# LITTLE CRITTERS

4-H ONLINE ENROLLMENT: COUNTY PROJECT: LITTLE CRITTERS FAIR ENTRY: EXHIBIT HALL COUNTY>LITTLE CRITTERS

### **CATEGORIES**

- 1. Rodents (Mice, Rats, Ferrets)
- 2. Reptiles and Amphibians (Salamanders, Snakes, Turtles, Toads, Frogs)
- 3. Birds (Parakeets, Parrots, Songbirds)
- 4. Other (Must be approved by Critter Leader)

#### WHAT TO EXHIBIT

- 1. Exhibit your critter in an appropriate cage. Furnish any other equipment needed.
- 2. All Critter research notebooks must be brought to the judging on Wednesday of the fair. Proof of vaccinations required and should be included.
- 3. You may show one cage per category. A cage may have one or two pets. No fish are included in this project.
- 4. Animals and cages must be clean and water must be available at all times.

## JUDGING

- 1. Judging for notebooks and critters will be done by grade
  - i. Juniors --- Grades 3 6
  - ii. Intermediate --- Grades 7 9
  - iii. Seniors --- Grades 10 12
- 2. Critters must be checked in prior to the show on Wednesday of the fair. The show will begin at 5:00 PM in the 4-H Meeting Room.
- 3. Judging will be based on the showmanship and care of your animal, knowledge about your pet and knowledge about the needs of your pet. The exhibitor should be able to discuss their knowledge with judge.

## **AWARDS**

- 1. A Champion and Reserve will be selected in all divisions for the research notebooks and the critters.
- 2. Grand and Reserve Grand Champion plaques will be presented.

This project is concerned with small animals/reptiles that are not covered by other 4-H projects. Since there is no State level competition in this project, if you get the approval from the Extension Office, you could show almost anything!