HORTICULTURE/FLORICULTURE

Superintendent: Cowley County Extension Master Gardeners

1. Read “General Rules”.
2. Information about exhibiting produce is available online in the publication “Exhibiting Fruits and Vegetables” available at http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/bookstore/pubs/c405.pdf
3. Write the variety of each vegetable on the entry card.
4. Products exhibited in this division must be grown in current club year by members enrolled in the project.
5. Exhibits are to be checked in as they are judged at 11:00 a.m. Friday.
6. Class 0232- Garden Surprise does not require pre-entry. This is an appropriate class to exhibit an unexpected horticulture exhibit (i.e., carrots, onions, odd shaped, etc.)
7. Each exhibitor in Class 0219 Garden Display will be limited to four square feet of space. Exhibits consist of five different fresh vegetables. Canned vegetables are not acceptable. Only one variety of a specific vegetable may be exhibited.
8. All floral materials must be grown and/or collected by the exhibitors. Do not use purchased plant materials. Entries should not take over one square foot of table space.
9. Potted plants are not accepted.
10. Information about exhibiting flowers can be found online in the publication “Preparing Cut Flowers for Exhibit”, available at http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/bookstore/pubs/4H826.pdf
11. Exhibits are to be checked in as they are judged at 11:00 a.m. Friday.
12. Exhibitor may make a total of two entries per class for Class 0227-0230.
13. Exhibitor must use a non-breakable container for all exhibits in Classes 0227-0230.
14. A 4-H member may exhibit in only eight of the following Classes 0219-0226. Pre-entries will be accepted for more than eight entries, but only eight may be exhibited.

Class 0219 - Garden Display
Class 0220 - Small vegetable specimen plate (12) Ex: green snap beans, yellow wax beans, radishes other small vegetables.
Class 0221 - Medium vegetable specimen plate (5) Ex: cucumbers, cherry tomatoes, tomatoes, beets, white onions, yellow onions, red onions, bell peppers, other peppers, okra, parsnips, radishes turnips, sweet potatoes, red potatoes, white or Russet potatoes, carrots, miniature pumpkin, decorative gourds, or other medium vegetables.
Class 0222 - Large vegetable specimen plate (1) Ex: watermelon, summer squash, winter squash, large type pumpkin, eggplant, cabbage, cantaloupe, other large vegetable.
Class 0223 - Fresh Culinary herbs (6) Ex: parsley, basil, dill, etc. Six stems (or a comparable quantity) of one variety of fresh herbs must be exhibited in a disposable container of water. Dried herbs are not accepted.
Class 0224 - Small fruits (one half pint box) Ex. Strawberries, blackberries, raspberries, or other similar sized fruits. (if other, please include name of fruit on entry).
Class 0225 - Tree fruits (plate of 5) Ex. apples, pears, peaches, or similar sized fruits.
Class 0226 - Grapes (plate of 2 bunches).
Class 0227 - Annual Garden Flower, cut specimen, single stem
Class 0228 - Perennial Garden Flower, cut specimen, single stem.
Class 0229 - Fresh Flower Arrangement. Flower materials must be grown and/or collected by exhibitor, not purchased.
Class 0230 - Dried flower Arrangement, no fabric or plastic material allowed.
Class 0231 - Horticulture Notebook. Entry shall consist of a notebook or three ring binder of written narrative describing a horticulture project such as a landscape design, landscape installation, lawn renovation, water garden, flower garden, vegetable garden, lawn mowing service, landscape maintenance business, farmer’s market business, or other horticultural project. 4-H'ers are encouraged to include photographs, illustrations and/or landscape drawings that help explain work done by the member. Photos taken from the same location before, during and after the completion of the project are particularly helpful. Exhibitor may enter one horticulture notebook. Horticulture notebook scoring is based on the following criteria: Organization and General Appearance (neat, includes title page and table of contents, original, creative, etc.) 20%, Narrative (including goals, successes, failures, etc.) 40%, General Content (subject matter, photos, maps, knowledge gained, etc.) 40%.
*Class 0232 - Garden Surprise
*Class 0233 - Open Terrariums
*Class 0234 - Closed Terrariums
Class 0235 - Dried flower arrangement, no fabric or plastic material.
*Ineligible for State Fair competition.
*Class 0236 - Potted Plant
*Ineligible for State Fair competition.

HORTICULTURE/FLORICULTURE PREMIUMS

Champion Ribbon
Reserve Champion Ribbon
Purple/Blue $2.00
Red $1.50
White $1.00

SPECIAL AWARDS

Cowley County 4-H Council will sponsor awards for each Champion and Reserve Champion. Funding for these awards is generated by proceeds from the 4-H Food Sale and Auction.