

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT

Note: Pre-school through 5th grade exhibitor's entries will be judged according to the Danish System of judging. These groups will receive ribbons only. There are no entry fees and no premiums paid. 6th grade and over classes will be judged under the American System of judging.

LOCAL RULES

1. Entries are open only to children who have not reached their 18th birthday by May 1, 2019.
2. All entries in these divisions shall have been made or produced by the exhibitor.
3. Entries shall be made on online entry. The online signature agreement of a parent or guardian is required.
4. State and local rules apply to all entries, and score cards in corresponding Senior and Junior Department classes shall be used unless otherwise provided in these divisions.
5. In all Junior Divisions using the Danish System, the following guidelines shall be used by judges:

<i>Placing</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>Ribbon</i>
Group 1	Superior	92-100	Blue
Group 2	Good	84-91	Red
Group 3	Average	70-83	White
Group 4	Poor	69-0	No ribbon

JUNIOR OUTDOOR GARDEN DIVISION

1. Open to junior gardeners through high school: individuals, clubs, schools, and organizations.
2. **Gardens must be designed, constructed and installed only by person, persons, and club or organization members of whose name appears on entry.** Leaders or Instructors may supervise only.
3. One entry will be accepted per exhibitor per class. Garden space is limited. Gardens will be assigned on a first come first serve basis.
4. Gardens must be completed by 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 29th. Monday, May 6th, gardens must be torn down, all items removed and space returned to original state. **Checks will not be issued until gardens are cleared.**
5. Exhibits to be maintained in fresh state with replacement of any and all dead and deteriorating material. **Gardens will be watered by fair personnel only.**
6. Garden space plantings must be planted in the ground.
7. Absolutely no dyed, artificial, or painted flowers. Material used must be in its natural form.
8. Space allotted will be approximately 100 square feet.
9. Work Schedule: Starting April 24-28, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., April 29th, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Signs need to be displayed with exhibitor or club name. No advertising allowed on sign. Sign can not exceed 18"x24" We will cover signs for judging.
10. All gardening equipment, wagons, wheelbarrows, tools, soil, unused plants or floral material, etc must be removed from gardens no later than 7pm April 30th. Any items left behind will become the property of the fair. Nothing may be added or removed from your garden after 7pm April 30th.

ONLINE ENTRIES DUE: March 27, 2019 11:59 p.m.
DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: Beginning April 24
JUDGING: April 30, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.,
American System of Judging
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 6 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

**Best of Show – Rosette
Outstanding 4-H or FFA Garden Project**

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1 ST	2 ND	3 RD
\$200	\$150	\$100

DIVISION 100: JUNIOR OUTDOOR GARDENS

- Class:
1. Individual 15 & Up
 2. Individual 14 & Under
 3. Group/Organization
 4. FFA Chapter
 5. 4-H Club

JUNIOR CONTAINER GARDENS

ONLINE ENTRIES DUE: March 27, 2019 11:59p.m.
DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: April 29, 9a.m.-7p.m.
JUDGING: April 30, 9:00a.m. to 2:00p.m.
American System of Judging
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 6 between 10:00a.m. and 6p.m.

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
\$20	\$15	\$10

Limit one entry per exhibitor per class. Exhibitor must provide container. Absolutely no dyed, artificial, or painted flowers. Materials used must be in their natural form.

DIVISION 101: Jr. GARDEN IN A WHEELBARROW OR WAGON (use standard size wagon or wheelbarrow)

- Class:
1. Individual
 2. Group

JUNIOR FLORICULTURE

1. Two entries will be accepted per exhibitor per class.
2. All arrangements must contain fresh flowers or fresh plant material. Accessories and figurines can be used whenever needed.
3. No fresh native plants may be used in flower arrangements unless they are home grown.
4. Arrangements must be maintained during period shown.
5. **Best of Show** award available for 6th grade and up only.

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DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: April 29, 9 to 7p.m. Germino Building
JUDGING: April 30, 11:00 a.m.
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 6 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Best of Show Junior Arrangements \$25

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

(for 6th graders and up only)

1 ST	2 ND	3 RD
\$3	\$2	\$1

DIVISION 102: ARRANGEMENT, K – 2ND

DIVISION 103: ARRANGEMENT, 3RD – 5TH

DIVISION 104: ARRANGEMENT, 6TH – 8TH

DIVISION 105: ARRANGEMENT, 9TH GRADE AND UP

Class: 1. Exhibitors Choice

DIVISION 106: MINIATURE ARRANGEMENT, ANY AGE

(Not to exceed 5" overall, design in miniature 60% for scale) RIBBON ONLY

- Class: 1. Secret Garden
2. High Tea

COLOR IN A POT

1. One entry per exhibitor.
2. Decorate a standard 6-inch or 8 inch terra cotta pot and plant it with well-established seasonal flower(s).
3. Please write your name on the bottom of the pot.
4. Terra Cotta pots must have a saucer.

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DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: April 29, 9a.m. to 7p.m., Germino Building
JUDGING: April 30, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00p.m.
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 6 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

(for 6th graders and up only)

1 ST	2 ND	3 RD
\$3	\$2	\$1

DIVISION 107: COLOR IN A POT

- Class: 1. Junior Exhibitor, K – 5th Grade
2. Junior Exhibitor, 6th – 8th Grade
3. Junior Exhibitor, 9th Grade and up

DIVISION 108: FAIRY GARDEN

Using a container of any shape, not to exceed 42" in circumference. Must include miniature accessories.

- Class: 1. Any container, (5th grade & under)
2. Any container, (6th grade & above)

DIVISION 109: MILK JUG PLANTER

Convert a plastic milk jug into a planter. For grades 5th and under.

- Class: 1. Milk Jug Planter

DIVISION 110: MR. OR MRS. POTATO HEAD

Create and enter your own Mr. or Mrs. Potato Head using any type of fresh potato. For grades 5th and under.

- Class: 1. Mr. or Mrs. Potato Head

KIDS MINI SCARECROW CONTEST

ONLINE ENTRIES DUE: March 27, 2019 11:59 p.m.
DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: April 29, 3 to 7pm Gardens
JUDGING: April 30
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 6 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Mini Scarecrows must not exceed 18 inches tall. They must be on a stick, dowel, paint stirrer or other sturdy stake that can be inserted into soil for display purposes. Paper, fabric, buttons or other mediums may be used to decorate your character.

DIVISION 111: MINI SCARECROW

- Class: 1. Mini Scarecrow (5th grade & under)
2. Mini Scarecrow (6th grade & above)

JUNIOR HOME ARTS DEPARTMENT

1. Two entries will be accepted per exhibitor per class provided different recipe is used for each entry.
2. All entries in these divisions shall have been made or produced by the exhibitor.

ONLINE ENTRIES DUE: March 27, 2019 11:59 p.m.
DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: April 30, 8 to 10 am., Exhibit Building
JUDGING: April 30
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 6 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

(for 6th graders and up only)

1 ST	2 ND	3 RD
\$3	\$2	\$1

BAKED GOODS & CONFECTIONS

Management reserves the right to dispose of foods that are no longer presentable due to spoilage. Recipes using alcohol not allowed.

Minimum Quantities:

- Pie: One 7" or 8" pie
- Cake: ½ cake, plus one slice
- Confections: ½ pound
- Cookies, biscuits, rolls: ½ dozen
- Breads: ½ loaf

DIVISION 112: BAKING AND CONFECTIONS, 5TH GRADE AND UNDER

DIVISION 113: BAKING AND CONFECTIONS, 6TH – 8TH GRADES

DIVISION 114: BAKING AND CONFECTIONS, 9TH GRADE AND UP

- Class: 1. Breads, any kind
2. Cake, any kind
3. Cookies, any kind
4. Candy, any kind
5. Any other, identify on entry

DIVISION 115: CAKE DECORATING

- Class: 1. Decorated Cake (5th grade & under)
2. Decorated cake (6th grade & above)

DIVISION 116: TRICKS WITH A MIX

Begin with a packaged mix and change it. Recipe MUST be submitted with exhibit when brought to the fairgrounds.

- Class: 1. Cake
2. Any other (identify on entry)

PRESERVED FOOD DIVISIONS

Two entries per class will be accepted per exhibitor. Each entry may be a different product or the same product preserved by a different method. Entry must list the type of product and the method or process used. Low acid foods must be canned under pressure. Jar labels should list the type of product and process used. Dried products should be wrapped in clear plastic or sealed jars. No parafin seals, only standard canning jars with lids will be accepted. Exhibitor must bring two jars per entry, one for tasting and one for display. To prevent waste, open jars may be picked up after judging.

DIVISION 117: CANNED FRUIT

- Class: 1. Apricots
2. Peaches
3. Pears
4. Tomatoes
5. Any other fruit, identify on entry

DIVISION 118: PICKLES AND RELISHES

- Class: 1. Cucumber, sweet pickles
2. Dill Pickles
3. Vegetables, mixed, pickled
4. Relish, identify on entry
5. Any other, identify on entry

DIVISION: 119: JAMS AND JELLIES

- Class: 1. Apricot, plain jam
2. Apricot, pineapple jam
3. Strawberry jam
4. Any other jam, identify on entry
5. Any jelly, identify on entry

JUNIOR TABLE SETTINGS CONTEST

1. One entry will be accepted per exhibitor per class.
2. Space allowed: Card table, exhibitor provides.
3. Perishable foods will not be permitted.
4. All tables are limited to four place settings.
5. Menu must be furnished on the table for display.
6. You may show company and pattern names of china, crystal and silver used and any other information, which might be of interest to viewers. This information should be submitted on 5" X 8" card, neatly lettered or typed.
7. Centerpiece of flowers, fruit or plant material may be used.
8. **Best of Show** award available for 6th grade and up only.

ONLINE ENTRIES DUE: March 27, 2019 11:59 p.m.
DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: April 26 **OR** April 27,
11a.m. to 3 p.m., Germino Building
JUDGING: April 30
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 6 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Best of Show Junior Table Settings \$30

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

(for 6th graders and up only)

1 ST	2 ND	3 RD
\$5	\$4	\$3

DIVISION 120: JUNIOR TABLE SETTINGS

- Class:
1. Where Summer Begins
 2. Game Night
 3. Disney Fun

CLOTHING AND TEXTILES DIVISIONS

Two entries will be accepted per exhibitor per class, provided a different pattern is used for each entry. All articles entered must be cleaned and pressed.

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DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: April 2, 11a.m. to 6 p.m. April 3, 9a.m. to 12 noon, Exhibit Building
JUDGING: April 4
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 6 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

(for 6th graders and up only)

1 ST	2 ND	3 RD
\$3	\$2	\$1

DIVISION 121: CLOTHING AND TEXTILES, 5TH GRADE AND UNDER

DIVISION 122: CLOTHING AND TEXTILE, 6TH – 8TH GRADES

DIVISION 123: CLOTHING AND TEXTILE, 9TH GRADE AND UP

- Class:
1. Any article, wearing apparel
 2. Stuffed item (pillow, cushion or toy)
 3. Any other, identify on entry

JUNIOR ARTS AND CRAFTS DEPARTMENT

1. One entry will be accepted per exhibitor per class.
2. All entries in these divisions shall have been made or produced by the exhibitor.
3. Entries must be matted or mounted and ready for hanging. No wood or metal frames will be accepted, unless the entry is done in oil or acrylic. Call 826-5166, Exhibits Supervisor, with questions regarding matting, mounting or hanging.
4. Description of exhibit must be on entry.

JUNIOR ARTS DIVISIONS

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JUDGING: April 4
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 6 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

(for 6th graders and up only)

1 ST	2 ND	3 RD
\$3	\$2	\$1

DIVISION 124: JUNIOR ART, PRE-SCHOOL
DIVISION 125: JUNIOR ART, K - 2ND GRADES
DIVISION 126: JUNIOR ART, 3RD - 5TH GRADES

- Class:
1. Chalk/Pastel
 2. Crayon
 3. Charcoal
 4. Felt pen
 5. Finger-paint
 6. Mixed media
 7. Poster paint or watercolor
 8. Prints
 9. Pen or pencil
 10. Rubber stamp art
 11. Tissue art
 12. Any other, identify on entry

DIVISION 127: JUNIOR ART, 6TH - 8TH GRADES
DIVISION 128: JUNIOR ART, 9TH GRADE & UP

- Class:
1. Chalk/Pastel
 2. Crayon
 3. Charcoal
 4. Felt pen
 5. Mixed media
 6. Poster paint or watercolor
 7. Pen or pencil
 8. Any other, identify on entry

DIVISION 129: GROUP ENTRY

NO PREMIUMS OFFERED, NO ENTRY FEE.

Ribbons only. One project by a group, Pre-school, elementary, junior high or any other junior group. Any entry on paper over 2' x 3' must be on flame retardant paper. Size limit is 7' x 7'. Only one name per entry.

- Class:
1. Painting
 2. Paper quilt
 3. Any other, identify on entry

JUNIOR CRAFTS DIVISION

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JUDGING: April 4
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 6 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

(for 6th graders and up only)

1 ST	2 ND	3 RD
\$3	\$2	\$1

DIVISION 130: JUNIOR CRAFTS, PRE-SCHOOL

- Class:
1. Clay
 2. Decorated Frames
 3. Decorations, Christmas, holidays, etc.
 4. Needlepoint
 5. Paper mache
 6. Paper sculpture
 7. Woodwork
 8. Any other, identify on entry

DIVISION 131: JUNIOR CRAFTS, K - 2ND GRADES

- Class:
1. Clay
 2. Decorated Frames
 3. Decorations, Christmas, holidays, etc.
 4. Needlepoint
 5. Paper mache
 6. Paper sculpture
 7. Knitting
 8. Scrapbook
 9. Woodwork
 10. Any other, identify on entry

DIVISION 132: JUNIOR CRAFTS, 3RD - 5TH GRADES

- Class:
1. Clay
 2. Decorated Frames
 3. Decorations, Christmas, holidays, etc.
 4. Missions
 5. Needlepoint
 6. Paper mache
 7. Paper sculpture
 8. Knitting
 9. Scrapbook
 10. Woodwork
 11. Any other, identify on entry

DIVISION 133: JUNIOR CRAFTS, 6TH - 8TH GRADES

- Class:
1. Clay
 2. Decorated Frames
 3. Decorations, Christmas, holidays, etc.
 4. Knitting
 5. Needlepoint
 6. Paper mache
 7. Scrapbook
 8. Woodwork
 9. Any other, identify on entry

DIVISION 134: JUNIOR CRAFTS, 9TH GRADE AND UP

- Class:
1. Clay/Ceramics, handmade carved or cut out
 2. Clay/Ceramics, handmade figurine
 3. Clay/Ceramics handmade pots or containers
 4. Clay/Ceramics handmade any other item, identify on entry
 5. Clay, pre molded
 6. Decorated Frames
 7. Decorations, Christmas, holidays, etc.
 8. Knitting
 9. Scrapbook
 10. Woodwork
 11. Any other, identify on entry

TOOTHPICK STRUCTURE

Must use minimum of 200 toothpicks. May use non-toothpick objects for decoration only, not to exceed 10% of materials. Toothpicks must be wooden. Structure must be securely glued, the Fair will not be responsible for breakage. Provide a brief write up describing the structure and the number of toothpicks used.

DIVISION 135: TOOTHPICK STRUCTURE

1. 6yrs and under
2. 7-11yrs
3. 12-17 yrs

NEW

BIRDHOUSE CONTEST

Flights of Fancy! Decorate a Birdhouse of any size. Entries will be judged on:

- . Aesthetics
- . Imaginative theme or concept and exceptional use of form, texture, and/or color composition, and execution
- . Craftmanship
- . Functionality for birds (hole, roof, chamber, etc)

DIVISION 136: DECORATED BIRDHOUSE

- Class 1 Homemade Birdhouse
- Class 2. Purchased Birdhouse

NEW

PAINTED ROCK CONTEST

Find a rock and paint it with any design or theme.

DIVISION 137: PAINTED ROCK CONTEST

Class : 1. Any rock not to exceed 12" circumference

DIVISION 138: JUNIOR CRAFTS, DEVELOPMENTALLY CHALLENGED

This division is open to challenged persons with physical or learning disabilities who have not reached their 18th birthday.

Class: 1. Any project, identify on entry

DIVISION 139: HOBBY AND COLLECTIONS

Space available per exhibit is limited to one display case.

- Class: 1. Hobby; group of 10 or more items which the exhibitor has made or worked on.
2. Collection; group of 10 or more items collected by the exhibitor.

JUNIOR SPECIAL CONTESTS

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JUDGING: April 4
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MOMMY AND ME

A division designed for our younger fairgoers. Participants are to be 4 years and younger. Working together and creating fun is the goal of this project.

Limited to one entry per exhibitor per class.

DANISH SYSTEM OF JUDGING. NO ENTRY FEES, NO PREMIUMS PAID.

DIVISION 140: MOMMY AND ME

- Class:
1. Ceramics
 2. Handprint Memories
 3. Any other craft, identify on entry

INTERLOCKING BUILDING TOYS

Entries must be mounted on a stationary display board. Entries must be securely constructed not to come apart easily. **Gluing pieces together is preferred.** One entry per exhibitor per class.

DANISH SYSTEM OF JUDGING. NO ENTRY FEES, NO PREMIUMS PAID.

DIVISION 141: INTERLOCKING BUILDING TOYS (LEGOS, K'NEX, ETC.)

- Class:
1. Original design – under 150 pieces
 2. Original design – over 151 pieces and up
 3. Kit – under 150 pieces
 4. Kit – 151 pieces and up

JUNIOR FINE ART DIVISION

Two entries will be accepted per exhibitor per class. All entries must be originals. No wet painting will be accepted. Pictures may be framed and must be ready for hanging. A label bearing title, medium, name and address of exhibitor must be attached to the back.

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DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: April 5, 2-5pm April 6, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Germino Building
JUDGING: April 8
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 6 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Judges Award of Merit \$25

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

(for 6th graders and up only)

1 ST	2 ND	3 RD
\$3	\$2	\$1

DIVISION 142: JUNIOR FINE ART

- Class:
1. Mixed Media
 2. Oil or Acrylic
 3. Pen and Ink
 4. Watercolor
 5. Sculpture
 6. Pencil
 7. Charcoal
 8. Any other, identify on entry

JUNIOR PHOTOGRAPHY DEPARTMENT

Eight photographs will be accepted per exhibitor per class. Standard size prints are acceptable. **NO GLASS or FRAMES.** All prints must be mounted and matted and ready for hanging or they will be judged but not exhibited. The fair will attach velcro on the back of photographs for hanging, **NO HOOKS.** Photos must not have been exhibited at any previous Merced County Spring Fair. Danish system of judging.

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JUDGING: April 8
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 6 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Judges Award of Merit \$25

NEW

SELFIES

Entrant must be the photographer. Entrant must be in the picture. Photo must be a minimum of 5X7, and be mounted and matted. Limit 2 per class.

DIVISION 143: SELFIES

- Class: 1. Individual Selfie
Class: 2. Group (2 or more)

NEW

MY SILLY PET

Share a photo of your pet caught in the act of looking silly. Limit 2 per class.

DIVISION 144: MY SILLY PET

- Class: 1. Any Pet

DIVISION 145: JUNIOR PHOTOGRAPHY, PRE-SCHOOL - 5TH GRADE

DIVISION 146: JUNIOR PHOTOGRAPHY, 6TH - 8TH GRADES

DIVISION 147: JUNIOR PHOTOGRAPHY, 9TH GRADE AND UP

- Class: 1. Animals
2. Digitally enhanced photography
3. Landscape
4. People
5. Any other, identify on entry

JUNIOR INDUSTRIAL ARTS

Three projects will be accepted per exhibitor per class. Exhibits with gas engines MUST NOT have gasoline in tanks, but must have oil and water if required for workable engine. No entry may be shown for more than one calendar year.

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DANISH SYSTEM OF JUDGING PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1 ST	2 ND	3 RD
\$3	\$2	\$1

DIVISION 148: WOODS – BENCH AND CABINET

DIVISION 149: WOOD TURNING

DIVISION 150: WOOD – SMALL PROJECTS

(Cost of materials not to exceed \$15)

DIVISION 151: WOOD – MEDIUM PROJECTS

(Cost of materials need to be over \$15)

- Class:
1. Freshman
 2. Sophomore
 3. Junior
 4. Senior

DIVISION 152: WOOD –LARGE PROJECTS

(Cost of materials needs to be over \$100)

- Class:
1. Group or Class project
 2. Freshman
 3. Sophomore
 4. Junior
 5. Senior

DIVISION 153: MECHANICAL DRAFTING

DIVISION 154: ARCHITECTURAL DRAWING

DIVISION 155: COMPUTER DRAFTING

- Class:
1. Freshman
 2. Sophomore
 3. Junior
 4. Senior

DIVISION 156: MECHANICAL AUTOMOTIVE

- Class:
1. Engines
 2. Any other