

Project Title: Berries

Description:

Youth in this project have the opportunity to learn about, care for and grow their own berry plants. Any berry may be selected-strawberry, raspberry, blueberry etc. Youth need to care for their plants a minimum of 2 months.

State Fair Entries:

No State Fair Exhibit

Exhibit Guidelines:

Level 1: Grades 3, 4, 5

Level 2: Grades 6, 7, 8

Level 3: Grades 9,10,11,12

ALL LEVELS: Plant a minimum of 6 small fruit bearing plants such as strawberry in a single container or minimum of 3 fruit bearing shrub plants such as blueberry or raspberry in separate containers (minimum 1 gallon, maximum 5 gallon containers for shrubs). Take pictures while working with your plants. You may exhibit a maximum of three (3) different types of berries.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) may be used, with parent permission, when creating this exhibit and is to be documented as a reference. A majority of the work to create this exhibit is to be the 4-H member's original work. All posters, notebooks, and display boards must include a reference list indicating where information was obtained, giving credit to the original author, to complete the 4-H member's exhibit. This reference list should/might include web site links, people and professionals interviewed, books, magazines, etc. It is recommended this reference list be attached to the back of a poster or display board, be the last page of a notebook, or included as part of the display visible to the public. A judge is not to discredit an exhibit for the way references are listed.

Posters are to be 22"x28" and displayed horizontally and placed in a clear plastic sleeve or covered with clear plastic to protect contents. The poster must be mounted on a firm backing to add stiffness to the exhibit, for example: a foam core board. Display boards should be designed to sit on a table using no more than 36" of tabletop space. Space should be left in the lower right-hand corner to place an exhibit tag provided by Purdue Extension staff.

Judges evaluating exhibits should recognize individual differences and creativity, therefore using information in this document as a guide rather than a requirement.

Exhibit Class Guidelines:

Each 4-H'er may enter up to three (3) different project exhibits as long as they are all a different type of berry. Exhibit is one (1) container of the plant(s) you have planted and cared for at least 2 months and identify the variety. (Note: We have you plant 3 shrubs of the same type to ensure you have a healthy shrub to bring to fair. Pick the best one out of the 3. Please do not bring all 3 pots of the same shrub to fair.)

All levels should include a notebook per entry that includes pictures, a description of how you cared for the plant, and the common and Latin name of the berry.