

# COLLECTIONS

## LEVEL/GRADES

Beginners: Grades 3, 4, 5

Intermediate: Grades 6, 7, 8

Advanced: Grades 9, 10, 11, 12

## RULES

1. Community Judging of all 4-H Collections projects will be at Project Check-In.
2. Exhibit collection neatly and attractively in one of the following ways
  - Enclosed in some type of box/container. (Ex. Box with clear cover)
  - In a binder or scrapbook.
  - On a poster (22" x 28") displayed horizontally with stiff backing.
3. All items are to be suitable for viewing as part of a 4-H display
4. All items are to be labeled. Examples: "Matchbook cover given to me by a friend of my father's." "Button from my mother's wedding dress." "Rock shaped like an apple."
5. No Live Items are Acceptable.
6. Each Exhibit should be accompanied by a notebook explaining the collection. It should include labeled items, dates, names, pictures, etc. Detailed information is helpful to the judge.
7. In all divisions, if collection is too large or valuable to exhibit, then exhibit them in a notebook containing photos and descriptions of your collection which can be exhibited in place of your collection. Photo quality will not be judged, but photos must be neatly arranged and labeled.
8. All posters, notebooks, and display boards must include a reference list indicating where information was obtained, giving credit to the original author, to complete the 4-H member's exhibit. This reference list should/might include web site links, people and professionals interviewed, books, magazines, etc. It is recommended this reference list be attached to the back of a poster or display board, be the last page of a notebook, or included as part of the display visible to the public. A judge is not to discredit an exhibit for the manner in which references are listed.

## EXHIBITS

**Beginners (Grades 3 – 5)** – Exhibit a minimum of 6 label items, along with a notebook. The notebook should include: labeled items, dates, names, pictures, etc. Detailed information is helpful to the judge. If a 4-H'er is in the Beginner Division for more than 1 year, at least 1 additional item must be added to the collection after the completion of the first year & until the 4-H'er enters the Junior Division.

**Intermediate (Grades 6 – 8)** - Exhibit a minimum of 9 label items, along with a notebook. The notebook should include: labeled items, dates, names, pictures, etc. Detailed information is helpful to the judge. If a 4-H'er is in the Intermediate Division for more than 1 year, at least 1 additional item must be added to the collection after the completion of the first year & until the 4-H'er enters the Advanced Division.

**ADVANCED (Grades 9 – 12)** - Exhibit a minimum of 12 label items, along with a notebook. The notebook should include: labeled items, dates, names, pictures, etc. Also include in your notebook an essay about where & how your collection was started & other facts about your collection. If a 4-H'er is in this division more than 1 year, at least 1 additional item must be added to the collection after the completion of the first year in the Senior Division. Notebooks must be updated each year.

## NO STATE FAIR ENTRY.