

FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT SCHOOL AND OPEN RULES AND REGULATIONS

Fine Art Entry Card - Coral

1. All entries are subject to the Home Economics General Rules of the Austin County Fair.
2. Entries will be received Monday, October 5, 2026 from 4:00 p.m. until 6:45 p.m. and Tuesday, October 6, 2026 from 9:00 am – 11:45 am
3. All artwork submitted must have been made since November 2025.
4. Only one (1) piece of artwork per person will be accepted per group.
5. Academic eligibility will be verified by each district Art teacher.
6. All exhibits in this department must be labeled, Exhibitor name, address/school, exhibitor division, **Work Must be Titled**, phone number and email address.
7. Artwork that does not comply with the rules will not be accepted. The Art Chairman reserves the right to disqualify duplicate pieces.
8. Exhibitor divisions are:
 - Open:** Youth and Adult (non-professional)
 - Youth:** Elementary, Junior High and High School
 - School Art:** Elementary, Junior High and High School

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

9. Entry Regulations:

NO Plagiarism allowed!

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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.

10. 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.*

11. Size of Work:

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

Example: Mount the 22 x 22 art piece including the 1" border cannot exceed 24 x 24.

Elementary artwork cannot exceed 9"x12"; mounted with no more than a 1" border (example: mount the 9" x 12" art piece on a 11 x 14 is the equivalent size to ½ sheet of poster board, the final measurement)

12. 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.

13. All artwork **MUST** to be unframed. Canvas board/stretched canvas artwork **MUST** have a tab attached to each top corner so that the artwork can be hung on the display board before arrival.
14. Do not put your signature on the front of your artwork.
15. Each school district will be permitted to enter a maximum of twenty (20) or less best pieces of work from the High School Division and a maximum of twenty (20) or less best pieces of work from the Junior High Division. At the Elementary level each district may submit a maximum of (20) or less pieces.
16. For Private or Coop Home Schoolers to be entered under School Art, campus may have a maximum of twenty (20) pieces of artwork.
17. Individual Home School Exhibitors will enter in the open division.
18. Students work must be teacher "verified". This means that all work submitted must be created by the student under the teacher's observation. If an Exhibitor is instructed by a private teacher each piece must be different.
19. All Art work submitted by teachers will be picked up by teachers and released with prize money to the student at school. **Pick up for Open Youth and Open Adult is 10:00 am to 11:00 am.**

20. Awards:

Elementary School Art: (K-5th)

One (1) “Best of Show” and one (1) “Honorable Mention” rosette will be awarded to grades 3 thru 5 per campus. 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: (6th -8th)

One (1) “Best of Show” and one (1) “Honorable Mention” rosette will be awarded per campus. The remaining entries will receive participation ribbons. Prize money: “Best of Show” receives \$10.00 and “Honorable Mention” receives \$5.00.

High School Art: (9th -12th)

One (1) “Best of Show” and one (1) “Honorable Mention” rosette will be awarded per campus. The remaining entries will receive participation ribbons. Prize money: “Best of Show” receives \$10.00 and “Honorable Mention” receives \$5.00.

Open Youth: (K-12)

One (1) “Best of Show” and one (1) “Honorable Mention” rosette will be awarded. The remaining entries will receive blue or red ribbons. Prize money: “Best of Show” receives \$10.00 and “Honorable Mention” receives \$5.00. Blue ribbons receive \$1.25 and red ribbons receive \$.75

Youth Overall Best of Show will be awarded to School Art and the Open Youth Division.

There will be a Supreme Best of Show Champion chosen from the categories to be included in the Youth Supreme & Country Auction on Saturday, October 10, 2026. Art chosen for the Youth Supreme & Country Auction will be displayed in the designated area. Supreme Youth Best of Show is encouraged to provide a frame with or without a mat to complete the piece for the Youth Supreme Sale.

Open Adult:

One (1) “Best of Show” and one (1) “Honorable Mention” rosette will be awarded. The remaining entries will receive blue or red ribbons. Prize money: “Best of Show” receives \$10.00 and “Honorable Mention” receives \$5.00. Blue ribbons receive \$1.25 and red ribbons receive \$.75