

***St. Joseph County
4-H Fair Open
Class
Guideline
2022
Program Booklet
July 1- July 9th, 2022***



<https://www.4hfair.com/fair>

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2022 Changes are in bold along with other important information General Rules –

1. Open Class participants must be 18 years or older by January 1, 2022, and not eligible for 4-H.
2. Little Hands are for Pre-Kindergarten children, who are at least 3 years old by fair time and not yet in kindergarten.
3. Entries must be made/prepared within the last 3 years by the exhibitor and entered in his/her own name. All entries must not have been judged at the St. Joseph County 4-H Fair.
4. No duplicate entries: (You may enter two entries per class– NO EXCEPTIONS!)
5. If there are more than 5 items of the same craft entered in the category of Miscellaneous, they will be judged as a new class.
6. All foods exhibitors must follow Food Safety Regulations and recipe requirements as stated under the Foods Department rules.
7. Participants may cover their exhibit(s) appropriately.
8. The Fair Board will not be responsible for damage or theft of articles.
9. Each class will have placings from 1 through 3 only as merited. Best of Show will be awarded in EACH Category.
10. Judging is not open to the public except as publicized.
11. St. Joseph County Extension Homemakers can enter up to 3 categories FREE.

Date and Time of Entry

1. Bring your items to the south end of the Esther Singer Building (annex) on Monday, June 27, 2022 from 11 a.m. to 7pm
2. **Entry FEE is \$1 per entry**, paid at the time of entry. Each 10 entries entitle exhibitor to 1 daily fair pass with a maximum of 3 passes available. There are no fees for Little Hands.
3. No refunds will be made.

Exhibit Entry and Release

1. NO entry is to be removed before the hour of release established by the Board. Entries removed without permission will forfeit any special awards.
2. Articles will be released on Sunday, July 10th, 2022, from 1pm to 3pm. If you are a 4-H family, you may pick up entries when you come to pick up 4-H entries. All participants will receive pick up information at entry.
3. The committee is not responsible for items NOT claimed by 4 pm **on July 10th, 2022**. If you can not pick up your own exhibits, you must give your designated person the release card you are given at time of entry.

Little Hands

Pre-Kindergarten children who are 3 by fair time, but not yet in kindergarten are eligible to exhibit. (*There is no fee for Little Hands*)

1. See general rules.
2. Little Hands participants may choose up to two exhibits, chosen by the child and labeled properly.
3. There WILL NOT be a fee collected for Little Hands participants.
4. Project ideas are in the 4-H Fair website: <https://www.4hfair.com/little-hands>

American Heritage

Entries due: Monday June 27th 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

1. See general rules.
2. Items will be different each year. Items must be 50+ years old.
3. Pictures of individual entries are acceptable.

Classes:

AH1: Kitchen/Household

AH2: Farm tools /Hand tools

AH3: War memorabilia

AH4: Sports/cards memorabilia

AH5: 4-H Fair Memorabilia

Best of show

Baked Foods

Entries due: Monday July 3rd from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Esther Singer Annex

See general rules.

1. All foods judged on appearance, taste, and texture.
2. Recipes must be provided that show which ingredients were used in each part of the product. Recipes should be complete and typed or neatly written on one side of an 8 ½" x 11" sheet of paper. Be sure to include your name, complete address, and phone number on the back side. These recipes will become the property of the St. Joseph County fair with the right to use them for fair publicity.
3. All products should be displayed on disposable material. Pies must also be in a disposable pan.
4. Entries need to be covered in plastic wrap or placed into plastic bags as they may be sitting for a period until judging.
5. Bread entries need to be standard size loaves; muffins may be any size or shape.

Food and Safety Regulations

1. No home-canned fruits, vegetables, or meats are permitted in products.
2. Contestants should carefully wash their hands and make sure that their hands do not have any open cuts before preparing foods. Contestants should not be preparing food exhibits for competition within 48 hours of recovering from any illness.
3. Whenever possible, baked products should be transported and stored in chilled coolers (41 degrees F).

Classes:

BF1: Cookies (plate of 6)

BF2: Single layer Cake – no frosting

BF3: Pie (regular size pan and NO cream pies)

BF4: Muffins (plate of 6 any size or shape) –
no liners

BF5: Quick Breads (standard size loaf)

BF6: Yeast Rolls (plate of 6 - any shape)

Best of Show

Canning (Food Preservation)

Entries due: Monday June 27th 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

1. See general rules.
2. Must be in plain, standard jelly glasses or standard canning jars (no salad dressing or peanut butter jars, etc.) with new lids and rings.
3. Recipes must be submitted for all canning categories printed or typed on an 8½" x 11" paper with the exhibit, including processing method, time & temperature according to USDA recommendations. Contact the Extension Office for the current USDA canning regulations and head space.
4. Mark containers with the name of the item and the month and year of processing.
5. No frozen products will be accepted.



Canning (Food Preservation) continued

Classes:

- FP1:** Jams, jellies, and fruit butters
- FP2:** Pickled Products
- FP3:** Sauces/Relishes (e.g., taco or salsa sauces, tomato ketchup, etc.)
- FP4:** Soups
- FP5:** Vegetables
- FP6:** Fruits Juices

Best of Show

Holidays at the Fair

Entries due: Monday June 27th 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

1. See general rules.
2. Items must be made within the last 3 years.
3. Any holiday or theme may be displayed.

Classes:

- HC1:** Tree ornaments (ready to hang)
- HC2:** Tree skirt/table runner/ placemats
- HC3:** Stockings
- HC4:** Wreaths
- HC5:** Centerpieces
- HC6:** Holiday Décor tree

Tree should be no higher than 8' – artificial trees only. •

Decorated by 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, June_ ready for judging

Best of show

Clothing Constructions

Entries due: Monday June 27th 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

1. See general rules.
2. Wearables should be on hangers.
3. All projects should be covered in

Clothing Constructions Continued

Classes:

Adult wear:

- CCAC1:** Active Wear
- CCB2:** Blouse of any kind
- CCAP3:** Apron
- CCSK4:** Skirt of any kind
- CCSE5:** Separates (2 or more pieces)
- CCDS6:** Dress
- CCOR7:** Rainwear

Miscellaneous (other than above)

- CCHW1:** Children's wear: (constructed by an adult)
- CCDL2:** Doll Clothes

Non-Wearables:

- CCNWHB1:** Purses or Bags
- CCNWHT2:** Hats

Best of Show

Collections

Entries due: Monday June 27th 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

1. See general rules.
2. Include story about the collection.

Classes:

- CCC1:** Collections
- CCH2:** Heirlooms

Best of Show

New: SCARECROW:

Entries due: Monday June 27th 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Build a scarecrow that can be used for a garden, field, or decorative purpose. Project should show individuals' creativity and imagination. The scarecrow can be made of any material such as wood, metal, or plastic. Scarecrow must be able to stand on its own. A 2'x 2' base is recommended; however, cement buckets and other forms are accepted. SCARECROW SHOULD NOT EXCEED A HEIGHT OF 7'X OR A WIDTH GREATER THAN 4' (BASE INCLUDED). Scarecrow is encouraged to have decorations that will judged in the overall concept of the scarecrow and should be securely fastened. Scarecrow should be stuffed with material appropriate for what the intent is going to be (i.e., A scarecrow for the field should have straw as the weather will not disintegrate the material if it gets wet).

SC1- SCARECROW

BEST of SHOW

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General Crafts

Entries due: Monday June 27th 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

1. See general rules.
2. All items MUST be clean.

Classes:

Fine Arts (must be ready to hang; gallery wrapped canvas items are considered ready to hang / no kits allowed)

FA1- FINE ARTS

Best of Show



General Crafts Continued

GC1- Jewelry (in display box)

GC2- Cards and paper crafts

GC3- Artificial Floral Arrangement

GC4- Miscellaneous (other than above)

Best of Show

GW1- Greenware

Best of Show

Needlecraft

Entries due: Monday June 27th 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

1. See general rules.
2. All items **MUST** be clean.
3. Wrap in clear plastic or Ziplock bag.

Classes:

Knitting: Crocheting:

NCK1- Hats, scarves, socks (knitting)

NCC1- Hats, scarves, socks (crocheting)

NCK2- Afghans (any size) (knitting)

NCC2- Afghans (any size) (crocheting)

NCK3- Children's apparel (knitting)

NCC3- Children's apparel (crocheting)

NCK4- Doll clothes knitting)

NCC4- Doll clothes (crocheting)

NCK5- Miscellaneous (other than
above) knitting)

NCC5- Miscellaneous (other than
above) crocheting)

Other (needlepoint, counted cross stitch, embroidery, latch hook, etc.):

NCO1- Hats,

NCO2- Scarves

NCO3- Picture

NCO4- Pillow

NCO5- Rug

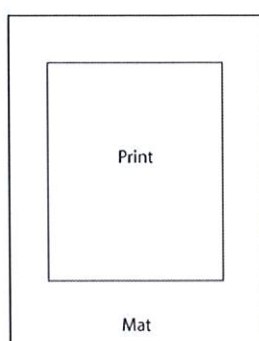
NCO6- Miscellaneous (other than
above)

Best of Show

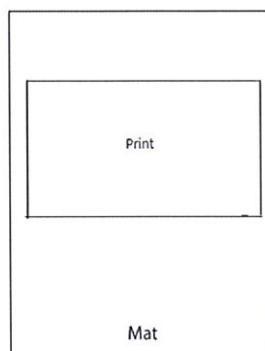
Photography

Entries due: Monday June 27th 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

1. See general rules.
2. All images are to be original images taken by the entrant.
3. Nudes are not acceptable.
4. Print shall not be less than 8"x10" and no larger than 11"x14".
5. The print should be mounted on a 11 x 14 board. The board can be foam core board or matte board. (Exhibit should be sturdy enough for display purposes). Image should be mounted flat on the board; a matte frame is not required.
6. Prints must be covered in plastic. (Plastic sleeves will be available for purchase at check-in for \$1.)



Vertical Display



Horizontal Display

THE BOARD WILL BE DISPLAYED VERTICALLY

Photography continued

Classes:

Black and White/Sepia Tone:

PBW1- County Fair Theme

PBW2- Portrait

PBW3- Landscapes

PBW4- Animals /Insects

PBW5- Flowers

PBW6- Creative and Experimental (digitally manipulated). Original photograph should be adhered to the back of the exhibit.

PBW7- Human Interest

Best of Show – B&W

Color photography:

PC1- County Fair Theme

PC2- Portrait

PC3- Landscapes

PC4- Animals / Insects

PC5- Flowers

PC6- Creative and Experimental (digitally manipulated). Original photograph should be adhered to the back of the exhibit.

PC7- Human Interest

Best of Show – Color

Quilting

Entries due: Monday June 27th 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

1. See general rules.
2. Small quilts are under 60", while large quilts are over 60" and up to 110".
3. Must be quilted, clean, and in good condition. This refers to all quilts, including infants. Please have quilts folded right side out, ready for judging.

Classes:

Small Quilts (piece, applique, or embroidery – done entirely by the same person):

SQI1- Hand done entirely

SQI2- Machine done entirely

SQI3- Combination of hand and machine done

Small Quilts (piece, applique, or embroidery – done by more than one person):

SQMP1- Hand done entirely

SQMP2- Machine done entirely

SQMP3- Combination of hand and machine done

Large Quilts (piece, applique, or embroidery – done entirely by the same person):

LQI1- Hand done entirely

LQI2- Machine done entirely

LQI3- Combination of hand and machine done

Large Quilts (piece, applique, or embroidery – done by more than one person):

LQMP1- Hand done entirely

LQMP2- Machine done entirely

LQMP3- Combination of hand and machine done

Miscellaneous Quilted Items:

MQ1- Purse or bag (any size)

MQ2- Pillows

MQ3- Table runner /topper

MQ4- Jacket

Best of Show

Recycled Items

Entries due: Monday June 27th 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

1. See general rules.
2. No size limitation
3. Include **before** pictures with your exhibit.

Class:

RI1- Recycled items

Best of Show

Woodworking

Entries due: Monday June 27th 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

1. See general rules.
2. All projects should be complete with an appropriate finish.

Classes:

WW1- Toys or figures

WW2- Furniture

WW3- Miscellaneous (other than above)

WW4- Carvings

Best of Show



At the Fair Contests

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3. Whenever possible, baked products should be transported and stored in chilled coolers (41 degrees F).

Contests:

DECORATED CUPCAKES

Entry: **DCC**

1. Enter on Sunday July 3, 2022, between 2:00 –4:00 pm in the annex of the Esther Singer Building.
2. Judging will begin at 2:30 p.m.
3. Must include an 8 1/2" x 11" recipe with the name on the back side of the recipe. Recipes will become property of the Fair Board.
4. Open judging
5. Four (4) cupcakes on disposable container.

Anything Lemon:

LEMON CONTEST

ENTRY: **LEM**

Enter on Wednesday, July 6th between 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. in the annex of the Esther Singer Building.

Judging will begin at 3:00 p.m.

Any item that contains lemon. Must include an 8 1/2" x 11" recipe with the name on the back side of recipe. Recipes will become property of the Fair Board.

It is your responsibility to keep it hot/cold based on how it will be consumed to meet the above requirements.

Open judging.



Grill/Cook-off

Entry due: Saturday, July 9, 2022, at 9:30 a.m.

ENTRY: GCOFF

Location: West side of Esther Singer building

Check-in: 9:30 a.m.

Judging: 11:30 a.m.

1. Pick up meat pm Friday, July 8, 2022 between 10:00a.m. and 12:00 p.m. in the Esther Singer kitchen.
2. You must bring 2 copies of your recipe used for your grill
3. Each contestant is responsible for furnishing the recipe, ingredients, utensils, and cooking source for the preparation of the entrée. Presentation is responsibility of the exhibitor.
4. Enter Gate # 2. Once your equipment has been unloaded, you will be given further instructions.

Judging: Entries will be judged using the guidelines:

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|--------------------------------|--------|
| 1. Cut | 15 pts |
| 2. Excellence of preparation | 45 pts |
| 3. Appearance and presentation | 20 pts |
| 4. Overall appeal | 20 pts |



St. Joseph County Fair Open Class Registration Form

Return this form to: *St. Joseph County Fair Open Class*
5117 S Ironwood Dr,
South Bend, IN 46614

Mailing Deadline: June 15th, 2022

Name	
Address	
City/zip	Phone
Email/Address	

Please be sure to complete the category & code number (letter in red) with quantity

Category	Code	Quantity	Total

I UNDERSTAND THE RULES AND WILL ABIDE BY THE JUDGE'S DECISION:

SIGNATURE: _____