

Home Economics Catalog

96th Annual Austin County Fair

October 5-15, 2023

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OPEN ADULT DEPARTMENT
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YOUTH SUPREME & COUNTRY AUCTION

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday, October 1, 2023

9:00 am Container Plant Competition at Entertainment Center
10:00 am Miniscapes Competition at Entertainment Center

Thursday, October 5, 2023

Floral Design Competitions/ Fair Cup Competitions
See Website for Schedule of Events

Saturday, October 7, 2023

9:00 am – 8:00 pm County Store Open

Monday, October 9, 2023

4:00 pm-6:45 pm Entries accepted in the EXPO CENTER for all
 departments: 4-H Junior/Junior FFA, 4-H
 Senior/FCCLA/Senior FFA, Open Youth, Extension
 Education, Open Adult, Flower Show, Fine Arts

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

9:00 am- 11:45am Entries accepted in the EXPO CENTER for all
 departments: 4-H Junior/Junior FFA, 4-H
 Senior/FCCLA/Senior FFA, Open Youth, Extension
 Education, Open Adult, Flower Show, Fine Arts

1:00 pm – Until Complete - Judging of all exhibits in Expo Center.
 Building will be closed during judging.

10:00 am -8:00 pm Country Store Open

Wednesday, October 11, 2023

10:00 am-8:00 pm Country Store Open
10:30 am Senior Citizens Day

Thursday, October 12, 2023

11:00 am -10:00 pm Country Store Open

Friday, October 13, 2023

10:00 am- 10:00 pm County Store Open

Saturday, October 14, 2023

12:00 Noon-10:00 pm Country Store Open

11:00-1:00 Youth Supreme & Country Auction Buyer Luncheon-
Expo Center

1:00 pm Youth Supreme & Country Auction in the Expo Center

Sunday, October 15, 2023

11:00-2:00 pm Country Store Open

11:00 am - 2:00 pm Awarding of prize money in the **Expo Center.**

11:00 am – 2:00 pm Removal of all exhibits from the Expo Center

Items removed prior to scheduled time will forfeit all prize money.



Pictures will be taken in the Expo Center for Grand and Reserve Champions and High Point Winners for the following:



12:00 Noon 4-H Junior/Junior FFA Department.

12:15 pm 4-H Senior/ FCCLA/Senior FFA and Open Youth Departments.

12:30 pm Youth Supreme Exhibitors

12:45 pm Extension Education Department.

1:00 pm Open Adult Department.

1:15 pm Flower Show Department Trophy Winners

HOME ECONOMICS COMMITTEES

Building Superintendent: Carolyn Balke

Assistant Building Superintendent: Anita Kramer

Austin County Fair Advisors

Carolyn Balke, Erika Guerrero, Anita Kramer, Lynette Lee, Judy Schulz, Mary Smentek, and Michelle Wright

Points of Contact

Extension Education Department - Carolyn Balke 979-251-4745

Open Adult Department - Anita Kramer 979-885-8639

Open Adult Department

Chairman: Doris Sodolak

Committee: Miriam Bixler, Brenda Blum, Elaine Galle, Lisa Galle, Sandra Gilbert, Candi Hardin, Sharon Heimann, Grace Holtkamp, Debra Kollmann, Anita Kramer, BJ Mayuer, Laurie Michalke, Becky Riggs, Sharon Spiess, Gayle Waak, Beth Werry, Linda White, Carol Wietstruck and Diane Young

Extension Education Department

Chairman: Carolyn Balke and Malinda Schramm

Committee: Pat Allee, Joyce Amthor, Annette Balke, Delores Craig, Maria Dorrell, Gaye Farr, Doris Glenwinkel, Gloria Havemann, Rita Jacobs, Jessie Kokemor, Karen Landrum, Sandy Pillion, Knellen Quinteros, Jo Ann Reichle, Lois Schubert, Danita Schovajsa, Bonnie Schulz, Judy Schulz, Geraldine Siptak, and Barney Zimmerman

Open Youth/4-H Junior/4-H Senior Department

Point of Contact: Erika Guerrero 979-830-5687

Chairman: Angela Gutowsky

Committee: FCCLA Officers and Members

4-H Junior/Junior FFA Department

Chairman: Erika Guerrero 979-830-5687

Committee: Pam Herman, Sarah Jordan, Raelynn Holle, Barbara Klein, Dianna Schubert, Kim Spacek, and Sonda Tiemann

4-H Senior FCCLA/Senior FFA Department

Chairman: Adrian Gutierrez/Jonathan Averitt
Committee: FCCLA Officers and Members

Flower Show

Chairman: Mary Smentek – 713-876-7102

Fine Arts Department

Chairman: Melanie Smith, 281-658-8619
Committee: Art Teachers from Austin County School Districts

Photography

Chairman: Pam O'Brian 979-820-5025
Co-Chairman: Mandy Worsham
Committee: Elna Brune, Bernice Burger, Cherie Burger, Autumn Ignasiak and Betty Thiel

Country Store

Chairman: Carolyn Balke 979-251-4745
Committee: James Balke Joan Buenger, Anita Kramer, Whitney Mahlmann, Knellen Quinteros, JoAnn Reichle, Delbert Schramm, Malinda Schramm, TJ Schulz, Ellen Wetherington, Barney Zimmerman and Fred Zimmerman

Youth Supreme & Country Auction

Chairman: Tara Wise 979-277-5329 & Kim Bond 979-421-0713
Committee: Molly Arndt, Randy Bond, Candy & Tim Janish, Ross & Kelsey Janish, Kathy Johnson, Gregory, Lisa & Lilly Kaspar, Walker Leopold, Danita Schovajsa, Joy Siedel, Sarah & Chad Stallings, Maggie Thuesen, Charlie Tiner - Auctioneer, Brandee Tiemann, Michael & Heather Tiemann, Morgan Tieman, Ginny Ward and Tommy Wise

Floral Design/Fair Cup Committee

Chairman: Lynette Lee 979-877-5702
Committee: Baylee Adams, Emily Allen, Madison Compton, Karen Giebel, Erika Guerrero, Haley Guerrero, Avery Henning, Jonna Horak, Sheridan Malota, Angela Snowden, Emily Spiess, Christi Tobola, and Melissa Virnau

Horticulture Committee

Chairman: **Erika Guerrero/Melissa Virnau**

Committee: Sarah Jordan, Amie Menefee, Jeff Virnau, Eduardo Solorio

GENERAL RULES

ENTRY INFORMATION

1. All departments are color coded as follows:

4-H Junior/Junior FFA – Green

4-H Senior/FCCLA/Senior FFA – Pink

Open Youth – Yellow

Open Adult – Lilac

Flower Show – Blue

Fine Arts – Coral

TEEA – Light Blue



2. All entry cards and tags are available at the Austin County Fair Office (979-865-5995) and the Austin County Extension Office (979-865-2072). **There is an explanation powerpoint to provide guidance on completing entry cards and tags.**

3. All articles entered must be labeled with the appropriate tag. The tag must contain the classification of article and name of article. Entry cards must be completed by the exhibitor and have the appropriate signature for the youth division. **No multiple participant entries allowed. Only single participant entry accepted unless otherwise designated.**

4. **DO NOT MIX CATEGORIES. PLACE ONE CATEGORY ON A CARD.** (Example all category A items on one card.) Only one item per class (Ex. A1).



5. All entries must be made from November 2022 thru October 2023.
 - They must be in excellent condition, very clean, well pressed, and odor free or they will not be accepted.
 - All exhibits must be made by the exhibitor, and only one entry per class will be accepted.
 - It is unethical to exhibit items that have been previously exhibited or made by anyone other than the exhibitor.

Division chairmen have the authority and responsibility to disqualify items that are deemed inappropriate, dirty/washed,

soiled or do not appear to have been made or completed in the last year or previously exhibited.

6. NO duplicate items will be accepted in miscellaneous categories. Items may be entered as miscellaneous only if they do not qualify in listed classes.
7. All exhibitors are required to place a daytime cell phone number on entry cards.
8. Due to limited display space, items should not measure larger than 30 inches wide by 30 inches high unless foldable for display. Any questions, please call the phone number listed as the point of contact per department or the Austin County Fair Office at 979-865-5995.

*****Please read all rules prior to entering.**

ENTRY FEES

An entry fee of \$1.00 per item will be charged for 1-10 items, for 11-50 items \$10.00 per exhibitor will be charged. Maximum of 50 items per exhibitor.

Adults may have an additional ten (10) items in the Adult Flower Show.

CHECK IN PROCEDURES FOR ALL DEPARTMENTS

(Youth and Adult)

| Check In Date | Check In Time |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Monday, October 9 | 4:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. |
| Tuesday, October 10 | 9:00 am – 11:45 am |

1. All articles will be accepted on Monday, October 9, 2023 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:45 pm and Tuesday, October 10, 2023 from 9:00 am – 11:45 am.
2. Although precautions will be taken, the Austin County Fair Association and volunteers will not be responsible for items lost, stolen or broken.

3. It is encouraged for all items to be tagged and properly labeled before entrance into the exhibit building.

CHECK OUT PROCEDURES

1. Items on display in the exhibition hall will not be released until 11:00 am on Sunday, October 15, 2023. In addition, all items left after 2:00 p.m. on the date of check out will no longer be the responsibility of the Austin County Fair or its affiliated partners.

Items removed prior to scheduled removal time will forfeit all prize money. Exhibitors are welcome to recycle any ribbons or rosettes if they so desire.

2. All exhibit prize money must be collected between 11:00 and 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 15, 2023 at the EXPO CENTER. Money not picked up by November 1, 2023 will be forfeited.

SCORING

1. Judging will begin at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 for all categories.
2. Exhibits will be scored as follows: Grand Champion – 500 points; Reserve Champion – 300 points; Blue Ribbon – 100 points; Red Ribbon – 90 points. Prize money will be paid as follows: Grand Champion - \$15 Reserve Champion - \$10; Blue Ribbon - \$1.25; Red Ribbon - \$.75.
3. One (1) Grand Champion entry and one (1) Reserve Champion entry may be selected from each category in each division in each department if warranted by the judges.
Please note that each Category must have four (4) or more items to be awarded Grand or Reserve Champion.
4. **The judge's decision is final.**
5. Judges are requested to write a comment on back of tag when awarding a red ribbon.

6. Only Grand Champion and Reserve Champion exhibitors will have the opportunity to donate their prize-winning exhibits to the Youth Supreme & Country Fair Auction on Saturday afternoon. Proceeds from Grand and Reserve Champion donated items will go to the Austin County Fair Association. Youth Supreme winners will receive the proceeds from the auction minus any reserves and admin fees.
7. Donating to the auction is optional and failure to donate does not forfeit the exhibitor's rosette or prize money. Note: Due to the sentimental or personal value of items, they may be inappropriate for the auction.

All Grand Champion and Reserve Champion baked foods must be baked fresh for Saturday, if donated to the auction. **Baked goods must be delivered to the fairgrounds by 9:00 am on Saturday.**



Exhibitor Drawing!

Sponsored By:

**Donations in memory of
Edward Kramer and Albert Sodolak.**

Each exhibitor will be placed in a drawing for a gift card for participating in the Home Economics Department.

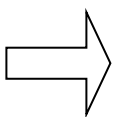
Youth Department – 4 Gift Cards (1st \$50, 3 at \$25)

Adult Department - 4 Gift Cards (1st \$50, 3 at \$25)

**Winners will be posted at the Country Store!
Please bring your ID and your ticket stub with you to
claim your prize!**

FLORAL DESIGN COMPETITION

The Floral Design Competition is open to Juniors (3-8 grade) and Seniors (9-12 grade). The format allows single entry or teams of 2 exhibitors each to compete on Thursday, October 5, 2023. A maximum of 20 Teams/Single Exhibitors. **Entries will be accepted online with payment on the Austin County Fair website.** This will be considered an Austin County Fair project. Questions may be emailed directly to austincofloraldesign@gmail.com. **Entry fees are nonrefundable and non-transferable.**



Please check online for Theme, updated information on schedule, rules, entry date deadline and fee!! Join the ACF Floral Design Facebook page!

Competition Format: Each individual/team will compete in the design and execution of a fresh floral arrangement centerpiece and table design, which may include but is not limited to such items as dishes, napkins, additional table coverings, etc. Exhibitors must be in the same age category.

Design Guidelines: Each individual/team should review the design guidelines prior to the Floral Design competition. Exhibitors will have one hour to execute their design.

- **All elements of the entry should reflect or enhance the contest theme. This year's theme will be announced on the Austin County Fair website. Please go to <https://austincountyfair.com/floral-design> for the theme for this year's contest.**
- Entries are arrangements of fresh floral cut materials and design elements that fit the theme and your design concept.
- All cut materials and table design elements will be provided by the Exhibitor.
- Each exhibitor will be furnished with a workstation, table and tablecloth.
- Entries will be displayed on a 36" round table with a black table covering. The exhibitor is responsible for positioning all

elements of their design on the table. Exhibitors are required to use the table covering provided by the Show.

- Entry should be designed to be VIEWED FROM ALL SIDES.
- Each exhibitor must bring their own tools and flowers. Tools/Flowers cannot be shared by exhibitors/teams.
- No Advance preparation. Foam will be soaked during orientation.
- Fresh flowers only. Small dry accents can be used (ex. wheat, lotus pods, and cotton)
- Exhibitors are required to bring two (2) copies of their Record book in a folder day of competition. This form can be found online on the floral design page on the ACF website.

Permissible tools include:

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| Floral Glue(s) | Scissors |
| Wire cutters | Knife |
| Floral Tape(s) | Measuring stick |
| Floral cutters | Wrapped Wires |
| Wired Wood Picks | Floral Wire |

JUDGING: The show will select qualified judges for each competitive event. Any questions about the judging criteria may be directed to a committee member.

Judging will be based on the following seven categories:

- Design Aesthetics – Line/Form, Color, and Space
- Design Principles – Balance, Proportion, and Unity
- Mechanics – Creative Engineering of Mechanics Proper Coverage of Foam, and Sturdiness of Design
- Execution – Neatness and Cleanliness of overall Design,
- Creativity – Uniqueness of Design, Use of Theme
- Team Work
- Record Book

Only judges and Committee members will be allowed inside the competition area while judging is in progress.

No cell phones, watches, ear buds or any type of communication devices are permitted during the competition. Any exhibitor found communicating with anyone outside of the competition could result in immediate disqualification.

Talking or gestures from outside the barrier will not be tolerated and result in immediate disqualification.

Judges decisions are final.

Winning entries will be announced on Thursday, October 5, 2023 after competition is complete.

Additional Opportunity: Any Floral Design pieces placing 3rd on may be entered into the 4H/FFA/FCCLA Junior or Senior Flower Show. Entry cards are available at the Expo Center on the day of entry. There is a power point online under Home Economics to help explain the entry procedure. There is a charge on \$1.00 per entry. Team pieces will be entered by a designated exhibitor. Exhibitors are encouraged to exhibit in the 4H/FFA/FCCLA/Open Flower Show using any additional product they may have left over Exhibits must not exceed 30" W x 30" D.

PRIZES INCLUDE:

Senior Division Grand Champion – Buckle
Senior Division Reserve Champion – Buckle
Junior Division Grand Champion – Buckle
Junior Division Reserve Champion – Buckle
Placing Ribbons – 3rd thru 10th

Grand and Reserve Entries must remain on display until Sunday, October 15, 2023. Grand and Reserve winners will be asked to freshen their arrangements on Friday morning before the Youth Auction Sale.

Floral Design pieces placing 3rd and on are encouraged to enter them into the Home Economics 4H Junior/4H Senior/Open Flower Show Division.

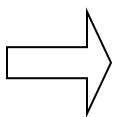
Entries must be picked-up by 2:00pm on Sunday, October 15, 2023.

Floral Design entries will not be included in the Youth Supreme & Country Auction.



Fair Cup Competition

The Fair Cup competition is an individual exhibitor competition to be held on Thursday, October 5, 2023. A maximum of 40 Exhibitors, Juniors (3rd – 8th) and Seniors (9th – 12th) may participate in the Fair Cup Competition. **Entries will be accepted online with payment on the Austin County Fair website. Entry fees are nonrefundable and are non-transferable.** This will be considered an Austin County Fair project. Questions may be emailed directly to austincofloraldesign@gmail.com. **Entry fees are nonrefundable and non-transferable.**



Please check online for updated information on schedule, rules, entry date deadline and fee!! Join the ACF Floral Design Facebook page!

Competition Format: Each exhibitor will compete in the design and execution of a floral arrangement.

Design Guidelines: Each exhibitor should review the design guidelines prior to the competition. Exhibitors will also have an opportunity to ask questions at the mandatory pre-event meeting.

- Exhibitors will have one hour to plan and execute their design.
- All materials will be provided by the Fair.
- Exhibitors **MUST** utilize items provided. Each exhibitor will be furnished with materials, including fresh flowers, foliage, container, and decorative elements. The flowers, foliage, and supplies will be the same for each exhibitor.
- Each exhibitor will receive the same type of decorative elements, but the design of each element can be different amongst exhibitors. The exhibitor is responsible for determining which materials they will use in the design of their entry.
- Entries will be displayed on eight-foot tables with a black table covering. The exhibitor is responsible for positioning all



elements of their design in the required location on the table.
No outside adornments are allowed.

- All elements of the entry should reflect or enhance the theme which will be revealed prior to the fair. Each exhibitor's design will be a sole effort with no assistance from anyone in any manner.
- **No cell phones, watches or other communication devices are allowed in the competition area during the competition.**
- **Any communication with another person outside the barrier will not be tolerated and may result in immediate disqualification from competition.**
- Entry should be designed to be VIEWED FROM ALL SIDES.
- No paints, ribbons, or decorative accessories of any kind may be supplied by the exhibitor. Only the materials supplied by the fair will be allowed.
- Each exhibitor must bring their own tools. Tools cannot be shared by exhibitors.
- **Permissible tools include:**

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| Floral Glue(s) | Scissors | Wire cutters |
| Knife | Floral Tape(s) | Measuring stick |
| Floral cutters | | Wrapped Wires |
| Wired Wood Picks | | Floral Wire |
- Participants in the Fair Cup competition must check in on and attend the mandatory meeting held prior to the competition; competition will begin immediately after the meeting.
- Judging will begin during the competition as well as immediately after all exhibitors have completed their design and will be based on the following four categories:
- Design Aesthetics, Line/Form, Color, and Space.
- Design Principles – Balance, Proportion, and Unity.
- Mechanics/Execution – Neatness and cleanliness of design, proper coverage of foam and sturdiness of design.
- Creativity – inspiration with theme and container as well as usage of materials.
- Each exhibitor may receive a copy of their score sheet following the competition.

- Only Fair Cup Floral Design Competition judges, and Committee members, will be allowed inside the competition area while judging is in process.
- **Judges' decisions are final.**
- Buckles will be awarded to the Grand and Reserve Champion exhibitors immediately following the conclusion of judging.



NEW IN 2023 - SUPREME FAIR CUP



New this year! The Grand and Reserve Champions will be considered Supreme Champions from both the Junior and Senior Fair Cup Competition.

Exhibitors placing Grand and Reserve Champions from both Junior and Senior Divisions will have the option to create a silk arrangement to enter into the Youth Supreme & Country Auction to be held on Saturday, October 14, 2023.

The Floral Design Committee will provide all of the materials for this entry. The committee will coordinate with the exhibitor to complete the entry and have it on display the week of the fair in the Youth Supreme designated area.

Supreme Champions will receive the auction price minus the reserve to cover the materials and the administrative fee from the fair. Exhibitors will be required to be present at the auction and adhere to the same General Rules and Youth Auction Sale rules including handwritten thank you notes for buyers and add-ons. Exhibitors will be allowed to sell in both the Youth Auction Sale (Friday) and the Youth Supreme & Country Auction (Saturday).

Buyers will pick up their purchase at the conclusion of the auction.

Miniscapes Competition

The Miniscape Competition is open to individuals or teams of two exhibitors who will come to Austin County Fairgrounds on Sunday, October 1, 2023, between 10 a.m. until 12 noon. to create their competition entry. Check in and installation must be complete by noon. **Please join the ACF Horticulture page on Facebook.**



The contest will be split between Junior and Senior entries at the discretion of the Horticulture Committee. Junior are 3rd to 8th grade and Senior are 9th to 12th grade. **Entries will be the first twenty-four (24) exhibitors** based on forms received via online entry with any additional entries being added to a waiting list. **The Horticulture Committee will confirm your entry via email. Exhibitors will be required to RSVP by September 15, 2023 to confirm they will be participating at the fair.** If exhibitors fails to respond, an individual or team will be pulled up from the waiting list, tracked via entries and email. This rule has been put in place to avoid No-SHOW entries and for the maximum number of Exhibitors the opportunity to participate. Entries will close upon limitations or no later than September 1, 2023.

Teams are comprised of two exhibitors. Entry fees will be \$20 per individual or \$40 per team. This will be considered an Austin County Fair project. Entry fees are non-refundable. Please see the ACF website for any updates or additional details at austincountyfair/menu/horticulture.

Competition Format: Each individual/team will compete in a design and execution of a Miniscape, based on the **theme to be released on the ACF website prior to entries opening online.**

Design Guidelines: Exhibitors should review the guidelines prior to preparing their entry. Questions may be directed to the Horticulture Committee at ACFHorticulture@gmail.com.

- Entries will be constructed in a water trough (planter) that is approximately 24" deep.
- Troughs will be chosen on a **First Come First Serve Basis**
- Troughs vary in sizes by 24 X 48, 22 X 46 and 20 X 44 inches, please plan accordingly.
- The planter will be provided by the Fair.

- Each planter will be pre-filled with soil up to the top of the planter.
- Plant materials should be able to withstand sunny, warm conditions.
- Planters will be displayed outside for 15 days.
- No living creatures may be used in the design.
- Entries should be designed to be viewed from all sides.
- Entries may not display signage that names the team's school, school district or FFA/4-H chapter. A sign will be provided upon completion of judging for display on the grounds.
- Exhibitors are responsible for bringing wagons, carts, wheelbarrows, etc. to transport their materials from the parking lot to the exhibit area.

Day of Competition:

- Check in for Miniscapes will be on the grounds of Austin County Fair on Sunday October 1, 2023, starting at 9 a.m.
- Announcements and introduction of judges begins at 9:45 am
- Competition begins at 10:00 am
- Designs must be complete by Noon.
- Exhibitors will be met by the Horticulture Committee volunteers; the volunteers will assist with check in, direct the exhibitors to the exhibit area.
- Parents and adult leaders may assist with moving in supplies and planter materials to the competition area but must vacate the area prior to commencement of the contest.
- Carts/wagons are recommended for transporting materials from a vehicle to the competition area.
- The planting and design of the planter must be performed by the exhibitors ONLY.
- **No cell phones, iPads, Watches, or any other type of communication device is allowed in the competition area.**
- Paper sketches of design are allowed in the competition area.
- The exhibitor is responsible for providing the plants and any props to be used in the planter.
- The exhibitor is responsible for bringing all tools needed to prepare their planter.
- Buckets will be provided for each team to use for holding purposes while the design is being planted. Any extra soil not

used can be left in the supplied buckets and the Horticulture committee will keep for reuse.

- Trash Containers will be provided for each team to clean up their area and throw all trash away when planting is complete. Brooms and dustpans will be available to sweep your area.
- Each Exhibitor will write a Thank you note to our sponsors on the day of the competition to be turned in prior to award announcements. All materials will be provided by the committee.
- Entries will be watered and maintained by the Horticulture committee during the following weeks.
- Exhibitors will have access to water and watering pitchers on that day and must water their troughs thoroughly before leaving.
- The Show is not responsible for lost, damaged or dead items.
- **Items of great sentimental value should not be used.**
- **It is MANDATORY to remove all design elements and plants including any type of stones or other types of hardscape used in your design on Sunday, October 15, 2023 by 3 pm. No Exceptions.**

Judging: The fair will select qualified judges for each competitive event. Any questions about the judging criteria may be directed to the Horticulture Committee.

- Entries will be judged on a 100-point system:
 - Up to 50 points may be awarded for design.
 - Up to 30 points may be awarded for staging and quality.
 - Up to 20 points may be awarded for variety of plants.

Each team must be prepared to explain to the judges what their plant choices are and how their design fits the theme during the competition.

- Winning entries will be announced on October 1, 2023, and winning exhibitors will be recognized at 2:00 pm
- **Judges' decisions are final. Please feel free to talk with judges after the competition is over to get their thoughts and ideas for your design and scores.**

Awards: Supreme Grand and Supreme Reserve Champions will receive a banner. Buckles will be awarded to the Grand and Reserve Grand Champion winners in both Junior and Senior Divisions. Placement ribbons will be given to those placing third thru tenth in both Divisions.



NEW IN 2023 - SUPREME MINISCAPES



New this year! There will be Supreme Champions. Grand and Reserve Champions in the Junior and Senior Miniscape Division. Grand and Reserves will automatically qualify for Supreme. Supreme Champions will have the option to enter their Miniscape into the Youth Supreme & Country Auction to be held on Saturday, October 14, 2023.

Supreme Champions of the Miniscape Division will be allowed to sell and will receive the auction price minus the reserve to cover the trough, soil and the administrative fee from the fair. Exhibitors will be required to be present at the auction and adhere to the same General Rules and Youth Auction Sale rules including handwritten thank you notes for buyers and add-ons. Exhibitors will be allowed to sell in both the Youth Auction Sale (Friday) and the Youth Supreme and Country Auction (Saturday)

Exhibitors will surrender all items used in their Miniscape as designed. **Items of great sentimental value should not be used.** Buyers will pick up their purchase on Sunday morning conclusion of fair.


Any questions regarding these rules may be sent to the Horticulture Committee at ACFHorticulture@gmail.com.

Removal: Exhibitors placing other than Supreme, **MUST REMOVE** their plants, stones and design materials on Sunday, October 15th from noon to 3 pm. **Any plants or materials left after 3 pm will be disposed of or become the property of Austin County Fair.** Containers will be moved to their storage location.


Container Plant Competition

The Container Plant Competition is open to individual exhibitors who will come to Austin County Fairgrounds on Sunday, October 1, 2023, between 9 am and 10 am to submit their competition entry. Check in is at 9 am. Entries will be completed and accepted via online entry.

Entries will close on August 7, 2023. Each entry will be \$20.00. One entry per exhibitor. Entry fees are non-refundable. This will be considered an Austin County Fair project. Please see the ACF website for the updates or additional details under Menu/Horticulture.



The contest will be split between Junior and Senior entries at the discretion of the Horticulture Committee. Junior are 3rd to 8th grade and Senior are 9th to 12th grade. **The Horticulture Committee will confirm your entry via email. Exhibitors will be required to RSVP by September 15, 2023, to confirm they will be participating at the fair.**



Competition Format: Exhibitors will plant and cultivate 3 or more different plant species in an appropriate container. Each project will have a corresponding project log to be submitted with the entry at check in.

General Guidelines: Exhibitors should review the guidelines prior to preparing their entry. Questions may be directed to the Horticulture Committee at email address ACFHorticulture@gmail.com.

- Entries must have been owned and grown by the exhibitor for at least 8 weeks prior to the Show. (Planted NLT August 7th)
- Plants should show evidence of being grown in the container, such as being securely rooted in the soil.
- If plants are found to have been freshly potted or do not stand up during the Show because they were not potted soon enough, entries will be disqualified.
- If single elements require replanting during the eight-week period prior to the Show, the exhibitor should document (in writing and with photos) the removed element and the replacement element. The documentation will be part of the Exhibitor Project Log. (See the “Exhibitor Project Log” section below).
- Entries should be complete upon arrival to the Show.

- Entries must be complete upon arrival to the Show.
- **Entries must be completely set up by 9:45 am on Sunday, October 1, 2023.**
- If the exhibitor is unable to deliver his/her entry, they may allow a designee, to place their entry on the table.
- The entry will be disqualified if, at the sole discretion of the Show, it is determined that the designee has altered the design in any manner.
- Entries should be designed to be viewed from all sides.
- Entries should feature 3 or more different plant species per container.
- Plant selection is at the exhibitor's discretion.
- Plants may belong to any species.
- Plants must be healthy, free of disease, and bug free.
- Plants are the only living items that may be included with the entry – no other living items are permitted (e.g., animals, reptiles, bugs). Vivarium's are excluded from the competition.
- Plants should be clearly and attractively potted in a container that is suitable for tabletop display and able to be watered without leaks.
- Select a container that enhances the creative presentation of the entry.
- If submitting a container grown plant, double potting is permitted, provided natural top dressing is used and the inside of the container is not visible. Top dressing must not float when watered.
- If submitting a terrarium, double potting is not permitted.
- If submitting a terrarium, the container may be open air or closed.
- Leaf polish or other commercial foliage enhancers are not permitted.
- Accessories are permitted; however, emphasis should be on the creative use of natural, fresh planted materials rather than accessories to create a scene.
- Containers must fit on the table provided for display.
- Entries must not exceed a size of 30" Wide x 30" Deep.
- Entries may not exceed 50 lbs.

Delivery of Entries: Entries must be delivered to the Austin County Fair on Sunday, October 1, 2023, between 9 a.m. and 9: 45 a.m. Exhibitors must check in at each competition table that they have entered. Exhibitors will access the Austin County Fairgrounds through Gate 1 and 2 and park in front of the pavilion to unload.

Exhibitor Project Log: Each exhibitor must keep an Exhibitor Project Log that will be submitted the day of the competition at the check in table. Questions may be directed to the Horticulture Committee at ACFHorticulture@gmail.com

- Each exhibitor must maintain and submit a project log for each entry, using the Exhibitor Project Log available on the website at [austincountyfair/menu/horticulture/project log](http://austincountyfair/menu/horticulture/project%20log).
- Other types of exhibitor logs will not be accepted. Entries without the approved ACF Exhibitor Project Log shown will be disqualified.
- The Exhibitor Project Log is assessed for content, not creativity and should include:
 - A brief narrative describing the source of inspiration for the entry and the steps taken during the creative process (e.g. selection and sourcing of plant materials).
 - A minimum of ten photographs taken during the cultivation of the entry.
 - Photographs must be printed and included with the log.
 - A list of plant materials used, including the genus, species, common name, cultivar or variety.
 - A timeline journaling/documenting the planting and maintenance activity.
 - ACF will not print logs for exhibitors. Project logs need to be complete, bound in a braded folder or binder with page protectors. No Paper Clips, No staples, or Pocket Folders. Project logs must be ready to be turned in when exhibitors arrive at the check-in table.

Judging: The Show will select qualified judges for each competitive event. Any questions about the judging criteria questions may be directed to the Horticulture committee at email address ACFHorticulture@gmail.com.

- Entries will be judged on the day of arrival.
- Entries will be judged on a 100-point system:
 - Up to 40 points may be awarded for design.
 - Up to 35 points may be awarded for variety of plants used.
 - Up to 15 points may be awarded for staging and quality.
 - Up to 10 points may be awarded for the completion of Exhibitor Project Log.
- Judges may make notes in the Project Log.
- Only judges, Horticulture Committee members will be allowed inside the competition area while judging is in progress.
- **Judges' decisions are final.**
- Winning entries will be announced on October 1, 2023, and winning exhibitors will be recognized.

Any Container Plant placing 3rd and on are encouraged to enter their Container plants into the 4H/FFA/FCCLA Junior or Senior Flower Show. Entry cards are available at the Expo Center on the day of entry. There is a power point online under Home Economics to help explain the entry procedure. There is a charge on \$1.00 per entry. Exhibits must not exceed 30" W x 30" D.

Prizes: Grand and Reserve Champion Container Plants will be awarded buckles for both Junior and Senior Divisions. Placement ribbons will be awarded to exhibitors placing 3rd thru 10th.

The Horticulture Committee will water the plants during the week. Pick up will be on Sunday, October 15, 2023 starting at 11 a.m.

NEW IN 2023 - SUPREME CONTAINER PLANTS

New this year! There will be Supreme Champions. Grand and Reserve Champions in the Junior and Senior Miniscape Division. Grand and Reserves will automatically qualify for Supreme. Supreme Champions will have the option to enter their Miniscape into the Youth Supreme & Country Auction to be held on Saturday, October 14, 2023.

Supreme Champions of the Container Plant Division will be allowed to sell regardless of age and will receive the auction price minus the administrative fee from the fair. Exhibitors will be required to be present at the auction and adhere to the same General Rules and

Youth Auction Sale rules including handwritten thank you notes for buyers and add-ons. Exhibitors will be allowed to sell in both the Youth Supreme & Country Auction (Saturday) and the Youth Auction Sale (Friday).

Exhibitors will surrender all items used in their Container Plant as designed. Items of great sentimental value should not be used. Buyers will pick up their purchase at the conclusion of the auction.

Additional Opportunity: Any Container Plant placing 3rd and on may be entered into the 4H/FFA/FCCLA Junior or Senior Flower Show. Entry cards are available at the Expo Center on the day of entry. There is a power point online under Home Economics to help explain the entry procedure. There is a charge on \$1.00 per entry. Exhibits must not exceed 30" W x 30" D.

Awards: Supreme Grand and Supreme Reserve Champions will receive a banner. Grand and Reserve Champion Container Plants will be awarded buckles for both Junior and Senior Divisions. Placement ribbons will be awarded to exhibitors placing 3rd thru 10th.

Supreme Champions, Grand and Reserve Champion Container plants will be on display for the remainder of the fair. The Horticulture Committee will water the plants during the week. Pick up will be on Sunday, October 15, 2022 at 11 a.m.

YOUTH DEPARTMENT

RULES & AWARDS

San Bernard Electric Cooperative will award trophies to High Point Exhibitors in each division in the **4-H Junior, Junior FFA, Open Youth, Senior 4-H, FCCLA**, and **Senior FFA Departments**. An exhibitor may receive only one trophy per year. Trophies for each specific division (canned foods, baked goods, clothing, home improvement, flower show and photography) will be awarded to the same individual only once. In case of a tie, the winner will be determined by the number of his/her Grand, Reserve, blue, red ribbons and the total number of entries. If a tie remains, the final tie breaker will be a flip of the coin.

4-H JUNIOR/JUNIOR FFA DEPARTMENT

A monetary award will be given to the Overall High Point Exhibitors. Three awards will be made: 1st Place - \$50; 2nd Place - \$30; 3rd Place - \$20. Overall high point exhibitors may receive the first-place award only once. Monetary awards will be given to 4-H Junior/Junior FFA and Senior 4-H/FCCLA/Senior FFA members by Austin County Parent Leaders, and Bellville FCCLA.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All entries are subject to the General Rules of the Austin County Fair.
2. The 4-H Junior/Junior FFA Department is open to any Austin County 4-H or Junior FFA member who resides in Austin County or is enrolled in an elementary or junior high school during the 2022/2023 school year.
3. Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.
4. **There is an explanation powerpoint to provide guidance on completing entry cards and tags.**

4-H SENIOR/FCCLA/SENIOR FFA DEPARTMENT

SPECIAL AWARDS

The Bellville FCCLA Chapter will donate a monetary award to the Overall High Point exhibitor. The Overall High Point exhibitor may receive the first-place award only once. This award will not be made to an individual exhibitor more than once.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All entries are subject to the General Rules of the Austin County Fair.
2. The 4-H Senior, FCCLA and Senior FFA Department is open to any Austin County 4-H member or FCCLA member or Senior FFA member who resides in Austin County or is enrolled in an Austin County high school during the 2022/2023 school year or at least 14 years old, but not older than 19.
3. Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.
4. **There is an explanation powerpoint to provide guidance on completing entry cards and tags.**

OPEN YOUTH DEPARTMENT

SPECIAL AWARDS

A monetary award will be presented to the Open Overall Highpoint Exhibitor in memory of Nelson Kieke. This award will not be made to the individual exhibitor more than once.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All entries are subject to the General Rules of the Austin County Fair.
2. The Open Youth Department is open to any Austin County youth who resides in Austin County or is enrolled in an Austin County school during the 2022/2023 school year. 4-H members, FFA members or FCCLA members are not eligible to participate in this department.
3. Exhibitors must indicate their age on each tag.
4. Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.
5. **There is an explanation powerpoint to provide guidance on completing entry cards and tags.**



Home Economics Youth Supreme



New this year! Exhibitors participating in Home Economics department in 4H Junior, Jr FFA, 4H Senior, FCCLA, FFA & Open Youth Departments receiving Supreme Grand Champion and Supreme Reserve Champion prizes in the following Divisions will have the opportunity to sell their winning item in the Youth Supreme & Country Auction on Saturday, October 14, 2023.

Supreme Champions will be chosen from following Divisions:

Clothing & Needlework

Baked Goods

Home Improvement

Canned Foods

Flower Show

Photography

Quilts

Fine Arts

Youth Supreme Auction Rules

Rules for entering items in the Home Economics departments can be found under the General Rules. Rules for specific categories can be found under the specific Division. All rules listed in the Youth Department rules must be abided to in order to participate in the Youth Supreme & Country Auction Sale.

Judging Process for Home Economics

- Individual Items will be judged in their specific category individually and will receive a blue ribbon.
- **Please note that each Category must have four (4) or more items to be awarded Grand or Reserve Champions.**
- Next, Categories will be judged to choose a Grand and Reserve Champions. There can be multiple winners in the same Division depending on the Categories. Winners will receive prize money and a rosette, \$15.00 for Grand and \$10.00 for Reserve.

- Division Grand and Reserve Champions will be judged for Supreme.
- Grand Champions will be judged together for the Overall Supreme Grand from each Division
- Reserve Champions will be judged together for the Overall Supreme Reserve from each Division
- Exhibitors winning Supreme will receive a banner and the opportunity to sell in the Youth Supreme & Country Auction
- Exhibitors will be notified and asked if they want the opportunity to sell in the sale. Please provide a good adult cell phone number on your entry card.
- Participating in the Youth Supreme & Country Auction Sale is highly encouraged but is not mandatory. The decision is up to the exhibitor in the case of sentimental value of the entry.
- Exhibitors will be allowed to sell in both the Youth Livestock (Friday) and the Youth Supreme & Country Auction (Saturday).
- In the case of Baked Goods, items must be baked fresh for the Auction on Saturday, October 14, 2023. Please deliver to the fairgrounds by 9 am in an appropriate container to be sold as a whole item.
- Exhibitors are required to sell their item in person at the sale, NO SUBSTITUTIONS ALLOWED.
- Items along with their banners will be displayed in the designated area for Supreme entries.
- Items too large to be on display in the Expo building will be displayed via photos/videos during the sale. Exhibitors may be required to provide photos/videos of their project.
- There will be a 7% fee deducted from the Exhibitors check for ACF accounting purposes.
- Handwritten “thank you” notes will be required for Buyers and for any additional add-ons provided. A list of Thank you notes will be mailed to you.

- Checks will be distributed to Exhibitors when all checks are ready for distribution and upon receipt of a handwritten Thank you note in accordance with the Youth Auction Sale/Add-On Check policy.
- Exhibitors will be required to submit a completed W-9 form for tax purposes.
- Exhibitor and one (1) parent will be asked to work during the Youth Supreme & Country Auction sale or volunteer to help with the Check out process on Sunday, October 15, 2023 at 9 a.m.

YOUTH DEPARTMENTS

4-H Junior, Junior FFA, 4-H Senior/FCCLA, FFA and Open Youth

4-H Junior/Junior FFA Department

Green Cards

4-H Senior/FCCLA/Senior FFA Department

Pink Cards

Open Youth Department

Yellow Cards

CLOTHING AND NEEDLEWORK DIVISION

CATEGORY “A”

Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.

CONSTRUCTED ITEMS

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| A1. Blouse | A15. Skorts |
| A2. Capris | A16. Slacks |
| A3. Coat/Shawl/Poncho | A17. Sport Outfit |
| A4. Costume | A18. Suit |
| A5. Dress – Casual | A19. Swimsuit Cover-Up |
| A6. House Robe | A20. Vest |
| A7. Jacket | A21. Apron |
| A8. Jumper | A22. Pillow |
| A9. Miscellaneous | A23. Pillowcase |
| A10. Night Gown or Pajamas | A24. Placemats |
| A11. Shirt | A25. Table runner |
| A12. Shorts | A26. Throw |
| A13. Shorts & Tops | A27. Tote Bag |
| A14. Skirt | A28. Towels |
| | A29. Wall Hanging, Stitched |

DECORATED GARMENTS

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|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| A30. Denim – Decorated | A37. Sweatshirt - Decorated |
| A31. Denim – Painted | A38. Sweatshirt – Painted |
| A32. Jacket | A39. T-Shirt – Appliquéd |
| A33. Jeans – Decorated | A40. T-Shirt – Decorated |
| A34. Miscellaneous Garment | A41. T-Shirt – Painted |
| A35. Skirt – Decorated | A42. Vest - Decorated |
| A36. Sweat Shirt – Appliquéd | |

CATEGORY “A”

Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.

ACCESSORIES

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| A43. Bandana | A52. Miscellaneous Accessory |
| A44. Barrett/Hair Clip (decorated) | A53. Necklace |
| A45. Belt | A54. Pin |
| A46. Bracelet | A55. Purse |
| A47. Earrings | A56. Ring |
| A48. Hat (decorated) | A57. Scarf |
| A49. Head Band | A58. Sun Visor/Cap (decorated) |
| A50. Key Chain | A59. Tote Bag (decorated) |
| A51. Leather Accessory | |

NEEDLEWORK

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| A60. Appliquéd Article | A67. Machine Embroidered Article |
| A61. Counted Cross Stitch Article | A68. Miscellaneous |
| A62. Crocheted Article | A69. Plastic Canvas Article |
| A63. Cross Stitch Article | A70. Towels |
| A64. Embroidered Article | A71. Sequined Kits |
| A65. Hook or Latch Item | |
| A66. Knitted Article | |

HOME IMPROVEMENT DIVISION

CATEGORY “B”

Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.

HOME ACCESSORIES

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| B1. Album/Book (decorated) | B18. Lamp Shade (decorated) |
| B2. Basket (decorated) | B19. Miscellaneous |
| B3. Bird House or Feeder | B20. Patriotic Item |
| B4. Box (decorated) | B21. Picture Frame |
| B5. Broom (decorated) | B22. Potholder |
| B6. Clipboard (decorated) | B23. Potpourri Item |
| B7. Christmas Doorknob Cover | B24. Puzzle Art |
| B8. Christmas Item – Other | B25. Refrigerator Magnet |
| B9. Christmas Ornament | B26. Stenciled Item |
| B10. Christmas Tree Skirt | B27. Stuffed Article (no toy) |
| B11. Coat Hanger (covered) | B28. Stuffed Toy |
| B12. Decoupage Item | B29. Thanksgiving Item |
| B13. Easter Item | B30. Valentine’s Item |
| B14. Flower Arrangement | B31. Wall Hanging |
| B15. Flowerpot (decorated) | B32. Woven Basket |
| B16. Halloween Item | B33. Wreath (decorated) |
| B17. Imitation Glass | |

CATEGORY “C”

Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.

CRAFTS

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| C1. Beaded Item | C13. Model |
| C2. Bookmark | C14. Paint by Number |
| C3. Clay Item | C15. Painting on Glass |
| C4. Clay Object | C16. Paper Art |
| C5. Educational Exhibits (No posters) | C17. Plaster of Paris Item |
| C6. Foam Art | C18. Pom-pom Item |
| C7. Fusible Bead Work | C19. Religious Article |
| C8. Hoop Item | C20. Sequined Article |
| C9. Leather Craft | C21. Stone or Rock Art |
| C10. Lego’s | C22. String Art |
| C11. Magnet | C23. Candles |
| C12. Miscellaneous | C24. Canvas Painting |
| | C25. Acrylic Item |
| | C26. Metal Item |

CATEGORY “D”

Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.

WOODWORK

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| D1. Constructed Wood Item | D7. Stenciled Item |
| D2. Decorated Wood Item | D8. Wall Hanging |
| D3. Holiday Article | D9. Wooden Box |
| D4. Miscellaneous | D10. Wooden Craft Item |
| D5. Painted Wood Item | D11. Yard Sign |
| D6. Religious Item | |

***No life size furniture**

FLOWER SHOW/SPECIMEN DIVISION

All plants must have been owned and cared for by the exhibitor at least 90 days prior to the Fair. The name of plant must be entered on entry card. All containers must be clean and attractive. Plants should be watered no later than 24 hours before exhibition. Plants and containers may weigh no more than 15 pounds. A scale will be available, and the 15 pounds rule will be enforced. No black pots, double pots or wrappings. **Please note that each Category must have four (4) or more items to be awarded Grand or Reserve Champions.**

CATEGORY "E"

FLOWERING POT PLANTS

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| E1. African Violet | E6. Hibiscus |
| E2. Begonia | E7. Impatiens |
| E3. Chrysanthemum | E8. Miniature Rose |
| E4. Exotic | E9. Ornamental Pepper |
| E5. Geranium | E10. Miscellaneous |

FOLIAGE POT PLANTS

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| E11. Caladium | E19. Peperomia |
| E12. Closet Plant | E20. Philodendron |
| E13. Coleus | E21. Rubber Plant |
| E14. Croton | E22. Schefflera |
| E15. Dieffenbachia | E23. Spider Plant |
| E16. Fern | E24. Tropical Plant |
| E17. Ivy | E25. Wandering Jew |
| E18. Miscellaneous | E26. Arrowhead Ivy |

CACTI AND SUCCULENTS

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|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| E27. Aloe Vera | E31. Kalanchoe |
| E28. Cacti | E32. Miscellaneous |
| E29. Hen and Chickens | E33. Sansevieria (Snake Plant or |
| E30. Jade | Mother-in-Law Tongue) |

CONTAINER GROUPING

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| E34. Dish Garden | E36. Miscellaneous |
| E35. Terrarium | |

FLORAL DESIGN

Choose the category that you feel is the most fitting for your arrangement.

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| E37. Buffet Table | E39. Coffee/Registration |
| E38. Memorial Piece | E40. Miscellaneous |

Specimen - Cuttings, Fruits & Vegetables

Any cut specimen is to be displayed in a clear glass or clear plastic bottle appropriate to the size of the specimen. Fruits and vegetables are to be displayed on appropriate size paper plate. Minimum of 3 pieces per entry per item.

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| E41. Misc. Specimen | E46. Fruits (3) |
| E42. Rose Specimen | E47. Vegetables (3) |
| E43. Annual Specimen | E48. Misc. Fruits or Vegetables (3) |
| E44. Perennial Specimen | E49. Herbs (Placed in a container) |
| E45. Bulbs, Corms, Tubera, Rhizomes, Specimen | |

BAKED GOODS DIVISION

Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.

Cakes, breads and pies must have two identical, completed entry tags for each item. Baked cakes and breads will be judged as the whole product. Other baked items must be placed on a 6" disposable plate and placed in a clear plastic zip lock bag to be accepted. No decorations such as ribbons, doilies, etc.

After judging, all cakes and breads should be picked up by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 10, 2023. Grand and Reserve winners will leave $\frac{1}{4}$ of the cake or bread for display, you may pick up the remaining portion. All cakes and breads not picked up by 5:00 p.m. will be disposed of. **All cakes must be on a sturdy, disposable sheet of cardboard no larger than 1" from the edge of the item which has been covered with aluminum foil or white paper.** Glass plates will not be accepted.

The fair is not responsible for any damage due to climate control.

If siblings are competing against one another in the same division (example – a brother and sister both bake brownies in the 4-H Junior Division), it would be to their advantage to modify the recipe if possible. For example, if one enters a brownie, the other should enter brownies with nuts. By doing this, the entries will be easier to distinguish.

CATEGORY "F"

BREADS (Mini Loaf Pans are Allowed)

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| F1. Coffee Cake | F8. Miscellaneous |
| F2. Cornbread – 3 pieces | F9. Muffins – 3 pieces |
| F3. Drop Biscuits – 3 pieces | F10. Plain Rolls – 3 pieces |
| F4. Grain/Cereal Muffins – 3 pieces | F11. Quick Breads |
| F5. Kolaches – 3 pieces | F12. Sweet Rolls – 3 pieces |
| F6. Loaf Bread | F13. Yeast Bread |
| F7. Mexican Cornbread – 3 pieces | |

CAKES

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| F14. Angel Food Cake | F19. Plain, Un-iced Cupcake |
| F15. Chiffon Cake | F20. Sheet Cake |
| F16. Jelly Roll | F21. 2 or 3 Layer Cake |
| F17. Loaf Cake | F22. Upside Down Cake |
| F18. Miscellaneous | F23. Bundt Cake |
| | F24. Cupcakes (3) |

COOKIES

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|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| F25. Bar Cookies – 3 | F29. Refrigerator Cookies – 3 |
| F26. Brownies – 3 | F30. Rolled Cookies – 3 |
| F27. Dropped Cookies – 3 | F31. Unbaked Cookies - 3 |
| F28. Miscellaneous – 3 | |

CANDY

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|------------------------|-------------------------|
| F32. Divinity – 3 | F35. Molded Candy – 3 |
| F33. Fudge – 3 | F36. Peanut Brittle – 3 |
| F34. Miscellaneous – 3 | F37. Praline – 3 |

DECORATED BAKED FOODS (Please note: Do not cut decorated items. They are judged as a whole product and on appearance.) The fair is not responsible for any damage due to climate control.

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| F38. Cake | F41. Cupcake -3 |
| F39. Candy -3 | F42. Cut-Up Cake |
| F40. Cookies -3 | F43. Miscellaneous |

PIES (Pies requiring refrigeration or freezing will NOT be accepted.) Entries should be in a disposable pan in a ziploc bag.

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| F44. Apple | F53. Miscellaneous Nut |
| F45. Apricot | F54. Peach |
| F46. Blackberry | F55. Peanut |
| F47. Blueberry | F56. Pear |
| F48. Cherry | F57. Pecan |
| F49. Cobbler | F58. Raisin |
| F50. Dewberry | F59. Strawberry |
| F51. Dried Fruit | F60. Walnut |
| F52. Miscellaneous Fruit | F61. Miscellaneous Pie |

CANNED FOODS DIVISION

Based on the recommendations of Ball Canning, the following criteria applies. The level of jar contents must be ¼” to ½” from the top of the jar lid. Low acid canned food items (items in pressure canner) need to have 1” head-space. All canned foods do not need a label, just an entry tag. All jars must be clean and shiny with rings removed.

Canning can be done in only a standard canning jar (Mason, Ball, Kerr, etc.) – salad dressing or other such jars are not allowed. Fruit, vegetables, fruit pickles, and vegetable pickles – pieces in jars should be uniform in size and product should not be floating. Jelly must be firm, but not hard or with visible sugar crystals. It must pull away clean from the side of the jar and still hold its shape. Fruit or vegetable juice must be bright and have a clear color. It should not be cloudy. Quality canned items do not have air pockets or bubbles among the vegetable or fruit pieces. **Please note that each Category must have four (4) or more items to be awarded Grand or Reserve Champions.**

CATEGORY “G”

VEGETABLES

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| G1. Beets | G6. Okra and Tomatoes |
| G2. Carrots | G7. Sauerkraut |
| G3. Corn | G8. Squash |
| G4. Green Snap Beans | G9. Tomatoes |
| G5. Miscellaneous | G10. Vegetable Juice |

FRUITS

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| G11. Berries | G15. Peaches |
| G12. Figs | G16. Pears |
| G13. Fruit Juice | G17. Plums |
| G14. Miscellaneous | |

PRESERVES, JELLIES and JAMS

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|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| G18. Apple Jam | G31. Peach Jam |
| G19. Apple Jelly | G32. Peach Jelly |
| G20. Berry Jam | G33. Peach Preserves |
| G21. Berry Jelly | G34. Pear Jam |
| G22. Dewberry Jam | G35. Pear Preserves |
| G23. Dewberry Preserves | G36. Plum Jam |
| G24. Fig Jam | G37. Plum Jelly |
| G25. Fig Preserves | G38. Plum Preserves |
| G26. Grape Jam | G39. Strawberry Jam |
| G27. Grape Jelly | G40. Strawberry Preserves |
| G28. Misc. Jam – No Duplicates | G41. Tomato Jam |
| G29. Misc. Jelly – No Duplicates | G42. Tomato Preserves |
| G30. Misc. Preserves – No Duplicates | |

PICKLES AND RELISHES

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|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| G43. Bread & Butter Pickles | G54. Miscellaneous Sauce |
| G44. Catsup | G55. Pepper Relish |
| G45. Chili Sauce | G56. Picanté Sauce |
| G46. Chow Chow | G57. Pickled Beans |
| G47. Corn Relish | G58. Pickled Beets |
| G48. Dill Pickles | G59. Pickled Okra |
| G49. Hot Pickles | G60. Pickled Peaches |
| G50. Miscellaneous Pickles | G61. Pickled Pears |
| G51. Miscellaneous Pickled Fruit | G62. Pickled Squash |
| G52. Miscellaneous Pickled Vegetables | G63. Sweet Pickles |
| G53. Miscellaneous Relish | G64. Tomato Sauce |

MISCELLANEOUS (Entry may be exhibited in appropriate container or jar and does not need to be in sealed jars.)

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| G65. Cereal Snack Mix | G73. Homemade Pasta |
| G66. Cooked Cheese | G74. Homemade Soup Mix |
| G67. Cookie Mix | G75. Homemade Syrup |
| G68. Dehydrated Fruit | G76. Honey (strained) |
| G69. Dehydrated Vegetables | G77. Honey in Comb (quart) |
| G70. Dehydrated Miscellaneous | G78. Miscellaneous |
| G71. Flavored Popcorn | G79. Spiced Nuts |
| G72. Homemade Noodles | |

PHOTOGRAPHY DIVISION

1. All entries must be in the form of color or black & white, 8"x10" prints mounted on a foam or mat board of the exact dimension 8"x10". No frames allowed.
2. The photo may be cropped for effect but the dimensions of 8"x10" must remain.
3. Only one entry may be submitted per class. No exceptions.
4. There must be at least four (4) photos entered in the "Single Black & White Print" category and at least four (4) photos entered in the "Single Color Print" category in order to be awarded premium money.

CATEGORY "H"

SINGLE COLOR PRINT

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| H1. Animal Domestic | H8. Motion/Action |
| H2. Animal Wildlife | H9. Leading Line |
| H3. Creative Effects (Enhanced) | H10. Long Exposure |
| H4. Details & Macros | H11. Nature & Landscape |
| H5. Elements of Design | H12. People |
| H6. Food | H13. Plant/Flora |
| H7. Miscellaneous/Catch All | H14. Shadow/Silhouette |

SINGLE BLACK & WHITE PRINT

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| H15. Animal Domestic | H22. Motion/Action |
| H16. Animal Wildlife | H23. Leading Line |
| H17. Creative Effects (Enhanced) | H24. Long Exposure |
| H18. Details & Macros | H25. Nature & Landscape |
| H19. Elements of Design | H26. People |
| H20. Food | H27. Plant/Flora |
| H21. Miscellaneous/Catch All | H28. Shadow/Silhouette |

YOUTH QUILT SHOW

“CATEGORY J”

QUILTS and QUILTED ITEMS – (hand quilted finished, Any Size)

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| J1. Appliqué | J18. Paper Pieced |
| J2. Art Quilt (embellished) | J19. Patchwork |
| J3. Baby quilt | J20. Placemats |
| J4. Bed runner | J21. Pre-printed/Fabric Panel |
| J5. Cathedral Window | J22. Quillow |
| J6. Crazy quilt | J23. Quilted Fashion Accessory |
| J7. Crib quilt | J24. Quilted Wearable |
| J8. Cross Stitch, Embroidered | J25. Recycled |
| J9. Denim | J26. Scrappy quilt |
| J10. Group quilt (3 or More) | J27. String quilt |
| J11. Hand Embroidered | J28. T-Shirt quilt or item |
| J12. Holiday | J29. Table runner |
| J13. Lap quilt | J30. Tacked/Tied |
| J14. Machine Embroidered | J31. Trapunto |
| J15. Miniature quilts | J32. Two-Color quilt |
| J16. Miscellaneous | J33. Wall hanging |
| J17. Modern | J34. Whole Cloth quilt |
| | J35. Yo-Yo Item |

QUILTS and QUILTED ITEMS – (Machine quilted, Any Size)

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| J36. Appliqué | J54. Paper Pieced |
| J37. Art Quilt (embellished) | J55. Patchwork |
| J38. Baby quilt | J56. Placemats |
| J39. Bed runner | J57. Pre-printed/Fabric Panel |
| J40. Cathedral Window | J58. Quilted Fashion Accessory |
| J41. Crazy Quilt | J59. Quilted wearable |
| J42. Cross Stitch, Embroidered | J60. Quillow |
| J43. Crib quilt | J61. Raw-Edged Quilt |
| J44. Denim | J62. Recycled |
| J45. Group Quilt (3 or More) | J63. Scrappy Quilt |
| J46. Hand Embroidered | J64. String Quilt |
| J47. Holiday | J65. T-Shirt Quilt |
| J48. Lap quilt | J66. Table runner |
| J49. Machine Embroidered | J67. Trapunto |
| J50. Miniature quilts | J68. Two-Color Quilt |
| J51. Miscellaneous (small) | J69. Wall hanging |
| J52. Miscellaneous (large) | J70. Whole Cloth Quilt |
| J53. Modern | J71. Yo-Yo Item |

ADULT DEPARTMENT RULES

EXTENSION EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

RULES AND REGULATIONS

*Every exhibitor in this department must be an **Active** member of an Austin County Extension Education Club. Extension Education members are not eligible to enter in the Open Department.*

1. A special gift will be given to the High Point exhibitor. The award is donated by the Austin County Extension Education Association. Previous winners are eligible after five years. High Point winners from 2017 or earlier ARE eligible for the 2023 High Point Award. Winners from 2018 through 2022 are NOT eligible for the 2023 award.
2. In case of a tie, the winner will be determined on the basis of the most Grand, Reserve, Blue and Red Ribbons and total number of entries. If a tie remains, the final tie breaker will be a flip of the coin.
3. An appropriate award will be presented to each of the Overall High Point exhibitors in the Fiber Arts, Clothing, Handicraft, Canning, Photography and Baking Divisions. Winners from 2017 or earlier are eligible for the 2023 High Point Award. Winners from 2018 through 2022 are NOT eligible for the 2023 award.
4. Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.
5. **There is an explanation powerpoint to provide guidance on completing entry cards and tags.**

OPEN ADULT DEPARTMENT

This department is open to any adult who resides in Austin County, except Extension Education Club members.

1. A special gift will be given to the Overall High Point exhibitor. The award is donated by the Bluebonnet Area Quilt Guild. Winners from 2017 or earlier are eligible for the 2023 High Point Award. Winners from 2018 through 2022 are NOT eligible for the 2023 award.

In case of a tie, the winner will be determined on the basis of the most Grand, Reserve, Blue, and Red Ribbons and total number of entries. If a tie remains, the final tie breaker will be a flip of the coin,

2. An appropriate award will be presented to each of the High Point exhibitors in the Fiber Arts, Clothing, Handicraft, Canning, Baking and Photography Divisions. Winners from 2017 or earlier are eligible for the 2023 High Point Award. Winners from 2017 through 2022 are NOT eligible for the 2023 award.
3. Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.

ADULT DEPARTMENTS

Open Adult and Extension Education

Open Adult Department

Lilac Cards

Extension Education Department

Light Blue Cards

CLOTHING DIVISION

CATEGORY "A"

Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.

Constructed or Decorated Items and Accessories

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| A1. Apron | A24. Pants or Slacks |
| A2. Bandana | A25. Pants Skirt (Culottes) |
| A3. Beaded Pin | A26. Poncho or Cape |
| A4. Belt | A27. Purse |
| A5. Blazer or Jacket | A28. Recycled Garment |
| A6. Blouse | A29. Scarf |
| A7. Bonnet | A30. Shawl |
| A8. Boy's Garment | A31. Shirt |
| A9. Bracelet | A32. Shoes |
| A10. Capris | A33. Shorts |
| A11. Costume | A34. Skirt (long or short) |
| A12. Dress | A35. Socks |
| A13. Earrings | A36. Special Occasion Dress |
| A14. Girl's Garment | A37. Sports Outfit |
| A15. Gown (formal or informal) | A38. Sports Shirt |
| A16. Hair Accessory | A39. Suit (dress or pant) |
| A17. Hat or Cap | A40. Sweatshirt |
| A18. House Robe | A41. Swimsuit |
| A19. Infant Apparel | A42. Swim Suit Cover-up |
| A20. Infant Bedding | A43. Tote bag |
| A21. Jumper Dress | A44. Vest |
| A22. Miscellaneous | A45. Western Shirt |
| A23. Necklace | |

FIBER ARTS

CATEGORY "B"

Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.

EMBROIDERY (embroidery, needlepoint, and counted cross stitch, hand or machine)

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| B1. Appliqué Stitchery | B31. Landscape Wall Hanging |
| B2. Apron | B32. Luncheon Cloth or Set |
| B3. Book Cover | B33. Machine Embroidery |
| B4. Bookmark | B34. Magnets |
| B5. Candle Wicking | B35. Miscellaneous |
| B6. Chicken Scratch | B36. Napkin Set |
| B7. Christmas Card | B37. Needle Punch |
| B8. Christmas Item | B38. One Color Work |
| B9. Christmas Stocking | B39. Original Design |
| B10. Christmas Wall Hanging | B40. Ornaments |
| B11. Clocks | B41. Pillow |
| B12. Clothing Article | B42. Pillowcases/Sham (1 or 2) |
| B13. Creative Stitchery | B43. Placemats |
| B14. Creative Stitchery Quotes | B44. Poems |
| B15. Crewel | B45. Prayers |
| B16. Cut Work | B46. Rug |
| B17. Digitized Embroidery | B47. Silk Ribbon Embroidery |
| B18. Dish Towel | B48. Sampler |
| B19. Fashion Accessory | B49. Shadow Embroidery |
| B20. Floral Wall Hanging | B50. Smocked Article |
| B21. Framed Item | B51. Stamped Cross Stitch |
| B22. Greeting card | B52. Still Life Picture |
| B23. Handbag (Purse) | B53. Tablecloths |
| B24. Hemstitching | B54. Thread Painting |
| B25. Holiday Item (not Christmas) | B55. Topiary (standing/weighted needlepoint) |
| B26. Holiday Wall Hanging | B56. Tote |
| B27. Household Items | B57. Towel |
| B28. Jar Covers | |
| B29. Jar Lids | |
| B30. Lace Darning | |

CROCHET, TATTING AND KNITTED CATEGORY

(starched or unstarched)

Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.

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| B58. Adult apparel | B82. Lace Edge (1yd, any kind) |
| B59. Afghan | B83. Layette accessories |
| B60. Angel | B84. Luncheon cloth or set |
| B61. Baby Blanket | B85. Miscellaneous |
| B62. Bedspread | B86. Miscellaneous Crochet item |
| B63. Bib | B87. Miscellaneous Knitted Item |
| B64. Buffet or Vanity set | B88. Miscellaneous Tatted Item |
| B65. Cap | B89. Pillow |
| B66. Centerpiece (under 14") | B90. Placemats |
| B67. Chair set | B91. Poncho or Cape |
| B68. Child Apparel | B92. Potholder |
| B69. Christmas Ornament | B93. Purse |
| B70. Collar | B94. Recycled fibers |
| B71. Doll clothes | B95. Rug |
| B72. Doily (under 14") | B96. Rag Knitted Item |
| B73. Edging or Insertions (1yd) | B97. Scarf |
| B74. Fashion Accessory | B98. Snowflake |
| B75. Filet Crochet | B99. Sweater |
| B76. Hairpin Lace | B100. Stuffed Doll |
| B77. Headpiece | B101. Tablecloth |
| B78. Holiday Items | B102. Toy |
| B79. Home Accessory | B103. Tree Top Ornament |
| B80. House Shoes | B104. Vest |
| B81. Infant Apparel | |

QUILTS and QUILTED ITEMS – (hand quilted finished, Any Size)

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| B105. Appliqué | B123. Paper Pieced |
| B106. Art Quilt (embellished) | B124. Patchwork |
| B107. Baby quilt | B125. Placemats |
| B108. Bed runner | B126. Pre-printed/Fabric Panel |
| B109. Cathedral Window | B127. Quillow |
| B110. Crazy Quilt | B128. Quilted Fashion Accessory |
| B111. Crib quilt | B129. Quilted wearable |
| B112. Cross Stitch, Embroidered | B130. Raw-edged |
| B113. Denim | B131. Recycled |
| B114. English Paper-piecing | B132. Scrappy Quilt |
| B115. Group Quilt (3 or More) | B133. String Quilt |
| B116. Hand Embroidered | B134. T-Shirt Quilt or item |
| B117. Holiday | B135. Table runner |
| B118. Lap quilt | B136. Trapunto |
| B119. Machine Embroidered | B137. Two-Color Quilt |
| B120. Miniature quilts | B138. Wall hanging |
| B121. Miscellaneous | B139. Whole Cloth Quilt |
| B122. Modern | B140. Yo-Yo Item |

QUILTS and QUILTED ITEMS – (Machine quilted, finished Larger than Twin Size)

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| B141. Appliqué | B155. Paper Pieced |
| B142. Art Quilt (embellished) | B156. Patchwork |
| B143. Bed runner | B157. Pre-printed/Fabric Panel |
| B144. Cathedral Window | B158. Quillow |
| B145. Crazy quilt | B159. Raw-Edged quilt |
| B146. Cross Stitch, Embroidered | B160. Recycled |
| B147. Denim | B161. Scrappy quilt |
| B148. English Paper-piecing | B162. String quilt |
| B149. Group quilt (3 or More) | B163. T-Shirt quilt or item |
| B150. Hand Embroidered | B164. Trapunto |
| B151. Holiday | B165. Two-Color quilt |
| B152. Machine Embroidered | B166. Wall hanging |
| B153. Miscellaneous | B167. Whole Cloth quilt |
| B154. Modern | B168. Yo-Yo Item |

QUILTS and QUILTED ITEMS – (Machine quilted, Twin size or smaller)

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| B169. Appliqué | B187. Paper Pieced |
| B170. Art Quilt (embellished) | B188. Patchwork |
| B171. Baby quilt | B189. Placemats |
| B172. Bed runner | B190. Pre-printed/Fabric Panel |
| B173. Cathedral Window | B191. Quillow |
| B174. Crazy quilt | B192. Quilted Fashion Accessory |
| B175. Cross Stitch, Embroidered | B193. Quilted wearable |
| B176. Crib quilt | B194. Raw-Edged quilt |
| B177. Denim | B195. Recycled |
| B178. English Paper-pieced | B196. Scrappy quilt |
| B179. Group quilt (3 or More) | B197. String quilt |
| B180. Hand Embroidered | B198. T-Shirt quilt or item |
| B181. Holiday | B199. Table runner |
| B182. Lap quilt | B200. Trapunto |
| B183. Machine Embroidered | B201. Two-Color quilt |
| B184. Miniature quilts | B202. Wall hanging |
| B185. Miscellaneous | B203. Whole Cloth quilt |
| B186. Modern | B204. Yo-Yo Item |

HANDICRAFT DIVISION

CATEGORY “C”

If the item consists of an original design by the exhibitor, please note “Original Design” on the entry tag.

CLOTH OR YARN ITEMS

Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.

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| C1. Animal Doll | C19. Latch Hook Pillow |
| C2. Bed Runner | C20. Miscellaneous Item |
| C3. Book Cover (decorated) | C21. Pillow |
| C4. Braided Rug | C22. Pillowcases/Shams (1 or 2) |
| C5. Coat Hanger (decorated) | C23. Plastic Canvas |
| C6. Decorated Pillow | C24. Pre-printed Cloth Item – Sewn |
| C7. Doll | C25. Puppets |
| C8. Fabric Wall Hanging | C26. Rag Rug |
| C9. Felt Item | C27. Rug |
| C10. Hand-Stitched | C28. Seasonal Doll |
| C11. Holiday Doll | C29. Seasonal Item |
| C12. Holiday Item | C30. Soft Sculpture |
| C13. Holiday Stocking | C31. Stuffed Animal |
| C14. Home Item | C32. Stuffed Miscellaneous |
| C15. Hot Dish Carrier | C33. Table Runner |
| C16. Jewelry | C34. Yarn Item |
| C17. Kitchen Item | C35. Yo-Yo Items |
| C18. Latch Hook | |

FLOWERS AND WREATHS (Not Live)

Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.

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| C36. Basket Flower Arrangement | C45. Miscellaneous Centerpiece |
| C37. Christmas Arrangement | C46. Misc. Flower Arrangement |
| C38. Christmas Wreath | C47. Miscellaneous Wreath |
| C39. Fabric Flower Arrangement | C48. Paper Flower Arrangement |
| C40. Fabric Flower Wreath | C49. Paper Flower Wreath |
| C41. Fall Flower Arrangement | C50. Silk Flower Arrangement |
| C42. Fall Wreath | C51. Spring Wreath |
| C43. Holiday Floral Centerpiece | C52. Vase Flower Arrangement |
| C44. Holiday Wreath | |

ASSEMBLED ITEMS AND MISCELLANEOUS

Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.

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| C53. Bookmark | C66. Jewelry |
| C54. Candles | C67. Kitchen Decorated |
| C55. Craft Kit | C68. Metal Art |
| C56. Decorated Cards | C69. Miscellaneous Item |
| C57. Decoupage | C70. Miscellaneous Model |
| C58. Diorama | C71. Mixed Media Item |
| C59. Doorstop | C72. Ornament |
| C60. Garden Decorated | C73. Recycled Item |
| C61. Hat | C74. Religious Item |
| C62. Holiday Centerpiece | C75. Scrapbook |
| C63. Holiday Decorated | C76. Shells |
| C64. Home Decorated | C77. Vehicle Model |
| C.65 Homemade Soap | C78. Wall Hanging |

FINE ART HANDICRAFTS – (Emphasis on Artwork/creativity)

Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.

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| C79. Acrylics | C99. Oil |
| C80. Artwork on Inside Item | C100. Paper-Mache Item |
| C81. Artwork on Outside Item | C101. Pen/Ink |
| C82. Carved Item | C102. Pencil |
| C83. Ceramic Item | C103. Quilling |
| C84. Clay Item | C104. Scratch Art |
| C85. Charcoal | C105. Sculpture |
| C86. Color Pencil | C106. Stained Glass Home Item |
| C87. Egg-decorated | C107. Stained Glass Kit |
| C88. Etched Glass | C108. Stained Glass Window |
| C89. Garden Item | C109. Stone |
| C90. Holiday/Seasonal Item | C110. Tooled Leather |
| C91. Home Item | C111. Toy |
| C92. Intarsia | C112. Wall Plaque |
| C93. Kitchen Item | C113. Watercolor |
| C94. Metal Art | C114. Wooden Bird House |
| C95. Miniature Furniture | C115. Wooden Doll House |
| C96. Miscellaneous | C116. Wooden Carved Item |
| C97. Model | C117. Wooden Jewelry |
| C98. Mosaic | C118. Wood Miscellaneous |
| | C119. Yard Signs |

BAKED GOODS DIVISION

1. All entries in this division shall be placed on a heavy-duty disposable plate or cardboard covered with aluminum foil and covered with clear plastic or placed in a plastic bag.
2. Any baked item with extra designs or embellishments should be entered in the decorated baked foods.
3. Baked cakes and breads will be judged as the whole product. After judging, all cakes and breads should be picked up by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 10, 2023. All cakes and breads not picked up by 5:00 p.m. will be disposed of.
4. A ¼ portion of the Grand Champion and Reserve Champion baked items must remain on display during Fair Week. The remaining portion can be picked up.
5. Items requiring refrigeration or freezing will NOT be accepted.
6. Items will be sliced for taste and display.
7. Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.

CATEGORY “E”

BREADS

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| E1. Bread – Fancy Shaped | E9. Rolls – Plain (3) |
| E2. Bread Machine Item | E10. Rolls – Sweet (3) |
| E3. Cinnamon Rolls (3) | E11. Rye Bread – Loaf |
| E4. Coffee Cake | E12. Sour Dough |
| E5. Kolaches (3) | E13. Sour Dough Misc |
| E6. Miscellaneous | E14. Swedish Tea Ring |
| E7. Poppy Seed Roll or 3 Individual Rolls | E15. Sweet Bread |
| E8. Raisin Bread | E16. Wheat Bread – Loaf |
| | E17. White Bread – Loaf |

DECORATED BAKED FOODS - Do not cut decorated items.

They are judged as a whole product and on appearance. The fair is not responsible for any damage due to climate control. Due to limited space please see rule #9 in general rules.

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| E18. Cut-up Animal Cake | E21. Decorated Cookies (3) |
| E19. Decorated Cake | E22. Decorated Cupcakes (3) |
| E20. Decorated Candy (3) | E23. Miscellaneous |

CANDY – Exhibit three (3) items of each kind on a paper plate in a sandwich bag,

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| E24. Candy – Coated Pieces | E32. Fudge |
| E25. Candy – Molded | E33. Martha Washington |
| E26. Candy – Uncooked | E34. Miscellaneous |
| E27. Caramel | E35. Peanut Brittle |
| E28. Chocolate | E36. Pecan Brittle |
| E29. Coated Nuts | E37. Pralines/Mexican Pecans |
| E30. Date Roll | E38. Toffee |
| E31. Divinity | |

QUICK BREADS

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| E39. Apple Bread | E50. Miscellaneous |
| E40. Banana Nut Bread | E51. Muffins (3) |
| E41. Beer Bread | E52. Oatmeal Bread |
| E42. Biscuits, Beer (3) | E53. Pumpkin Bread |
| E43. Biscuits, Dropped (3) | E54. Quick Coffee Cake |
| E44. Biscuits, Rolled (3) | E55. Soda Bread |
| E45. Carrot Bread | E56. Strudel |
| E46. Cornbread | E57. Vegetable Bread |
| E47. Cranberry Bread | E58. Vegetable Cornbread |
| E48. Fruit Bread | E59. Zucchini Bread |
| E49. Mexican Cornbread | |

CATEGORY “F”

PIES – Exhibit entries in a disposable pie pan. One slice will be removed for judging. The remaining pie may be picked up or donated to the Fair. Pies requiring refrigeration or freezing will NOT be accepted.

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| F1. Apple | F9. Miscellaneous Pie |
| F2. Apricot | F10. Peach |
| F3. Blackberry | F11. Peanut |
| F4. Blueberry | F12. Pear |
| F5. Cherry | F13. Pecan |
| F6. Dewberry | F14. Raisin |
| F7. Dried Fruit | F15. Strawberry |
| F8. Misc. Fruit Pie | F16. Walnut |

CAKES

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| F17. Angel Food | F27. German Chocolate |
| F18. Bundt Cake | F28. Hummingbird |
| F19. Cake Mix/Semi-Homemade | F29. Italian Cream Cake |
| F20. Carrot Cake | F30. Jelly Roll |
| F21. Chiffon | F31. Miscellaneous |
| F22. Chocolate | F32. Nut |
| F23. Cream Cheese | F33. Pound |
| F24. Devil’s Food | F34. Prune |
| F25. Flat Sheet | F35. Streusel |
| F26. Fruit Cake | F36. White or Yellow |

COOKIES – Exhibit three (3) items of each kind placed on **a small paper plate in a quart size bag only.**

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| F37. Bars | F44. Macaroon |
| F38. Brownies | F45. Meringue |
| F39. Cereal | F46. Miscellaneous |
| F40. Cookie Mix/Semi Homemade | F47. Pressed |
| F41. Dropped | F48. Rolled |
| F42. Filled | F49. Shaped |
| F43. Icebox | F50. Unbaked |

CANNED FOODS DIVISION

All canned foods do not need a label just an entry tag. Based on the recommendations of Ball's canning, the level of jar contents must be $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the top of the jar lid. Low acid canned food items (items in pressure canner) need to have 1" head-space. All jars must be clean and shiny **with rings removed**. Canning can be done in only a standard canning jar (Mason, Ball, Kerr, etc.) – salad dressing or other such jars are not allowed. Fruit, vegetables, fruit pickles and vegetable pickles – pieces in jars should be uniform in size and product should not be floating. Jelly must be firm, with no visible sugar crystals. It must pull away clean from the side of the jar and still hold its shape. Fruit or vegetable juice must be bright and have a clear color. It should not be cloudy. Quality canned items do not have air pockets or bubbles among the vegetable or fruit pieces. .
Please note that each Category must have four (4) or more items to be awarded Grand or Reserve Champions.

CATEGORY “G”

PRESERVES, JAMS, JELLIES AND FRUIT BUTTERS (½

pint or pint jars)

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| G1. Apple Butter | G29. Miscellaneous Fruit Butter |
| G2. Apple Jelly | G30. Miscellaneous Jam |
| G3. Apricot Jam | G31. Miscellaneous Jelly |
| G4. Apricot Preserves | G32. Miscellaneous Preserves |
| G5. Banana Butter | G33. Mixed Fruit Jam |
| G6. Berry Jam | G34. Mixed Fruit Jelly |
| G7. Berry Jelly | G35. Peach Butter |
| G8. Berry Preserves | G36. Peach Jam |
| G9. Blueberry Jam | G37. Peach Jelly |
| G10. Blueberry Jelly | G38. Peach Preserves |
| G11. Blueberry Preserves | G39. Pear Butter |
| G12. Cactus Jelly | G40. Pear Honey |
| G13. Cherry Jam | G41. Pear Preserves |
| G14. Cherry Jelly | G42. Pepper Jam |
| G15. Cherry Preserves | G43. Pepper Jelly |
| G16. Dewberry Jelly | G44. Pineapple Preserves |
| G17. Dietetic Jelly | G45. Plum Butter |
| G18. Exotic Fruit Butter | G46. Plum Jam |
| G19. Exotic Jelly | G47. Plum Jelly |
| G20. Exotic Preserves | G48. Plum Preserves |
| G21. Fig Jam | G49. Raspberry Jam |
| G22. Fig Preserves | G50. Raspberry Jelly |
| G23. Grape Butter | G51. Strawberry Jam |
| G24. Grape Jam | G52. Strawberry Jelly |
| G25. Grape Jelly | G53. Tomato Jelly |
| G26. Jam with Jell-O | G54. Tomato Preserves |
| G27. Marmalade (any kind) | G55. Watermelon Preserves |
| G28. Mint Jelly | G56. Wine Jelly |

MISCELLANEOUS (Entry may be exhibited in appropriate container or jar and does not need to be in sealed jars.)

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| G57. Cereal Snack Mix | G64. Homemade Pasta |
| G58. Cooked Cheese | G65. Homemade Syrup |
| G59. Dehydrated Fruit | G66. Honey (strained) |
| G60. Dehydrated Vegetables | G67. Honey in Comb (quart) |
| G61. Dehydrated Miscellaneous | G68. Miscellaneous |
| G62. Flavored Popcorn | G69. Spiced Nuts |
| G63. Homemade Noodles | |

CATEGORY “H”

CANNED FRUIT (standard pint or quart jars)

FRUIT JUICE (standard jars)

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| H1. Apple Juice | H10. Fruit (mixed) |
| H2. Apples | H11. Fruit Juice (miscellaneous) |
| H3. Apricot | H12. Grape Juice (Domestic) |
| H4. Berries (other) | H13. Grape Juice (Wild) |
| H5. Berry Juice | H14. Peaches |
| H6. Blackberries | H15. Pears |
| H7. Blueberry | H16. Raspberry |
| H8. Figs | H17. Tomato Juice |
| H9. Fruit (miscellaneous) | H18. Tomatoes |

CANNED VEGETABLES (standard pints or quarts) (not pickled)

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| H19. Beets | H27. Okra and Tomatoes |
| H20. Carrots | H28. Peppers – any kind |
| H21. Corn | H29. Potatoes – any kind |
| H22. Field Peas | H30. Sauerkraut |
| H23. Green Beans | H31. Soup Mix |
| H24. Lima Beans | H32. Squash |
| H25. Miscellaneous | H33. Zucchini Squash |
| H26. Okra | |

RELISHES AND PICKLES

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| H34. Barbecue Sauce | H52. Peaches – Pickled |
| H35. Beans – Pickled | H53. Pears – Pickled |
| H36. Beets – Pickled | H54. Peppers Pickled - Jalapenos |
| H37. Bread & Butter Pickles | H55. Peppers Pickled – Hot |
| H38. Carrots – Pickled | H56. Peppers Pickled – Sweet |
| H39. Catsup | H57. Picante Sauce |
| H40. Chili Sauce | H58. Pickled Green Tomatoes |
| H41. Chow Chow | H59. Relish – Misc. any kind |
| H42. Chutney – any kind | H60. Salsa |
| H43. Corn Relish | H61. Sour Pickles |
| H44. Cucumber Relish | H62. Squash Pickled |
| H45. Dill Pickles | H63. Squash – Relish |
| H46. Green Tomato Relish | H64. Sweet & Sour Pickles |
| H47. Holiday Pickles | H65. Sweet Pickles |
| H48. Hot Pickles | H66. Tomato Sauce |
| H49. Miscellaneous | H67. Vegetables – Pickled |
| H50. Okra – Pickled | H68. Watermelon Rind Pickles |
| H51. Onions – Pickled | |

PHOTOGRAPHY DIVISION

Chairman: Pam O'Brian 979-820-5025

Co-Chair: Mandy Worsham

1. All entries must be in the form of color or black & white 8"x10" prints mounted on a foam or mat board of the exact dimension 8"x10". No frames allowed.
2. The photo may be cropped for effect but the dimensions of 8"x10" must remain. Negatives are not required.
3. Only one entry may be submitted per class. No exceptions.
4. There must be at least four (4) photos entered in the "Single Black & White" category and at least four (4) photos entered in the "Single Color" category. in order to be awarded Grand and Reserve Champions.
5. Photos should be printed on regular photographic paper. If a contestant wants to use special paper, which enhances the photograph, they would be able to enter it is the "Special Effects" category.

CATEGORY "J"

SINGLE COLOR PRINT

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| J1. Action | J9. Miscellaneous |
| J2. Animal | J10. People |
| J3. Aquatic | J11. Plant/Flora |
| J4. Austin County Fair Memories | J12. Patriotic |
| J5. Landscape | J13. Reptiles |
| J6. Insects | J14. Scenic |
| J7. Macro | J15. Special/Creative Effects |
| J8. Man Made Object | J16. Still Life |

SINGLE BLACK & WHITE PRINT

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| J17. Action | J25. Miscellaneous |
| J18. Animal | J26. People |
| J19. Aquatic | J27. Plant/Flora |
| J20. Austin County Fair Memories | J28. Patriotic |
| J21. Landscape | J29. Reptiles |
| J22. Insects | J30. Scenic |
| J23. Macro | J31. Special/Creative Effects |
| J24. Man Made Object | J32. Still Life |

FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT SCHOOL AND OPEN RULES AND REGULATIONS

Fine Art Entry Card - Coral

1. All entries are subject to the General Rules of the Austin County Fair.
2. Entries will be received Monday, October 9, 2023 from 4:00 p.m. until 6:45 p.m. and Tuesday, October 10, 2023 from 9:00 am – 11:45 am
3. All artwork submitted must have been made since November 2022.
4. Only one (1) piece of artwork per person will be accepted.
5. All exhibits in this department must be labeled, giving name, address/school and exhibitor division.
6. Exhibitor divisions are:
Open: Adult (non-professional) and Youth
School Art: Elementary, Junior High and High School

“BE CREATIVE AND ORIGINAL IN COMPOSITION AND IN EXPRESSION.”

7. **Entry Regulations:**
NO Plagiarism allowed!
Published images MAY NOT be reproduced in whole or part. Published images include, but are not limited to, drawings, sketches or photographs published electronically (eBooks, mobile apps, web sites, etc.) or in print (magazines, books, brochures, etc.). No trademark logos, licensed characters or any other copyrighted image. However, any listed may be used as reference material.

No obscenity allowed!

No profane references to a deity, obscene language, drug abuse or paraphernalia, images that are violent or any content that may offend the moral standards of the community.

8. Acceptable medium:

Pencils (graphite, colored, charcoal), pressed crayon, pastels (chalk, oil), paints (tempera, acrylic, watercolors, oil), inks (pen & ink, printmaking, graffito), paper (collage).

**All loose materials must be 'fixed' with a spray fixative.*

9. Size of Work:

Adult, High School, Junior High ages – maximum overall dimensions of mounted artwork cannot exceed 24" x 24".

Elementary and preschool ages – artwork cannot exceed 9"x12"; mounted with no more than a 1" border (example: mount the 9" x 12" art piece on a ½ sheet of poster board, the final measurement)

10. Artwork must be mounted or matted with white or black mounts/mats; no liners or additional inner mats allowed.

Un-mounted artwork will not be accepted.

11. All artwork needs to be unframed. Canvas board/stretched canvas artwork needs to have a tab attached to each top corner so that the artwork can be hung on the display board.

12. Do not put your signature on the front of your artwork.

13. Awards:

Elementary School Art:

One (1) "Best of Show" and one (1) "Honorable Mention" rosette will be awarded to grades Pre-K thru 3 and grades 4 thru 5 per district. The remaining entries will receive participation ribbons. Prize money: "Best of Show" receives \$10.00 and "Honorable Mention" receives \$5.00.

Junior High School Art:

One (1) “Best of Show” and one (1) “Honorable Mention” rosette will be awarded per campus. Judges will award blue and red ribbons based on merit. Prize money: “Best of Show” receives \$15.00 and “Honorable Mention” receives \$10.00. No prize money will be awarded for blue and red ribbons.

High School Art:


One (1) “Best of Show” and one (1) “Honorable Mention” rosette will be awarded per campus. Judges will award blue and red ribbons based on merit. Prize money: “Best of Show” receives \$15.00 and “Honorable Mention” receives \$10.00. No prize money will be awarded for blue and red ribbons.

Open Youth:


One (1) “Best of Show” and one (1) “Honorable Mention” rosette will be awarded. Judges will award blue and red ribbons based on merit. Prize money: “Best of Show” receives \$10.00 and “Honorable Mention” receives \$5.00. Prize money will be awarded for blue and red ribbons.

Open Adult:

One (1) “Best of Show” and one (1) “Honorable Mention” rosette will be awarded. Judges will award blue and red ribbons based on merit. Prize money: “Best of Show” receives \$15.00 and “Honorable Mention” receives \$10.00. Prize money will be awarded for blue and red ribbons. The Adult Division will receive an Overall Grand and Reserve Champion.



New this year! Youth Overall Grand (1) and Reserve Champion (1) will be awarded to School Art and the Open Youth Division. Prize money will be Grand Champion \$20.00 and Reserve Champion will be \$15.00. There will be a Supreme Grand and Supreme Reserve Champion chosen from the categories to be included in the Youth Supreme & Country Auction on Saturday, October 14, 2023. Art chosen



for the Youth Supreme & Country Auction will be displayed in the designated area.

14. Each school will be permitted to enter a quota of twenty (20) best pieces of work from the High School Division and a quota of twenty (20) best pieces of work from the Junior High Division. At the Elementary level each district may submit a maximum of (20) pieces.
15. For Private or Home Schools to be entered under School Art, campus must have a minimum of ten (10) pieces of artwork.
16. Student work must be teacher “verified”. This means that all work submitted must be created by the student under the teacher’s observation.
17. All work submitted by teachers will be picked up by teachers and released to the student at school. **Pick up for Open Youth and Open Adult is 10:00 am to 11:00 am.**

FLOWER SHOW

EXHIBITORS MAY BE:

- Group I - Any adult citizen of Austin County and not an owner of a nursery or floral shop.
- Group II - Students of Austin County in grades Kindergarten through 12 are eligible to enter in the Open Flower Show Youth Division and are eligible to be awarded ribbons, trophies or prize money. Austin County Clover Kids, 4-H, Junior and Senior FFA and FCCLA members may enter the Open Flower Show Youth Division but are not eligible for ribbons, trophies or prize money. Please note there is a division for these groups where you are eligible for awards.
- Group III - Any commercial owners of a nursery, floral shop or floral designer who perform their duties in a professional capacity.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Entries will be accepted on Monday, October 9, 2023 from 4:00 p.m. until 6:45 p.m. or Tuesday, October 10, 2023 from 9:00 am until 11:45 am.
2. Exhibits must remain in place until noon. on Sunday, October 15, 2023. PLEASE DO NOT REQUEST EARLY REMOVAL OF AN EXHIBIT.
3. Number of entries is limited to a total of ten (10) per person. In the Horticulture Division, an exhibitor may enter only one exhibit per variety in a class. Example: under hybrid tea roses, one Tropicana, one Peace, one Chrysler Imperial, etc. may be entered as long as each exhibit is a different variety.
4. ENTRY FEE: An entry fee of \$1.00 per item will be charged for 1-10 items; \$10.00 per exhibitor will be charged for ten (10) items.

5. No artificial flowers or foliage will be allowed, and NO SPRAY OR GLOSS IS PERMITTED ON ANY HORTICULTURE EXHIBIT.
6. Trophy winning exhibits from 2021 and 2022 will not be eligible for 2023 trophies; ribbon awards or monetary awards.
7. Horticulture exhibits must have been in exhibitor's possession for at least 90 days and exhibits must be established in show containers at least 60 days.
8. Entry cards may be obtained in advance from committee members or the Fair Office at the fairgrounds in Bellville. They are to be completed in advance, if possible, and each exhibitor is required to sign the exhibit card before the exhibit is entered or placed.
9. Care will be taken in having exhibits observed during the fair to prevent unnecessary damage to exhibits. However, each exhibitor is to take the responsibility to give his/her exhibit any care or water that he/she deems necessary during the display times.
10. All exhibit prize money must be collected between 11:00 am and 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 15, 2023 at the Fair Office. Money not picked up by November 1, 2023 will be forfeited.
11. Ribbon awards will be given as follows to all groups: Blue Ribbon to exhibits scoring 90-100 points; Red Ribbon to exhibits scoring 80-89 points. Prize money will be paid as follows: Group I Adult and Group II Youth: \$1.25 for Blue Ribbon. \$.75 for Red Ribbon, \$15 for Grand Champion, \$10 for Reserve Champion. Special recognition ribbons may be given, if merited. Trophies will be available in classes indicated on trophies.
12. Pictures will be taken of trophy winners on Sunday, October 15, 2023 at 1:15 p.m. in the Flower Show Department in the EXPO CENTER.

FLOWER SHOW DIVISION

AN EXHIBITOR MAY ENTER ONE EXHIBIT PER VARIETY AND A TOTAL OF 10 EXHIBITS.

ANY CUT SPECIMEN IS TO BE DISPLAYED IN EITHER A CLEAR GLASS OR CLEAR PLASTIC BOTTLE WHICH IS APPROPRIATE TO THE SIZE OF THE SPECIMEN (SEE GENERAL RULES)

CLASS 1 – ROSE SPECIMEN

CLASS 2 – ANNUALS SPECIMEN

CLASS 3 – PERENNIAL – SPECIMEN

CLASS 4 – BULBS, CORMS, TUBERA, RHIZOMES, ETC. – SPECIMEN

CLASS 5 – FOLIAGE PLANTS – SPECIMEN

CLASS 6 – FLOWERING, BERRIED, FRUITED VINES, SHRUB OR TREE – ONE BRANCH 12-18 INCHES LONG – SPECIMEN

POTTED PLANTS AND HANGING CONTAINERS ARE TO BE DISPLAYED IN A CLEAN CONTAINER. THE CONTAINER SHOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE PLANT, ENHANCING THE PLANT WITHOUT DETRACTING FROM IT:

CLASS 7 – POTTED FERNS

CLASS 8 – POTTED FOLIAGE PLANTS

CLASS 9 – POTTED BLOOMING PLANTS – PLANT MUST BE IN BLOOM TO BE IN THIS CLASS 9. IF NOT IN BLOOM, THEN PLANT IS IN CLASS 8.

CLASS 10 – POTTED CACTI OR SUCCULENT

CLASS 11 – UNUSUAL OR EXOTIC POTTED PLANT OR SPECIMEN

CLASS 12 – HANGING CONTAINER

CLASS 13 – GARDENS – DISH – TERRARIUMS

CLASS 14 – FRESH, DRIED OR ARTIFICIAL ARRANGEMENT

Judging Criteria for Flower Arrangements:

- Color Harmony in Arrangement
- Design an Attractive Effect
- Balances in Volume and Color
- Proportion of Plant Material and Container
- Suitability of Material and Relation to Container
- Distinction and Originality
- Construction of Overall Arrangement-Concealing & Stability

CLASS 15 – AFRICAN VIOLETS

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES ARE TO BE DISPLAYED ON AN APPROPRIATELY SIZED DISPOSABLE PLATE. EXCEPT FOR MELONS, FOR WHICH NO PLATE IS REQUIRED. THE FOLLOWING QUANTITIES ARE REQUIRED FOR JUDGING PURPOSES:

CLASS 16 – FRUITS (DISPLAY ON APPROPRIATE SIZE PAPER PLATE) – Minimum of 3 pieces per entry per item Watermelon quantity one (1) will be accepted.

CLASS 17 – VEGETABLES (DISPLAY ON APPROPRIATE SIZE PAPER PLATE)- Minimum of 3 pieces per entry per item

MAY BE EXHIBITED IN EITHER A CLEAN POT OR HANGING CONTAINER APPROPRIATE FOR THE PLANT OR AS A SPECIMEN.

CLASS 18 – HERBS Potted or Specimen

COUNTRY STORE

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. An individual must enter competition in the Home Economics Division of the Austin County Fair. Rules and regulations of the exhibitor's corresponding department will be followed with special rules for baked goods and canned goods.
2. NO COMMERCIAL EXHIBITORS ALLOWED. All items entered for sale must be **made by the exhibitor**. Items listed in the official 2023 Austin County Fair Home Economics Catalog may be used for a guide.
3. Handcrafted items entered for sale in the Country Store will not be judged and will not receive ribbons. Premium money will not be paid for these items. Items entered in the baked goods division by ADULT exhibitors may be brought to the Country Store to sell.
4. Sale items may be entered the same days as all other exhibits of the EXPO CENTER, as well as during Country Store hours.
5. Baked goods may be entered the first Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday during Country Store hours. Any perishable baked goods not sold or picked up may be discarded at the close of the second day of exhibition.
6. All canned goods and baked items are to be labeled ON THE ITEM as well as the sale tag. Canned items are to have been prepared within the last year only and must be secured with rims.
7. Exhibitors must complete their own sale items on a yellow sale card and individual yellow sale tags. The following information is required on the sale tags.
 - A. Exhibitor's number (same as used in competition)
 - B. Item number (as listed on sale card)
 - C. Brief item description (ex. pink bib)
 - D. Name
 - E. Sale price (Twenty percent of the sale price will go to the Austin County Fair Association. For sales totaling

over \$500, the Austin County Fair Association will receive thirty percent.)

The numbers of the sale items and the sale card must correspond and be legible. A minimum price of \$1.00 will be charged per item and pricing must be done in increments of fifty cents.

8. Exhibitors will be asked to work the equivalent of four hours in the Country Store. If an exhibitor is unable to fulfill this duty, he/she must find a substitute.

9. The Country Store will be open as follows:

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| Oct. 7, Saturday | 9:00 am - 8:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 10, Tuesday | 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 11, Wednesday | 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 12, Thursday | 11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 13, Friday | 10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 14, Saturday | 12:00 noon - 10:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 15, Sunday | 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. |

10. Items not sold should be picked up between 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 15, 2023.

11. All money for sale items will be mailed to exhibitors within thirty (30) days.

12. The Austin County Fair Association and volunteers will not be responsible for items lost, damaged or stolen.

YOUTH SUPREME & COUNTRY FAIR AUCTION

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023
1:00 P.M.
AUSTIN COUNTY FAIR CONVENTION
& EXPO CENTER**

Don't miss the most fantastic and fun auction of the 2023 Austin County Fair! On Saturday afternoon, a wide variety of special handmade and needle-crafted articles and unique, one-of-a-kind items that have been donated by supportive organizations, businesses and individuals will be featured at the **YOUTH SUPREME & COUNTRY AUCTION!**

New this year! Youth Supreme winners will be selling their projects from contests such as Ag Mechanics, Fine Arts, Floral Design, Home Economics, and Horticulture in addition, to Supreme Champion breads, pickles, jellies and other home-canned foods, as well as plants and craft items will be in the auction. Proceeds from Youth Supreme Auction items will go to the exhibitor minus the reserve and 7% fair admin fee.

Grand and Reserve Champion items donated by members of 4-H, FCCLA, FFA and Extension Education Association will go to the Austin County Fair Association.

Items must be delivered to the fairgrounds by 9:00 am

Although precautions will be taken, the Austin County Fair Association and volunteers will not be responsible for items lost, stolen or broken.

Bidding begins at 1:00 pm on Saturday, Oct 14, 2023

Relax with a cool drink in air-conditioned comfort and place your bid at the

YOUTH SUPREME & COUNTRY AUCTION!

Exhibitors participating that are awarded Supreme Grand and Supreme Reserve Champion prizes within the following Divisions and Contests **will have the opportunity to sell one (1) of their winning items** in the Youth Supreme & Country Auction on Saturday, October 14, 2023. **Exhibitors with multiple Grand and Reserve Champions will be required to disclose the item they want to sell.**

Ag Mechanics (2)
Fair Cup (4)
Container Plants (4)
Miniscapes (4)
Fine Arts (2)

Home Economics

4H Junior/Jr FFA, 4H Senior/FFA, FCCLA & Open Youth

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| Clothing & Needlework (2) | Baked Goods (2) |
| Home Improvement (2) | Canned Foods (2) |
| Flower Show (2) | Photography (2) |
| Quilts (2) | |

Youth Auction Sale Rules

Rules for entering individual contests varies, a complete set of rules and entry requirements per contest can be found online or in the Home Economics catalog.

- Individual Items will be judged in their specific contest.
- Rules for Ag Mechanics can be found in the Premium Catalog
- Judges' decisions are final.
- Exhibitors winning Supreme will receive a banner and the opportunity to sell in the Youth Supreme & Country Auction
- Exhibitors will be notified and asked if they want the opportunity to sell in the sale, please provide an adult day time cell phone number on your entry.
- **Exhibitors may only sell one (1) qualifying item.**

- **Exhibitors participating as a team will receive a split check for half of the amount received minus applicable fees.**
- Participating in the Youth Auction Sale is highly encouraged but is not mandatory.
- Exhibitors will be allowed to sell in both the Youth Supreme & Country Auction (Saturday) and the Youth Livestock Sale (Friday).
- In the case of Baked Goods, items must be baked fresh for the Auction on Saturday, Oct 14. Please deliver to the fairgrounds by 9 am to be sold as a whole item.
- Exhibitors are required to sell their item in person at the sale, **NO SUBSTITUTIONS ALLOWED**
- Exhibitors will be required to submit a completed W-9 form for tax purposes.
- Items along with their banners will be displayed in the designated area for Supreme entries.
- Items too large to be on display in the Expo building will be displayed via photos/videos during the sale.
- In the case where a committee provides materials for the contest the item will be started at that reserve amount to cover the cost for replacements at next year's fair.
- There will be a 7% fee deducted from the Exhibitors check for ACF accounting purposes.
- Handwritten "thank you" notes will be required for Buyers and for any additional add-ons provided. A list of thank you notes will be mailed to you by the fair.
- Checks will be distributed to Exhibitors when all checks are ready for distribution and upon receipt of a handwritten thank you note. Checks may only be picked up by the parent on the entry in accordance with the Austin County Fair Sale/Add-On Check policy.



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