SCRAPBOOKING
(2023 County Project)

Exhibit Guidelines:

- Each scrapbook album will have a front and back cover with pages firmly attached between the covers. Plastic page protectors are not required, but are strongly recommended.
- Each scrapbook album will have an entry tag with the 4-H member's name, Club, and age on it. This entry tag will list the 10 page numbers the 4-H member wishes the judge to review. The page numbers need not be written on the actual album page – either a sticky note with the assigned number may be attached to each page to be judged or the first 10 pages in the album will be reviewed.
- Each scrapbook will have 10 pages (5 two page layouts) completed for judging. Layouts must be consecutive pages. 4-H member may choose to create 5 layouts as front and back, or two pages facing. Completed layouts contain photos or memorabilia, documentation, decoration, etc. Incomplete or unfinished pages will not be judged. More than 10 pages may be created; exhibitor selects 10 created since last Fair to be judged (topic of pages created need not be limited to activities occurring since last Fair).
- Photos and memorabilia must be included in each scrapbook, but not necessarily on each page. Some layouts may contain only photos while others may contain only memorabilia. Be sure to include a variety in your list of pages to be judged. At least one piece of memorabilia should be included in your 10 pages. Memorabilia may be encased in plastic sleeves.
- Neatness is very important. Exhibit clean pages with clear handwriting. NO COMPUTER CREATED WRITING is allowed. Your handwriting is part of your heritage. Please use it often!
- Keep in mind the proper placement of photos, etc., in your album. Your scrapbook is telling a story. Use chronology (putting things in order of occurrence) or themes to organize your scrapbook.
- Journaling (labels, captions, stories, thoughts, ideas, etc.) is to be used along with your photos and memorabilia. Without journaling, over time, your photos and memorabilia will become less meaningful to you and others. Carefully proofread your spelling!
- A page listing pages previously exhibited must be included in back of scrapbook.

Exhibit Class Guidelines:

- **Beginner (grades 3-5)**
  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.
  Layout: Simple 2-3 colors of papers; stickers and die cuts may be used but are not mandatory.
  Cropping: Straight cutting of photos using regular scissors or paper cutter. Decorative scissors can be used on color paper.
  Journaling: One or two sentences supplying basic information such as who, what, when and where.

- **Intermediate (grades 6-8)**
  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.
  Layout: More creative layout. Creative borders and lettering may be used.
  Cropping: Circle, oval and other shaped templates may be used.
  Journaling: In addition to basic information, should begin to record thoughts and feelings regarding situation.

- **Advanced (grades 9-12)**
  Not every photo has a complete story; please choose the ones deserving of this when you are thinking of your page designs. It is okay to put several photos in a layout and just use one of them to tell a story. Label or caption the others on the page if appropriate.

Layout:	May include a pop-up page, pocket page or kaleidoscope – 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 learned in previous divisions.
Journaling:	Use bullets and captions, plus storytelling – writing your thoughts and feelings and telling or memory on each layout.

Clay County Requirement:

You will need to have a filled-out project record sheet to turn in with your project at judging.
   General Record Sheet