

2025 Sumter County Fair YOUTH Family Living Exhibit

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The Family Living Exhibit of the Sumter County Fair is open to ALL YOUTH ages 5-18. The fair will follow the age divisions set forth by the Florida 4-H program. All ages are as of September 1st of the current 4-H year. All youth exhibitors are responsible for knowing the criteria specified in each exhibit class and entry category. It is also the exhibitor's responsibility to register and follow the guidelines in this document. If you have questions, please contact the UF/IFAS Extension Sumter County office at 352-569-6863.

1. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED ON THE EXHIBIT ENTRY FORM.
2. All entries should be owned, produced, or made by the YOUTH EXHIBITOR, and clearly marked with the name, age, and club/school information on affixed entry tag.
3. **All entries must have been completed since March 1, 2024, or never entered.**
4. All entries are sent and exhibited at the owner's risk. While every precaution will be taken to protect exhibits, the Sumter County Fair, Family Living Exhibit volunteers, or UF/IFAS Extension Sumter County employees are not responsible for any accidental loss or damage.
5. All entries must be entered during published check in times with a *completed* entry form. **NO EARLY ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
6. **DO NOT take entries to the Fair office. These items will not be accepted, nor will we be held responsible for these items.**
7. Exhibits may be unattended during non-fair hours.
8. Exhibits must be picked up during check-out times. DO NOT remove exhibits early. **Unclaimed items will not be stored, nor will we be held responsible for these items.** Youth exhibits picked up early will not receive premium money.
9. Premium money will be available during check-out or during regular office hours at the UF/IFAS Extension Office. 4-H leaders may pick up premium money for their members. **All premiums must be picked up at pick up. Any premiums left will be forfeited.**
10. The modified Danish System of judging will be used in placing awards by oriented volunteers. The Danish System is based on a standard of quality. The judge's decision is final.
11. Entries will be judged according to 4-H age divisions. All ages are determined as of September 1st, 2024.

EXHIBIT SCHEDULE:

Check- in:	February 21 st 12-6pm and 22 nd 9-12pm	
Judging:	Wednesday, February 26, 2024	9:00 am (CLOSED)
Check -out:	Sunday, March 9, 2024	10:00 am – 1pm

AGE DIVISIONS (as of 9/1/2024):

Cloverbud: 5-7 yrs. Junior: 8-10 yrs. Intermediate: 11-13 yrs. Senior: 14-18 yrs.

JUDGING:

All Cloverbuds (5-7 ages) will receive a green participation rosette. Each entry will be judged according to Blue, Red, or White ribbon based on the Danish System. Every article will receive a Blue, Red or White strip ribbon. Blue is considered above average or excellent quality, Red is average quality, and White is below average quality. A First-Place article will then be chosen from *each Entry* category and eligible to be considered for the Best of Show for *each Class*. Each First Place will receive a Rosette Ribbon and each Best of Show will receive a Purple Rosette Ribbon.

PREMIUMS & AWARDS:

Blue, Red or White Ribbons given to each individual item
FIRST PLACE IN EACH *ENTRY* CATEGORY = BLUE RIBBON & \$5.00
BEST OF SHOW IN EACH *CLASS* = Purple ROSETTE & \$10.00

CLASS A – BAKED GOODS

1. All exhibits must be entered on a small disposable plate in a sealed plastic bag or other disposable, clear container. **Not responsible for containers.**
2. Each entry must be accompanied by the recipe on a *3x5 index card* and show all ingredients used, as well as the method of preparation.
3. *No refrigerated entries allowed.*
4. **Entire Baked Good must be entered.** (Example: entire cake, not just a slice of cake)
5. Entries will be judged the following day of check in.
6. Youth may enter up to **2 different** items in each ENTRY category.

ENTRY

1. Cakes (No Box Mixes)
2. Pies (entire pie)
3. Breads (Leven and Unleavened)
4. Cookies (enter SIX cookies)
5. Brownies (enter SIX brownies)
6. Homemade Candy (enter SIX pieces)
7. Decorated Foods
8. Ethnic/ Original Baked Good
9. Other Baked Goods
10. Cloverbud Entry (max 2 entries)

CLASS AA – SAUCES/CONDIMENTS

1. All exhibits must be entered in a clear container. **Not responsible for containers.**
2. Each entry must be accompanied by the recipe on a *3x5 index card* and show all ingredients used, as well as the method of preparation.
3. No refrigerated entries allowed.
4. Youth may enter up to **2 different** items in each ENTRY category.

ENTRY

11. Sauces
12. Condiments

CLASS B – CANNING

1. The exhibit must be in a standard clear jar with new rings. **Jars should be washed, polished and labeled as to contents and date canned** - USDA guidelines must be followed.
2. *All items must be properly sealed.*
3. Each entry must be accompanied by the recipe on a *3x5 index card* and show all ingredients used.
4. Youth may enter up to **5 jars of different** varieties in each ENTRY category.

ENTRY

13. Fruits or Vegetables
14. Jams or Jellies
15. Pickles or Relishes
16. Other
17. Cloverbud Entry (max 5 entries)

CLASS C – HOME GROWN

1. Entries should be **clean** and consist of an appropriate number of the same varieties in a container.
2. Egg entries are judged based on how they are displayed.
3. Youth may enter up to **5 different** varieties in each ENTRY category.

ENTRY

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| 18. Vegetables | 21. Other |
| 19. Fruits | 22. Cloverbud Entry (max 5 entries) |
| 20. Eggs (in basket/container) | |

CLASS D – HOME DECORATIONS

1. Youth may enter up to **5 different** items in each ENTRY category.

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| 23. Pillow | 27. Stencil Decorated Item |
| 24. Flower Arrangement (Faux flowers) | 28. Hand Sewn Item |
| 25. Wall Hanging | 29. Other |
| 26. Quilted Articles (no quilt throws) | 30. Cloverbud Entry (max 5 entries) |

CLASS E – SPECIALTY NEEDLEWORK

1. Youth may enter up to **5 different** items in each ENTRY category.

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| 28. Needlework Article (Crochet, Embroidered, Knitted, Needlepoint) | 30. Counted Cross Stitch |
| 29. Cross Stitch Article | 31. Smocking |
| | 32. Tatted Item |
| | 33. Other |
| | 34. Cloverbud Item (max 5 entries) |

CLASS EE-QUILTING

1. Quilts may be appliquéd, pieced, embroidered, or a combination of quilting techniques. The quilts may be by an individual, two people, or a group of three or more.
2. A quilt by an individual must have been pieced, quilted (either by hand or machine), and finished by an individual. A two-person quilt is one that two people work on in the construction or finishing in any way. This includes quilting done for hire. A group quilt is one created by three or more people.
3. Hand quilting is to be entered in this category, quilting must be done by the person (or persons) entering the quilt.
4. Machine quilting – entry form must reflect whether the quilting was done on a longarm machine (quilting by hire) or a regular sewing machine.
5. Youth may enter up to **2 different** items in each ENTRY category.

ENTRY

- 38. Wearable Art (All garment entries must consist of three layers and include quilting)
- 39. Miniature (under 34 7/8 inches on longest side)
- 40. Small Quilt (over 35 inches on longest side but not over 59 7/8 inches)
- 41. Large Quilt (over 60 inches on longest side)
- 42. T-Shirt Quilts
- 43. Quilts from Kits
- 44. Cloverbud Entry (max 2 entries)

CLASS F – CLOTHING

- 1. Entries *MUST* be created and coordinated by a youth exhibitor.
- 2. All entries should be pressed and clean.
- 3. Submissions must follow the 4-H dress code. No lingerie, undergarments, or swimsuits.
- 4. All entries must be submitted on a **HANGER** (use clothespins if necessary to secure).
- 5. **Entries in the “Repurposed Garment” entry category MUST have a picture of the entry before alterations are made!**
- 6. Youth may enter up to **1 item** in each ENTRY category.

<u>Entries</u>	<u>Description</u>
Accessories	Any accessory created/sewn by the youth. Accessories cannot be purchased.
Personally Sewn	Showcases the member’s sewing skills and their ability to coordinate an outfit. Garments must be sewn by the youth. Must state on entry which garment(s) are sewn.
Repurposed	The member designs and sews a wearable garment from previously used materials. The completed garment is different from its original use. Showcases the member’s creativity as well as sewing skills. The new garment must show at least 50% change in construction.
1st Year Sewer	The member MUST be a 1 st year clothing/textile participant without prior sewing experience. Participant will choose a category and follow all rules and regulations within that entry category.

CLOVERBUD (5-7 YEARS)

ENTRY

- 45. Cloverbud Clothing (max 1 item)

JUNIOR (8-10 YEARS)

- 46. Accessories (purse, scarf, etc.)
- 47. Personally Sewn
- 48. Repurposed (Recycled) Garment
- 49. 1st Year Sewer
- 50. Other Item

INTERMEDIATE (11-13 YEARS)

- 51. Accessories (purse, scarf, etc.)
- 52. Personally Sewn Garment
- 53. Repurpose (Recycled) Garment
- 54. 1st Year Sewer
- 55. Other Item

SENIOR (14-18 YEARS)

- 56. Accessories (purse, scarf, etc.)
- 57. Personally Sewn Garment

- 58. Repurposed (Recycled) Garment
- 59. 1st Year Sewer

60. Other Item

CLASS G – ARTS & CRAFTS

- 1. All Clothing Must be submitted on a **HANGER**.
- 2. Youth may enter up to **5** different items in each ENTRY category.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 61. Cloth Article (No T-Shirts) 62. Dolls 63. Toy 64. Article Constructed from Paper 65. Jewelry (shell, bead, etc.) 66. Basket (any material) 67. Candle Holder 68. Yarn Article 69. Tie Dyed Article (Includes T-Shirt) 70. Decorated T-Shirt 71. Ceramics or Clay (Hand Crafted) 72. Ceramics, stained (Made in Mold) 73. Ceramics, glazed (Made in Mold) 74. Polymer Clay 75. Stained Glass 76. Leather Article (Billfold, Belt, etc.) 77. Article of Natural Material (Decorations, Corsages) 78. Beadwork (Not Jewelry) 79. Metalwork 80. Christmas Decorations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 81. Other Holiday Decoration (not Christmas) 82. Patriotic Item 83. Candle 84. Magnets 85. Flowers - Handmade (need 3 pieces) 86. Recycled Product Craft 87. Decorative Painting 88. Handmade Soaps 89. Painted Egg Competition - 1 egg consists of one entry. - Egg must be hard boiled or blown. - Egg is painted or inked. NO adornment or decorations added. - Some type of upright support recommended. - Egg must be painted/inked by exhibitor. 90. Decorated Egg Completion - 1 egg consists of one entry. - Egg must be hard boiled or blown. - Egg is to be adorned or decorated but may have paint added. - Outline of egg must be recognizable. - Egg decoration must be created by the exhibitor. 91. Other Item not Listed 92. Cloverbud Entry (max 5 entries) |
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CLASS H – WOODWORKING

- 1. Entries **MUST** be constructed by the youth.
- 2. Articles should be constructed from wood.
- 3. Youth may enter **2 different** items in each ENTRY category.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 93. Letter, Key or Napkin Holder 94. Book Rack or Bookend 95. Birdhouse or Birdfeeder 96. Musical Instrument 97. Candleholder 98. Jewelry 99. Shelf | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100. Toy 101. Whittled 102. Kit Assembled 103. Other Item not Listed 104. Cloverbud Entry (max 5 entries) |
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CLASS I – CREATIVE ARTS

- 1. It should be mounted on *foam board or in plastic page protector*. **NO GLASS FRAMES.**

2. **No paint by numbers or color pages.**
3. Youth may enter up to **5 different** items in each ENTRY category.

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| 105. | Hand Painting
(watercolor, acrylic, oil) | 107. | Other items not listed |
| | | 108. | Cloverbud Entry (max 5 |
| 106. | Hand Drawing (pastel, charcoal, pencils, etc.) | | |

CLASS J – COLLECTIONS

1. All exhibits should be mounted and labeled.
2. Entries may NOT have been entered previously.
3. **Please do not enter highly valuable collections.** Fair is not responsible for loss.
4. Youth may enter up to **5 different** items in each ENTRY category.

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| 109. | Large Collections (13 or
more items) | 110. | Small Collections (3-12
items) |
| | | 111. | Cloverbud Entry (max 5 entries) |

CLASS K – CREATIVE WRITING

1. Entries must be the original work of the youth.
2. All entries must be typed or printed. The original work should be on an 8 1/2" x 11" sheet of paper and inserted into a *page protector* for display.
3. Greeting cards should be no larger than 6 x 8", on card stock with envelope and in a *plastic bag*.
4. All entries will be judged on originality, neatness, spelling, and grammar.
5. Youth may enter 5 items in each ENTRY category.

NON-4-H MEMBERS

ENTRY

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| 110. | Original Poem | 112. | Original Story |
| 111. | Greeting Card (with envelope) | 113. | Other Item |

CLOVERBUDS (5-7 YEARS)

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| 114. | Original Poem | 116. | Greeting Card (with envelope) |
| 115. | Original Story | 117. | Other Item |

JUNIOR 4-H MEMBER (8-10 YEARS)

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| 118. | Original Poem | 120. | Greeting Card (with envelope) |
| 119. | Original Story | 121. | Other Item |

INTERMEDIATE 4-H MEMBER (11-13 YEARS)

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| 122. | Original Poem | 124. | Original Story |
| 123. | Original Story | 125. | Other Item |

SENIOR 4-H MEMBER (14-18 YEARS)

- 126. Original Poem
- 127. Original Story
- 128. Greeting Card (with envelope)
- 129. Other Item

CLASS L – SCRAPBOOKING

- 1. Judging will be based on originality, workmanship, neatness and quality.
- 2. Insert Individual page entries in *page protectors* for display.
- 3. Youth may enter up to **2 different** items in each ENTRY category.

ENTRY

- 130. Individual Scrapbook Page
(8 x 8" – 12 x 12")
- 131. Individual Scrapbook
- 132. Club Scrapbook
- 133. Cloverbud Entry (max 2 entries)

CLASS M – PHOTOGRAPHY

- 1. Previous years entries may **NOT** be submitted and must be entire work of the YOUTH.
- 2. **All photos must be mounted on a 5mm (about 0.2 in) FOAM Board with spray adhesive!!!** No other material (i.e., glass, wood, plastic, plexiglass, metal, etc.) will be accepted.
- 3. **All photos must be 8"x10" (including mounting)!!!**
- 4. **All photos must have a "Photo Release Statement" attached to your entry form.**
- 5. Sumter County 4-H follows the [Florida 4-H Photography Guidelines](#), please review these guidelines.
- 6. The Best of Show Junior, Intermediate, and Senior entry will be submitted for state competition. Youth must submit photos electronically by June 1st to smithadam@ufl.edu
- 7. Youth may enter **5 different** entries. However, each entry must be in a different class.

NON-4-H MEMBER

ENTRY

- 134. People
- 135. Animals
- 136. Plant/Flora
- 137. Scenic
- 138. Architectural Elements
- 139. Still Life
- 140. Hat Tricks and Magic
- 141. Photo Story (Minimum 3, Max 5)
- 142. Black and White
- 143. Other

CLOVERBUD (5-7 YEARS)

- 144. People
- 145. Animals
- 146. Plant/Flora
- 147. Scenic
- 148. Architectural Elements
- 149. Still Life
- 150. Hat Tricks and Magic
- 151. Photo Story (Minimum 3, Max 5)
- 152. Black and White
- 153. 4-H Theme

JUNIOR 4-H MEMBER (8-10 YEARS)

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| 154. People | 159. Still Life |
| 155. Animals | 160. Hat Tricks and Magic |
| 156. Plant/Flora | 161. Photo Story (Minimum 3, Max 5) |
| 157. Scenic | 162. Black and White |
| 158. Architectural Elements | 163. 4-H Theme |

INTERMEDIATE 4-H MEMBER (11-13 YEARS)

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| 164. People | 169. Still Life |
| 165. Animals | 170. Hat Tricks and Magic |
| 166. Plant/Flora | 171. Photo Story (Minimum 3, Max 5) |
| 167. Scenic | 172. Black and White |
| 168. Architectural Elements | 173. 4-H Theme |

SENIOR 4-H MEMBER (14-18 YEARS)

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| 174. People | 179. Still Life |
| 175. Animals | 180. Hat Tricks and Magic |
| 176. Plant/Flora | 181. Photo Story (Minimum 3, Max 5) |
| 177. Scenic | 182. Black and White |
| 178. Architectural Elements | 183. 4-H Theme |

CLASS N – FINE ART POSTERS

1. Previous years entries may **NOT** be submitted and must be entire work of the YOUTH.
2. The following types of mediums may be used: ***watercolor, pen and ink, pencil, marker, crayon, acrylic, special effects, and/or computer enhanced.*** You may use more than 1 type of medium.
3. **Poster must be designed on or affixed to poster board whose dimensions are no larger than 14 X 22".** Posters cannot exceed a depth of 1/4".
4. Posters may be horizontal or vertical.
5. Posters *may not include copyrighted material* without written permission i.e., Nike, Disney, etc.
6. No photographs are allowed since this is a fine arts category.
7. Appropriate use of the 4-H Emblem must be followed.
8. Youth may enter up to **2 different** posters in each ENTRY category.

ENTRY

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| 184. Senior <i>Healthy Lifestyle</i> Poster | 189. Junior <i>STEM</i> Poster |
| 185. Intermediate <i>Healthy Lifestyle</i> Poster | 190. Senior <i>Citizenship</i> Poster |
| 186. Junior <i>Healthy Lifestyle</i> Poster | 191. Intermediate <i>Citizenship</i> Poster |
| 187. Senior <i>STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math)</i> Poster | 192. Junior <i>Citizenship</i> Poster |
| 188. Intermediate <i>STEM</i> Poster | 193. Cloverbud Poster (any theme max 3) |

CLASS O – EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS

1. Open to any organized youth club in Sumter County.

2. Exhibit should use a **tri-fold science display board** and **MUST** be free standing.
3. **1 entry per 4-H club.**

ENTRY

194. 4-H Club Exhibit
195. Individual Exhibit

CLASS P – 4-H CLUB BANNER CONTEST

1. Banners can be made of felt, fabric, sign cloth or a firm fabric that is sturdy enough to hold its shape. Finished banners should measure 5’ wide X 3’ long and be easy to hang. Finished banners will be rectangular. **Please provide a pipe or dowel rod to hang your banner on.**
2. Banner designs may be painted, glued or sewn, but all decorations and lettering must be securely fastened to the banner.
3. All banners must display the name of their 4-H club. (Must use clover appropriately).
4. Banners may not be commercially made and must be made in the current 4-H year. Banners should be the work of the 4-H club members.
5. Only quality banners will be displayed.
6. Banners will be judged based on creativity, neatness, and unique representation of the 4-H club.
7. **1 entry per 4-H club.**

ENTRY

196. 4-H Club Banner

CLASS Q – 4-H DIGITAL DESIGN CONTEST

1. Previous years entries may **NOT** be submitted and must be entire work of the YOUTH.
2. **The entry must be saved as a pdf file, with the exemption of the PowerPoint entries.** All files should be saved as follows: Last Name, First Name, County, Age Division, Class. (example: Clover, Johnny, Sumter County, Senior, Brochure)
3. **The entry must also be printed for display during the fair.**
4. Graphics become the property of Florida 4-H upon entry and may be used for promotional purposes by Florida 4-H.
5. **No hand drawn entries will be accepted.**
6. The entries will be judged on font style and graphics, flow of design, color, educational components, and clear delivery message.
7. Use of copyrighted or protected characters or logos is prohibited. Use of the 4-H Emblem must be following the graphics standards set by the USDA. Those standards can be found at: [4-H Name & Emblem](#)
8. All blue-ribbon entries will be submitted to the state graphic design contest. Youth must submit photos electronically by June 1st to smithadam@ufl.edu
8. Entry should either focus on promotion of 4-H or a 4-H project.
9. Youth may enter **only 1 item** for each ENTRY category.

<u>Entries</u>	<u>Description</u>
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Brochure	This is a tri-fold brochure that should contain information on both the front and the back. It should be easily read and printed with 8 ½ x 11.
Flyer	This is an 8 ½ x 11 sheet of paper, that will promote your topic of choice
PowerPoint	5 -10 slides and a script to accompany the presentation. For the best presentation, include the scripts for each slide in the “notes” section of the PowerPoint.
Other	Any other promotional material ex. Mini-books, bookmarks, postcards, etc.

NON-4-H MEMBER

ENTRY

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| 197. Brochure | 199. Flyer |
| 198. PowerPoint Presentation | 200. Other Item |

CLOVERBUD 4-H MEMBERS (5-7 YEARS)

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| 201. Brochure | 203. Flyer |
| 202. PowerPoint Presentation | 204. Other Item |

JUNIOR 4-H MEMBERS (8-10 YEARS)

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| 205. Brochure | 207. Flyer |
| 206. PowerPoint Presentation | 208. Other Item |

INTERMEDIATE 4-H MEMBERS (11-13 YEARS)

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| 209. Brochure | 211. Flyer |
| 210. PowerPoint Presentation | 212. Other Item |

SENIOR 4-H MEMBERS (14-18 YEARS)

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| 213. Brochure | 215. Flyer |
| 214. PowerPoint Presentation | 216. Other Item |

Family Living Exhibit Entry Form

*Please read the Family Living Exhibit Rules for Current Dates and Guidelines
Must Check in During Official Check-in Times or talk to a Family Living Supervisor!!*

YOUTH

ADULT

Cloverbud (5-7) _____

JR (8-10) _____

INT (11-13) _____

SR (14-18) _____

Age Division (as of 9/1/2022):

Exhibitor's Name: _____

4-H Club or School Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-Mail: _____

Exhibitor Number

Are you submitting an entry for the Photo Contest and/or Graphic Design Contest? YES NO
 (4-H members only) If yes, if you receive a blue ribbon would you like to advance to the State 4-H contest? YES NO

Please accept the following entries, subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Sumter County Fair as published by the Premium Book, by which I agree to be governed in exhibiting. All statements made in connection with the said entries are true. I specifically agree to abide by the published official check-in and release time for removal of the exhibits.

ONE EXHIBITOR PER SHEET

Tag #	Class	Entry	Brief Description of Exhibit	Award Color	First Place	Best of Show	Premium \$ <small>(4-H office use only)</small>

****Please use a second entry form if you have more than 10 entries****