

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

California Agriculture Fair Season



It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2025 California fair season!

From the first fair of the season in February to the last in late October, fairgrounds across the state are busy planning for one of the largest events of the year. These annual fair events have so much to offer.

At the fair, you can expect to find the traditional corn dogs, cotton candy, and carnival rides. In addition to these delicious treats and fun entertainment, you can also enjoy competitions, exhibitions, and educational activities. Your participation as exhibitors helps promote the importance of agriculture and food production throughout our state.

Aside from the annual fair, California fairgrounds remain busy hosting a variety of other events throughout the year. Most of these events are fun and festive celebrations that represent the culture and diversity of the communities that surround the fairgrounds. However, our fairgrounds are also amongst the first to serve in times of despair during emergencies and evacuations.

As resiliency centers, our fairgrounds provide safe shelter and build community preparedness as hazards like wildfires, floods and extreme heat become longer lasting and more frequent in California. During disasters, the fairgrounds offer a place to stay with kitchen and sanitation facilities, showers, and other resources.

Our fairgrounds are so important for our communities and so are exhibitors and advocates like you! Thank you for your many contributions to the continued success of the fairgrounds.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gavin Newsom', written over a horizontal line.

GAVIN NEWSOM



2025

JUNIOR, 4-H AND FFA COMPETITONS

Please Note: If you are a 4-H member turn to the 4-H section of the book.

Online Entry Registration Deadline: Due on or Before Friday, May 30, 2025, by midnight online only.

ALL EXHIBITS ARE TO BE TAKEN TO THE GRAPE BUILDING:

Home Arts, Crafts, Table Setting, Food Preservation and Ag Horticulture exhibits-Must be received for Judging **Friday, June 6th, 2025, 10:00am – 6:00pm** and **Saturday, June 7th, 2025, 10:00am – 6:00pm.**

Food and Floriculture entries - must be Received for Judging **Monday, June 16, 2025, 10:00am – 6:00pm.**

FFA Ag Mechanics entries - must be Received for Judging **Thursday, June 5, 2025, 10:00am – 6:00pm.**

Ag Mechanics -must be received **Thursday, June 5th between 10am – 6pm.**

All Exhibits Released: Monday, June 23rd, 2025, 10:00am – 6:00pm. All unclaimed exhibits and awards will be recycled or donated to a charitable organization after Monday, June 23rd, 2025.

Rules:

1. All articles must remain on display until the day after the Fair.
2. All exhibits must have been made by the exhibitor and may not have been previously entered into The Kings Fair.
3. Competition in the Junior Divisions is limited to residents of Kings County (or be a bona fide member of a Kings County 4-H or FFA organization) and must be under 19 years of age.
4. An article may be entered for one award only.
5. An article may be transferred from one class to another at the discretion of the judge.
6. Danish system of judging is utilized for all Junior, 4-H and FFA Divisions.
7. Best of Show Rosette awarded in each Division (*excluding Primary and Beginning 4-H Divisions*)



JUNIOR DEPARTMENT

PRIMARY EXHIBITORS

Primary exhibitors are Preschool thru Kindergarten only. All primary exhibitors are to be entered under **DIVISION 300**. Must have description of item.

For 4-H members, please see 4-H Divisions

Award: Primary exhibits will not be judged but will receive a participation ribbon.

Limit: 2 entries per class – each must be different.

Division 300

Class

1. Crafts
2. Clothing/Sewing
3. Cooking
4. Decorated Foods
5. Educational Displays
6. Plant Science
7. Quilts
8. Photography
9. Food Preservation
10. Table Setting



JUNIOR EXHIBITORS

Award: Best of Show in each Division.

Limit: 2 entries per class – each must be different.

Division 301 1st thru 3rd grade

Division 302 4th thru 6th grade

Division 303 7th thru 8th grade

Division 304 9th thru 12th grade

Class

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|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Arts & Crafts | 7. Photography |
| 2. Clothing/Sewing/Quilting | 8. Floriculture/Horticulture |
| 3. Cooking | 9. Industrial Arts |
| 4. Decorated Foods | 10. Educational Displays |
| 5. Preserved Foods | 11. Any Other Not Listed |
| 6. Table Setting | |



4-H & FFA DEPARTMENT

4-H COMPETITION RULES

Age Limits: (as of 12/31/2024)

4-H Primary Member..... Age 5-8 (*Display only, cannot be Judged*)
Junior Member Age 9 - 10
Intermediate Member Age 11-13
Senior Member Age 14+

Rules:

1. In all 4-H departments entries are judged using the Danish System.
2. All articles must remain on display until the day after the Fair.
3. All exhibits must have been made by the exhibitor and may not have been previously entered in The Kings Fair.
4. Competition in the 4-H Home Arts limited to exhibitors enrolled in the 4-H youth programs within one year of the opening day of The Kings Fair.
5. An article may be entered for one award only.
6. An article may be transferred from one class to another at the discretion of the judge.
7. All exhibits must be CLEAN and ready for display or could be disqualified.
8. Must include number of years in project when entering online.
9. **4-H PRIMARY MEMBERS CAN EXHIBIT BUT CAN NOT BE JUDGED.**

4-H PRIMARY MEMBERS

Award: Primary members will not be judged. They will receive a participation ribbon.

All 4-H primary members must be entered under **Division 400**. Must have item description.

Limit: 2 entries per class – each must be different.

Division 400

Class

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| 1. Crafts | 6. Plant Science |
| 2. Clothing/Sewing | 8. Photography |
| 3. Cooking | 9. Preserved Foods |
| 4. Decorated Foods | 10. Table Setting |
| 5. Educational Displays | |

4-H DIVISIONS

Division 401 - Junior Member

Division 402 - Intermediate Member

Division 403 - Senior Member

Class

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|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Arts & Crafts | 7. Photography |
| 2. Clothing/Sewing/Quilting | 8. Floriculture/Horticulture |
| 3. Cooking | 9. Industrial Arts |
| 4. Decorated Foods | 10. Educational Displays |
| 5. Preserved Foods | 11. Any Other Not Listed |
| 6. Table Setting | |

FFA COMPETITITON RULES

Rules:

1. Students entering exhibits in Agricultural Mechanics must be regularly enrolled in a High School that is following the California State Plan for Vocational Agriculture.
2. Although the exhibits need not be owned by the exhibitor, all must be products of students as a regular part of their instruction in Agricultural Mechanics for the past year.
3. Each individual is considered a separate exhibitor; although projects completed by two or more individuals are permitted (Include the group's name in the description field). These projects will be counted as one exhibitor. Any awards won by a group project shall be awarded to the individual or organization signing the Online Entry Registration. Group projects shall be entitled to receive one award.

FFA DIVISIONS

Limit: 3 entries per class - each must be different

Division 451 - FFA ELECTRICAL PROJECTS

Class

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| 1. Electrical wiring board, switch, lights | 4. Branch Circuits |
| 2. Extension Cord | 5. Lamp |
| 3. Continuity Tester | 6. Miscellaneous – not listed above |

Division 452 – FFA Repaired Farm Equipment

Class

1. Any

Division 453 – FFA Automotive and Small Engines

Class

1. Automotive Projects
2. Small Engine
3. Tractor Projects

Division 454 – FFA Woodworking Projects

Class

1. Furniture
2. Boxes – planters, feeders, storage box, nail box
3. Fencing or Panels
4. Recycled – before photo must be included with entry
5. Artistic Project – wood cutting boards
6. Model Kits
7. Miscellaneous – not listed above

Division 455 – FFA Small Metal Projects

Class

1. Boxes
2. Feed Scoop
3. Tool Tray
4. Artistic Project, Metal
5. Forge Tools - must be homemade
6. Furniture
7. Tabletop BBQ and/or Accessories
8. Small metal project RECYCLED - must include a “before” photo with entry
9. Miscellaneous small metal project - not listed above

Division 456 – FFA Large Metal Projects

Class

1. General Purpose Trailer (Tandem)
2. Implement Trailers (Tilt Bed and Wench)
3. Semi-Trailer
4. Furniture
5. Barbeque Grill Trailer
6. Artistic large metal project
7. Large metal project - RECYCLED - must include a “before” photography with entry
8. Miscellaneous large metal project, not listed above

SILENT AUCTION

The item must be shown in 4-H Divisions 401-403, class 9, be a large metal or woodworking project OR in Division 454, FFA Wordworking Projects & 456, FFA Large Metal Projects, above and be awarded first place to qualify for the Silent Auction.

Each exhibitor must enter the Silent Auction class to be eligible for the auction on Saturday, June 21. Fair does NOT guarantee sale of item.

Division 450 – Silent Auction

Class

1. Silent Auction

4-H, FFA and Youth Organization Feature Booths

American System of Judging

Rules:

1. The feature exhibit booth provides members an opportunity to share the public with a specific phase of their club program. The booth can show what they have learned, the activities in which they have participated or contributions of the organization to the community. Judges will insist upon a high quality of products & material used in the exhibit. A high scoring exhibit will be artistically designed, constructed, and installed by youth members only.
2. The booth may use the fair theme in creating the display.
3. Leaders or parents ARE ONLY TO supervise. Leaders sign Entry Forms as agents for club.
4. Feature Booths shall be limited to one entry per club.
5. Exhibitors must make arrangements to replace fruits & vegetables which deteriorate during Fair.
6. **ALL BOOTHS MUST BE COMPLETED BY SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2025, 6:00pm.** The Booth area will be available on **Wednesday, June 11, 2025-Saturday, June 14, 2025**, from 10am-6pm.
7. Make sure your booth has something in front & sides to keep public out (i.e: fence, rope, etc)
8. HAY BALES CAN BE USED IN THE BUILDING BUT **MUST BE FIRE RETARDANT.**
9. 4-H, FFA and Youth Organization booth will be judged together.
10. LIMIT of 8 booths will be set up. Booth Dimensions: Back - 4' high x 8' wide Sides - 4' high x 8' long One wall can go over 4' but no higher than 6 feet.

Division 590 Youth Organization Feature Booth

Class

1. FFA
2. 4-H

3. Other Youth Organization