



Collections

Description:

All young people collect items from time to time. The objective of this project is to help the 4-H'er to:

1. Learn to appreciate the fun of collecting items and showing them to family and friends.
2. Learn to keep complete and accurate records.
3. Learn how to care for and store items in their collection.
4. Learn to appreciate the historic, scientific or economic value of the items collected
5. Help develop a life-long interest.

Decatur County Expectations

THIS IS A COUNTY ONLY PROJECT. Project manuals will need to be presented at the time of judging. Green books can be utilized to hold record sheets and project manuals. Labels and Collector's Record will be provided by the office.

Exhibit Guidelines

In all grade categories, if the collection is too large or valuable to exhibit, a notebook containing photos and descriptions of your collection may be exhibited in place of the collection. Photo quality will not be judged, but they should be clear, sharp photos. As with the items, the photos should be labeled. **Any exhibit larger than 20" in width and 15" in height cannot be put in the display case.**

Exhibit a representative sample of your collection. Space size should not exceed 36" wide by 24" deep by 22" tall. Your collection may be exhibited in a box, on a poster, in a notebook or in any other manner attractively displayed. Labels should be attached to each item to explain the item to the public. Collector's Record must be included with your exhibit.

Exhibit Class Guidelines:

Beginner (grades 3-5 suggested)

1. Select a place in your home to store and display your collection.
2. Show and explain your collection to at least two (2) friends, your 4-H club or another group of people.
3. Keep the "Collector's Record" up-to-date and complete.
4. Each year the collection is exhibited it should show change and growth. The same exhibit may not be used more than one time.
5. Complete your record.

Intermediate (grades 6-8 suggested)

1. Expand your collection or begin a new collection.
2. Show and explain your collection to at least two (2) friends, your 4-H Club or another group of people.
3. Continue the "Collector's Record"
4. Each year the collection is exhibited it should show change and growth. The same exhibit may not be used more than one year,
5. Need to show where new collection begins
6. Complete your record.

Advanced (grades 9-12 suggested)

1. Expand your collection or being a new collection.
2. Explore the historical, aesthetic or commercial value of your collection.
3. Continue and expand the "Collector's Record".
4. Each year the collection is exhibited it should show change and growth. The same exhibit may not be used more than one year.
5. Need to show where new collection begins.
6. Complete your record.