

# 2024 PUTNAM COUNTY AGRICULTURAL FAIR

## CONSERVATION LANDSCAPE TRAY



**SPONSORED BY:** Putnam Soil and Water Conservation District

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**ENTRY DEADLINE:** Monday, **February 26, 2024**, via delivery or mail to Putnam Soil and Water Conservation District  
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**CHECK-IN DATE & TIME:** Tuesday, **March 19, 2024**  
3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. @ Fairgrounds

**JUDGING:** Thursday, **March 21, 2024**

**REMOVAL:** Monday, **April 1, 2024**, 3 p.m. – 7 p.m.

### RULES & REGULATIONS

A Conservation Landscape Tray displays, in miniature form, modern and accurate conservation techniques in agricultural, rural and /or urban settings.

1. The General Rules and Regulations of the Putnam County Fair apply to all shows and exhibits.
2. Exhibitors **MUST** use a 26"x20"x6" plastic tray (trays available for purchase at major home improvement centers or borrow from the sponsor).
3. All entries must be identified on the side of the tray with the following information:  
Individual or Group Name  
School, Chapter or Club  
Age  
Division
4. Model landscape from any suitable material. All entries must use materials that will last 10 days without replacement or upkeep.
5. Trays should be easy to lift and move, not excessively heavy.
6. Materials used in the tray should be securely fastened without the fear of shifting upon moving.
7. Exhibits brought in after the check-in deadline will be for display only and not considered eligible for judging.
8. PSWCD and Putnam County Fair Authority are not responsible for lost or missing items from any participants' landscape tray.
9. Exhibits and awards not picked up on the designated day and time may be forfeited and become the property of the Putnam County Fair.

**JUDGING**

1. Putnam Soil & Water Conservation District will designate three (3) judges to evaluate the entries based on the following criteria:
  - a. Appearance: neatness, materials used, and overall workmanship = 33 points
  - b. Authenticity: scale, effective use, and location of conservation practice = 33 points
  - c. Conservation Practices: effectively using a **minimum** of three (3) conservation practices (more than three (3) practices are encouraged) practices must be obvious to the viewer, and neatly labeled = 33 points
  - d. Compliance of “Rule # 3” listed above = 1 point

**EXAMPLES OF CONSERVATION PRACTICES**

composting	field windbreak/border	prescribed burning
crop rotation	hedgerow planting	renewable energy
conservation tillage	irrigation system	tree planting
cover crop	mulching	waste management
drainage	pasture & hay land management	wildlife management
fencing	pond site/watering facility	woodland management

**CLASSES/DIVISIONS**

**Individual Divisions:** Junior 8-10 yr., Intermediate 11-13 yr. & senior 13-18 yr.

**Group Division:** Must consist of 2 or more students representing a Club, Chapter or School. Awards will be presented to the Club, Chapter or School, but does not earn points towards Youth Conservationist of the Year. One conservation landscape tray may be entered and must consist of two or more students representing a club, chapter or school.

**AWARDS**

- 1st** place in each division: \$50 and Ribbon
- 2nd** place in each division: \$40 and Ribbon
- 3rd** place in each division: \$30 and Ribbon
- Best of Show:** \$50 and Rosette