



Fair Dates: February 12 – March 1, 2026
Closed: 17, 18, 23, 24, & 25

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JUNIOR EXHIBITS – ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FINE ART & PHOTOGRAPHY ENTRY COMPETITION



Awards/Prizes

Each Class

1st Place

Ribbon

2nd Place

Ribbon

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3rd Place

Ribbon

Honorable Mention

Ribbon

Best of Show in each Division

\$25 & Ribbon

Entry Fee

\$1 per entry

ENTRY RECEIVING DAY:

Thursday, February 5
10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

JUDGING DATE:

Saturday, February 7
10:00 a.m.
Closed Judging

PICK UP DATE:

Tuesday, Tuesday, March 3
10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

The Exhibits Building
Park at Gate 1 off of HWY 111

Special Rules & Guidelines

1. All general, local, and state rules apply to this department.
2. Open to all Riverside County Junior Organizations, School Classes, and Youth Groups: FFA, FHA, 4-H, etc.; Independent Jr. Exhibitor – Ages 5 - 18 (not graduated from 12th grade).
3. Each entry in these divisions shall have been made or produced by the exhibitor.
4. All entries must remain in place for the duration of the Fair. No early pick-up.
5. Fair reserves the right to display or mount entries as it deems appropriate, which may entail the use of nails, screws, staples, or other devices.
6. No teachers/students may be present during judging.
7. Judges reserve the right to accept, reject, or re-classify any exhibit if such an action is, in its judgment, in the best interest of the Riverside County Fair. The decision of the judges is final.
8. All possible care will be taken with entries; however, the Fair Management, Jr. Exhibits Supervisor, or workers will assume no responsibility for loss or damage of any kind.
9. The Riverside Country Fair will not be liable for any exhibits not picked up on dates and times specified for pick-up. All artwork not picked up by Tuesday, March 4 will be donated to local charities.

Jr. Dept. Elementary School Fine Art & Photography Rules & Guidelines

1. Exhibits must be labeled accurately with student's name, age, grade level, school/group, and teacher's name attached to the back or bottom of entry before dropping off.
 2. Exhibits must have been completed during the current 12-month period preceding the Fair. Entry must be original work of art. No copies will be allowed.
 3. Judges reserve the right to jury all work in accordance with high standards and quality.
 4. Exhibitors may enter two (2) entries per medium and maximum of two (2) classes. Teachers may enter a maximum of five (5) items per medium (i.e., pencil, chalk, and crayon). Maximum entries exceeding this number will not be accepted. Instructors are advised not to enter SIMILAR items
 5. All artwork must be mounted on poster board or construction paper, as it will be hung utilizing staples in corner of the board/matte. Size limitations: 8.5 inch x 11 inch (9 inch x 12 inch includes the mount board/matte). **Art work any larger; mounted on corkboard or cardboard, displayed in wood, glass or plastic frames will NOT be accepted.**
 6. ***Denotes smearable artwork and must be covered with acetate or laminated.**
 7. Teachers, please indicate class (medium) with utmost care, as changes will not be made at the time of entry. Also, with assistance from Fair staff, teachers are responsible for tagging their own art. Please allow time for this on the entry receiving day. (Note: bring your own stapler).
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Divisions

360, 361

Elementary School Grades K Thru 2nd, Grades 3rd through 5th

Class

1. Felt pens
2. Chalk *
3. Tempera
4. Pencil
5. Colored pencil
6. Crayon
7. Made of Paper – Tear Art
8. Watercolor
9. Oil Pastels *
10. Mixed Media – 2 Mediums
11. Computer-Generated Art

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Elementary School Photography

Class

1. Color Print
2. Black and White Print
3. Computer Enhanced

BEFORE YOU SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY

Carefully review this guide as it contains all of the applicable information regarding the exact rules and deadlines for this specific category, ensuring you are entering the correct classes in advance. When you submit your entry online you agree that you understand the rules and regulations.

SHOWWORKS

All entries must be made online through ShoWorks. If you plan to make changes to your entries or need to leave ShoWorks at any time - **SAVE YOUR CART** before exiting out. Once you select **PAY NOW** your entry will be submitted and you will not be able to make changes to your cart online. Those needing assistance with online entries can visit the Main Office Monday, January 12, 2026, to Wednesday, January 14, 2026. The Main Office is located in the Shalimar building at Gate 4 on Arabia Street.

PAYMENT

Online credit card payments are the only method to enter your exhibit and are due upon entry. No Cash or check payments accepted.

LAST DAY TO ENTER

MONDAY, JANUARY 19 BY 11:30PM. Any entry or payment submitted past this deadline will not be accepted.