

# 4-H & FFA

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## ONLINE ENTRY DUE

August 1, 2025

LATE ENTRY FEE – Due August 8 – \$10.00

## ENTRY FEES

No Entry Fees, No Cash Awards

## EXHIBITS RECEIVED

Sunday, August 24, 2025, ~ 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM  
Monterey Room (enter off Fairground Road)

## EXHIBITS RELEASED

Monday, September 1, 2025, ~ 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Tuesday, September 2, 2025, ~ 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

## DEPARTMENTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. **ENTRY:** Enter online ONLY at [www.montereycountyfair.com](http://www.montereycountyfair.com)
2. **Livestock Exhibitors** at this Fair must enter at least one (1) still exhibit for display in this year's Fair. See Junior Livestock Department Rules, Entry Information, Rule 4.
3. All FFA and 4-H entries must have been made, collected, grown, or prepared in accordance with the requirements or recommendations of that program and entered by exhibitors who were enrolled in those projects in within one year of the opening date of the Fair.
4. **LIMIT:** Eight (8) ITEMS per EXHIBITOR per DIVISION, unless indicated otherwise and excluding Posters (Rule 5).
5. **POSTERS:** Limit one poster per exhibitor. Considering educational displays, posters must provide educational value. .
6. **LIABILITY:** Every precaution will be taken in exhibiting work; however, the Fair will not be responsible for loss or damage which may occur from any cause. Entry submission implies acceptance of all conditions in Local and State rules.
7. **JUDGING:** All entries will be judged as **Individual Entries**.
8. **All entries are the sole responsibility of the exhibitor and must be entered online by the exhibitor. No chapter/club bulk entries will be accepted.**
9. The Danish System of Judging will be used for 4-H/FFA displays. Danish Judging is based upon established standards of quality for each type of product. Each exhibit is judged according to how well it meets a standard rather than how it compares with other exhibits. In all Departments using the Danish System, the following guidelines shall be used:

Quality	Score	Ribbon
1st Group	92%-100 Superior	Blue
2nd Group	84%-91% Good	Red
3rd Group	70%-83% Average	White

# FFA ENTRIES

## AG MECHANICS

### DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. FFA 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 the products of students as a regular part of their instructions in Agricultural Mechanics for the past year. Student exhibitors must have been at least a major contributor to the building or repairing of the exhibit. No entry may be shown for more than one calendar year.
3. An exhibitor may not enter more than one article from the same pattern.
4. These Divisions are for Farm Equipment. Decorative welded items may be entered in Creative Welding. Non-farm-related woodworking items should be entered in Woodworking.
5. **All entries are the sole responsibility of the exhibitor and must be entered online by the exhibitor. No chapter/club bulk entries will be accepted.**

### DIVISION 700 FFA BASIC WELDING

#### CLASS:

- 1) Acetylene
- 2) Arc
- 3) Braze
- 4) Mig
- 5) Tig

### DIVISION 701 FFA AG EQUIPMENT CONSTRUCTED

#### CLASS:

- 1) Electrical, Any Item, please specify
- 2) Plumbing, Any Item, please specify
- 3) Welding and Forging, Any Item, please specify
- 4) Woodworking, Any Item, please specify
- 5) Any Other, please specify

## AG SCIENCES

### DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Exhibits in this division must have been produced by the exhibitor as an integral part of their agricultural education supervised project and/or agriculture science class instructions.
2. Exhibits must be adequately titled and specimens correctly labeled with common and genus species name, where applicable.
3. Each exhibitor is limited to two entries per class. The second entry cannot be of same design and/or near identical specimen content.
4. Where applicable, the exhibitor shall be responsible for the care of entries in this division.
5. Where applicable, quarantined or restricted specimens must be approved by the Monterey County Agricultural Commissioner prior to entry.

### DIVISION 702 FFA AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES

#### CLASS:

- 1) Seed Collection:  
Specimens of at least 10 different seeds of suitable quantity for identification. Specimens shall be labeled with a common name.
- 2) Insect Collection:  
Specimens of at least 10 insects of any insect order; or at least 6 harmful and/or beneficial insects common to agricultural crops or products; or a combination of any insect orders, harmful insects, and beneficial insects totaling at least 12 specimens. Insect mounting and display shall be by acceptable entomology practices. Harmful or beneficial specimen collections shall include a brief description of benefit or harm done (feeding habits), harmful growth stage, control measures, or other special traits. Quarantined or harmful insects not common to Monterey County cannot be exhibited.
- 3) Any Other Subject:  
Related to crop science, horticulture, agriculture mechanization, agribusiness, forestry, or natural resources that is not covered elsewhere in this department. Parts labeling and descriptive steps/stages shall be completed where applicable.

## FLORAL

### DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Small valuable figurines and accessories should not be used in arrangements.
2. The owner's name on the bottom of the container is recommended. The attendant in charge will take every possible precaution but will not be responsible for loss or breakage.
3. Presentation boxes are strongly encouraged/recommended for all corsages and boutonnieres.
4. Fresh Items - Deliver items to Monterey Room and Pickup Items in the Salinas Room.

### DIVISION 703 FFA DRY ARRANGEMENTS

### DIVISION 704 FFA FRESH ARRANGEMENTS

#### CLASS:

- 1) Fair Theme
- 2) Corsage or Boutonniere
- 3) Any Other, please specify

## HORTICULTURE

### DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. ALL EXHIBITS MUST BE MARKET QUALITY AND CONDITION. The quality in horticultural product exhibits is the quality that brings the best financial return in the commercial market. Exhibits stressing features which detract from the commercial value should be avoided.
2. Exhibits in FFA Horticulture must have been grown by the exhibitors as an integral part of their agricultural education supervised project and/or horticulture class instruction.
3. Exhibitors are responsible for the care of their own plants while they are being exhibited.
4. All plants must have been propagated, grown and/or raised by the exhibitor for at least 40 days.
5. Exhibits must be adequately and correctly labeled with plants common and/or genus species name. EXCEPTION: Entries using three or more plant species in a single container.
6. All plants must be planted in suitable containers, as specified in each class. All plants must be

established in containers for at least 30 days prior to Fair.

7. All containers are to be clean or wrapped in decorative foil prior to entry receiving. Metal nursery cans are to be painted or tarred.
8. Hanging basket displays are not permitted.
9. Diseased or insect infested exhibits will be disqualified and removed from the exhibit area.
10. The plant name is to be entered in the online entry. EXCEPTION: Entries of three or more different plants in a single container should state "multiple varieties" on entry.

### DIVISION 705 FFA HORTICULTURE

#### CLASS:

- 1) Dish Garden:  
(Cacti, succulent, or a combination) Three or more plant species or variety in a single container, decorative accessories permitted, please specify type of garden
- 2) Succulents:  
(Including Zygodactyl and other than cacti types) Single plant in a clay or plastic container, please specify

## WOODWORKING & CREATIVE WELDING

### DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. FFA members entering exhibits in this Department must be enrolled in a woodworking, welding, or construction class.
2. No entry may be shown for more than one calendar year. Display cards may be filled out and attached to each exhibit in this department, if so desired.

### DIVISION 706 FFA WOODWORKING

### DIVISION 707 FFA CREATIVE WELDING

#### CLASS:

- 1) Furniture, please specify
- 2) Lighting, please specify
- 3) Decorative Display, please specify
- 4) Household Item, please specify
- 5) Other, please specify

# 4-H ENTRIES

## PRIMARY MEMBER EXHIBITS

### DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. 4-H youth participate as Primary Members upon entering kindergarten and continue through the completion of third grade (State Rule VII Junior Department, 2).
2. Any project created while a youth was enrolled as a Primary Member or Clover Bud must be entered in Division 708.
3. No competitive judging. participation ribbons may be presented.

### DIVISION 708 4-H PRIMARY PROJECT

#### CLASS:

- 1) Home Arts/Arts & Crafts
- 2) Food Preservation, please specify
- 3) Foods (see requirements under 4-H Foods)
- 4) Any Other Project, please specify

## FOODS & NUTRITION

### DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Foods that need refrigeration may not be entered.
2. QUANTITIES:
  - a. Biscuits, Cupcakes, Muffins - 1/2 dozen, large or small
  - b. Bread - 1/2 loaf plus 1 slice, any size pan
  - c. Cakes - 1/2 cake plus one slice (not cut off), wrapped well
  - d. Candy - 1/2 dozen pieces (any other)
  - e. Cookies - 1/2 dozen
  - f. Brownies or Bar Cookies- 1/2 dozen
3. Unless otherwise indicated, all items must be made from scratch.
4. All baked goods and confections must be submitted on/in disposable plates or pans and well wrapped. THE FAIR IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE RETURN OF PERSONAL BELONGINGS. Special plates or presentation trays do not affect the scoring.

### DIVISION 709 4-H JUNIOR FOODS

### DIVISION 710 4-H INTERMEDIATE FOODS

### DIVISION 711 4-H SENIOR FOODS

#### CLASS:

- 1) Biscuits, Rolls, Bread, Muffins
- 2) Cake or Cupcakes
- 3) Candy
- 4) Cookies
- 5) Brownies or Bar Cookies
- 6) Non-food Item

## FOOD PRESERVATION

### DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All entries in these divisions must be home prepared and canned or packaged by the exhibitor within one year of opening date of the Fair. Items which have been shown at any previous Fairs are not eligible.
2. Low-acid fruits should be made more acidic by adding lemon juice as directed in USDA Complete Guide to Home Canning.
3. Tomatoes and fruits (not including their juices) must be processed in boiling water bath.
4. Dried products should be wrapped in clear plastic or sealed in jars.
5. All food preservation, packaging, and labeling must be done in accordance with directions and recipes in publications listed in the 4-H Food Preservation Project Outline.
6. EXHIBITS MUST BE PROPERLY LABELED with type of product, dates of canning, and method used.
7. Use clear glass containers, wide or narrow mouth jars. One standard canning jar, any size. STANDARD JAR: a container specifically designed for home canning purposes. No paraffin seals.
8. All canning must be in sealed jars. New screw rings MUST be used.
9. Submit one standard jar, container, or package per entry.

### DIVISION 712 4-H JUNIOR FOOD PRESERVATION

### DIVISION 713 4-H INTER. FOOD PRESERVATION

### DIVISION 714 4-H SENIOR FOOD PRESERVATION

#### CLASS:

- 1) Canned Fruit or Vegetable, please specify
- 2) Dried Fruit Leather, please specify
- 3) Dried Fruit or Vegetable, please specify
- 4) Jam, Jelly or Preserves, please specify
- 5) Jerky
- 6) Any Other, please specify

## ARTS & CRAFTS

### DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All entries in this division must be the result of skills taught by a 4-H Project Leader. School-led or instructed projects should be entered in the appropriate Junior Home Arts division.
2. Crafts include projects such as macramé, stenciling, faux finishes, mosaics, plastic and wood models, and exhibits in weaving, spinning and dyeing of wool, needlepoint, and decorated textiles. DIY and Up-cycled projects may be included in this category.
3. Fine Arts include drawings, sketches and paintings. Two dimensional Fine Arts must be matted and/or framed.
4. Handcrafted Ceramics entries must be made from clay and formed or molded by the exhibitor. Pre-made ceramic items that are simply painted by an exhibitor should be entered in the Crafts Class.
5. Exhibitors entering items that are pre-cut or pre-stamped MUST attach a note stating which portion of the item the exhibitor completed. Exhibitors

- should select articles to complete within their ability and will be judged on the neatness and the artistry of the exhibit.
6. All pictures and plaques should be suitable for tabletop display.

#### **DIVISION 715 4-H JUNIOR ARTS & CRAFTS**

#### **DIVISION 716 4-H INTERMEDIATE ARTS & CRAFTS**

#### **DIVISION 717 4-H SENIOR ARTS & CRAFTS**

##### **CLASS:**

- 1) Crafts, specify
- 2) Fine Art, specify
- 3) Handcrafted Ceramic, please specify
- 4) Leather Working
- 5) Home Furnishing or Accessory, please specify
- 6) Up-cycled Item, please specify
- 7) Any Other, please specify

## **SEWING & QUILTING**

#### **DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. Online entries must specify item.
2. All items are to be clean and pressed.
3. An exhibit may consist of an individual item or a coordinated outfit of three to five garments.
4. Decorated or dyed textiles should be entered as Crafts.
5. Quilts may be machine or hand quilted.
6. All quilting must be done by exhibitor (no hired out long arm quilting allowed).
7. "No Sew" items should be entered as Arts and Crafts.

#### **DIVISION 718 4-H JUNIOR SEWING**

#### **DIVISION 719 4-H INTERMEDIATE SEWING**

#### **DIVISION 720 4-H SENIOR SEWING**

##### **CLASS:**

- 1) Single Article of Clothing
- 2) Home Decor Item, please specify
- 3) Quilt, specify size
- 4) Any Other Sewn or Quilted Item, please specify

## **PHOTOGRAPHY**

#### **DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. LIMIT: Two entries per exhibitor per class.
2. All prints must be PROPERLY matted on photo matboard or poster board with freestanding backing. (Professional mounting is suggested.)
3. Photos may be submitted in a frame that makes them suitable for freestanding tabletop display.
4. Entries must be properly labeled with name, Division, and Class on back upper left corner.

#### **DIVISION 721 4-H JUNIOR PHOTOGRAPHY**

#### **DIVISION 722 4-H INTERMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHY**

#### **DIVISION 723 4-H SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHY**

##### **CLASS:**

- 1) Black & White Print – one 8"x10" photo
- 2) Color Print – one 8"x10" photo
- 3) Framed Set of Prints: All images in a set must be of the same subject or an alike series; combination of images should tell one story. Frame should be freestanding – display of wall hangings may not be possible.

- 4) Modified or Enhanced Photo Image, please specify modification on online entry (example: hand-colored; overlay process; use of filters)

## **FLORAL**

#### **DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

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2. Owner's name on container bottom is recommended.
3. Presentation boxes are strongly encouraged/recommended for all corsages and boutonnieres.
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#### **DIVISION 724 4-H DRY ARRANGEMENTS**

#### **DIVISION 725 4-H FRESH ARRANGEMENTS**

##### **CLASS:**

- 1) Fair Theme
- 2) Corsage or Boutonniere
- 3) Any Other, please specify

## **HORTICULTURE**

#### **DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. Exhibits in 4-H Horticulture must have been grown by the exhibitors as an integral part of their Horticulture project.
2. Exhibitors are responsible for the care of their own plants while they are being exhibited.
3. All plants must have been propagated, grown and/or raised by the exhibitor for at least 40 days.
4. Exhibits must be adequately and correctly labeled with plants common and/or genus species name. EXCEPTION: Terrariums, dish gardens and exhibits using three or more plant species in a single container.
5. All plants must be planted in suitable standard containers, as specified in each class. All plants must be established in containers for at least 30 days prior to Fair. Plants grown in flats must be established for at least 2 weeks prior to the Fair.
6. All containers are to be clean or wrapped in decorative foil prior to entry receiving. Metal cans are to be painted or tarred.
7. Hanging basket displays are not permitted.
8. All exhibits must be of market quality and condition.
9. Diseased or insect infested exhibits will be disqualified and removed from exhibit area.
10. The plant name is to be entered in online entry form. EXCEPTION: Entries with three or more different plants in a single container should state "multiple varieties" on entry.

#### **DIVISION 726 4-H HORTICULTURE**

##### **CLASS:**

- 1) Cacti, Single Plant, in clay or plastic container
- 2) Dish Garden (cacti, succulent, or a combination), three or more plant species or variety in a single container, accessories permitted, please specify type of garden
- 3) Succulents (including Zygocacti and other than cacti types), single plant in a clay or plastic container, please specify



## AG MECHANICS

### DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. 4-H members entering exhibits in Agricultural Mechanics must be enrolled in a welding vocational agriculture project.
2. No entry may be shown for more than one calendar year. Display cards may be filled out and attached to each exhibit in this department, if desired.
3. The following Divisions are for Farm Equipment only. Decorative welded items may be entered in the Creative Welding Division. Non-farm-related woodworking items should be entered into in the Woodworking Division.

### DIVISION 727 4-H BASIC WELDING

#### CLASS:

- 1) Acetylene
- 2) Arc
- 3) Braze
- 4) Mig
- 5) Tig

### DIVISION 728 4-H AG EQUIPMENT CONSTRUCTED

#### CLASS:

- 1) Electrical, Any Item, please specify
- 2) Plumbing, Any Item, please specify
- 3) Welding and Forging, Any Item, please specify
- 4) Woodworking, Any Item, please specify
- 5) Any Other, please specify

## WOODWORKING & CREATIVE WELDING

### DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. 4-H members entering exhibits in these Divisions must be enrolled in a woodworking, welding, or construction project.
2. No entry may be shown for more than one calendar year. Display cards may be filled out and attached to each exhibit in this department, if so desired.

### DIVISION 729 4-H JUNIOR WOOD & METAL

### DIVISION 730 4-H INTERMEDIATE WOOD & METAL

### DIVISION 731 4-H SENIOR WOOD & METAL

#### CLASS:

- 1) Furniture, please specify
- 2) Lighting, please specify
- 3) Household Item, please specify
- 4) Decorative Display, please specify
- 5) Other, please specify

## MISCELLANEOUS 4-H PROJECTS

### DIVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. These Divisions are set up for new 4-H projects or those not provided for in other Divisions. Entries must have been made in connection with a recognized 4-H project.
2. All entries in these Divisions must be non-perishable.
3. THIS ENTRY CAN BE A POSTER. MAXIMUM SIZE OF 20"X30" or 22"x28". LIMIT one poster per exhibitor.

### DIVISION 732 4-H JUNIOR MISC.

### DIVISION 733 4-H INTERMEDIATE MISC.

### DIVISION 734 4-H SENIOR MISCELLANEOUS

#### CLASS:

- 1) 4-H Educational Poster, Any Learning Experience
- 2) Agricultural Science
- 3) Shooting Sports
- 4) Any Other 4-H Project Not Included, please specify