



Scrapbooking

Description:

Allows youth to learn life skills and grow in project knowledge while expressing creativity in a variety of mediums.

Decatur County Expectations

Project manuals will need to be presented at the time of judging. Green books can be utilized to hold record sheets and project manuals. The office will provide you with the 4-H Craft Information Card that is referenced below.

Exhibit Guidelines

Youth may exhibit any art or craft that does not meet exhibit requirements in Fine Arts, Needle Craft, Model Craft or Construction and Architectural Replica.

All arts and craft exhibits must include a 4-H Craft Information Card, 4-H 618A. This information card is to describe work completed so the judge can more accurately evaluate the exhibit. Craft information cards are for judging purposes only and will not be returned to the exhibitor.

Scrapbook albums must demonstrate a good sense of the entire project and what it means to preserve our memories. Scrapbook pages should be in chronological order. All scrapbook albums and pages must be at 8" X 10" in size (12" X 12" is preferred) and attached between a front a back cover. Page protectors are required.

Photographs and memorabilia must be included in each scrapbook album but not necessarily on each page. Exhibit clean pages with clear writing and correct spelling. Handwriting is part of your heritage; neatness is very important. Acid free pens are highly recommended for handwritten items. No digitally created scrapbook pages will be allowed.

Specific elements are required for each level. Use the elements listed, any scrapbook exhibited with more elements than those listed will be scored down. For further clarification of scrapbooking elements and score sheet, refer to the project manual.

If there are multiple pages in your book, each page being judged should be marked (this can be done with post-it notes/post-it flags). Each scrapbook must have a label with the 4-H member's name, club name, grade and number of years completing the scrapbooking project.

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:

Beginner (grades 3-5 suggested)

Youth will create and exhibit the following:

Number of Pages: 6 pages (3 front and back). If this is the second or third year in this project, these pages should be completed from the previous year's exhibition. These should be attached between a front and back cover.

Layout: simple 2-3 colors of paper, stickers and die cuts can be used, but are not mandatory.

Cropping: straight cutting of photos using regular scissors or paper cutter. Decorative scissors can be used on colored paper. May use rounded corners on photos but no other decorative cutting of photos.

Journaling: bullet labeling supplying only the basic information such as who, what, and where.

Keep in mind that the main focus is preservation and not how many stickers or fancy papers you use on your page. Let your pictures and memorabilia be the main focus. Scrapbook must contain at least one piece of memorabilia.

Intermediate (grades 6-8 suggested)

Youth will create and exhibit the following:

Number of Pages: 8 pages (4 front and back pages) that were completed since the previous year's exhibition.

Layout: more creative lay-outs. Creative borders and lettering can be used.

Cropping: circle, oval, and other shaped-templates can be used.

Journaling: bullet and captions.

Using a variety of cropping techniques and page layouts will add interest and creativity to your album. Not everything has to be cropped and 'artsy'. Use a nice balance. Must contain at least two pieces of memorabilia.

Advanced (grades 9-12 suggested)

Youth will create and exhibit the following:

Number of Pages: 10 pages (5 front and back) that were completed since the previous year's exhibition.

Layout: may include a pop-up page, pocket page or quilt-type layout, but not every page has to be these types. Use techniques you have learned in previous divisions. Include a variety of layouts.

Cropping: silhouette cropping can be used in addition to techniques you have learned in previous divisions.

Journaling: use bullets, add captions, and storytelling.

Must contain at least three pieces of memorabilia.