theme Presented by Booth – 100 points	Agricultural Commodities/Natural Resources – 100 points
Does this booth convey a message important to the agriculture industry? Must present 3-5 "facts" in booth signage 5 point deductions for any of the following- - lack of specific message - fewer than 3 or more than 5 fact based signs - signs are too long or wordy for quick reading 10-point deduction for any of the following – - Using incorrect/non-fact based information - Failing to cite resources used in facts 50 point deduction for non Ag theme or for a booth that is only a chapter display.	Organization of booth – 5 point deductions for any of the following – - lack of symmetry in booth design - no overhead signage/sign not centered 10-point deduction for any of the following – - Walls of booth completely covered - Hand written signage Misspelled words/Grammar Errors in signage	Is the theme timely and appropriate to the Agriculture industry, NM Agriculture, or Agricultural Education?	Ag Commodities/Natural Resources used in Display – 5 point deductions for any of the following- - displaying incorrect number of items per plate - displaying more than 9 or fewer than 5 different commodities/resources 10-point deduction for any of the following – - Use of non-native NM Ag commodities - use of poor quality ag commodities in display 1 point bonus per plate for using ALL NM Commodities/resources in your booth
Is the display complete? - does the booth contain signage, ag facts, commodities, other items to make the display attention catching? - Will the average fair attendee be able to quickly gain information from the booth in a minute or less?	Materials used in booth – 5 point deductions for any of the following – - Poor quality materials being used - Lack of neatness or care in preparing display items - Excessive items/cluttered display - signs are unclear or hard to read from center aisle	Is the theme easy to understand? 5 point deductions for any of the following- - unclear or vague theme - multiple themes used in display	