4-H Microwave Project Grid – No State Fair Exhibit

Chapter	Book A	Book B	Book C	Book D
1 – Techniques & utensils	Tricks of the Trade – How a Microwave Works – Wattage & Safety a. Cookware – dish test – hot chocolate b. Hot spots – boiling water c. Covering – hot dogs	Stirring, Shielding, Shapes of Dishes & Food, Types of Covers a. Output wattage b. Arranging potatoes & toppings c. Quantity - bacon	 Defrosting & Browning a. Defrosting – hamburger – make chili b. Browning – hamburgers c. Browning – pork chops 	 Doneness – Probes, Standing & Holding Time a. Oven bag – pot roast b. Whole Chicken – standing time & shielding c. Comparison shopping for a microwave – features & costs
2 – Nutrition	 Food Guide Pyramid a. Breakfast – energy - Scrambled eggs b. Apples – browning test, baked c. Pizza snacks 	 Vitamins (A, C & D)& Minerals (Calcium a. Vegetables – Fresh canned & frozen & toppings b. Pudding – different types of milk c. Chocolate Fondue 	 Protein & Meat Alternatives a. Lemon broccoli chicken breasts b. Meatloaf – different shapes c. Lasagna –frozen vs. homemade & pasta tips 	 Healthy Substitutes Chocolate Cake – substitute oil & egg Sugarless Carrot cake Adapting a recipe – conventional to microwave
3 – Food Preparation Match exhibit requirements	 Power Levels a. Popcorn with cheese topping b. Granola Snack Mix c. Fudge – chocolate & peanut butter 	Microwave Baking Tips – bar cookies & cakes a. Bar Cookies with frosting b. Brownies c. Pineapple upside down cake	Candy & Chocolate Tips a. Coffee cake b. Peanut Brittle c. Fruit Crisps	Benefits of Microwave Cooking, Quality of Cakes & Pies a. Microwave Layer Cake b. Jams & Jellies c. Pie – cherry & pecan
4 – Meal	Breakfast & snacks – Carbohydrates, sugar a. Prepackaged – breakfast foods b. Chili dip c. Banana split	Lunch Ideas & Fight Bac Rules a. Macaroni & cheese b. Sloppy joes c. Chicken nuggets	 Dinner - Storing & Reheating Left-overs a. Vegetable & Rice Casserole b. Ground beef & potato casserole c. One-dish spaghetti 	 Planning a Menu – Schedule microwave to cook several dishes Breakfast - Quiche Lunch - Tuna casserole Italian chicken Dinner – Beef Teriyaki, Veggies & Rice
Exhibit	Grade 3 – Microwave Snack Grade 4 – Fudge	Grade 5 – Bar Cookies or brownies Grade 6 – Upside down cake	Grade 7 – Fruit Crisp Grade 8 – Coffee Cake Grade 9 - Candy	Grade 10 – Double layer or bundt cake Grade 11 – Pie Grade 12 – Jam or Jelly