

# Collections and Hobbies

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**State Fair Entry:** Not eligible for State Fair

**Project Check In:** Tuesday, June 24, 2025; 4:30PM-5:45PM; Home & Family Arts Building, Kosciusko County Fairgrounds

**Judging:** Tuesday, June 24, 2025; 6:00PM; Home & Family Arts Building, Kosciusko County Fairgrounds

**Notebook Requirements:** Notebooks should contain a story, pictures and your collect record. Pictures should have captions that list important information for your collection, include name or description of article, date of purchase or find, approximate cost or value and location of purchase or find. Each notebook will need a cover sheet. When creating your notebook, place the most recent year on top.

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.

**Exhibit Requirements:** Exhibits in each division may contain ONLY three (3) pieces of your collection and your notebook. If your collection is valuable, pieces can be taken home after judging, but the notebook must be left for display. Exhibit may be on a poster (22" x 28") following general poster requirements or in a box (not to exceed 18" x 24") and securely covered with a clear glass or rigid plastic.

**Level A Grades 3-4:** Exhibit at least 3 pieces of your collection along with your completed notebook. Pieces should be different each year. Add to your notebook each year so you will be able to show the growth of your collection.

**Level B Grades 5-6:** Exhibit at least 3 pieces of your collection along with your completed notebook. Pieces should be different each year. Your story should be more detailed and informative than the Level A story. Add to your notebook each year so you will be able to show the growth of your collection.

**Level C Grades 7-9:** Exhibit at least 3 pieces of your collection along with your completed notebook. Pieces should be different each year. Your story should be more detailed and informative than the Level B story. Add to your notebook each year so you will be able to show the growth of your collection.

**Level D Grades 10-12:** Exhibit at least 3 pieces of your collection along with your completed notebook. Pieces should be different each year. Your story should be more detailed and informative than the Level C story. Add to your notebook each year so you will be able to show the growth of your collection.

**Note:** Leaves, insects, weeds, and rocks are NOT to be exhibited in collections. 4-H members must enroll and compete in forestry, entomology, weeds, and geology projects to exhibit these items. Exhibits at the county fair will be on display at the 4-H member's own risk. Valuable items may be taken home after judging, but the notebook must be left for display. Exhibit may be on a poster (22" x 28", displayed horizontally, covered with clear plastic) or in a display box (not to exceed 18" x 24"). It is recommended that the display be covered with clear glass or rigid plastic for protection.