

SCRAPBOOKING

County Project Only

(1 Entry selected for State Fair as an Arts & Crafts-General exhibit)

PURPOSE

This scrapbook project allows you to preserve your memories in an organized and creative way. Memories may include family, school, vacations, holidays, 4-H, etc.

EXHIBIT

Album with required number of pages (per your division). Pages should have been made since the last 4-H Fair according to guidelines for your division.

DIVISIONS

Level 1: Grades 3, 4 and 5

Display 6 completed pages

Level 2: Grades 6, 7, and 8

Display 8 completed pages

Level 3: Grades 9, 10, 11 and 12

Display 10 completed pages

JUDGES' SUGGESTIONS

1. First time members of the scrapbook project should attend an introductory workshop. All members are encouraged to attend monthly workshops. The workshop is provided for members to use equipment and get creative ideas from other members. Please bring all your own consumable supplies such as albums, paper, stickers, pictures, etc. The types of supplies are not provided for the members.
2. It is recommended that only the pages to be judged are included in the book that is brought to the Fair. If more than the required number of pages are in the book, it is recommended that the extra pages are covered with a blank sheet of paper to avoid confusion.
3. Neatness is very important.
4. A variety of page layouts will add creativity and interest to the album. Use a nice balance complementing your theme for the page and pictures. Keep in mind the proper placement of the photos. The pages are telling a story, so use chronology (putting things in order of occurrence) to organize the album.
5. Each page can have its own theme or the same theme can be carried out through multiple or even all of the pages.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

1. Each scrapbook must:
 - a. Have a front and back cover with the pages firmly attached between the covers.
 - b. Have an official 4-H exhibit label attached to the front cover.
 - c. Have a title page as the first page of the book.
 - d. Include an index page as the second page. This index should identify the themes of the pages being displayed and the technique(s) used on each page.
 - e. Include a copy of the member's record sheet in the back of the book. Note: The title, index and record sheet pages do not count towards the number of required scrapbook pages.
2. Each scrapbook page must include a page number the date the page was created.

Suggestion: These markings may be made directly on the page OR may be added neatly with a removable label if the member does not want them to be a permanent part of the page.
3. No computer-created writing is allowed.

Remember: Your handwriting is a very important part of your heritage, and you should use it often. Journal boxes or lined scrapbooking paper may be used. If the member chooses to create his or her own lined journal boxes, gel pens or marker should be used. Pencil lines should be erased. Use a straight edge to keep the journaling as straight and neat as possible.
4. Spell words correctly.

Tip: Writing the journal entries and captions on a separate sheet of paper first is often a good idea before working on the scrapbook page itself. Use a dictionary if necessary. If mistakes are made, correct them neatly by covering the mistake with a small piece of same-colored paper. Do not cross out the mistake.
5. All decorations, markers, chalks, and stamps should be acid free and lignin free to maintain the integrity of the page and photos.

Remember: These are just decorations and should be used only to enhance the photos and journaling. They should not be the focus of the page.
6. Journaling is required on each page, including both pages of a two-page spread. Tell the story of each photo on each page including the "who, what, where and when."
7. If memorabilia are required (Levels 2 and 3), encase it in a plastic sleeve, laminate it, or use archival spray to make sure that it is not touching pictures being displayed on the same page.
8. Do not write on the pictures. Do not put stickers on the pictures.

9. Each page must have a plastic page protector or cover.
10. Each member will create another, separate page for display at the Fair. This page should not be attached to the album. The member's name should be prominently included as well as other decorations.
11. Albums may be taken home following judging. They will be at the main desk in the 4-H Center. Please pick them up as soon as possible.

EXHIBIT GUIDELINES

Level 1: Grades 3-5

1. Strap-hinged or post bound albums are required. Absolutely no 3-ring binders are allowed.
Note: 3rd graders may continue using the 8"x8" book from Mini 4-H if desired or they may use a 12"x12" album. All other members must use a 12"x12" album.
2. 6 completed pages (3 front and backs) with 3 different techniques used chosen from the following list:
 - a. Cropped Pictures. Use straight edge scissors or paper cutter. Corner rounder may also be used on pictures. Do not mat pictures. Mount them on album-sized paper only.
 - b. Decorative Scissors. Use these on paper only. Do not use on photos.
 - c. 2 or 3 solid color papers per page. No printed paper should be used.
 - d. Journaling. Journal boxes may be used. See description in General Guidelines.
 - e. Enhancements. Choose at least one of the following:
 - Stickers
 - Die-cuts
 - Simple borders
 These are the only enhancements choices allowed for Level 1 members.
3. Not required for Level 1, but try to use at least one piece of memorabilia in your album.

Level 2: Grades 6-8

1. Must use a 12"x12" strap-hinged or post-bound album. Absolutely no 3-ring binders.
2. 8 completed pages (4 front and backs) with 5 different techniques used chosen from the following list:
 - a. Cropped Pictures
 - b. Decorative Scissors
 - c. 2 or 3 solid color papers per page. Printed paper may be used.
 - d. Journaling
 - e. At least once enhancement per page. No other enhancements should be used.
 - f. Matted pictures
 - g. Circle or oval cut pictures
3. Must have at least one piece of memorabilia.
4. Must have at least one 2-page spread where a single story is told over 2 side-by-side pages.

Level 3: Grades 9-12

1. Must use a 12"x12" strap-hinged or post-bound album. Absolutely no 3-ring binders.
2. 10 completed pages (5 front and backs) with 8 different techniques used chosen from the following list:
 - a. Cropped Pictures
 - b. Decorative Scissors
 - c. 2 or 3 solid color papers per page. Printed paper may be used.
 - d. Journaling
 - e. Enhancements on every page. Include decorative borders, stamps, chalks, colored pencils, stickers, die cuts, decorative paper, journal box
 - f. Matted pictures
 - g. Circle or oval cut pictures
 - h. More complicated layouts
 - i. Something new
3. Must have at least 2 pieces of memorabilia.
4. Must have at least two 2-page spreads where a single story is told over 2 side-by-side pages.

The most important thing for all levels is to have fun preserving your memories. New techniques are learned at our workshops. Please plan to attend as many workshops as possible to expand your knowledge, get new ideas and share what you've learned with others. You will be able to develop new friendships, too!

FINAL CHECKLIST

- Title page
- Index page
- Appropriate Techniques/Enhancements
- Correct Spelling

- Pages Numbered
- Creation dates included on each page
- Record Sheet included
- Pages Protected
- Appropriate Album
- 4-H Exhibit Label
- Display Page