

2017 El Paso County Fair 4-H Tabletop Exhibit Requirements

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General Rules

1. All entries must be completed thru Fairentry.com.
2. Officer books are due to the Extension Office by the second Monday in September.
3. Youth must be bona fide members of an El Paso County 4-H club whose project work/records are certified up-to-date and proper by the extension agent and enrolled as of 5/2/17, to participate in 4-H Exhibit Day. Youth ages 8-18 as of 12/31/16 will exhibit for competition. 4-H member ages 5-7 as of 12/31/16 will exhibit for participation ribbons only.
4. Exhibitors will be interviewed regarding their project(s) during Exhibit Day judging. Main club leaders will receive exhibit day interview times by July 1st. In the event that an exhibitor will not be present on their respective judging day he/she MUST make arrangements to have their project(s) delivered an hour before scheduled judging time. Project can be dropped off at the Whittemore building as early as 8 AM.

EXHIBIT DAY: Held Friday, July 14, 2017 at the Whittemore building on the fairgrounds in Calhan, Colorado. Exhibitors are judged on project exhibit article(s), e-record & applicable project sheets.

CONTEST EVENTS: See "State Qualifying Contest" below for dates, times, places, rules & appropriate entry forms/fees. Participation in a contest does not constitute as an exhibit or demonstration; therefore, state qualifying contests (Fashion Revue, Shooting Sports, & Rocket Fly Day) cannot be substituted for county project completion requirements.

5. Age divisions as of 12/31/16 Junior, 8-10; Intermediate, 11-13; Senior, 14-18.
- 6 .Each item exhibited should have member's county, name, age, club, project division, class # and name. All boards should be labeled on the back left hand side.
 - El Paso County
 - Name: Jane Doe
 - Age: 15
 - Club: xyz
 - Division: Shooting sports/Archery OR Animal Science/Vet Science
 - Class: 1428 (archery) OR 009 (vet science)

7. Clothing or stitched articles must have SEWN IN LABELS with above information. Clothing projects must be brought in on disposable hangers. Hangers will not be returned.
8. Exhibitors' record books may be completed in pencil or ink, by typewriter or computer--but be consistent. Member's choice will not affect judging. However, neatness is considered in the judging. 3-ring binders should only be used for projects requiring them (photography, robotics, those including the manual, etc.). Please use the smallest binder possible. Otherwise, the "4-H Member Record Book", two-prong binder or a folder with brads should be used.
9. Exhibitors shall exhibit in the unit they are enrolled in & entered in for the fair.
10. No 4-H exhibitor may enter more than one exhibit in the same class, or enter the same item in more than one class.
11. Exhibits of unusual size or shape will not be on public display. If project is not displayed, exhibitor cards and ribbons will be displayed in project areas. All other projects will be displayed unless there is a safety, health or space issue.
12. Display boards (show boards) for fair must be tri-fold boards that measure 4 ft. wide x 3 ft. tall and do not have a header board. Any other size will be disqualified.
13. Projects (with the exception of Cloverbud projects) will be judged by the Danish Ribbon System. All participants will receive an award ribbon based on the quality of performance/exhibit and how well standards are met. Blue, Red & White Ribbons will be awarded. There is no set number of blue, red or white ribbons awarded in the Danish System.
Blue Exhibit meets standards; is of high quality (well done).
Red Exhibit meets standards and is of average quality or is of high quality and missing a minor requirement.
White Exhibit does not meet all standards/requirements; needs improvement.
14. No exhibit unworthy of an award shall receive one, even if there is no competition, nor shall an exhibit receive an award greater than its merit justifies.
15. Champion, reserve champion and third place (premium winners) will be selected only from the blue ribbon winners in each unit or project.
16. All champion projects (except self-determined) are eligible to compete at State Fair.
17. Premiums paid as follows: Unit Champion \$5.00; Unit Reserve Champion - \$3.00; Third Premium - \$2.00.
18. Record books on display may not be opened without the expressed permission of a Tabletop superintendent on duty.

19. All exhibits, including record books, regardless of their placing, will remain in the display area for the duration of the fair. In the event that any exhibit item or display is required for participation in another event, a request must be submitted in writing to the Tabletop Advisory Committee Chairman prior to Fair Exhibit Day. The request must be for a valid reason and is subject to the committee's discretion. If approved, items will only be made available for a pre-determined, limited amount of time.

20. Tabletop exhibits will be available for pick up from 9:00 a.m. to noon on Sunday, July 23. No exhibits will be released early. Members, or another designated party, are responsible for picking up their respective exhibits. Exhibits not picked up by noon on Sunday WILL BE LEFT at the fairgrounds. They will not be taken to the Extension Office.

21. The management will not be responsible for loss or damage to exhibits, though it will use all care to ensure their safety.

22. All judges'/officials' decisions are final.

23. Fair Treatment Challenge must be filed in writing on the Fair Treatment Challenge Form with the Extension Agent responsible for the activity where the incident occurred accompanied with the fee of \$50 in cash (no checks) by noon of the last day of fair. Challenges can only be submitted by 4-H members. Please see the Fair Treatment Protocol attached to the Fair Treatment Challenge Form for further information and procedures.

24. Any behavior that is considered negative or unsafe on the part of the competitor, family members of the competitor, or leaders, directed toward any competition official, 4-H staff, 4-H competitor or their parents will result in disqualification and awards forfeited.

25. Any member dismissed from the competition will forfeit all payments.

26. All payment must be delivered to the CSU Extension office or mailed, and received by 5:00 p.m., Friday, June 30th. The extension office is located at 17 N Spruce, Colorado Springs, CO 80905. Early entry is highly encouraged. Make checks payable to "El Paso County Extension"

27. No refunds will be given after the deadline for the El Paso County Fair 4-H registrations.

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State Qualifying Contests

FASHION REVUE

Pre-registration on-line required. . There is a \$3.00 entry fee for the contest. Contest will begin at 3 PM, Wednesday, July 12th (Place TBD). *Participation in this contest is optional and does not qualify as an exhibit or demonstration; therefore, this contest cannot be substituted for any project completion requirement for the year.*

Eligibility: Contestants must be enrolled in any of the following categories: Clothing (exception: Sewing for Others), Decorate Your Duds, Creative Clothing, Heritage Arts, & Leathercraft. Participants are to model wearable garments they have made for themselves in these projects. The section and class numbers can be found in the category descriptions in the state syllabus.

Requirements:

1. Register on-line.
2. Submit a half page, double spaced TYPED commentary for each item to be modeled with the entry form or email to Georgia Hock NLT June 30th. **NOTE:** Commentaries WILL be edited for content and length.
3. Clothing items must be carried in on disposable hangers (hangers will NOT be returned) and EACH ARTICLE of clothing must have a **SEWN-IN** label PRIOR to check-in. Labels will consist of the competitor's name, age, project name, unit #, club name, city and county. Labels must be attached at the neckline or at the waistband of skirts and pants. All modeled clothing articles need to be brought to Exhibit Day for construction judging.

Modeling Workshops: There will be 2 modeling workshops. Please see the June eblasts for details. *Competitors who have not previously participated in Fashion Revue must attend at least one workshop.*

Judging Guide for Fashion Revue:

1. Preparation: Design and style; choice of fabric and color; overall appearance of garment; accessories; grooming.
2. Presentation: Appropriate for garment style; movement: walking, standing and turns; poise & posture; variety of movement: use of space and creativity; attitude and enthusiasm.

BEST PHOTO CONTEST

The Colorado 4-H Photo Contest is open to any 4-H member. (4-H member does not have to be enrolled in Photography) No e-Record is required. **Submitted pictures must have been taken in Colorado to be eligible for the contest.**

Rules:

1. The picture must be an **8" x 10"** print.
2. The photo must be mounted on a mat and suitable for hanging without additional frame. No other mounted materials (**i.e. foam core, glass, wood, plastic, metal, etc.**) can be used.
3. The maximum size for the matted only picture is no larger than 12" x 14" (no frame or glass).
4. The photo must be labeled on the back with:
 - a. Name
 - b. County
 - c. Date, time and location of photo
 - d. Make and model of camera used
 - e. ASA film speed (for film cameras) or ISO resolution setting (for digital cameras)
 - f. Title of photo
5. The Grand and Reserve Grand Champions photos will be taken to the state 4-H office and a screen saver will be made. Once the screen saver is made the photos will be returned.
6. Photos will be judged according to the following criteria:
 - a. Composition/Presentation
 - b. Focus/Sharpness
 - c. Lighting
 - d. Creativity

SHOOTING SPORTS

Members enrolled in shooting sports projects are invited to participate in the El Paso Tabletop Exhibit Day, as well as the El Paso County Shooting Contest. The rules for the Exhibit Day can be found in the State Exhibit Requirements (see below). The rules for the Shooting Sports Contest (where members shoot and marksmanship is measured) can be found in the Shooting Sports Contest Requirements on the El Paso County Extension website.

Lego® Robotics Competition

Youth teams will design, build and program a robot to face a themed challenge. We use the same rules as the State Fair for this contest. Please use the State Contest requirements for this competition which can be found online at <http://www.4hstemk12.colostate.edu/stem/robotics/state-robotics-contest/>.

County Exhibits

SELF-DETERMINED

CLASS 2001	Self-determined – Jr.
CLASS 2002	Self-determined – Int.
CLASS 2003	Self-determined – Sr.

Exhibits will consist of the following:

A. The completed self-determined e-record (do not download from the state website as the county is using a different one) presented in a sturdy binder/notebook.

B. **ONE** of the following:

a. A display board illustrating a topic investigated during the project year. The standardized display board size of 4 ft. x 3 ft. is to be used with 4-H projects. **OR**

b. An item that was created, built, designed, etc. by the 4-H member during the project year.

NOTE: Members may register for and submit more than one self-determined to fair. However, all projects must follow the above requirements, including an e-record for each.

**Please use the e-record on the county website, not the one on the state website.
This is a county project only.**

CLOVERBUDS

CLASS CLV Cloverbuds (Ages 5-7 as of 12/31/14)

Each cloverbud is encouraged to submit an exhibit showing what he/she learned in the program this year. Participation ribbons only will be awarded.

Exhibit will consist of the following:

A. Story of learning experiences

B. Pictures of project activities (pictures may be in a scrapbook) or binder of activity sheets completed.

C. **ONE** of the following:

1) A display of subject area studied. Please **DO NOT** use a tri-fold board.

2) Up to three items made in Cloverbud project (not to exceed 2'x2' display space).

State Qualifying Exhibits

We use the exact **same rules and class numbers** as the State Fair for our State Qualifying Exhibits, which include the majority of our projects (see the list below.) Please use the State Exhibit Requirements and class numbers for these projects which can be found online at:

http://www.colorado4h.org/project_resources/StateFairExhibitReq.pdf

Section 1 –Animal Science

Veterinary Science

Horseless Horse

Section 2 –Biological Sciences

Gardening

Weeds

Section 3 –Mechanical Sciences

Bicycle

Computers

Electric

Geospatial

Model Rocketry

Power of Wind

Robotics

Small Engines

Section 4 –Natural Resources

Entomology

Forestry

Outdoor Adventures

Range Management

Shooting Sports

Sportfishing

Section 5 –Communication, Arts & Leisure Sciences

Ceramics

Wildlife

Global Citizenship

Leadership

Leathercraft

Photography

Scrapbooking

Woodworking

Visual Arts

Section 6 –Consumer Science

Cake Decorating

Child Development

Clothing Construction

Artistic Clothing

Consumer Savvy

Financial Champions

Foods and Nutrition

Breads

Specialty Foods

Food Preservation

Heritage Arts

Home Environment

Tabletop Awards

STAR EXHIBITOR AWARD:

Champion and Reserve Champion award in all 3 Age Groups.

Qualifications:

Enrollment in a minimum of two tabletop projects or two separate units within a project (i.e. unit 5 cakes –theme and character, etc).

Completion of a questionnaire concerning 4-H participation and involvement by September 11, 2017. (Questionnaire will be available on the county website and at the County Fair).

Selection:

Award will be based on a point system: Only blue awards will be awarded points in order to facilitate quality workmanship and dedication to the exhibit. One point will be given for a blue award, two points for reserve champion and three points for Champion. Points will also be awarded based upon the same criteria for participation in County Contest, Best Photo Contest and Fashion Revue. Additionally, points will be awarded for tabletop projects placing at Colorado State Fair (one point for placing 3-10, two points for Reserve Champion, three points for Champion). Points will also be awarded for the following contests at State Fair: cake decorating, creative cooks, performing arts, demonstrations, and public speaking.

RECORD BOOK AWARD

Qualifications:

All 4-H members exhibiting a 4-H tabletop project, with the exception of shooting sports, are eligible. All judges at exhibit day will be asked to select the most outstanding complete record books in each class. These record books will then be judged by another judge during the fair. The Champion and Reserve Champion record books will receive a special award at Achievement Celebration. There is no need to do anything special. All 4-H Tabletop record books, except shooting sports, submitted for County Fair Judging will be considered for this award.

Please note: 4-H Shooting Sports record books submitted by the second Monday in September will be evaluated separately for awards.