

## ***TVE HORTICULTURE CONTEST RULES***

Entry Deadline May 31, 2022 by midnight - all entries are online @ [tve.fairwire.com](http://tve.fairwire.com)

Pick-up Date - TBA @ TVE Fairgrounds 4-6pm

Check in - Saturday, October 15, 2022 – 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Judging - Saturday, October 15, 2022 – 10:00 a.m. Results: TBA

Youth Auction - Friday, October 21, 2022

***Total due at time of entry \$60.00***

### **DIVISIONS:**

- 1 COLOR PLANTS
- 2 FOLIAGE PLANTS
- 3 MIXTURE of PLANTS (color and foliage)

The Horticulture Division is subject to the General Rules and Regulations of the Trinity Valley Exposition along with the following division rules:

1. Entry fees are due by midnight on May 31, 2022. No refunds for entries will be made once they are submitted.
2. Each Exhibitor may only enter 1 division of the Horticulture Show.
3. Flat(s) of plants that are not picked up during the designated pick-up day and time forfeit their entry. Someone can pick it up for the exhibitor.
4. Eligibility is subject to General Rule I.
5. Horticulture projects must be raised at the exhibitor's residence.
6. A representative of T. V. E. can visit the exhibitor's residence to ensure the exhibitor is growing the project at that location.
7. Exhibitors must submit the final project with plants that were grown from the flat(s) of plants acquired from the entry of this project.
  - o No Decorations of any kind are allowed in/on the container for show.
8. Projects must have an established root system and be shown in the pot given by T.V.E. at the time of the exhibition.
9. Precaution will be taken to protect every project, during the show. In no case will the Trinity Valley Exposition or Volunteers be held responsible for loss, theft, breakage, or damage. You are responsible for the plant after the show.
10. An entry constitutes a minimum of 1 flat of plants.
  - a. Exhibitors will be provided with a container for their entry
  - b. You may not decorate the container in any way
  - c. **The project must be exhibited in the container provided**

### **PLACING:**

- a. Exhibitors will be placed in their respective entry classes.
- b. Exhibits will be given critique sheets if the judge chooses to leave one
- c. Grand Champion from each division will be sold in the Premium Auction.

### **RECORD BOOK:**

**RECORD BOOKS WILL SCORE A ZERO IF IT CONTAINS THE STUDENT'S NAME, CHAPTER/CLUB NAME, OR PHOTOS THAT IDENTIFY THE STUDENT / EXHIBITOR OF THE PROJECT IN ANY WAY.**

- a. Your records must be on 8 ½ X 11 inch paper
- b. Pages should consist of :
  - Cover Page (1-page maximum)
  - Introduction to your project (2 pages maximum)
  - Weekly Report: images and description (2 pages maximum per week)
  - Project Conclusion Summary (4 pages maximum)
  - Cost Analysis Sheet (1-page maximum)
- c. Your record book should include:
  - Images of the plants' growth every week
  - A detailed description of plant care and conditioning
    - *Any inappropriate items in your pictures in your record book will be assessed a penalty which will affect your overall score (i.e. tobacco products, adult beverage containers, etc.)*

**SHOW DAY:**

- a. Bring your plant and Record Book to the check-in table
- b. A Committee Representative will place your plant in the exhibit area
  - *this area will be closed during check-in and while the judging of the horticulture projects is taking place*
- c. Judging will be 70% plant and 30% record book
- d. Contestants must complete award donors' Thank You cards before receiving their awards from the Horticulture Contest.
- e. ***You must have arrangements to pick up your plant immediately following the show!***

**The following is MANDATORY:**

Youth Auction participants MUST attend the Auction Meeting to be held Friday before the Auction. Thank You cards must be submitted for buyers and award donations prior to receiving your award or check.

***All plants must be picked up at the completion of the show and the AUCTION projects must be returned by the exhibitor on the Friday of the live auction.***

**If an exhibitor violates any of the rules the exhibitor and any exhibitors within the same household will be ineligible to participate in the Horticulture Contest for the current year as well as the year immediately following.**

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