

## 4-H Still Exhibits Interview Judging Section



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### **Interview Judging Information**

Premiums: \$3 for Blue Ribbons; \$2 for Red Ribbons; \$1 for White Ribbons;  
Cloverbud Ribbons receive \$1 each

### **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. See General, 4-H and FFA rules for more information. Check the daily schedule for dates and time of all Fair judging, by Wednesday before scheduled Judging Day.
2. The Exhibitor must make a scheduled appointment through the Ravalli County Extension Office, 406.375.6611, by August 12. Members can begin making appointments as early as July 18.
3. **Each Youth can enter up to 10 entries in each project they are enrolled in for the current 4-H year.** These entries are projects created during the learning experiences of the 4-H project and typically based on projects found in the project books. If applicable, the Youth may also enter up to 10 entries in the categories which are available to all enrolled in Sewing, Foods, Gardening and Photography. **\*\*\*Please check your entries carefully to ensure they are 4-H Departments and not Open Division\*\*\***
4. There is a limit of **two entries per class number.** Youth must be enrolled in a relevant project to enter any class numbers in that Division.
5. Special Premiums are donated by community members and businesses to support 4-H Youth. These premiums vary based on community and business support.
6. The Fair Book is set up to follow the Montana 4-H Clover Project Selection Guide. Each Division aligns with the Subcategory Title in the selection guide and includes all projects and project levels within that subcategory. Please refer to the Clover (which can be found at montana4h.org) to determine which Division/Subcategory includes your project. Projects which have multiple levels (including independent study) will all be entered under the same division.
7. **Posters/Educational Displays:** Each 4-H member will be allowed to display a MINIMUM of two (2) posters in those project areas identified under Interview Judging. 4-H members may enter more posters but may be required to select the best two (2) for display if space is limited. **Youth may enter any poster size for their**

exhibit. The exhibit can be typed or neatly handwritten. Posters displayed in animal barns follow different guidelines. Please review those sections separately.

8. **Interview Day Parking:** Please follow signs and directions provided for where to park on your interview day.
9. **Interview Schedule:** On the day of interview judging, please be on time for your scheduled appointment. Each member will be expected to be ready and waiting for their interview with the appropriate Judge. Please be patient and courteous to others during this time.
10. **Interview Dress Code:** Members are required to wear either black and white showmanship attire OR business casual dress.
11. Exhibit tags are to be picked by at the Premium Office and attached to the exhibits prior to judging. Exhibit tags are available as early as the Friday before the Interview Judging Days.
12. Youth may bring their record and project books to the interview. The judge may choose to look at it as a part of the interview process, but it is not required. Record and project books do not count as a fair entry and will not be judged individually.
13. High Point Exhibitor Guidelines:
  - a. Each Department will have a High Point Exhibitor, based on the amount of the amount of premium points award to each member based on their ribbon ranking (Blue=3, Red=2, White=1).
  - b. Exhibitors must have 3 or more entries to be considered for the award in the specific Department.
  - c. If there is a tie between two or more people, the Superintendent will draw a name out a hat for the award given to the individuals tied.

## DEPARTMENT 50 Cloverbuds

1. Entries in this section are for Cloverbud members only.
2. Schedule interviews as appropriate on Non-Perishable Judging Day or any perishable items on Perishable Judging Day.
3. In keeping with the non-competitive judging of the Cloverbuds program, all projects will be awarded a participation ribbon and are not eligible for special premiums. Cloverbuds may choose if they would like their projects displayed in the 4-H Still Exhibit Building.

### Division A - Cloverbuds

Class No.

01-05. Any item completed during your Cloverbud year.

## DEPARTMENT 51 Animal Science

1. See 4-H Still Exhibit Interview Judging rules for more information.
2. All entries will be interview judged on Non-Perishable Judging Day

### Division A - Still Exhibits for Cats

### Division B - Still Exhibits for Dogs

### Division C - Still Exhibits for Pocket Pets

### Division D - Veterinary Science

### Division E - Livestock and other Judging

Class No.

01-05. Any item or educational display completed

## DEPARTMENT 52 Engineering & Technology

1. See 4-H Still Exhibit Interview Judging rules for more information.
2. All entries will be interview judged on Non-Perishable Judging Day.

### Division A - Aerospace

### Division B - Electric

### Division C - Microcontrollers

### Division D - Robotics with EV3

### Division E - Junk Drawer Robotics

### Division F - Small Engines

### Division G - Welding

### Division H - Woodworking

Class No.

01-05. Any item or educational display completed

## DEPARTMENT 53 Environmental & Natural Sciences

1. See 4-H Still Exhibit Interview Judging rules for more information.
2. All entries will be interview judged on Non-Perishable Judging Day.

### Division A - Entomology

### Division B - Forestry

### Division C - Outdoor Adventures

### Division D - Shooting Sports

### Division E - Sport Fishing

### Division F - Wildlife

Class No.

01-05. Any item or educational display completed

## **DEPARTMENT 54** **Sewing & Textiles**

1. See 4-H Still Exhibit Interview Judging rules for more information.
2. All entries will be interview judged on Non-Perishable Judging Day.
3. Garments must be clean, pressed and ready to exhibit.
4. Exhibit tags should be attached to left side the garment rather than the hanger.

### **Division A - Available to all members enrolled in sewing and textiles**

Class No.

01. Any garment
02. Any embellished garment or item
03. Jewelry organizer or other travel case
04. Sport accessory
05. Stuffed toy or doll
06. Stuffed animal
07. Accessory item for the home
08. Garment made for another person
09. Garment recycled through major changes - include a before garment picture
10. Stuff sacks, backpack, duffel bag
11. Garment or accessory bag
12. Machine embroidered item
13. Non-stitched item - must utilize fabric
14. Quilted item
15. Appliquéd item
16. Any sergered item
17. Other

### **Division B - Sewing**

### **Division C - Knitting**

### **Division D - Crochet**

### **Division E - Embroidery**

### **Division F - Ready-to-Wear**

### **Division G - Quilting**

Class No.

- 01-05. Any item or educational display completed

## **DEPARTMENT 55** **Home and Family**

1. See 4-H Still Exhibit Interview Judging rules for more information.
2. All entries will be interview judged on Non-Perishable Judging Day.

### **Division A - Babysitting**

### **Division B - Family Adventures**

### **Division C - Interior Design**

Class No.

- 01-05. Any item or educational display completed

## **DEPARTMENT 56** **Plant Sciences**

1. See 4-H Still Exhibit Interview Judging rules for more information.
2. All entries will be interview judged on Perishable Judging Day.
3. Guidelines for Division A: Reference the appropriate Open Division Department for display guidelines. If your garden didn't produce the "right" number of good specimens, just bring your best ones to judging!
  - a. Fruits: Department 3
  - b. Herbs: Department 6
  - c. Vegetables: Department 8
  - d. Floral: Department 18

### **Division A - Available to all members enrolled in Gardening**

Class No.

- 01-05. Individual fruit species
- 06-10. Individual herb species
- 11-15. Individual vegetable species
- 15-20. Individual flower species
- 21-25. Floral display/Container Garden

### **Division B - Crop Science**

### **Division C - Gardening**

### **Division D - Range Science Management**

### **Division E - Weed Science**

Class No.

- 01-05. Any item or educational display completed

## **DEPARTMENT 57** **Communications** **& Expressive Arts**

1. See 4-H Still Exhibit Interview Judging rules for more information.
2. All entries will be interview judged on Non-Perishable Judging Day.
3. **Photography Rules**
  - a. Photographs may be commercially or member processed, color or black and white.
  - b. All individual photographs are to be 5x7 or 8x10 and matted with a simple black mat. Some quantities of mats are available through Extension Office for purchase. A display of multiple photographs shall have photos no smaller than 4x6 and mounted on white or black poster board.
  - c. Photo albums entered require a Table of Contents with title, type of camera and page numbers.
  - d. All entry tags should be hung over the left upper corner of the photo.

### **Division A - Open to all members enrolled in photography. May be color or black & white:**

Class No.

01. Album
02. Portrait - People
03. Birds
04. Animal - Domestic
05. Animal - Wild
06. Architecture/Buildings
07. Sports
08. Still life - indoors or outdoors
09. Sunrise/Sunset
10. Close-up - flower
11. Close-up - not flower
12. Abstract
13. Landscape - strictly scenic
14. Landscape - with buildings
15. Landscape - with water
16. Cityscape
17. Humorous
18. Groups of photos - showing a theme or story
19. Night
20. Panoramic
21. Selfie
22. Macro
23. Phenomenon in Nature
24. Weather
25. Other

### **Division B - Cowboy Poetry**

### **Division C - Leathercraft**

### **Division D - Photography**

### **Division E - Videography**

### **Division F - Getting Started in Art**

### **Division G - Drawing, Fiber and Sculpture**

### **Division H - Painting, Printing, Graphic Design**

### **Division I - Scrapbooking**

Class No.

- 01-05. Any item or educational display completed

## **DEPARTMENT 58** **Leadership &** **Personal** **Development**

1. See 4-H Still Exhibit Interview Judging rules for more information.
2. All entries will be interview judged on Non-Perishable Judging Day.

### **Division A - Citizenship**

### **Division B - Global Citizenship**

### **Division C - Interstate Exchange/Hosting**

### **Division D - Leadership - Entry must include a notebook and completed Leadership Action Plan.**

Class No.

- 01-05. Any item or educational display completed

## DEPARTMENT 59

### Foods & Nutrition

1. See 4-H Still Exhibit Interview Judging rules for more information.
2. All entries will be Interview Judged on Perishable Judging Day.
3. All food preservation: Entries must be processed according to USDA recommendations. Label jars as to food type, processing time, pressure and method. Canned foods must be in standard canning jars. Use directions for proper canning methods, available through Extension Office. Canned food products using vinegar or citrus juice must have an acidity level of 5% acidity and use a standardized recipe. Label jams, jellies, and preserves to tell style: freezer, standard, sugarless, etc. as well as the fruit variety. All jams, jellies and preserves may be half pint or pint jars. Jams, jellies, and preserves will be opened for judging.
4. Food Entries: Recipes must be typed and accompany all food products entered. Bring a 6-inch paper plate & plastic zipper bag to display food after judging.
5. Make all displays as attractive as possible. Neatness and cleanliness are important.
6. Breads: Display one loaf, unsliced in a plastic bag.
7. Cakes: Display whole cake, unfrosted unless specified, on a disposable plate, covered with plastic, except a decorated cake. Decorated cakes can be made of Styrofoam since judging will be based on appearance not on taste of cake.
8. Pies: Bring in the pie pan, covered with plastic and left whole.
9. Cookies, rolls, muffins, biscuits and other small items: Select three uniform samples and put on a 6" paper plate in a plastic bag or wrap.
10. Dried foods should be in a plastic bag or baggies.
11. All other foods should be covered with transparent material. Carry on paper plates or disposable plastic trays.
12. Pies, cakes, bread, and large quantity items will be returned after judging, leaving a slice for display.
13. **EDIBLE ENTRIES DISPLAYED AT FAIR ARE NOT RETURNABLE.**

#### Division A - Available to all members enrolled in Foods

Class No.

01. Any type of bread or yeast rolls made with yeast
02. Any type of quick bread or variety bread made with baking powder or soda
03. Any type of unleavened grain product: tortillas, flat bread, etc.

04. Pie - any kind
05. Cookies or bars - any kind
06. Cake - any flavor or type
07. Decorated cake
08. Jam, jelly or preserves - any kind
09. Food preserved by water-bath canning - any kind, see info on food preservation
10. Food preserved by pressure canning - any kind, see info on food preservation
11. Dried food - any kind
12. Pickles or relishes - any kind, canned, or refrigerator frozen, see info on food preservation
13. Sprouts - jar or tray
14. Candy - 1 variety, 3 pieces
15. Food made with honey
16. Food made with zucchini
17. Low-calorie snack plate - include written calorie summary
18. Centerpiece
19. Any dish made with dried beans, peas, or lentils - in small dish.
20. Salad dressing - any kind, in a small jar
21. Salad - any kind on a 6" plate
22. Main dish
23. An international dish
24. One table setting - one place setting using a theme, include menu on a card, placemat, or sample of cloth, dishes, utensils, and appropriate decorations
25. Cupcakes
26. Decorated cupcakes

#### Division B - Cake Decorating

#### Division C - Cooking

#### Division D - Baking

#### Division E - Food Preservation

Class No.

01-05. Any item or educational display completed

## DEPARTMENT 60

### Other 4-H

1. See 4-H Still Exhibit Interview Judging rules for more information.
2. Schedule interviews as appropriate on Non-Perishable Judging Day or any perishable items on Perishable Judging Day.

#### Division A - Exploring/Discovering 4-H

#### Division B - Bioscience

#### Division C - Weather, Weeds, Wind and Woods

#### Division D - Junior Master Gardener

#### Division E - Keeping Fit & Healthy

#### Division F - Food Science

#### Division G - Party Planner

#### Division H - Bicycle

#### Division I - Child Development

#### Division J - Communications

#### Division K - Theatre Arts

#### Division L - Stamp Collection

#### Division M - Skateboarding

#### Division N - Dutch Oven Cooking

#### Division O - Grill Master

#### Division P - Self-Determined – Must bring approved project proposal to interview.

#### Division Q - Other (to be used ONLY if instructed by Extension, fair office or barn superintendent)

Class No.

01-05. Any item or educational display completed



*Calling all 4-Hers!*

## LET'S FILL THE BARN!

You can now enter each class number twice,  
for a total of 10 entries per division!

Earn cash premiums for your ribbons, compete for special prizes,  
and carnival passes will be awarded for:

**Most Entries Overall and Most Entries in a Project**

Get your entries in and your projects finished to win prize money and carnival passes donated by the Ravalli County Fair!

(Most Entries in a Project will not include the "available to all members" entries in Sewing, Foods and Plants.)