

St. Joseph County Open Class Handbook 2025



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Notice: This booklet changes each year. Please be sure to read the rules, regulations and class information.

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General Rules

1. Open Class participants must be 18 years old or older by January 1, 2025 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 three years by the exhibitor and entered in his/her own name. All entries must have not been judged at the St. Joseph County 4-H Fair.
4. 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 **Other Than Above**, they will be **judged as a new class**.
6. All food exhibitors must follow Food Safety Regulations and recipe requirements as stated under the Food Department Rules.
7. Participants may cover their exhibit(s) appropriately.
8. The St. Joseph County 4-H Fair Board will not be responsible for damage or theft of articles.
9. Each class will have placings from 1 through 4 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.

State Fair Entries

Any current Indiana resident can enter exhibits in the Home and Family Arts Building at the Indiana State Fair. Online entry begins early spring and can be completed by visiting indianastatefair.com/p/state-fair. Inquiries can be submitted on their website or you may call 317-927-7515. Indiana State Fair, 1202 East 38th St., Indianapolis, IN 46205.

Date and Time of Entry

1. Bring your items to the south end of the Esther Singer Building (annex) on Monday, June 23, 2025 from 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.
2. **Entry fee is \$1.00 per entry**, paid at the time of entry. Each ten 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 6, 2025 from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. 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 4:00 p.m. on July 6, 2025. If you cannot pick up your own exhibit(s), you must give your designated person the release card you are given at the 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 page one.
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. Project ideas are in the 4-H Fair website: <https://www.4hfair.com/little-hands>

American Heritage

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m – 7 p.m.

1. See general rules page one.
2. Be prepared to share information with an approximate date and background information. Items must be 50 years or older.
3. All 6 categories will be new each year.

Classes:

AH-1 – Indiana Dairy Items

AH-2 – Egg Beater/Hand Mixer

AH-3 – Doll Carriage/Stroller

AH-4 – Old Bible

AH-5 – Oil Lamp (No Oil)

AH-6 – Christmas Ornament

Best of Show

Baked Foods

Entries due: Sunday, June 29, 2025 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. in the Esther Singer Annex.

1. See general rules page one.
2. All foods judged on appearance, taste and texture.
3. 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 4-H Fair with the right to use them for fair publicity.
4. All products should be displayed on disposable material. Pies should also be in a disposable pan.
5. Entries need to be covered in plastic wrap or placed into plastic bags as they may be setting for a period of time until judging.
6. Bread entries need to be standard size loaves; muffins may be any size or shape.

Food 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

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:

Cookies – Plate of 3

BF-1 – Chocolate Chip
BF-2 – Oatmeal
BF-3 – Peanut Butter
BF-4 – Sugar
BF-5 – Holiday
BF-6 – Bar
BF-7 – Other Than Above

Pies – (No Cream Pies)

BF-12 – Apple
BF-13 – Berry
BF-14 – Cherry
BF-15 – Peach
BF-16 – Pecan
BF-17 – Other Than Above

**Quick Breads
(Standard Size Loaf)**

BF-22 – Banana
BF-23 – Pumpkin
BF-24 – Zucchini
BF-25 – Other Than Above

Best of Show

Cakes - Unfrosted

BF-8 – Angel Food
BF-9 – Chiffon
BF-10 – Coffee Cake
BF-11 - Other Than Above

Muffins (Plate of 3)(No Liners)

BF-18 – Fruit
BF-19 – Vegetable
BF-20 – Whole Grains
BF-21 – Other Than Above

Yeast Rolls (Plate of 3)

BF- 26 – Crescent
BF-27 – Whole Wheat
BF-28 – Other Than Above

Cobbler/Crisp

- BF-29 – Apple
- BF-30 – Blueberry
- BF-31 – Peach
- BF-32 – Cherry
- BF-33 – Other Than Above

Single Layer Cake

- BF-34 – Applesauce-Frosted
- BF-35 – Chocolate Fudge-Frosted
- BF-36 – Gingerbread-Unfrosted
- BF-37 – Pound, Loaf, Bundt
- BF-38 – Other Than Above

Multiple Layer Cake Frosted

- BF-39 – Devil's Food
- BF-40 – Spice
- BF-41 – German Chocolate
- BF-42 – White
- BF-43 – Other Than Above

Candy

- BF-44 – Brittle, Any Kind
- BF-45 – Divinity
- BF-46 – Chocolate Fudge
- BF-47 – Peanut Butter Fudge
- BF-48 – Maple
- BF-49 – No Cook

Candy Collection

- BF-50 – Four different kinds of candy from the above list, four each to be arranged in a decorated box or basket that you could use as a gift. Only candy listed above can be used. Place one of each kind in your display in a bag for your judge to taste.

Gluten Free

Create an entry that is completely gluten free (no wheat, barley, rye). Entries will be judged on taste, appearance, and adherence to all gluten free ingredients.

- BF-51 – Bread
- BF-52 – Cakes
- BF-53 – Cookies
- BF-54 – Other Than Above

Best of Show

Barn Quilts

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

1. See general rules page one.
2. A barn quilt is a basic quilt pattern painted on a piece of wood. Large and bright enough to be seen from a distance. They are inspired by fabric quilt patterns and are one block of the quilt.
3. The size of the board will be 24" x 24" ready to hang with wire.

Classes:

BQ-1 – Barn Quilt on Wood

Best of Show

Canning (Food Preservation)

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

1. See general rules page one
2. Must be in colorless, standard jelly glasses or standard canning jars (no salad dressing or peanut butter jars, etc...) with new lids and rings.
Please use current canning techniques from USDA/National Center for Home Food Preservation: <https://nchfp.uga.edu>; call (202)720-2791 or email askusda@usda.gov. Contact the County Extension Office for the current USDA canning regulations and head space.
3. Entries must be labeled on top of jar with the name of item, month and year of processing, processing method, and processing time.
4. No frozen products will be accepted.

Classes:

Jams

- FP-1 – Peach
- FP-2 – Raspberry(Black/Red)
- FP-3 – Strawberry
- FP-4 – Other Than Above

Jellies

- FP-5 – Apple
- FP-6 – Grape
- FP-7 – Strawberry
- FP-8 – Other Than Above

Fruit Butters

- FP-9 – Apple
- FP-10 – Peach
- FP-11 – Pear
- FP-12 – Other Than Above

Pickled Products

- FP-13 – Beets, Pickled
- FP-14 – Bread/Butter Pickles
- FP-15 – Dill Pickles
- FP-16 – Last of the Garden
- FP-17 – Sweet Pickles
- FP-18 – Other Than Above

Sauces/Relishes

- FP-19 – Sauce
(Chili, Taco, Salsa)
- FP-20 – Spaghetti
- FP-21 – Tomato Ketchup
- FP-22 – Other Than Above

Soups

- FP-23 – Bean
- FP-24 – Tomato
- FP-25 – Vegetable and Meat
- FP-26 – Other Than Above

Vegetables

- FP-27 – Beans(Green/Yellow)
- FP-28 – Beets, Red
- FP-29 – Carrots
- FP-30 – Corn
- FP-31 – Potatoes
- FP-32 – Other Than Above

Juices

- FP-33 - Apple
- FP-34 – Grape
- FP-35 – Tomato
- FP-36 – Other Than Above

Fruit

FP-37 – Applesauce
 FP-38 – Peaches
 FP-39 – Pears
 FP-40 – Tomatoes
 FP-41 – Other Than Above

Meat

FP-42 - Beef
 FP-43 - Poultry
 FP-44 - Fish
 FP-45 – Pork
 FP-46 – Other Than Above

Best of Show**Canning(Food Preservation) Misc.**

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

1. See general rules page one.
2. JAR TOPS SHOULD BE DATED AND LABELED WITH CONTENTS.
3. Samples are required for all honey, vinegar, and syrup.
Samples are not returned.

Honey**Sample required.**

Can be exhibited in standard honey jars or canning jars.

FP-47 – Comb Honey
 FP-48 – Extracted Honey

Syrup**Sample Required**

FP-49 – Maple
 FP-50 – Other Flavored Syrup

Flavored Vinegars**Sample Required**

FP-51 – Herb
 FP-52 – Raspberry
 FP-53 – Other Than Above

Best of Show

Collections

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

1. See general rules page one.
2. Include story about the collection.
3. Three to ten pieces in a collection.
4. Heirlooms should be 50 years old or older.

Classes:

CCC1 – Collections

CCH2 – Heirlooms

Best of Show

Fine Arts

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

1. See general rules page one.
2. Exhibit must be ready to hang; gallery wrapped canvas items are considered ready to hang/no kits allowed.

Classes:

FA-1 – Crayon/Colored Pencil Art (Any item)

FA-2 – Drawing Animal (pastel, pencil, charcoal, ink)

FA-3 – Drawing Portrait (pastel, pencil, charcoal, ink)

FA-4 – Drawing Landscape (pastel, pencil, charcoal, ink)

FA-5 – Drawing Still Life (pastel, pencil, charcoal, ink)

FA-6 – Animals (oil, acrylic, synthetics, watercolor)

FA-7 – Portrait (oil, acrylic, synthetics, watercolor)

FA-8 – Landscape (oil, acrylic, synthetics, watercolor)

FA-9 – Still Life (oil, acrylic, synthetics, watercolor)

FA-10 – Abstracts

FA-11 – Saws – Painted

FA-12 – Wooden Items – Painted

FA-13 – Other Than Above

Best of Show

Flowers

Entries due: Friday, June 27, 2025 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

1. See general rules page one.
2. Exhibit three stems with foliage in glass container.
3. All exhibits must be home grown flowers unless exhibiting in the Creative Design Classes.
4. Fresh arrangements should be no larger than 8" x 8" x 8".

Garden Flowers

3 Stems with Foliage

FL-1 – Aster

FL-2 – Daisy

FL-3 – Gladiolus

FL-4 – Sunflower

FL-5 – Marigold

FL-6 – Snapdragon

FL-7 – Zinnia

FL-8 – Petunia

Best of Show

Dried Arrangements

FL-9 – Dried Arrangements

FL-10 – Dried Wreath/Door Decoration

Fresh Arrangements

- FL-11 – Creative Design in a Campbell’s Soup Can (Leave label on can)
- FL-12 – Creative Design using flowers of one color.
- FL-13 – Creative Design using Foliage of different colors.
- FL-14 – Deck The Halls – Christmas Arrangement.
- FL-15 – Spooky Corner- Halloween Arrangement.
- FL-16 – County Fair – What best depicts the fair arrangement.
- FL-17 – Garden Harvest – Using Flowers and Vegetables.

Best of Show**Hanging Basket**

- FL-18 – Geranium
- FL-19 – Impatiens
- FL-20 – Marigolds
- FL-21 – Other Than Above

Planter

- FL-22 – Flowering
- FL-23 - Foilage

Best of Show

Gardening

Entries due: Friday, June 27, 2025 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

1. See general rules page one.
2. Paper plates will be provided to the exhibitor.
3. Exhibitor may enter only one exhibit in each class.

Beans (10 per plate)

GA-1 – Green
GA-2 – Wax
GA-3 – Lima
GA-4 – Other Than Above

Beets (3 per plate)

(Topped to ½")
GA-5 – Long
GA-6 – Round

Broccoli (1 head)

GA-7 – Any Variety

Brussel Sprouts

(5 per plate)
GA-8 – Any Variety

Cabbage (1 head)

GA-9 – Round
GA-10 – Flat
GA-11 – Red
GA-12 – Other Than Above

Cauliflower (1 head)

GA-13 – Any Variety

Corn (3 ears)

GA-15 – Sweet Corn White
GA-16 – Sweet Corn Yellow
GA-17 – Sweet Corn Bi-Color

Carrots (3 per plate)

(Topped to ½")
GA-14 – Any Variety

Peas (10 pods)

GA-20 – Any Variety

Melons (1 Melon)

GA-18 – Cantaloupe
GA-19 – Muskmelon

Radishes (5 per plate)

GA-22 – Any Variety

Rhubarb (3 stalks)

GA-21 – Any Variety

Squash (1 per plate)

GA-24 – Yellow Zucchini
GA-25 – Green Zucchini
GA-26 – Yellow Straight Neck
GA-27 – Yellow Crooked Neck

Watermelon (1 Melon)

GA-23 – Any Variety

GA-28 – Spaghetti

GA-29 – Butternut

GA-30 – Acorn

GA-31 – Sweet Dumpling

Tomato (3 per plate)

GA-32 – Red

GA-33 – Yellow/Red Cherry

GA-34 – Roma

GA-35 – Yellow/Orange

Cucumbers (3 per plate)

GA-36 – Slicing

GA-37 – Burpless

GA-38 – Pickling

Onions (3 per plate)

GA-39 – Red

GA-40 – Spanish

GA-41 – Yellow

GA-42 – White

Potato (3 per plate)

GA-43 – Red

GA-44 – White

GA-45 – Yellow/Gold

GA-46 – Sweet

GA-47 – Blue

Pepper (3 per plate)

GA-48 – Sweet Banana

GA-49 – Sweet Bell

GA-50 – Jalapeno

GA-51 – Chili/Large

GA-52 – Hungarian Wax

Herbs (3 stems in vase)

(Provide cultivar name)

GA-53 – Basil

GA-54 – Dill

GA-55 – Lavender

GA-56 – Parsley

GA-57 – Marjoram

GA-58 – Mint

GA-59 – Oregano

GA-60 – Rosemary

GA-61 – Thyme

GA-62 – Sage

Best of Show

General Crafts

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

1. See general rules page one.
2. All items must be clean.

Classes;

Artificial Floral Design

- GC-1 – Centerpiece
- GC-2 – Wall/Door/Wreath
- GC-3 – Silk Flower Arrangement
- GC-4 – Other Than Above

Cards/Paper Crafts

- GC-5 – Cards & Paper Craft
- GC-6 – Quilling
- GC-7 – Other Than Above

Stuffed Animals

- GC-8 – Bear
- GC-9 – Monkey
- GC-10 – Other Than Above

Best of Show

Jewelry

- GC-11 – Bracelet
- GC-12 – Earrings
- GC-13 – Necklace
- GC-14 – Pin
- GC-15 – Other Than Above

Best of Show

Miscellaneous Crafts

- GC-16 – Wire Sculpture
- GC-17 – Glass Etching
- GC-18 – Diamond Dotz
Painting
- GC-19 – Stained Glass

Snow/Winter Crafts

- GC-22 – Free Standing Snowman
- GC-23 – Table Decoration
- GC-24 – Wall/Door/Wreath
- GC-25 – Other Than Above

GC-20 - Leather
GC-21 – Gourd

Wonder Where It Goes
GC-26 – Not An Existing Category

Best of Show

Greenware

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

1. See general rules page one.
2. All items **MUST** be clean.

Classes:
GW-1 – Greenware

Best of Show

Holidays At The Fair

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

1. See general rules page one.
2. Items must have been made within the last three years.
3. Items **MUST** be clean.

Classes:

Christmas

- HF-1 – Tree Ornaments (Ready to hang)
- HF-2 – Tree Skirt/Table Runner/Placemats
- HF-3 – Stockings
- HF-4 – Wreath/Centerpiece
- HF-5 – Figures (Limit 3 – 15” high) Free Standing

Easter

- HF-6 – Table Decorations
- HF-7 – Wall/Door/Wreath
- HF-8 – Figures (Limit 3 – 15” high) Free Standing

Patriotic Items

- HF-9 – Table Decorations
- HF-10 – Wall/Door/Wreath
- HF-11 – Figures (Limit 3 – 15” high) Free Standing

Halloween

- HF-12 – Table Decorations
- HF-13 – Wall/Door/Wreath
- HF-14 – Figures (Limit 3 – 15” high) Free Standing

Thanksgiving

- HF-15 – Table Decorations
- HF-16 – Wall/Door Wreath
- HF-17 – Figures (Limit 3 – 15” high) Free Standing

Wonder Which Holiday

- HF-18 – Not an existing category

Best of Show

Models

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

1. See general rules page one.
2. The following will apply to all models:
 - a. Kit Built – Made from a kit.
 - b. Kit Conversion – Modify kits. Made from two kits.
 - c. Scratch Built – Made from materials not in a kit.

Classes:

Plastic Models

PWM-1 – Kit Built

PWM-2 – Kit Conversion

PWM-3 – Scratch Built

Wood Models

PWM-4 – Kit Built

PWM-5 – Kit Conversion

PWM-6 – Scratch Built

Best of Show

Model Diorama/Farm Toy Scene

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

1. See general rules page one.
2. Diorama should be no larger than 20" x 20" x 20" piece of plywood.
3. Try to keep board all the same scale.

Classes:

- MD-1 – 1800’s Farmstead
- MD-2 – Spring Planting
- MD-3 – Fall Harvesting
- MD-4 – Farmer’s Market
- MD-5 – Modern Farmstead
- MD-6 – Other Than Above

Best of Show

Needlecraft

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

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

Classes:

Knitting

- NCK-1 – Hats/Scarves/Socks
- NCK-2 – Afghans
- NCK-3 – Doll Clothes
- NCK-4 – Sweater/Vests
- NCK-5 – Other Than Above

Crocheting

- NCR-1 – Hats/Scarves/Socks
- NCR-2 – Afghans
- NCR-3 – Doll Clothes
- NCR-4 – Sweater/Vests
- NCR-5 – Other Than Above

Best of Show

Best of Show

Other

- NCO-1 – Hats/Scarves
- NCO-2 – Locker Hooking
- NCO-3 – Needle Punch
- NCO-4 – Tatting
- NCO-5 – Latch Hook

Hand Embroidery

- NCO-10 – Pillowcases
- NCO-11 – Picture
- NCO-12 – Pillow
- NCO-13 – Tablecloth
- NCO-14 – Other Than Above

NCO-6 – Plastic Canvas (1-6 pcs)
NCO-7 – Knitting Machine (Any item)
NCO-8 – Knotted Comforter
NCO-9 – Other Than Above

Rug

NCO-15 – Braided
NCO-16 – Crocheted
NCO-17 – Woven
NCO-18 – Other Than Above

Machine Embroidery

NCO-19 – Picture
NCO-20 – Household Item
NCO-21 – Clothing
NCO-22 – Other Than Above

Counted Cross Stitch

NCO-23 – Christmas or Holiday
NCO-24 – Sampler
NCO-25 – Picture
NCO-26 – Afghan
NCO-27 – Other Than Above

Best of Show

Photography

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

1. See general rules page one.
2. All images are to be original images taken by the participant.
3. Nudes are not acceptable.
4. Print shall be no less than 8" x 10" and no larger than 11" x 14".
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. Photo can be displayed landscape or portrait.

6. Prints must be covered in plastic. (Plastic sleeves will be available for purchase at check in for \$1.00).

Classes:

Black & White or Toned

PBW-1 – County Fair Theme

PBW-2 – Portrait

PBW-3 – Landscapes

PBW-4 – Animals

PBW-5 - Insects

PBW-6 – Flowers

PBW-7 – Creative & Experimental (digitally manipulated)

Original photograph should be adhered to the back of the exhibit.

PBW-8 – Human Interest

PBW-9 – Sports

PBW-10 – Unclassified

Best of Show – Black & White or Toned

Color Photography

PC-1 – County Fair Theme

PC-2 – Portrait

PC-3 – Landscapes

PC-4 – Animals

PC-5 - Insects

PC-6 – Flowers

PC-7 – Creative & Experimental (digitally manipulated)

Original photograph should be adhered to the back of the exhibit.

PC-8 -- Human Interest

PC-9 - Sports

PC-10 -- Unclassified

Best of Show – Color

What Judges Look For

Impact – Center of Interest – Composition
Technique – Print Quality – Presentation
Story Telling – Universal appeal
Creates a feeling or emotion

Quilting

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

1. See general rules page one.
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 (Pieced, applique, or embroidery – done entirely by one person)

Classes:

SQ-1 – Hand done entirely

SQ-2 – Machine done entirely

SQ-3 – Combination of hand and machine done

Small Quilts (Pieced, applique, or embroidery – done entirely by more than one person)

Classes:

SQMP-1 – Hand done entirely

SQMP-2 – Machine done entirely

SQMP-3 – Combination of hand and machine done

SQO-1 – Other Than Above

Best of Show – Small Quilts

Large Quilts (Pieced, Applique, embroider – done entirely by one person)

Classes:

LQ-1 – Hand done entirely

LQ-2 – Machine done entirely

LQ-3 – Combination of hand and machine done

Large Quilts (Pieced, applique, embroidery – done entirely by more than one person)

Classes:

LQMP-1 – Hand done entirely

LQMP-2 – Machine done entirely

LQMP-3 – Combination of hand and machine done

LQO-1 – Other Than Above

Best of Show – Large Quilts

Quilted Non-Wearables

Classes:

QNW-1 – Purse or Bag

QNW-2 – Pillow

QNW-3 – Table Runner/Topper

QNW-4 – Placemats

QNW-5 – Other Than Above

Best of Show

Recycled Items

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

1. See general rules page one.
2. No size limitations.
3. Must include **BEFORE** pictures with your exhibit.

Classes:

R-1 – Recycled Item

Best of Show

Sewing

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

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

Classes:

Children's

S-1 – Dress
S-2 – Sleepwear
S-3 – Pants
S-4 – Costume
S-5 – Apron
S-6 – Other Than Above

Women's

S-7 – Active Wear
S-8 – Coat/Jacket – Lined
S-9 – Coat/Jacket – Unlined
S-10 – Suit with Pants or Skirt
S-11 – Costume
S-12 – Apron
S-13 – Dress
S-14 – Other Than Above

Men's

- S-15 – Active Wear
- S-16 – Necktie
- S-17 – Shirt
- S-18 – Costume
- S-19 – Apron
- S-20 – Other Than Above

Best of Show

Sewing Non-Wearables

- S-21 – Doll Clothes
- S-22 – Purse or Bag (Any Size)
- S-23 – Child's Book
- S-24 – Backpack
- S-25 – Other Than Above

Home Decorating

- S-26 – Comforter
- S-27 – Pillow
- S-28 – Table Runner/Topper
- S-29 – Placemats
- S-30 – Other Than Above

Best of Show

Woodworking

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

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

Classes:

- WW-1 – Toys or Figures
- WW-2 – Furniture
- WW-3 – Carvings
- WW-4 – Scroll Saw Project
- WW-5 – Other Than Above

Best of Show

At The Fair Contests

Tea Pot Contest

Entries due: Monday, June 23, 2025 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

1. See general rules page one.
2. Item must be clean.
3. Tea Pot can be an antique or a newer one.

Bring in your Tea Pot. It can be an antique one or a newer one. The Tea Pots will be placed in a showcase so they can be viewed by the public. The public will then be asked to vote for their favorite Tea Pot.

Prizes:

1st Place - \$20.00 2nd Place - \$15.00 3rd Place - \$10.00

Lego Build Contest Saturday, June 28, 2025

Bring your Legos to the Open Class Department in the Esther Singer Building Annex (south end of building) on Saturday, June 28, 2025. Due to space limitations all teams need to be pre-registered by Monday, June 23rd by calling Becky Wasio at 574-252-9069.

Bring your own supply of Lego bricks/building materials and come ready to spend 3 hours creating your own unique build based on the theme "100 Years at the St. Joseph County 4-H Fair". No pre-built parts allowed. Each team will have one 4 foot-long workspace

(½ of an 8 foot folding table). Supplies can be kept under the table while creations are being built. Please bring along a 24" x 24" board (plywood or underlayment) to display your creations on. Your creation will remain on display throughout the fair. They can be picked up on Sunday, July 6th between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Registered participants should arrive between 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. with their supplies. Check-in at the Open Class area in the Esther Singer Building (south end of the building). Lego building will begin at 1:00 p.m. You will have three hours to complete your build. Judging will take place at 4:00 p.m. following the build.

Prizes: 1 person team

1st Place - \$20.00 2nd Place - \$15.00 3rd Place - \$10.00

Prizes: 2 person team

1st Place - \$40.00 2nd Place - \$30.00 3rd Place - \$20.00

Charcuterie Board Contest

Entry due: Tuesday, July 1, 2025 at 11:30 a.m.

Judging begins at 12 Noon

1. Anything goes on a no larger than 9 x 13 board.
2. This contest is to promote the use of Michiana grown agricultural products, i.e. fruits, vegetables, meats, cheeses, etc...
3. Participants are limited to one entry. Bring your entry to the south end of the Ester Singer Building at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 1st.
4. Please provide a listing of items used on a 8 ½ x 11 sheet of paper.

Prizes:

1st Place - \$20.00 2nd Place - \$15.00 3rd Place - \$10.00

Bar Cookie Contest

Wednesday July 2, 2025

Made by adults, judged by the 4-H Fair Queen and Children.

Bring your bar cookies to the Open Class Department in the Esther Singer Building Annex (south end of building) from Noon until 2:00 p.m. Judging will take place at 2:00 p.m. as an open judging. Six bar cookies should be brought on a disposable container.

Prizes:

1st Place - \$20.00 2nd Place - \$15.00 3rd Place - \$10.00

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