

NUECES COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW HOMEMAKING DIVISION

RULES: HOMEMAKING DIVISION

Exhibitors for the Homemaking Division must be a member of FCCLA, FFA or Jr. FFA , 4-H Club, Homemaking Class, Occupational Training.

1. Exhibitors will be divided into the following grade levels:
 - a. Junior - 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades
 - b. Intermediate - 6th, 7th, and 8th grades.
 - c. Senior - 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grades.
2. All rule changes affecting the homemaking division must be submitted and approved by the homemaking committee prior to submission to the NCJLS board.
3. Homemaking Entry Packets will be issued to ALL home-making exhibitors with the containers by January. Packets will include a personalized entry card for each project and the entry card **MUST** accompany entry at check-in.
4. Entries will be accepted at check-in from parents, teachers, adult leaders, or exhibitors. Homemaking labels will be issued at check-in only with the presentation of a properly completed School Eligibility Voucher (General Rule #6). Entry labels will be attached to each entry at the registration desk. Entries that do not follow the Homemaking Division Rules will be **disqualified**.
5. All entries must be the work of the exhibitor. Clothing, Creative Stitchery, and Arts & Crafts items can only be entered one time in the Nueces County Junior Livestock Show.
6. **ONLY** those division entries marked on entry forms will be accepted at check-in. Exhibitors will be allowed to declare within each division at time of check-in.
7. Any entry deemed unpresentable will be removed from public display and/or disqualified.
8. All judged entries may be awarded ribbons. Entries receiving special judges recognition may be awarded a Ribbon of Merit.
9. The Food Division entries become the property of the division and will not be returned to the exhibitor due to health and safety concerns. Clothing, Creative Stitchery and Arts & Crafts items must be signed out by the exhibitor, family member, or adult leader and picked up at the designated time.
10. Unclaimed clothing, creative stitchery and arts & crafts items will be taken to the Livestock Show office and **MUST** be collected by **February 6th**. NCJLS and/or Homemaking Committee will not be responsible for unclaimed items.
11. Thank You Letters are required for all sponsored prizes and must be turned in by **February 6th** in order to collect prizes. Sponsor information will be provided prior to the release of any prizes.
12. **OVERALL SENIOR SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS AND RESERVE OVERALL SENIOR SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS:** The recipients must have a minimum of one (1) entry in each of the four (4) divisions: Foods, Clothing, Creative Stitchery, and Arts & Crafts. The winners will be determined by the following scoring and ranking system:

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Red Ribbons – 0 points	2nd Place – 4 points
Blue Ribbons – 1 point	1st Place - 5 points
Merit Award – 2 points	Reserve – 6 points
3rd Place – 3 points	Grand - 10 Points

13. Homemaking Scholarship Awards will provide \$3500 to Overall Senior Grand and \$2000 to Overall Reserve Sweepstakes winners. The Homemaking Committee may award additional scholarships within the senior division based upon available funds. All recipients must have a minimum of one (1) entry in each of the four divisions. Scholarship funds will be maintained according to the Maintenance Requirements under the NCJLS general scholarship information.

FOOD DIVISION

Food entries must be prepared from SCRATCH – except those items entered in the Semi-Homemade category. NO refrigerated ingredients, frozen dough or pastry, or canned icing. **NO food products will be returned to the exhibitor due to health and safety concerns.**

FOOD CATEGORIES - Only 5 possible entries in any combination

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| <p>1. BREADS</p> <p>3. CANDY</p> <p>5. PIES and STRUDELS</p> <p>6. JAMS, JELLIES and PRESERVES</p> <p>7. SALSA and SAUCES</p> <p>8. PICKLED ITEMS</p> <p>9. SEMI-HOMEMADE</p> | <p>2. CAKES</p> <p>4. COOKIES-includes brownies, bar cookies</p> |
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1. Exhibitors can only enter a maximum of 5 items in any combination in the Food Division. Due to health risks, items requiring refrigeration will be disqualified.
2. Exhibitors must provide recipes for each food entry on 8 1/2 X 11 white paper, one side only, inserted in sheet protectors or gallon zipped top bags. The committee prefers that recipes be typed. DO NOT put Name on recipe pages. Recipes from the Top 3 Winners of each age and food category may be published in a cookbook.
3. Due to health precautions, food items which appear unsafe to eat and declared so by the judges and division superintendents will be disqualified.
4. The judges of the nine (9) food categories will choose their Top three (3) Foods in each category. The Grand will be determined from the 1st place winners of each category. The 2nd place entry from the winning category will be brought forward to compete for Reserve Champion honors.
5. All foods entered must be prepared from SCRATCH, except those items entered in the Semi-Homemade category.
6. All entries EXCEPT canned items must use containers purchased through the show. Entries must fit inside and snap shut.

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7. Items used to display food must be disposable (i.e. Items may be placed on paper plates or cardboard inside the container, glass may not be used).
8. Pies must be entered in disposable aluminum pans.
9. Exhibitors have the option to decorate the containers, except for canned items. All decorations (doilies, ribbons, bows, silk flowers, etc.) must be inside the container and must allow clear view of the food item. The Homemaking Committee will not be responsible for decorative items used by exhibitors.
10. Canned foods cannot be decorated. Only a single undecorated jar with content label will be accepted.

BREADS—Includes Quick Breads and Yeast Breads, NO pack-
aged mixes.

1. Entry must be a whole loaf of bread; 6 rolls or 6 muffins.

CAKES

1. Entry must be a whole cake or 6 cupcakes. Refrigerated items (i.e. cheesecakes) will be disqualified.
2. Foods which are required to be iced while hot must be entered in disposable aluminum pans. Pans must fit inside plastic container provided by show.

CANDY

1. Entry must display a minimum of 12 pieces of candy. Specialty candies requiring a commercially prepared ingredients such as caramels, marshmallows, almond bark or melted chocolate chips are acceptable.

COOKIES - includes brownies and bar cookies

1. Entry must display a minimum of 12 cookies.

PIES and STRUDELS

1. Entry must be a whole pie or a whole strudel. Pie must be entered in disposable aluminum pan. **ONLY cooked fillings and toppings will be accepted.**

JAMS, JELLIES, and PRESERVES

1. Display is one (1) jar of canned goods; one (1) additional jar may be presented at check-in if the 1st jar is disqualified. Only a single undecorated jar with a content label will be accepted.
2. Jars must be labeled with the name of the contents and the date canned. All canned food items must be in a standard canning jar with a two piece canning lid and must have an airtight seal. Canned foods processed by U.S.D.A. regulations in either a boiling water bath or pressure canner. For safety precautions, canned foods will be opened by a committee member at check-in in the presence of the exhibitor, parent, and/or leader to check the seal. Canned items that are not properly sealed are disqualified and must be removed immediately. Contact the Nueces County Extension Office for proper canning methods or check the "USDA/ Extension Service Guide 1, Principle of Home Canning".
http://www.uga.edu/nchfp/publications_usda.html
3. **SALSA and SAUCES** - Refer to Jams, Jellies, Preserves for rules

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PICKLED ITEMS - refer to Jams, Jellies and Preserves for rules.

SEMI-HOMEMADE - Item/recipe can be from food sections: Breads, cakes, candy, cookies, jams/jellies/preserves, pies/strudels, salsa/sauces, pickled items, and must include a minimum of 2 additional ingredients. Item may not be an enhancement of a commercially prepared product.

CLOTHING DIVISION

Items must be sewn from SCRATCH, except for those entries in the embellishment category. Items that are commercially made and modified/embellished by the exhibitor must be entered under the embellishment category.

CLOTHING CATEGORIES Only ten (10) possible entries in any combination

1. **DRESSES** - school attire, everyday wear, sundresses
2. **JACKETS, COATS, SUITS** - male or female apparel
3. **JUMPERS or JUMPSUITS** - male or female apparel
4. **MENSWEAR** - pants, shirts, suits, T-shirts
5. **SEPARATES** - male or female apparel
6. **SPECIALTY WEAR** - party, prom, after 5, wedding, male or female apparel
7. **SPORTSWEAR** - male or female apparel
8. **VESTS** - male or female apparel
9. **COSTUMES**
10. **SLEEPWARE**
11. **EMBELLISHMENTS** - enhancement of commercially made garment
12. **MISCELLANEOUS CLOTHING**—items that do not fit into above Clothing Categories

1. Exhibitors can only enter ten (10) items in any combination in the clothing division. Apparel must be completely constructed by the exhibitor, except for commercially made garment in embellishment entry. Exhibitors may not request special handling of garments.
2. The Homemaking Division will provide exhibitors with a Clothing Entry Card for each clothing entry. These will be distributed prior to the show and must be turned in with the entry. No Names or pictures on card! Exhibitors may declare specific clothing categories at time of check-in.
3. The judges of each of the twelve (12) clothing categories will choose the Top 3 winners. The 1st place winners from each section will be judged and a Grand Champion selected. The 2nd Place entry from the winning category will be brought forward to compete for Reserve Champion honors.
4. The garment in each age division that has been judged "Best Use of Cotton" may receive an award. The garment must be designated as 60% or more cotton on the Description Card.
5. The garment in each age division that has been judged "Best Use of Fabric" may receive an award.

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CREATIVE STITCHERY DIVISION

Items must be sewn from SCRATCH, items that are commercially made but modified / embellished by the exhibitor will be DISQUALIFIED.

CREATIVE STITCHERY CATEGORIES - Only ten (10) possible entries in any combination

HAND-STITCHERY

1. **HAND QUILTS** - size 50" x 70" or smaller (Suggested sleeve be sewn on back for display purposes. Sleeves will not be judged.)
2. **HAND QUILTS** - larger than 50" x 70" (Suggested sleeve be sewn on back for display purposes. Sleeves will not be judged.)
3. **NEEDLEWORK** - includes Embroidery, Needlepoint, Appliqué and Cross Stitch
4. **MISCELLANEOUS HAND** –Items that do not fit into any of the above Hand Stitchery classes (i.e. hook rugs, macramé, crochet, knitting)

MACHINE STITCHERY

5. **ACCESSORIES** –examples: bags, purses, hats, aprons
6. **DOLLS & STUFFED ANIMALS**
7. **HOME DECOR** - includes pillows, kitchen items, wall hangings, aprons
8. **MACHINE QUILTS** - size 50" x 70" or smaller (Suggested sleeve be sewn on back for display purposes. Sleeves will not be judged.)
9. **MACHINE QUILTS** - larger than 50" x 70" (Suggested sleeve be sewn on back for display purposes. Sleeves will not be judged.)
10. **MISCELLANEOUS MACHINE** -items that do not fit into above Machine Stitchery classes

GROUP QUILT - Quilt made by one or more exhibitors (machine or hand quilt). This entry will not be eligible for Grand or Reserve awards

1. Exhibitors can only enter ten (10) items in any combination in the creative stitchery division.
2. The Homemaking Division will provide exhibitors with a Creative Stitchery Entry Card for each Creative Stitchery entry. These will be distributed prior to the show and must be turned in with the entry. No Names or pictures on card! Exhibitors may declare specific categories at time of check-in.
3. The judges of each of the ten (10) creative stitchery sections will choose the Top 3 winners. The 1st place winners from each section will be judged and a Grand Champion selected. The 2nd Place entry from the winning section will be brought forward to compete for Reserve Champion honors.

ARTS & CRAFTS DIVISION

Items must be created from SCRATCH, except for those entries in the embellishment category.

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ARTS & CRAFTS CATEGORIES: TOTAL possible entries - ten (10) including a maximum of six (6) photographs.

1. All Arts & Crafts entries must be the ORIGINAL work of the exhibitor.
2. All Arts & Crafts entries may only be exhibited one time, in one category and one section.
3. The Homemaking Division will provide exhibitors with an Arts & Crafts Description Card for each entry on which the exhibitor will write a brief description of the project. Exhibitors may declare specific categories at time of check-in.
4. The judges of each of the seventeen (17) Arts & Crafts categories will choose the Top 3 Winners. The 1st place winners from each section will be judged and a Grand Champion selected. The 2nd place entry from the winning category will be brought forward to compete for Reserve Champion honors.

ARTWORK

- **PAINTINGS** (all mediums)
 - **DRAWINGS** (all mediums)
1. Artwork must be ORIGINAL.
 2. Artwork can be on flat paper, cardboard, canvas board, or stretched canvas.
 3. No frames, glass or mats will be accepted.
 4. Artwork must be ready to hang with permanent hanger, not easel type stand. If they do not hang, they will be disqualified.
 5. Exhibitors are asked to demonstrate quality and excellence through the technical skills and drawing and/or painting.

HANDICRAFTS

- **FLORAL DESIGNS** (live, dry, or silk flower arrangements, wreaths)
- **LEATHER WORK**
- **STAINED GLASS** - mosaic art, glass art
- **JEWELRY**
- **WOOD CRAFTS** - frames, wall art, crosses
- **MISCELLANEOUS** - any project that does not fit into another Handicraft category
 1. Handicrafts must be ORIGINAL and made from scratch.
 2. Items must be finished for whatever purpose they were meant.

EMBELLISHMENTS

1. Ready-made items enhanced or modified in some manner.

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PHOTOGRAPHY

- **PEOPLE** (color or black and white)
- **ANIMALS** (color or black and white)
- **STILL LIFE** (color or black and white)
- **NATURAL LANDSCAPE** (color or black and white)
- **PLANT/FLORA** (color or black and white)
- **ARCHITECTURAL ELEMENTS** (color or black and white)
- **SPECIAL EFFECTS** (color or black and white)
- **THEME** (color or black and white)

1. Photographs must be ORIGINAL.
2. Photographs must be submitted individually in zipped top bags.
3. The Homemaking Division will provide a Photography entry label to be attached to the lower right edge of photograph (taped and hanging down from the back). Label will include a space to give photograph a title or name.
4. Photographs may be in color (digital or emulsion film) or black and white (any camera, however, they must be in grey-scale only). Photographs may be glossy or mat finish. Black and white does not include antiquing, sepia, or hand tinting
5. Photographs must be 8" x 10" permanently mounted on 8" x 10" photographic mount board (mat board material or foam board).
6. No frames, glass or mats will be accepted.
7. Hangers will be provided at time of check-in.
8. Descriptions of Sections:

PEOPLE – Babies, children, adults and senior citizens alone or in a group, active or inactive.

ANIMALS – Animal life, including domestic, wild, insects and underwater creatures.

STILL LIFE – Objects pre-arranged or set up by the photographer.

NATURAL LANDSCAPE – Scenes of natural landscapes, seascapes, skyscapes or underwater scenes.

PLANT/FLORA – Focus on the plant or flower structure and not on a scene or landscape.

ARCHITECTURAL ELEMENTS – Emphasize geometric details such as lines, patterns, textures or inanimate objects.

SPECIAL EFFECTS - Any photo that has been enhanced to bring out dramatic or artistic qualities. These enhancements can occur using the camera or developing process. Antiquing, hand tinting, sepia-tone and computer enhancement would be entered in this division. Special Effects does not include the simple conversion of a color photo to a black and white.

THEME - "AMERICANA"