

Agriculture Horticulture

ENTER ONLINE: <https://cmsfy.fairwire.com/> BY: TUESDAY, JULY 7
NO ENTRY FEE

NEW DATES/TIMES = PHYSICAL ENTRIES RECEIVED:

FRIDAY, JULY 10, 9:00 am TO 2:00 pm
AND SATURDAY, JULY 11, 9:00 am TO NOON

PHYSICAL ENTRIES RELEASED: TUESDAY, JULY 28, 9:00 am TO 6:00 pm

Exhibitor Credential – See Credential page of this handbook, page 6.

Awards

(Awards allocated at Judge's Discretion)

***Best of Show - Youth and 4-H • Judges Awards
Special Awards for Theme Division**

DEPARTMENT RULES

1. All entries must be entered on-line by Tuesday, July 7.
2. Due to the perishable nature of the entries in this Department, the Agriculture - Produce Divisions will be incorporated into two shows, thus allowing the exhibits to remain fresh throughout the course of the Fair.
3. All entries in the Agriculture Horticulture Department must be locally grown by the exhibitor and must be of the current season's crop.
4. Variety of products must be correctly labeled. The quality desired in agricultural and horticultural product exhibits is the quality that brings the best financial return in the commercial market. Exhibits must have reached that stage of ripeness which will insure the completion of the ripening process to a degree that will insure palatability after the removal of the product from the tree, plant or vine (Section 42513, Food and Agricultural Code) in order to be considered for premium awards.
5. All perishable items will be disposed of following the Fair in the interest of public health and safety. Non-perishable items may be picked up on Tuesday, July 28 between 9:00 am and 6:00 pm. Items not claimed will be disposed of properly.
6. Fair Management reserves the right to combine classes in divisions with less than five (5) entries and three (3) exhibitors, as well as, create classes from an Any Other Variety Class when a specific varieties' entries are in excess of three (3). These changes will be noted, and adjustments will be made for the following year. These procedures are intended to maintain industry standards and accommodate changing trends and varieties.

YOUTH AGRICULTURE HORTICULTURE

1. Open to exhibitors who are four (4) years old through eighteen (18) years old and are residents of San Luis Obispo County. Exhibitors who enter Youth categories must not be older than 18 years of age as of January 1, 2026.
2. The date of birth of exhibitor and ingoing grade level must appear on the registration.
3. Each entry in these divisions shall have been made or produced by the exhibitor. Entries shall be made online.
4. Exhibitors who enrolled in any junior organization. (4-H/FFA) for which classes are offered elsewhere, are not eligible to enter articles in this department that are eligible to be exhibited as part of their junior organization project. State and Local rules apply to all entries. Score cards in corresponding Adult and Youth Departments shall be used unless otherwise provided in these divisions.
5. Reasonable precaution will be taken in protection of exhibits. The 16th District Agricultural Association (California Mid-State Fair) will not be responsible for loss or damage, whatsoever the cause. The exhibitor must arrange for insurance if it is desired. Furthermore, the California Mid-State Fair will not be responsible for accidents or loss that may occur to any of the exhibitors or exhibits at the show and the exhibitors shall hold the fair management harmless and indemnify it against any legal proceedings arising from such accident or loss. Presentation of entry form shall be deemed acceptance of this rule. All entries will remain on display for the duration of the Fair.

4-H/FFA AGRICULTURE HORTICUTLURE

1. Limited to members of San Luis Obispo County. All registration must be done through <https://cmsfy.fairwire.com/> and then checked by the project leader. Leader verification will be checked with the local 4-H office.
2. Each entry in these divisions shall have been made or produced by the exhibitor. Entries shall be registered online under 4-H & FFA categories. The date of birth of exhibitor, and ingoing grade level must appear on the registration.
3. Exhibitors who enrolled in any junior organization (4-H/FFA) for which classes are offered elsewhere, are not eligible to enter articles in this department that are eligible to be exhibited as part of their junior organization project. State and Local rules apply to all entries. Score cards in corresponding Senior and Junior Departments shall be used unless otherwise provided in these divisions.
4. PRIMARY MEMBERS: 4-H primary members are eligible to exhibit breeding animals and shall be judged separately as specified. The Danish System of judging shall be used, and primary ribbons will be awarded.
5. All precautions will be taken to protect entries; however, the California Mid-State Fair will not be responsible for loss or damage of entries submitted to this exhibition. Submitting work to this competition implies agreement on the part of the exhibitor to conditions set forth above.

| Score Card for all Ag Horticulture | |
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| Overall Perfection | 60% |
| Color | 20% |
| Uniformity | 20% |
| Market Size | 20% |
| Correct Distinction | 10% |
| Cleanliness & Freshness | 30% |
| | 100% |

THEME DIVISION

BACK TO THE 80's

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FIRST SHOW ONLY

DANISH SYSTEM OF JUDGING

Special Themed Awards

No Premiums or Sweepstakes

Exhibit may not exceed tabletop space of 18" X 22". May use your container of choice. All produce and fruit must be grown by exhibitor. All items must fit in container. Must include at least 3 items from page 32.

Each exhibitor is limited to One (1) Entry Per Class.

DIVISION 630 – YOUTH THEME BASKET

DIVISION 638 – 4-H/FFA THEME BASKET

Class

1. Cabbage Patch Kids- Leafy Vegetables
2. Straight Outta Paso - Locally Grown Produce
3. Totally Tuber-ler - Tuber or Root Vegetables

YOUTH DIVISIONS 630 – 637

4-H DIVISIONS 638 – 649

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Danish System of Judging

Ribbons 1st – 3rd

Premiums Offered per Class

| <u>1st</u> | <u>2nd</u> | <u>3rd</u> |
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| \$5 | \$4 | \$3 |

DIVISION 631 – YOUTH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

DIVISION 639 - FFA FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

DIVISION 640- 4-H FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Class

1. Apples-Golden - 3
2. Apples-Green - 3
3. Apples-Red - 3
4. Apricots - 3
5. Avocados - 3
6. Beans, Any Variety -12 Pods
7. Blackberries - Standard Berry Baskets for Berries
8. Cherries - Standard Berry Baskets for Berries
9. Eggplant - 2
10. Figs - 3
11. Grapefruit - 3
12. Grapes-Green – 3 Bunches
13. Grapes-Red – 3 Bunches
14. Lemons - 3
15. Limes - 3
16. Nectarines
17. Oranges - 3
18. Peaches - 3
19. Pears - 3
20. Peas, Any Variety - 12 Pods
21. Peppers, Bell - 2
22. Peppers, Hot - 3
23. Plums - 3
24. Strawberries - Standard Berry Baskets for Berries
25. Tomatoes, Any Other Variety - 3
26. Tomatoes, Cherry – 15
27. Any Other Fruit or Vegetable, Please Specify - 3

DIVISION 632 – YOUTH LEAFY AND STEM VEGETABLES

DIVISION 641 - FFA LEAFY AND STEM VEGETABLES

DIVISION 642 - 4-H LEAFY AND STEM VEGETABLES

Class

1. Cabbage, Any Variety - 1 Head
2. Corn, Any Variety - 4 Ears (Husk Off)
3. Herbs, Fresh - 1 Bunch or Dry – 1/2 Ounce in Jar
4. Lettuce, Any Variety - 1 Head
5. Onions, Green - 1 Bunch
6. Rhubarb - 6 Stalks
7. Romaine - 1 Plant
8. Any Other Leafy & Stem Vegetable, Please Specify

DIVISION 633 – YOUTH ROOT, BULB, AND TUBER VEGETABLES

DIVISION 643 - FFA ROOT, BULB, AND TUBER VEGETABLES

DIVISION 644 - 4-H ROOT, BULB, AND TUBER VEGETABLES

Class

1. Beets, Garden - 4 Topped
2. Carrots, Bunch - 4 Topped
3. Onions, Brown - 4
4. Onions, Red - 4
5. Onions, White - 4
6. Potatoes, Any Variety - 4
7. Radishes, Topped - 10
8. Turnips, Topped - 4
9. Any Other Root, Bulb, & Tuber Vegetable, Please Specify

DIVISION 634 – YOUTH VINE CROPS

DIVISION 645 - FFA VINE CROPS

DIVISION 646 - 4-H VINE CROPS

Class

1. Cucumbers, Slicing - 3
2. Cucumbers, Pickling - 6
3. Cucumbers, Lemon - 3
4. Melon, Any Variety - 1
5. Pumpkins - 1
6. Squash, Mature - 1
7. Squash, Green Summer - 3
8. Squash, Yellow Summer - 3
9. Squash, Zucchini - 3
10. Squash, Yellow Crookneck - 3
11. Watermelon - 1
12. Any Other Vine Crop, Please Specify

DIVISION 635 – YOUTH HOME POULTRY-EGGS GRADES K-3

DIVISION 636 – YOUTH HOME POULTRY-EGGS GRADES 4-12

DIVISION 647 – FFA HOME POULTRY-EGGS

DIVISION 648 – 4-H HOME POULTRY-EGGS

CANNOT ENTER BOTH YOUTH AND 4-H/FFA DIVISIONS, MUST PICK ONE.

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LIVE JUDGING: WEDNESDAY, JULY 15 AT 4:30 pm

Limited to One (1) Entry Per Class.

Eggs must be identified by breed of hen

EGGS AND CARTONS WILL NOT BE RETURNED UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES.

Class

1. Any Other Bird (6 Eggs)
2. Chickens (6 Colored Eggs)
3. Chickens (6 White Eggs)
4. Duck (4 Eggs)
5. Gamebird (4 Eggs)
6. Goose (4 Eggs)
7. Small Flocks (represent no more than 3 breeds with 4 eggs from each - one carton of eggs)

DIVISION 637 – YOUTH LARGEST PRODUCE

DIVISION 649 – 4-H/FFA LARGEST PRODUCE

Class

1. Apple
2. Avocado
3. Cucumber
4. Lemon
5. Onion
6. Pumpkin
7. Radish
8. Squash
9. Tomato
10. Watermelon
11. Zucchini

For Other 4-H and FFA Entries, please see 4-H & FFA Projects Within Each Department: Farm Art, Arts & Crafts, Home Arts, Fine Art, Photography and Floriculture.