



**\*Youth Department\***  
**4-H & FFA**  
*\* Head \* Heart \* Hands \* Health*

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**General Rules and Requirements**

Judging of all classes in premium books should be based entirely on the articles exhibited, in order to comply with MI Department of Agriculture Regulation #881.

1. **ELIGIBILITY:** Entries in Department 18 are open to all duly enrolled members in the Ionia County 4-H Program and FFA members from Belding, Ionia, Lakewood, and Saranac school districts. 4-H Members, ages from 9 to 19, must be enrolled in 4-H by May 1 of the current year in order to exhibit in the 4-H Department. A member must be actively enrolled in the project in which they are exhibiting.
2. **CLOVERBUD 4-H:**
  - Youth who turn seven (7) or eight (8) by January 1 of the current year are eligible to exhibit as “Cloverbud 4-H’ers”.
  - All Cloverbuds must be enrolled in the Cloverbud project by May 1 of the current year to exhibit.
  - Cloverbud 4-H members may exhibit in the designated Cloverbud class in each department.
  - The Ionia County 4-H Cloverbud Policy will apply. Registered members who are aged 7 and 8 years may exhibit, display or show in any project area at the Ionia Free Fair in the 4-H Division. Members who are 5 and 6 years of age are not allowed to be judged, exhibit, display or show during the fair. 5 and 6 year olds may take part in all special activities including Kids Barn, the Cloverbud Ice Cream Social, etc.
3. **Pre-entry forms are required for all exhibits and will be due on or before June 25.**
4. All exhibitors are expected to follow the rules of the division in which they are participating. Violations of the department rules will be evaluated on a case by case basis and may result in discipline including premium forfeiture, dismissal from the fairgrounds and /or project area, etc.
5. Judges decisions will be final.
6. **ACCIDENTS/LOSS:** Neither the Ionia Fair Association nor the Ionia County MSU Extension Office will assume responsibility in case of accident or loss of any entry. Each exhibitor will assume all risks in exhibiting any projects at the Ionia Free Fair.
7. All 4-H members will be expected to be responsible for the total care of their project while on the Ionia Free Fair grounds.
8. Each 4-H division must have a minimum of ten (10) participants pre-registered in order to hold the divisions’ event. If the minimum participation is not met, the event will be cancelled and the pre-registered participants will be notified the business day following the pre-registration date.
9. Exhibitors must wear appropriate clothing for the event they are participating in. If not dressed appropriately for the project area, exhibitors will be asked to change their clothing.

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## Department 18A

### Horses & Ponies

Jim Rowley, Superintendent

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1. Members may show one animal in this division.
2. A 4-H horse project member bringing a horse to fair must be enrolled in a 4-H horse club.
3. All horses and back up horses **MUST** be designated by the 4-H participant by May 1 in order to be eligible to show in the current years fair. **No Exceptions.**
4. Members planning to show must enter fair classes by June 25. **Late entries will not be accepted.**
5. The 4-H member should contribute at least 60% of the care of their 4-H horse project.
6. The Ionia Fairgrounds facilities can not handle all of the 4-H horses at one time. The 4-H Horse Leader's group has decided to split the entries according to the 4-H member's age. The senior group will come in first in odd numbered years, while the junior group will show first in even numbered years. Junior or senior status will be determined by the number of youth enrolled in the 4-H horse project the previous year. Age breaks are published in this fair book and given to the Horse Leaders by the Ionia County MSU Extension 4-H Educator.
7. Ponies will be measured prior to show time. Ponies with shoes will deduct ½ inch from their measured height.
8. It is recommended that all horses be immunized against influenza, tetanus and EEE at least 12 weeks prior to the fair. For Potomac Horse Fever, Rhinopneumonitis, and Strep Equi (strangles) follow your veterinarian's recommendations.
9. All 4-H horses must have a current (dated December 1 or after) negative Coggins test to be exhibited at the Ionia Free Fair. A copy of the negative test must be attached to the 4-H entry form.
10. The Superintendent reserves the right to split any classes into heats, then choosing eight (8) placing from the group as a whole.
11. All 4-H Horse Club members are encouraged to carry accident insurance coverage for the fair. Forms are available at the Extension Office.
12. All horses being ridden must wear a bridle and riders must wear boots.
14. All 4-H members will show in the age category they will be on January 1 of current fair year.
15. A member entering as a first year or horseless member cannot enter an age or size class in the same section.
16. Horseless and Walk Trot winners are not eligible for Championship classes.
17. First year classes are reserved for members showing a horse or pony for the first time at any fair.
18. Rules regarding clothing, equipment, and judging of classes will be governed by the most recent edition of 4-H Bulletin #1145: "4-H Horse & Pony Project Show

Rules and Regulations".

19. No club or member will be dismissed before 11:00 p.m. on the last day of showing from the fairgrounds unless permission is granted by the Horse Superintendent. **All requests to the Superintendent for special considerations are to be made through your 4-H leader.** Any member leaving early without permission will forfeit **any premiums, plaques and awards won** and may not bring the horse (or any other) back to the fair.
20. A **PARENT** or **4-H LEADER of a junior member** may ride the member's horse only in order to resolve safety issues. Junior 4-H members, family, or leaders may do groundwork. **Senior members** are responsible for performing all groundwork and riding themselves, unless permission from the superintendent is granted.
21. The 4-H Horse Superintendent is a volunteer representative of the MSU Extension 4-H Program and has authority in matters of housing, safety and parking. All matters regarding enforcement of rules will be at the discretion of the 4-H Horse Superintendent and the 4-H Extension Youth Educator. Anyone disregarding the 4-H Horse Superintendent's requests, or refusing to follow established rules, will forfeit all awards won, including plaques, and will not be allowed to continue participation in the Ionia Free Fair or represent Ionia County at the State 4-H Horse Show of current year.
23. Addition of classes at the fair will not be permitted. Participants may reserve the right to scratch from any class that they had entered granted that it is done by 8 p.m.

#### **Definitions:**

**First year:** The first time a child brings an animal to this (or any other) fair, including horseless. If a child has exhibited in western classes in previous years, they are not eligible for first year English classes.

**9 year old** 4-H members may show as first year OR in their age class.

**Walk Trot:** A member is not capable of riding their horse at a canter. If the member rides in any walk trot classes, they will not be allowed to exhibit in any other class that requires a canter.

**If a member has been in a Walk Trot Class on the same horse the previous year, they are not eligible for any future Walk Trot classes.**

**Horseless:** the member does not currently own a horse and the horse being used by the horseless members is currently at the fair being shown by another 4-H member.

# 2011: Seniors will show 1st, Juniors 2nd

## Senior Day 1

### **Showmanship**

1-8 Place Rosette

4000 Senior Horse Showmanship, 15-19

4001 Showmanship, 1<sup>st</sup> year

-Judge selects Prize: Plaque & Rosette

***Winner of class 4000 will be the Horse Division Showmanship Sweepstakes Representative***

### **English Saddle Seat Pleasure**

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons,

4004 English Saddle Seat Pleasure, all ages

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place exhibitors in class 4004 will compete in Grand & Reserve Champion English Pleasure/Saddle Seat Pleasure

### **English Saddle Seat Equitation**

1-8 Place Rosettes

4005 English Saddle Seat Equitation, all ages

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place exhibitors in classes 4005 will compete in Grand & Reserve Champion English Equitation/Saddle Seat Equitation

### **Lunch Break**

### **Hunter Hack**

SEI Approved Helmets Required

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

4006 Hunter Hack, all ages

\*\*Not eligible for Championship

### **Hunter Over Fences**

**SEI Approved Helmets Required**

1-8 Place Ribbons

4007 Working Hunter Over Fences, all ages with parents signed liability form

### **Equitation Over Fences**

SEI Approved Helmets Required

1-8 Placing Rosettes

4008 Equitation Over Fences, all ages with parents signed liability form

4009 Grand & Reserve Champion Over Fences

*Combined High score from classes 4007 & 4008*

Prize: Plaque and Rosette

### **English Hunt Seat Pleasure**

SEI Approved Helmets Required

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

4010 Hunt Seat Pleasure, ages 15 & 16

4011 Hunt Seat Pleasure, ages 17-19

4012 Hunt Seat Pleasure, 1<sup>st</sup> year

4013 Grand & Reserve Champion Hunt Seat Pleasure/Saddle Seat Pleasure

\*\*Participants from classes 4004, 4010, 4011 & 4012

Judge Selects Prize: Plaque and Rosette

4015 Hunt Seat Pleasure Walk Trot, all ages

### **English Hunt Seat Equitation**

1-8 Place Rosettes

4016 Hunt Seat Equitation, 15-16

4017 Hunt Seat Equitation, 17-19

4018 Hunt Seat Equitation, 1<sup>st</sup> year all ages

4019 Grand & Reserve Champion Hunt Seat Equitation/Saddle Seat Equitation

\*\*Participants from classes 4005, 4016, 4017 & 4018

Judge Selects Prize: Plaque and Rosette

4021 Hunt Seat Equitation Walk Trot, all ages

## **Dressage**

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

Snaffle bits required. You may exhibit in two (2) level: The latest edition of the American Horse Show Association Dressage tests will be used. Other older tests will not be scored.

4023 Dressage Training Level Test I

4024 Dressage Training Level Test II

4025 Dressage Training Level Test III

4026 Dressage Training Level Test IV

4027 Grand & Reserve Dressage – High percentage (your score divided by the total number of possible points on the test)

Reserve to go to different rider than Grand.

4028 Green as Grass Dressage

First time riders in a Dressage class. Training Level Test I will be used for this class. Not eligible for levels I through IV championship classes. May not show in any other Dressage classes.

## **Versatility**

1-8 Rosettes

1<sup>st</sup> year, horseless, Walk Trot not eligible for this class.

Maximum of three (3) helpers per rider. Five (5) minute tack change from English to Western and to Gymkhana in the ring.

Three (3) parts in this class: English, Western and Gymkhana

English: 50% Pleasure and 50% Equitation

Western: 50% Pleasure and 50% Horsemanship

Gymkhana: Pattern will be Cloverleaf

4029 Versatility Class, all ages

4030 Grand & Reserve Champion Versatility

Judge Selects Prize: Plaque and Rosette

## **Cloverbud Show**

First Friday of the Fair to start no sooner than 6 pm.

Cloverbuds may show western or English and is open to 7 and 8 year old members.

4128 Cloverbud Showmanship

4002 Horseless Showmanship

4129 Cloverbud Walk Trot Horsemanship/Equitation

4014 Horseless Horsemanship/Equitation

4130 Cloverbud Walk Trot Pleasure

4020 Horseless Pleasure

## **Senior Day 2**

### **Western Pleasure**

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

4031 Western Pleasure, ages 15-16

4032 Western Pleasure, ages 17-19

4033 Western Pleasure, 1<sup>st</sup> year

4034 Grand & Reserve Champion Western Pleasure

Judge Selects Prize: Plaque and Rosette

4036 Western Pleasure Walk Trot, all ages

### **Western Horsemanship**

1-8 Placing, Rosettes

4037 Western Horsemanship, ages 15-16

4038 Western Horsemanship, ages 17-19

4039 Western Horsemanship, 1<sup>st</sup> year members

4040 Grand & Reserve Western Horsemanship

Judge Selects Prize: Plaque and Rosette

4042 Western Horsemanship Walk Trot, all ages

4043 Western Horsemanship for Gymkhana Riders, all ages

## **Bareback Equitation**

### **SEI Approved Helmets Required**

1-8 Placing Rosettes

First year and horseless members not eligible for this class

4044 Bareback Equitation, ages 15-16

4045 Bareback Equitation, ages 17-19

4046 Grand & Reserve Bareback Equitation

Judge Selects Prize: Plaque and Rosette

## **Lunch Break**

### **Western/English Riding**

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

Members may ride in Western or English attire

Riders may only ride once

Basic Riding Pattern: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Year members may only ride in Basic Riding Pattern. Basic Riding is for members beginning pattern work. If member rides in Basic Riding Pattern, they are not eligible for English/Western Riding or Reining or Championship class.

4050 Basic Riding Pattern, all ages (including horseless members)

4047 Western/English Riding, ages 15-16

4048 Western/English Riding, ages 17-19

4049 Grand & Reserve Western/English Riding

\*Highest Score from class 4047 & 4048 Prize: Plaque and Rosette

### **Reining**

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

4051 Reining, ages 15-16

4052 Reining, ages 17-19

4053 Grand & Reserve Champion Reining

\*Highest score in class 4051 & 4052

### **Team Competition**

1-8 Special Team Ribbons.

Draw for teams during exhibitor meeting.

### **Horseless & Walk Trot not eligible**

Each team will have four (4) members in a class

Each team member will compete in one (1) event:

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The events are:

Showmanship, all ages

English Equitation, all ages

Western Horsemanship, all ages

Gymkhana- Speed & Action, all ages

4054 Team Competition, all ages

### **Free Style Reining**

To be held the first Saturday of the fair to start no sooner than 6 p.m.. Exhibitors may haul horses onto the fairgrounds if not already on premises. Will be open to all enrolled Ionia County 4-H horse members.

### Senior Day 3

#### **Trail**

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

May enter only one (1) trail class. Three (3) minute time limit on each ride.

4055 Trail, ages 15-16

4056 Trail, ages 17-19

4057 Trail, 1<sup>st</sup> year all ages

4058 Grand & Reserve Champion Trail

\*Highest Score in classes 4055, 4056 & 4057

Prize: Plaque and Rosette

4060 Trail Walk & Trot, all ages

4061 Trail Gymkhana, all ages

4062 Trial in hand, all ages

#### **Lunch Break**

#### **Costume**

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

4063 Costume, all ages

**All Costume narratives must be turned in at the show office before lunch.**

#### **Gymkhana**

1-8 Place Flat Ribbons

Grand Champion Plaques

Horseless & Walk Trot members are not eligible for Gymkhana classes

#### **Pole Bending**

4064 Pole Bending, 15-16

4065 Pole Bending, 17-19

4066 Pole Bending, 1<sup>st</sup> year

4067 Grand & Reserve Champion Pole Bending

\*Best time from above Pole Bending classes

#### **Speed & Action**

4068 Speed & Action, ages 15-16

4069 Speed & Action, ages 17-19

4070 Speed & Action, 1<sup>st</sup> year members

4071 Grand & Reserve Champion Speed & Action

\*\*Best time ride in above classes

#### **Keyhole**

4072 Keyhole, age 15-16

4073 Keyhole, ages 17-19

4074 Keyhole, 1<sup>st</sup> year members

4075 Grand & Reserve Champion Keyhole

\*\* Best time in above keyhole classes

#### **Cloverleaf**

4076 Cloverleaf, ages 15-16

4077 Cloverleaf, ages 17-19

4078 Cloverleaf, 1<sup>st</sup> year member

4079 Grand & Reserve Cloverleaf

\*Best time in above Cloverleaf classes

#### **Flag Race**

4080 Flag Race, age 15-16

4081 Flag Race, 17-19

4082 Flag Race, 1<sup>st</sup> year

#### **Fun Class**

Generation Sensation

Special Team Ribbons,

Ionia county parents or 4-H Leaders with 4-H members

This class will be split into heats if there are over 20 riders.

One rider will be judged on Horsemanship, the other will perform the cloverleaf pattern.

Tiebreaker will be cloverleaf

4083 Generation Sensation

## Junior Day1

### **Showmanship**

#### **1-8 Rosettes**

4090 Horse & Pony Showmanship Juniors, ages 9-11  
4091 Horse & Pony Showmanship Intermediates, ages 12-14  
4092 Horse & Pony Showmanship, 1<sup>st</sup> year all ages

**Winners of classes 4090 & 4091 will be the Horse Division Showmanship Sweepstakes Representative.**

### **English Saddle Seat Pleasure**

#### **Required SEI Approved Helmets**

1-8 Place Ribbons

4094 English Saddle Seat Pleasure, all ages  
1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place exhibitors in class 4094 will compete in Grand & Reserve Champion English Pleasure/Saddle Seat Pleasure

### **English Saddle Seat Equitation**

#### **Required SEI Approved Helmets**

1-8 Place Rosettes

4095 English Saddle Seat Equitation, all ages

*1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place exhibitors in class 4095 will compete in Grand & Reserve Champion English Equitation/Saddle Seat Equitation*

### **Lunch Break**

### **Hunter Hack**

SEI Approved Helmets Required

1-8 Place Ribbons

4096 Hunter Hack, all ages (with parents signed liability form)

**\*\*Not eligible for Championship**

### **Hunter Over Fences**

#### **SEI Approved Helmets Required**

1-8 Place Ribbons

4097 Working Hunter Over Fences, all ages (with parents signed liability form)

### **Equitation Over Fences**

#### **SEI Approved Helmets Required**

1-8 Place Rosettes

4098 Equitation Over Fences, all ages (with parents signed liability form)

4099 Grand & Reserve Champion Over Fences

**\*\*High score from classes 4097 & 4098**

Prize: Plaque & Rosette

### **English Hunt Seat Pleasure**

#### **SEI Approved Helmets Required**

1-8 Place Ribbons

4100 Horse Hunt Seat English Pleasure, ages 9-11  
4102 Horse Hunt Seat English Pleasure, ages 12-14  
4103 Pony Hunt Seat English Pleasure, ages 9-11  
4104 Pony Hunt Seat English Pleasure, ages 12-14  
4105 Horse Hunt Seat English Pleasure, 1<sup>st</sup> Year all ages  
4106 Pony Hunt Seat English Pleasure, 1<sup>st</sup> Year all ages  
4107 Grand & Reserve Champion English Pleasure/  
Saddle Seat Pleasure

Judges Selects

Prize: Plaque & Rosette

4109 English Pleasure Walk Trot, Horse & Pony, all ages

### **English Hunt Seat Equitation**

#### **SEI Approved Helmets Required**

1-8 Place Rosettes

4110 Horse Hunt Seat English Equitation, ages 9-11  
4112 Horse Hunt Seat English Equitation, ages 12-14  
4113 Pony Hunt Seat English Equitation, ages 9-11  
4114 Pony Hunt Seat English Equitation, ages 12-14  
4115 Horse Hunt Seat English Equitation, 1<sup>st</sup> Year all ages  
4116 Pony Hunt Seat English Equitation, 1<sup>st</sup> year all ages  
4117 Grand & Reserve Champion English Equitation/  
Saddle Seat Equitation

Judges Selects

Prize: Plaque & Rosette

4119 English Equitation Walk Trot, Horse & Pony, all ages

### **Dressage**

1-8 Place, Flat Ribbons

Snaffle Bits Required

Members may exhibit in two (2) levels. The latest edition of the American Horse Show Association dressage tests will be used. Other older tests will **not** be used.

4120 Dressage Training Level I

4121 Dressage Training Level II

4122 Dressage Training Level III

4123 Dressage Training Level IV

4124 Grand & Reserve Champion Dressage (highest percentage rides. Your score divided by the total number of points possible for that test.)

**\*\*Reserve Champion to go to a different rider than Grand.**

Prize: Plaque & Rosette

4125 Green As Grass Dressage First time riders in a Dressage class. Training Level Test I will be used for this class. Not eligible for levels I through IV championship classes. May not show in any other Dressage classes.

## **Versatility**

1-8 Place Rosettes

First year, horseless and walk & trot are not eligible for this class.

There is a maximum of three helpers per rider. Five (5) minute tack change from English to Western, Gymkhana in the ring.

Three (3) parts in this class: English, Western and Gymkhana.

English: 50% Pleasure and 50% Equitation

Western: 50 % Pleasure and 50% Horsemanship

Gymkhana: Pattern will be Cloverleaf

4126 Versatility Class, ages 9-14

4127 Champion and Reserve Champion Versatility  
Judge Selects Prize: Plaque & Rosette

### **Junior Day 2**

#### **Western Pleasure**

1-8 Place, Flat Ribbons

4131 Horse Western Pleasure, ages 9-11

4132 Horse Western Pleasure, ages 12-14

4133 Pony Western Pleasure, 9-11

4134 Pony Western Pleasure, 12-14

4135 Horse Western Pleasure, 1<sup>st</sup> Year, all ages

4136 Pony Western Pleasure, 1<sup>st</sup> Year, all ages

4137 Grand & Reserve Western Pleasure

Judge Selects Prize: Plaque & Rosette

4139 Western Pleasure Walk Trot, Horse & Pony, all ages

#### **Western Horsemanship**

1-8 Place Rosettes

4140 Horse Western Horsemanship, ages 9-11

4141 Horse Western Horsemanship, ages 12-14

4142 Pony Western Horsemanship, ages 9-11

4143 Pony Western Horsemanship, ages 12-14

4144 Horsemanship

4145 Pony Western Horsemanship, 1<sup>st</sup> year

4146 Grand & Reserve Champion Western Horsemanship

Judge Selects Prize: Plaque & Rosette

4148 Western Horsemanship Walk Trot, horse and pony, all ages

4149 Western Horsemanship for Gymkhana Riders, all ages

#### **Bareback Equitation**

##### **SEI Approved Helmets Required**

1-8 Place Rosettes

First year and horseless members are not eligible

4150 Bareback Equitation, 9-11

4151 Bareback Equitation, 12-14

4152 Grand & Reserve Champion Bareback Equitation

Judge Selects Prize: Plaque & Rosette

#### **Lunch Break**

#### **Western/English Riding**

1-8 Place, Flat Ribbons

Members may ride in either English or Western attire, **but are allowed only one ride.**

**Basic Riding Pattern:** Exhibitor must be in their 1<sup>st</sup> or

2<sup>nd</sup> year in the 4-H horse program. Leader's conformation needed. Basic Riding is for members beginning pattern work. If a member rides in Basic Riding, they are not eligible for English/Western Riding or Reining or Championship class.

4153 Basic Riding Pattern, ages 9-11

4154 Basic Riding Pattern, ages 12-14

4155 Basic Riding Pattern, 1<sup>st</sup> year, all ages

4156 Basic Riding Pattern Horseless, all ages

4157 Western/English Riding 9-11

4158 Western/English Riding 12-14

4159 Grand & Reserve Champion Western/English Riding

\*\*Highest scores from class 4157 & 4158  
Judge Selects Prize: Plaque & Rosette

#### **Reining**

1-8 Place, Flat Ribbons

4160 Reining, ages 9-11

4161 Reining, ages 12-14

4162 Champion & Reserve Champion Reining

\*\*Highest score in class 4160 & 4061

Judge Selects Prize: Plaque & Rosette

#### **Free Style Reining**

To be held the first Saturday of the fair to start no sooner than 6 p.m.. Exhibitors may haul horses onto the fairgrounds if not already on premises. Will be open to all enrolled Ionia County 4-H horse members.

#### **Team Competition**

Special team ribbons

Draw for teams during exhibitor meeting.

#### **Horseless & Walk Trot not eligible**

Each team will have four (4) members in a class

Each team member will compete in one (1) event:

Showmanship, all ages

English Equitation, all ages

Western Horsemanship, all ages

Gymkhana – Speed & Action, all ages

4163 Team Competition, all ages

### **Junior Day 3**

#### **Trail**

1-8 Place, Flat Ribbons

May enter only one (1) trail class. Three (3) minute time limit on each ride.

4164 Trail, ages 9-11

4165 Trail, ages 12-14

4166 Trail, 1<sup>st</sup> year all ages

4167 Grand & Reserve Champion Trail

\*\*Highest score in above classes

Prizes: Plaque & Rosette

4169 Trail, Walk Trot – Horse & Pony, all ages

4170 Trail, Gymkhana, all ages

4171 Trial in hand, all ages

#### **Lunch Break**

**Costume**

1-8 Place, Flat Ribbons  
4172 Costume, ages 9-11  
4173 Costume, ages 12-14

**All Costume narratives must be turned in at the show office before lunch.**

**Gymkhana Classes**

1-8 Place, Flat Ribbons  
Horseless & Walk Trot not eligible for Gymkhana Class

**Pole Bending**

4174 Horse Pole Bending, ages 9-11  
4175 Horse Pole Bending, ages 12-14  
4176 Horse Pole Bending, 1<sup>st</sup> year, all ages  
4177 Pony Pole Bending, ages 9-14  
4178 Pony Pole Bending, 1<sup>st</sup> year, all ages  
4179 Grand & Reserve Champion Pole Bending

\*\*Best time ride from above classes

Prizes: Plaque & Rosette

**Speed & Action**

4180 Horse Speed & Action, ages 9-11  
4181 Horse Speed & Action, ages 12-14  
4182 Horse Speed & Action, first year all ages  
4183 Pony Speed & Action, ages 9-14  
4184 Pony Speed & Action, first year all ages  
4185 Grand & Reserve Champion Speed & Action

\*\*Best time to ride in above six (6) classes

**Keyhole**

4186 Horse Keyhole, ages 9-11  
4187 Horse Keyhole, ages 12-14  
4188 Horse Keyhole, 1<sup>st</sup> year  
4189 Pony Keyhole, ages 9-14  
4190 Pony Keyhole, 1<sup>st</sup> year  
4191 Grand & Reserve Keyhole

\*\* Best time ride in above 5 classes

Prizes: Plaque & Rosette

**Cloverleaf**

4192 Horse Cloverleaf, ages 9-11  
4193 Horse Cloverleaf, ages 12-14  
4194 Horse Cloverleaf, 1<sup>st</sup> year, all ages  
4195 Pony Cloverleaf, 9-14  
4196 Pony Cloverleaf, 1<sup>st</sup> year  
4197 Grand & Reserve Champion Cloverleaf

\*\*Best time ride from above classes

Prizes: Plaque & Rosette

**Flag Race**

4198 Horse Flag Race, ages 9-11  
4199 Horse Flag Race, ages 12-14  
4200 Horse Flag Race, 1<sup>st</sup> year, all ages  
4201 Pony Flag Race, 9-14  
4202 Pony Flag Race, 1<sup>st</sup> year  
4203 Grand & Reserve Champion Flag Race

\*\*Best time ride from above classes

Prizes: Plaque & Rosette

**Fun Class**

Generation Sensation  
Special Team Ribbons  
Ionia county parents or 4-H Leaders with 4-H members  
This class will be split into heats if there are over 20 riders.

One rider will be judged on Horsemanship, the other will perform the cloverleaf pattern.

Tiebreaker will be cloverleaf

4204 Generation Sensation

## General Rules for Livestock Exhibitors

1. Members are expected to train and help with the care of their project animal(s) prior to fair. Members are responsible for the total care of their animal(s) while at the fairgrounds. Premiums will not be paid to exhibitors not complying with these rules.
2. The club member taking the exhibit must show all livestock except by special permission from the superintendent.
3. All state sanitary and health regulations must be met.
4. All beef, dairy, and swine animals must be registered in the exhibitor's own name by May 1<sup>st</sup> or they will be classed as grade animals. All sheep must be registered by May 31<sup>st</sup> of current year in the exhibitor's own name.
5. Grade animals will compete in the same class as registered animals. Animals not registered must conform to breed characteristics.
6. Animals of different ages and breeds will be judged separately and awards given on the merits of the animals.
7. The exhibitor, as directed by the superintendent in charge, must keep all livestock and the area they occupy in order.
8. If this department has more entries than premium money available, the premiums in the 4-H Departments will be pro-rated.
9. 4-H and FFA animal entries are due on or before June 25<sup>th</sup>.
10. Any dispute or complaint concerning a 4-H livestock activity must be made to the 4-H Educator in writing within 48 hours of the incident. Verbal accusations will not be acted upon.
11. The Ionia County 4-H Program reserves the right to require any animal to be subject to examinations and/or tests as prescribed to determine if a substance has been administered to an animal to alter its conformation and/or temperament. Administering of said substances will be considered fraud and deception. Should fraud and deception be discovered prior to final placing by the judge, the exhibit will be declared ineligible to show, and the exhibitor will be required to remove the exhibit from the fairgrounds. Should fraud and deception be discovered after an exhibit has been judged, the placing will be voided and the exhibitor required to remove the exhibit from the fairgrounds.
12. Showmanship classes for Beef, Dairy, Swine, Sheep and Dairy Goats will be as follows unless otherwise noted:  
**First year exhibitor**-- any age  
**Junior Showmanship**-- 9-11 by Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> of current year  
**Intermediate**-- 12-14 by Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> of current year  
**Senior**-- 15-19 by Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> of current year.
13. First year showmanship participants are also eligible to show in their respective age category showmanship class.
14. The Michigan State Fair Gold Ribbon winner will be determined by a run off between the 1<sup>st</sup> place showman in the Junior, Intermediate, and Senior age divisions.
15. Beef, Dairy, Goat, Junior Horse, Senior Horse, Sheep and Swine clubs will have a Herdsmanship Award.  
**Herdsmanship- Special Ribbon; No Premium**  
All clubs exhibiting are eligible for the project Herdsmanship Award. This award will be judged throughout the exhibition time at the Ionia Free Fair.  
**It shall be judged using the following criteria:**
  1. Cleanliness of stalling and tack areas,
  2. Clean, debris free walkways,
  3. Animals clean and appear cared for,
  4. Exhibitor Presentation
  5. Club Identification
16. Exhibitors must wear conservative clothing for show and sale. Possible attire includes a button down shirt, newer jeans, and leather shoes or boots (No gym shoes). If not dressed appropriately, the exhibitors will be asked to change their clothing.
17. The Michigan Department of Agriculture Health Requirements for Livestock exhibited in Michigan will be followed or dismissal from the fairgrounds will occur.

### **CATTLE (Beef and Dairy)**

1. Cattle with clinical signs of infectious, contagious, or toxicological disease shall be removed from the fair, exhibition, exposition, or show or, by permission of the director, shall be isolated on the premises.
2. **Starting March 1, 2007, all cattle moving to a show, sale, or exhibition are required to have an official radio frequency identification device (RFID) ear tag.**  
Exhibitors may call Michigan Department of Agriculture 1-866-870-5136 to order RFID tags at a cost of \$2.00 per tag. For questions, please call the Ionia County MSU Extension office at 616-527-5357.

### **GOATS**

1. Goats with clinical signs of infectious, contagious, or toxicological disease shall be removed from the fair, exhibition, exposition, or show or, by permission of the director, shall be isolated on the premises.
2. All goats moved within Michigan shall be identified with official USDA scrapie program identification prior to movement off the farm. Contact the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) at 866-USDA-TAG (866-873-2824) for ear tags.
3. Do not remove tags prior to weigh-in or showing. It is illegal to remove official USDA individual animal identification.

## SHEEP

1. Sheep with clinical signs of infectious, contagious, or toxicological disease shall be removed from the fair, exhibition, exposition, or show or, by permission of the director, shall be isolated on the premises.
2. All sheep moved within Michigan shall be identified with official USDA scrapie program identification prior to movement off the farm. Contact the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) at 866-USDA-TAG (866-873-2824) for ear tags.
3. Do not remove tags prior to weigh-in or showing. It is illegal to remove official USDA individual animal identification.

## SWINE

1. Swine with clinical signs of infectious, contagious, or toxicological disease shall be removed from the fair, exhibition, exposition, or show or, by permission of the director, shall be isolated on the premises.
2. For the 2009 fair season, all swine shall be uniquely identified with individual **ear tag** identification or other identification approved by MDA. Registered swine accompanied by registration papers may be identified by ear notches.
3. Swine shall not enter any fair, exhibition, exposition, or show facility unless it can be demonstrated that the swine presented for exhibition or exposition meet at least **one of the following conditions:**
  - a. Originate as a direct movement from a swine premises located in a pseudorabies Stage IV or higher area or region or other equivalent low prevalence area as recognized by the director, OR
  - b. Originate directly from a pseudorabies qualified-negative herd as defined in *Title 9 of the Code of Federal Regulations*, which proof may consist of a copy of a valid certificate issued by the department stating that the herd meets the requirements for a pseudorabies qualified-negative herd, OR
  - c. Unless the swine are piglets nursing a pseudorabies negative sow, present an official swine test report that indicates the swine have been tested for pseudorabies within 45 days before exhibition and have tested negative.
4. All swine removed from any exhibition facility shall be moved directly to a livestock auction market or slaughter facility premises for disposition in accordance with applicable laws concerning movement of swine to slaughter, unless all swine present at the fair, exhibition, exposition, or show facility at any time for any reason meet **one of the following requirements:**
  - a. Originate as a direct movement from a swine premises located in a pseudorabies Stage IV or higher area or region or other equivalent low prevalence area as recognized by the director, OR

- b. Originate directly from a pseudorabies qualified-negative herd as defined in *Title 9 of the Code of Federal Regulations*, which proof may consist of a copy of a valid certificate issued by the department stating that the herd meets the requirements for a pseudorabies qualified-negative herd, OR
- c. Unless the swine are piglets nursing a pseudorabies negative sow, present an official swine test report that indicates the swine have been tested for pseudorabies within 45 days before exhibition and have tested negative.

## POULTRY

(chickens, guinea fowl, turkeys, waterfowl, pigeons, doves, peafowl, and game birds)

1. All poultry except waterfowl, pigeons, and doves shown at public exhibition in this state shall meet one or more of the following requirements:
  - a. Originate directly from a U.S. pullorum-typhoid clean flock as defined in *Title 9 of the Code of Federal Regulations*, and all amendments to that publication thereafter adopted pursuant to rules that the director may promulgate, OR
  - b. Have a negative official test for salmonella pullorum-typhoid within 90 days before the fair, exhibition, exposition, or show facility and remain segregated from all poultry of unknown or positive salmonella pullorum-typhoid test status.
2. Individual birds originating from non-National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) qualified flocks may be tested at the show or exhibition prior to being caged and housed with other poultry and if negative, be allowed to participate in the show or exhibition.
3. Documentation of birds originating from a certified NPIP flock must be presented at the show or exhibition (parent flock NPIP certification number, VS9-2, VS9-3, or Michigan Department of Agriculture state pullorum test certificate).

## RABBITS

Rabbits with clinical signs of infectious, contagious, or toxicological disease shall be removed from the fair, exhibition, exposition, or show or, by permission of the director, shall be isolated on the premises.

## Department 18B

### Dairy Cattle

Carolyn Smith, Superintendent

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#### Dairy Cattle Rules & Regulations

1. Proper classes for dairy cattle will be computed as of March 1<sup>st</sup>, Sept. 1, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>.
2. Senior yearlings in dairy classes in production will show with two (2) year old heifers.
3. A 4-H and/or FFA member may show no more than a total of three dairy cattle classes.
4. All dairy animals that an exhibitor shows in a year must come from only one dairy farm source.
5. In the dairy beef feeder project only dairy breed calves will be allowed. Finished dairy beef feeder calves must weigh between 400 and 600 pounds.
6. Progeny may include one (1) bull eligible to be registered and under one (1) year of age. If over five (5) months of age, the bull must have a ring in his nose.
7. 4-H leaders must verify pre-entries against member's project animal registration papers to assure they are correct.
8. 4-H members planning to show in the open class dairy show must have registered their animal and have paid their entry fees on time. Also they must obey all open dairy class regulations.
9. Grand & Reserve Champion rosettes will be awarded to each breed.
10. First eight (8) places in each breed and each showmanship class will receive ribbons.
11. No farm promotion signs or advertisements allowed to be hung in 4-H Dairy barn.
12. All stalls must be cleaned prior to exhibitor leaving fairgrounds.
13. An exhibitor may have up to three dairy animals and may have one backup for each animal entered (if three dairy animals are entered, three backups may also be selected).
14. A record book is mandatory for all youth who exhibit their dairy project(s) at fair and must still be turned in if the animal is unable to make it to fair.
15. A form that includes all dairy animals an exhibitor will show that year will be due on May 1st of each year. To complete this form, an exhibitor must identify each of their dairy animals through the animal's ID (RFID is mandatory plus all other tags/tattoos in ears). This form must be signed by the exhibitor, parent, leader and farm owner where the animal(s) come from.
16. Youth 16 years or older must trim their own animal. Those under 16 must at least be present while their animal is being trimmed.

#### All Breed Dairy Showmanship

4300 First year showmanship, 9-13

4301 First year showmanship, 14-19

4302 Junior Showmanship, ages 9-11

4303 Intermediate Showmanship, ages 12-14

4304 Senior Showmanship, ages 15-19

A special Dairy Plaque – The Lewis Walkington Memorial Dairy Plaque will be awarded to the best 4-H Dairy showman a contest between the three respective winners win Junior, Intermediate, Senior Showmanship. The traveling plaque will be awarded for one year and is then awarded to the champion Dairy Showman the following year. Each year the winner's name will be engraved on the plaque panels. The Walkington Family provides the award.

#### Dairy Cattle Breed Classes

Section A – Holstein, Section B – Red & White, Section C – Ayrshire, Section D – Brown Swiss, Section E – Guernsey, Sections F – Jersey, Section G – Milking Shorthorn, Section H – Any other dairy breed

Breed	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Bull Calf born Sept 1 (year preceding fair) to May 31 current year	4305	4328	4351	4374	4397	4420	4443	4466
Junior Heifer born Mar. 1 and after (current year)	4306	4329	4352	4375	4398	4421	4444	4467
Intermediate Heifer born Dec. 1 (last year) to Feb. 28 (current year)	4307	4330	4353	4376	4399	4422	4445	4468
Senior Heifer born Sept. 1 to Nov. 30 (last year)	4308	4331	4354	4377	4400	4423	4446	4469
Summer Yearling born Junel to Aug. 31 (last year)	4309	4332	4355	4378	4401	4424	4447	4470
Junior Yearling born March 1 to May 31 (last year)	4310	4333	4356	4379	4402	4425	4448	4471
Winter Yearling born Dec. 1 (two years ago) to Feb. 28 (last year)	4311	4334	4357	4380	4403	4426	4449	4472
Senior Yearling born Sept. 1 to Nov. 30 (two years ago)	4312	4335	4358	4381	4404	4427	4450	4473

Junior Champion female  
Reserve Champion female  
Prizes: Rosettes

Section A – Holstein, Section B – Red & White, Section C – Ayrshire, Section D – Brown Swiss, Section E – Guernsey, Section F – Jersey, Section G – Milking Shorthorn, Section H – Any other dairy breed

Breed	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Junior two year old born March 1 to Aug. 31 (last year)	4315	4338	4361	4384	4407	4430	4453	4476
2 year old born Sept. 1 (three years ago)	4316	4339	4362	4385	4408	4431	4454	4477
3 year old cow born Sept. 1 (four years ago)	4317	4340	4363	4386	4409	4432	4455	4478
4 year old cow born Sept. 1 (five years ago)	4318	4341	4364	4387	4410	4433	4456	4479
Dry aged cow (three and four year old cows)	4319	4342	4365	4388	4411	4434	4457	4480
Aged cow before born before Sept. 1 (six years ago)	4320	4343	4366	4389	4412	4435	4458	4481

Senior champion female  
 Reserve Senior Champion female  
 Grand Champion female  
 Reserve Grand Champion female  
 Prizes: Rosettes

**Supreme Champion Cow – Bruce Walkington Award**  
 Provided by the Ionia County 4-H Dairy Developmental Committee

4489 Club Herd – 4 animals from the same 4-H club  
 Prize: Banner to be displayed in Livestock Barn

4490 Dairy Beef Feeder – 400 to 600 pounds

## Department 18C

### Beef Cattle

Paula Kruger  
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1. An exhibitor may enter a maximum of three (3) animals to show in the 4-H/FFA beef show.
2. All entries must be pre-registered by July 1<sup>st</sup> to be eligible for the show.
3. Exhibitors must show their own animals in Showmanship and in the respective breeding and market class unless the member duplicates entries in the same class, then another 4-H member may show one of the animals.
4. 4-H Beef will arrive and weigh in Saturday morning between 8 a.m. and noon.
5. All stalls must be cleaned prior to exhibitor leaving fairgrounds.
6. Order of show will be Showmanship, Breeding Cattle, Market Steers, Club Herd.
7. **All market beef cattle must be tagged at the designated tagging date (First Saturday in February).**
8. **Members must turn in their required recordbook by 5 p.m. on Monday at the 4-H Fair office to receive beef premiums. Record books must have an exhibit tag on them. Market Beef Project record books are mandatory in order to be eligible for premium. Record books are due on Monday at 5 p.m. at the 4-H fair office under the covered arena.**

### Beef Showmanship

4489 Cloverbud members, age 7 and 8  
(cloverbuds must be enrolled 4-H club members)  
4490 Senior member, ages 15-19  
4491 Intermediate members, ages 12-14  
4492 Junior members, ages 9-11  
4493 1<sup>st</sup> year beef member, ages 9-13  
4494 1<sup>st</sup> year beef member, ages 14-19  
Prize: 1-8 Ribbons & Plaque for 1<sup>st</sup> Place

### Market Steers – All Breeds (PLEASE USE CLASS 4495 ON ALL ENTRY FORMS!)

#### **4495 Market Steers (weight divisions will be assigned preceding weigh-in)**

4496 Champion Lightweight Steer  
4497 Champion Middleweight Steer  
4498 Champion Heavyweight Steer  
4499 Grand Champion Steer  
4500 Reserve Champion Lightweight Steer  
4501 Reserve Champion Middleweight Steer  
4502 Reserve Champion Heavyweight Steer  
4503 Reserve Grand Champion Steer  
Prize: Plaque & Rosette

### Club Herd

**Please enter as a club, not as individuals.**

4504 Best four (4) from one club  
Prize: Ribbon

**Rate of Gain Contest:** Awards provided by Hickory Lane Farms  
Starting weight will be determined on tagging date.  
Final weight will be determined at weigh-in at fair.

### Beef Breeding Cattle

Sec A – Angus  
Sec E – Main Anjou

Sec B – Chianina  
Sec F – Simmental

Sec C – Herefords  
Sec G – Shorthorn

Sec D – Limousin  
Sec H-- Any Other

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Cow calved prior to May 1 <sup>st</sup> (2 yrs. Ago)	4515	4526	4537	4548	4559	4570	4581	4592
Sr. yearling heifer, calved May 1 <sup>st</sup> -Dec. 31 <sup>st</sup> (2yrs. Ago)	4516	4527	4538	4549	4560	4571	4582	4593
Jr. yearling heifer, calved Jan. 1 <sup>st</sup> -Apr. 20 <sup>th</sup> (1 <sup>st</sup> yr.)	4517	4528	4539	4550	4561	4572	4583	4594
Summer yearling heifer, calved (May 1 <sup>st</sup> -Aug. 1 <sup>st</sup> )	4518	4529	4540	4551	4562	4573	4584	4595
Sr. Heifer, calved Sept. 1 <sup>st</sup> -Dec. 31 <sup>st</sup> (1 <sup>st</sup> yr.)	4519	4530	4541	4552	4563	4574	4585	4596
Jr. heifer, calved after Jan. 1 <sup>st</sup> this year	4520	4531	4542	4553	4564	4575	4586	4597
Champion – Rosette	4521	4532	4543	4554	4565	4576	4587	4598
Res. Champion – Rosette	4522	4533	4544	4555	4566	4577	4588	4599
Bull Calf, under 1 yr.	4523	4534	4545	4556	4567	4578	4589	4600
Cow-calf (not eligible for champion class)	4524	4535	4546	4557	4568	4579	4590	4601
Any other breeds	4525	4536	4547	4558	4569	4580	4591	4602

**4-H Supreme Champion Female – Paul J. Detmers Memorial Plaque and \$50 Award  
Provided by Dan & Paula Kruger and Family**

## Department 18D

### Sheep

Chris Sandborn, Superintendent

517-647-7304

1. In the breeding classes, a first year member may exhibit a ewe and her lambs. An advance member may exhibit no more than one animal in each class.
2. In 4-H, a member cannot exhibit more than two breeding sheep that were purchased. All other sheep must be of the member's own breeding, with exception to market lambs.
3. All market lambs must have been tagged at tagging day, held the first Saturday of May.
4. Premiums will be paid on not more than 4 classes to one exhibitor.
5. In the sheep showmanship classes, the animal must be a yearling or younger.
6. 4-H Sheep arrive on the first Saturday at noon, and weigh in for market lambs is **8 a.m. to noon**. A record book must be completed and **turned in by 5 p.m. on Monday for market animals**. No records = No show.
7. Animals owned by an FFA chapter may be exhibited by the chapter or by the exhibitor caring for them. An FFA chapter may sell only two (2) lambs.
8. Members will draw a number at weigh-in to determine the youth's order in the youth meat animal sale on Thursday.
9. Release date will be posted during fair week when finalized.
10. All breeding stock and Market Ewe lambs must have an USDA identification tag.
11. All stalls must be cleaned prior to exhibitor leaving fairgrounds.
12. The carcass class lambs must be shown live at the sheep show Monday night. They will be shipped to Jones' Meat Market directly after the live carcass class. The lamb carcass review will take place at Jones' meat market on the Wednesday following the sheep show at 6 p.m.

### Sheep Showmanship

4605 Senior members, ages 15-19

4606 Intermediate members, ages 12-14

4607 Junior members, ages 9-11

4608 1<sup>st</sup> year members, ages 9-13

4609 1<sup>st</sup> year members, ages 14-19

Prizes: 1-8 Ribbons & Plaque for 1<sup>st</sup> place

4610 Cloverbud Showmanship, ages 7-8

(Must be registered in a 4-H sheep club, ewe lamb only)

### Breeding Sheep Classes

Sections	A Suffolk	B Corriedale	C Columbia	D Hampshire	E Cheviot	F Dorset	G Any Other
Yearling Ram	4611	4619	4627	4635	4643	4651	4659
Ram Lamb	4612	4620	4628	4636	4644	4652	4660
Yearling Ewe	4613	4621	4629	4637	4645	4653	4661
Ewe Lamb	4614	4622	4630	4638	4646	4654	4662
Champion ram	4615	4623	4631	4639	4647	4655	4663
Reserve Champion Ram	4616	4624	4632	4640	4648	4656	4664
Champion Ewe	4617	4625	4633	4641	4649	4657	4665
Reserve Champion Ewe	4618	4626	4634	4642	4650	4658	4666

### Market Lambs

\*\*All market lambs will be weighed in on the first Saturday between 8 a.m. and noon. In the following classes, lambs will be divided by weight breaks as evenly as possible after weighing, at the discretion of the 4-H fair management. Exhibitor may only show three market animals and sell two at Meat Sale.

Premiums for classes 4675: A\$8, B\$6, C\$4

4675 Individual Market Wether Lamb

4676 Individual Market Ewe Lamb

4677 Champion Individual Market Wether

4678 Champion Individual Market Ewe

4679 Reserve Champion Market Wether

4680 Reserve Champion Market Ewe

Prizes: Rosettes

4681 Grand Champion Overall Market Lamb

4682 Reserve Grand Champion Overall Market Lamb

Prizes: Plaque for Grand and Reserve Overall

4683 Home Grown Market Lamb-

Lambs born and raised by exhibitors may exhibit.

No premium. Prize: Plaque

**4684** Market Lamb Carcass Class

## Department 18E

### Swine

Carl Simmons, Superintendent

616-527-1809

1. Entries are limited to youth ages 9-19 as of January 1 of the current year. **Please include your birthday (MM/DD/YYYY) on the entry form.**
2. This is a terminal show. All animals must go to slaughter.
3. The mandatory tag-in for all hogs will be at the fairgrounds from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on the third Saturday in April. All exhibitors must attend. **NOTE: Exhibitors who purchased hogs must provide Superintendent with farm name, address and phone number at weigh-in for trace back purposes.**
4. No Alternate tag-in will be available.
5. After tag-in on the third Saturday in April, hogs may not be shaved or clipped at any time. If it is determined that an exhibitor shaved or clipped their hogs after tag-in, they will not be allowed to show or sell their market hogs.
6. The Swine Superintendent or exhibitor with superintendent supervision will tag all eligible entries at the Market Hog tag-in.
7. A 4-H member can tag in a total of six (6) animals in April tag-in.
8. Fair weigh-in will be held from 4:30 until 9:30 p.m. on the first Friday of the fair. Members will draw a number at weigh-in to determine the youth's order in the meat sale. Number drawn must be reported at hog weigh-in or the exhibitor will be moved to the bottom of the meat sale order.
9. To be eligible for market show and sale, hogs must weigh between 220 lbs and 300 lbs.
10. Any hog that does not meet the minimum weight requirement of 220 lbs. or go beyond the maximum 300 lb weight limit may show in Showmanship and the no-sale class. Hogs that are in the no-sale class are NOT eligible to sell in the Large Animal Meat Sale. The exhibitor will receive no placing award, but is eligible for a B or C rating.
11. Hogs weighing less than 200 lbs. at the fair weigh in may not be shown.
12. 4-H members may show one (1) gilt and one (1) barrow in market classes. 4-H members may not show two animals of the same sex in the market show. If a 4-H member brings two animals of the same sex, one will be eligible to be put into the carcass class.
13. Current market prices for hogs will be posted at the scales at fair weigh-in. Youth must use the market price for all calculations in their record books.
14. A record book is required for all animals. Any exhibitor that does not turn in a record book will not receive any premiums in the project area that the record book is required for.
15. **Members must turn in their record book by 5p.m. on Monday at the 4-H Fair Office to be entitled to receive their 4-H Swine premiums. Record books must have an exhibit tag on them.**
16. PQA Certification is required each year for all youth ages 9-11. All youth 12-14 must take a PQA test each year. All youth ages 15-17 must take a different PQA test each year. Ages 18 and over need to take a Level 3 PQA test. **These ages are actual ages determined by birth date.** Parents may not do the PQA Certification or testing for their youth.
17. The entire swine show will be held on the first Tuesday starting at 8:00 a.m., pending agreement from that year's judge.
18. Hogs may not be oiled or powdered at any time during the fair.
19. Wood shavings or straw bedding is the only bedding that may be used in the pens. NO SAWDUST!
20. All stalls must be cleaned completely prior to exhibitor leaving fairgrounds.
21. No hogs will be released early. The fair board prior to the fair will set release time.
22. Carcass quality issues are defined as, but not limited to: remaining testicle, rupture, milk spots, back fat under 0.25" or over 1.15", loin eye area under four (4) square inches, and a carcass under 29" in length.
23. Any carcass displaying signs of PSE will be automatically disqualified and receive no placing.
24. All youth who want to participate in carcass class MUST have their hogs weighed by the superintendant on tagging day. Participants are expected to keep the carcass at the processor. If exhibitors choose to take their carcass to another processor, they will be charged a minimum \$30 slaughter free and a minimum \$15 removal fee. If exhibitors choose to take their carcass to another processor, they will be charged a minimum of a \$30 slaughter fee and a minimum of a \$15 removal fee.
25. All hogs except carcass may be weighed by leaders or exhibitors for recordkeeping purposes.
26. A showman will use the same hog in all showmanship drives, unless specified by the judge or superintendent on the day of the show.

### **Swine Showmanship**

The showmanship classes will be divided into heats by age, beginning with 19 year olds, depending on the number of entries in each class.

- 4695 Senior Member, ages 15-19
- 4696 Intermediate Member, ages 12-14
- 4697 Junior Member, ages 9-11
- 4698 1<sup>st</sup> Year Member, ages 9-13
- 4699 1<sup>st</sup> Year Member, ages 14-19

Prize: 1-8<sup>th</sup> Place Ribbons and 1<sup>st</sup> Place Plaque

4700 Cloverbud Showmanship, ages 7-8 only (must be registered 4-H member in a 4-H swine club to participate.

Cloverbuds are not to bring a hog to the fair.)

Prize: Participation Ribbons

### **Market Hogs**

**Weight classes will be determined after final weigh-in.**

1-8 Place flat ribbons in each class

4701 Market Gilt

4702 Market Barrow

4703 Extra Light Class – Market gilts or barrows weighing 200-224 lbs. Not eligible for the Meat Animal Sale.

No open class premium paid. Not eligible to drive from champion. Only eligible for B or C award at judges discretion.

4704 Champion & Reserve Champion Lightweight Gilt

4705 Champion & Reserve Champion Middleweight Gilt

4706 Champion & Reserve Champion Heavyweight Gilt

4707 Champion & Reserve Champion Lightweight Barrow

4708 Champion & Reserve Champion Middleweight Barrow

4709 Champion & Reserve Champion Heavyweight Barrow

Plaque for division Champions

4710 Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Market Gilt

4711 Grand & Reserve Grand Champion Market Barrow

\*\*The Grand and Reserve Champion Market Gilts, and the Grand and Reserve Market Barrows will continue on to the next class (Supreme Champion)

4712 Overall Grand Champion Market Hog

Prize: Plaque

4713 Overall Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog

Prize: Plaque

**4714**Market Hog Carcass Contest

**Charles Earl Benedict Memorial Award:** This award is for the individual who has been most helpful to the 4-H Swine Superintendent, to the 4-H leaders, members and fairgoers.

Prize: Plaque

## Department 18F

### Goats

Judy Huynh, Superintendent

616-374-4764

1. Animals must be in the owner's possession by May 31st of the current year.
2. Exhibitors participating in the Ionia County 4-H Goat program may not show goats through 4-H in any other county fair during the current year. Violators may not participate the following year in the Ionia Free Fair.
3. Each member may show six animals with only three of these animals having been purchased.
4. All goats shown must be tattooed or ear tagged. Please see Michigan Department of Agriculture Health Requirements for Livestock Exhibited in Michigan requirements in 4-H Division Livestock Rules.
5. A single goat may be shown in only one section (dairy, angora, pygmy or wether). Registered Dairy Goats must show in the breed class they are registered. Grade animals must show as the breed who's breed standard they meet. If they do not meet a breed standard they should be shown as "Any other dairy breed"
6. Goats must be in place by 7 p.m..on Sunday and will be released at 6 p.m. on the last Saturday of fair.
7. Goats will be checked before entering the exhibit area by

the superintendent. Diseased animals will be sent home. If a disagreement arises over the health of an animal, a veterinarian will check the animal at the owner's expense.

8. All members must keep their exhibit area clean and neat.
9. Cloverbud 4-H members (7 and 8 only) may exhibit in Cloverbud Showmanship but may not show or receive ribbons or premiums in any other goat class.
10. **ALL STALLS MUST BE CLEANED PRIOR TO EXHIBITOR LEAVING FAIRGROUNDS**
11. **Record Books are required. Completed record books must be turned in on Monday by 5 p.m. at the 4-H Fair Office.**

### GOAT SHOWMANSHIP

- 4733 Senior (15 & over)  
 4734 Intermediate (12-14)  
 4735 Junior (9-11)  
**Prizes:** 1-8 place ribbons  
**Plaque:** first place

4736. Cloverbud Showmanship (ages 7 & 8)  
**Must be registered in a 4-H club by May 1<sup>st</sup> to participate.**  
**Prizes:** Participation ribbons

### DAIRY GOAT BREEDS

A-ALPINE B-LAMANCHA C-NUBIAN D-SAANEN E-TOGGENBURG F-ANY OTHER DAIRY BREED

**Prize:** Ribbons

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Milker under two years old	4740	4756	4770	4784	4798	4812
Milker, 2 years and under 3	4741	4757	4771	4785	4799	4813
Milker, 3 years and under 4	4742	4758	4772	4786	4800	4814
Milker, 4 Years and under 5	4743	4759	4773	4787	4801	4815
Milker, 5 years and older	4744	4760	4774	4788	4802	4816
Senior Champion	4745	4761	4775	4789	4803	4817
Reserve Senior Champion	4746	4762	4776	4790	4804	4818
<b>Prizes:</b> Rosettes						
Best Senior Doe in Show	4747					
<b>Prizes:</b> Plaque and Rosette						
Junior doe kid, born after April 1 of current year	4748	4763	4777	4791	4805	
4819						
Senior doe kid, born Jan 1 - March 31 of current year	4749	4764	4778	4892	4806	
4820						
Jr Dry Yearling, born between July 1 and Dec 31 last yr	4750	4765	4779	4793	4807	
4821						
Sr Dry Yearling, born Jan 1 - June 30 of last year	4751	4766	4780	4794	4808	
4822						
Junior Champion of Breed	4752	4767	4781	4795	4809	4823
Reserve Junior Champion of Breed	4753	4768	4782	4796	4810	4824
<b>Prizes:</b> Ribbons						
Best Junior Doe in Show	4754					
<b>Prizes:</b> Plaque and Rosette						

## **DAIRY DOE CONTESTS**

**These classes are for dairy does of all breeds.**

- 4826 Best Udder
- 4827 Mother - Daughter
- 4828 Produce of Doe(2 daughters from the same doe)
- 4829 Get of Sire(3 daughters from same buck)
- 4830 Breeder's Trio (Best 3 females bred by exhibitor)
- 4831. Best Herd (4 does owned by one person)

**Prizes:** Ribbons

### **Any Other Does - Non Dairy Breeds**

- 4832 Doe Kid (born after Jan 1 of current year)
- 4833 Yearling doe (born between Jan 1 and Dec 31 last year)
- 4834 Two year old doe
- 4835 Three year old and over doe
  
- 4836 Grand Champion Any Other Doe
- 4837 Reserve Champion Any Other Doe

**Prize:** Rosette

### **Pygmy**

- 4838 Doe kids (born after Jan 1 of current year)
- 4839 Yearling Doe (born between Jan 1 and Dec 31 last year)
- 4840 Two year old doe
- 4841 Mature Doe
- 4842 Grand Champion Pygmy Doe
- 4843 Reserve Champion Pygmy Doe

**Prize:** Rosette

## **Wethers**

### **Dairy Breed Wethers**

- 4844 Junior Wether Kid (born after April 1 this year)
- 4845 Senior Wether Kid (born Jan 1 - March 31 this year)
- 4846 Yearling Wether (born last year)
- 4847 Mature Wether, two years old and older

### **Pygmy Wethers**

- 4848 Wether kid, under one year
- 4849 Wether, one year and under 2
- 4850 Wether, two years old and over

### **Any Other Wethers - Non Dairy Breeds**

- 4851 Wether kid, under one year
- 4852 Wether, one year and under 2
- 4853 Wether, two years old and over

## **Market Wethers**

Market wethers to be judged on meat quality. Grand Champion and Reserve Champion will be sold at the Small Animal Market Sale on Wednesday night. A member may only sell one item in the sale (Pen of rabbits, pen of poultry, eggs, or market wether). A completed record book is required to be turned in by 8pm on the Saturday goats are brought to the fair. Record books will be judged and displayed during the fair.

- 4854. Market Wether Kid, under one year and born before March 1st of current year.
- 4855. Champion Market Wether
- 4856 Reserve Champion Market Wether

## **Pack Goats**

- 4857 Pack Goat in training, under one year of age
- 4858 Yearling Pack Goat. Pack saddle and panniers required with 20lbs. of weight and pack extended to reach full width.
- 4859 Mature Pack Goat, 2 years and older. Required to carry 25 lbs.
- 4860 Champion Pack Goat
- 4861 Reserve Champion Pack Goat

**Prizes:** Rosettes

## **Driving Classes**

Market Wethers are not eligible for driving classes. A single goat may enter one driving class only

- 4862 Kid driving, animals born during the current year, driving in their harnesses without a cart.
- 4863 Cart Driving, animals pulling a cart without a rider in the cart.
- 4864 Cart Driving, animals pulling a cart with a rider in the cart.

## **Trail Class**

- 4865 Trail - lead your goat.

## **Fun Class**

Milking contest is judged on the amount of milk the member can milk out of their goat within the time limit.

Members who own milking dairy goats are required to use their own animal. Members who do not own a milking dairy goat may borrow one from another member.

- 4866 Goat Milking Contest - Jr (9-11)- 1 min time limit
- 4867 Goat Milking Contest - Int (12-14)- 30 second time limit
- 4868 Goat Milking Contest - Sr(15 & over) - 30 second time limit
- 4869 Junior Costume
- 4870 Senior Costume

**Prizes:** 1-8 place ribbons. **No premiums.**

## Department 18G

### Poultry

Rosemary Reams, Superintendent  
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1. A 4-H member may enter up to four pens of poultry plus one dozen eggs. This includes a market pen of poultry. Each exhibitor may receive one premium per class, regardless of number of entries.
2. A breeding pen is made up of two females and one male. A market pen is made of three birds of the same sex.
3. Egg classes are open to members carrying the egg production project. Only one dozen eggs may be shown per 4-H member.
4. **4-H members exhibiting poultry must feed and water their birds and clean cages before 10 am each day.**
5. No diseased poultry will be accepted for exhibit in 4-H classes. All birds must be Pullorum tested before entering barn. A copy of US Pullorum-Typhoid test must be provided to the Superintendent prior to placement of birds, and before any birds can be shown.
6. Premiums will be paid on not more than four (4) classes' total, including eggs.
7. **All birds must be washed and dried before check-in. Exhibitors that do not keep their birds clean will have their birds sent home, and if a market pen, will not be allowed to sell. Birds that arrive dirty will be sent home.**
8. All 4-H youth will be required to complete a project notebook that must be turned in when market pens are checked in.
9. **All 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year members must show in poultry showmanship. All members must show in two different poultry events.** Poultry events are defined as breeding classes, market pen, egg production, and poultry showmanship. **Exhibitors who choose not to comply with this rule are not eligible to sell their animal(s) in the Small Animal Auction.**
10. "For Sale" signs may be in placed in cages after the Animal Auction on Wednesday evening.
11. 4-H Poultry must be in place by Friday at 5:00 p.m. with judging and showmanship to follow immediately.
12. Birds will not be released until 9:00 am on the Sunday following the fair. Early released will result in forfeiting premiums unless cleared with Poultry Superintendent.
13. Only poultry entered and shown in 4-H or open class during the fair will be allowed in the barn.
14. Exhibitors participating in the Ionia County 4-H Poultry program may not show poultry through 4-H in any other county fair during the current year. Violators may not participate the following year in the Ionia Free Fair.
15. Pullorium Testing will be available on the third Monday in June at the Ionia Free Fairgrounds at 7 p.m. and/or during check in at the fair.
16. Only 4-H members will be allowed to handle animals during the 4-H poultry show and the Small Animals Sale.

### POULTRY SHOWMANSHIP

Classes may be divided into heats after registration to equalize numbers of participants. Showmanship will be divided into large fowl (turkey and geese) and small fowl (chickens and ducks). The best overall junior, intermediate and senior showman (as selected by judge) will continue to the Small Animal Showmanship Sweepstakes. Each exhibitor **must own and show his or her own bird. No sharing of birds.**

#### Fowl (Chicken/Turkey)

4875 Senior Showmanship, Ages 15 & over  
4876 Intermediate Showmanship, Ages 12-14  
4877 Junior Showmanship, Ages 9-11

4878 1<sup>st</sup> Year Showmanship

#### Waterfowl

4879 Senior Showmanship, Ages 15-19  
4880 Intermediate Showmanship, Ages 12-14  
4881 Junior Showmanship, Ages 9-11  
4882 First Year Showmanship  
**Prizes:** 1-8 place Rosettes and Plaque for 1<sup>st</sup> place

4883 Cloverbud Showmanship, Ages 7 & 8  
Must be enrolled in 4-H Poultry club by May 1<sup>st</sup> and have attended 4-H Club meetings.

**Prizes:** Participation Ribbons

Poultry shown as trio  
may not be shown as a  
single bird!

**BREEDING CHICKENS**

All classifications of chickens are taken from the American Poultry Association (APA) Standard. All exhibitors should know the correct classification for their breed of chicken.

A-American	B-Asiatic	C-English	D-Mediterranean	E-Miscellaneous	F-Bantams			
Three placing ribbons per class								
			A	B	C	D	E	F
Single Mature Cock – over one (1) year			4885	4891	4897	4903	4909	4915
Single Mature Hen – over one (1) year			4886	4892	4898	4904	4910	4916
Single Young Cockerel – under one (1) year			4887	4893	4899	4905	4911	4917
Single Young Pullet – under one (1) year			4888	4894	4900	4906	4912	4918
Breeding Pen of three (3) old birds (two (2) hens & cocks)			4889	4895	4901	4907	4913	4919
Breeding Pen of three (3) young birds (two (2) pullets & cockerel)			4890	4896	4902	4908	4914	4920

- 4921 Grand & Reserve Champion Single Standard (one bird)  
**Prize:** Rosettes
- 4922 Grand & Reserve Champion Single Bantam (one bird)  
**Prize:** Rosettes
- 4923 Grand & Reserve Champion Breeding Pen (standard or bantam)  
**Prize:** Rosettes

These three Grand Champions will come back for the Overall Grand Champion Poultry Exhibit judging.

**Turkeys**

Three placing ribbons per class

- 4924 Single Mature Tom – over one (1) year
- 4925 Single Mature Hen – over one (1) year
- 4926 Single Cockerel – under one (1) year
- 4927 Single Pullet – under one (1) year
- 4928 Breeder Pen (2 hens & 1 tom)
- 4929 Grand & Reserve Champion Turkey  
**Prize:** Rosettes

**Ducks**

Three placing ribbons per class

- 4930 Single Mature Drake, over twenty (20) weeks of age
- 4931 Single Mature Duck, over twenty (20) weeks of age
- 4932 Single Young Drake, under twenty (20) weeks of age
- 4933 Single Young Duck, under twenty (20) weeks of age
- 4934 Duck Breeder Pen (2 ducks & 1 drake)
- 4935 Grand & Reserve Champion Breeding Duck  
**Prize:** Rosettes

**Geese**

Three placing ribbons per class

- 4936 Single Mature Gander, one (1) year and over
- 4937 Single Mature Goose, one (1) year and over
- 4938 Young Gander, under one (1) year
- 4939 Young Goose, under one (1) year
- 4940 Geese Breeder Pen (2 geese and 1 gander)
- 4941 Grand & Reserve Champion Breeding Goose  
**Prize:** Rosettes
- 4942 Grand Champion Overall Poultry Exhibit best of chickens, turkeys, ducks, and geese  
**Prize:** Plaque & Rosette
- 4943 Reserve Champion Overall Poultry  
**Prize:** Rosette

## Market Pens

1. A sale charge will be deducted from selling price.
2. All 4-H youth will **be required to complete a “4-H Poultry Market Pen Record Book”** that must be turned in when market pen is checked in. **No Exceptions.**
3. **Only one (1) unit can be sold at auction for personal profit (either rabbit or poultry).**
4. Grand and Reserve Champion units will sell. Should an individual receive Grand and Reserve Champion in more than one category, they must designate unit to be sold for personal profit by noon on Sunday following judging.
5. Exhibitor must raise all poultry meat pens. A hatching certificate with appropriate hatching date from where purchased must be included in project book. If no hatching certificate is turned in, pen cannot be shown or sold. If you are hatching the birds yourself, arrangements must be made with the superintendent prior to hatching.
6. Birds must be in 4-H members possession by:  
Chickens: Six (6) weeks before show date  
Turkeys: sixteen (16) – twenty (20) weeks before show date  
Ducks: Eight (8) weeks before show date
7. If the pen is eliminated or disqualified for any reason, the poultry may not be sold in the auction. **Judges decision is final.**

## Egg Production

1-8 place ribbons

1. Egg classes are open to members carrying the egg production project.
2. Eggs should be uniform in size, shape and color.
3. Only one (1) dozen eggs may be shown per exhibitor.
4. The awarded Grand and Reserve Champion eggs will be sold at the auction. All other eggs will be sold by their individual placing. If the 4-H member has selected to sell a unit in the auction for personal profit (rabbit or poultry), then the money generated will be donated to the 4-H Small Animal Developmental Committee.
5. Egg Production Record Book will be required.

4949 One (1) dozen standard eggs

4950 One (1) dozen bantam eggs

4951 One (1) dozen eggs other than chicken, ducks, geese, and etc.

4952 Grand & Reserve Champion Eggs

**Prize:** Special Award for Champion

**8. Birds must be kept clean. Exhibitors that do not keep their birds clean will have their birds sent home, and will not be allowed to sell.**

9. First year poultry members are not eligible to exhibit market pens. However, if a child has participated as a registered poultry cloverbud for two (2) years, they may bring a market pen when they are nine (9) years old.
10. All market pen exhibitors and parents must attend two (2) mandatory meetings, one (1) at club level and one (1) county level. Dates to be announced.
11. If a market pen is sold at the 4-H Small Animal Sale, the youth consignor must be willing to deliver a fresh (not frozen) dressed bird to the buyer's choice of date.
12. Only one (1) market pen may be shown chicken, turkey, duck, or geese.
13. All exhibitors must be present on show day and the night of sale.
14. All sellers of market pens must have at least three (3) photos taken the night of the sale after selling their pen.
15. Only 4-H members will be allowed to handle animals during the 4-H poultry show and the Small Animals Sale.

1-8 place ribbons

4944 Chicken Market Pen (4-7lbs)

4945 Turkey Market Pen (20-25 weeks of age)

4946 Waterfowl Market Pen - ducks and geese (20-25 weeks of age)

4947 Grand Champion Market Pen

**Prize:** Special Award for Champion

4948 Reserve Champion Market Pen

**Prize:** Rosette

## Costume

1-8 place flat ribbons

Poultry: Entries will be judged on originality, theme, creativity, as well as audience appreciation.

## Department 18H

### Rabbits

Diane Walter, Superintendent

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1. **All rabbits must be tattooed prior to rabbit check in.**
2. Rabbits and Cavies will arrive on Friday between 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. The show will be held on Saturday, starting at 3:00 p.m. If exhibitor has a problem bringing animals at this time please contact the superintendent **before** the start of the fair.
3. No diseased animals will be accepted for exhibit. If a disagreement arises over the health of an animal, a veterinarian at the owner's expense will examine the animal.
4. Rabbits must be in the owner's possession by May 1<sup>st</sup> market pen does must be in owners possession by April 1<sup>st</sup>.
5. Each member may enter up to four (4) classes, including market pen, and receive premiums for the same. **An exhibitor may only receive one premium per class, regardless of number of rabbits entered.**
6. Only rabbits entered and shown in 4-H during the fair will be allowed in the barn.
7. **No** "For Sale" signs will be allowed on show rabbits until the market pen sale is over. Families may not bring rabbits from home to sell. Rabbits housed in the 4-H barn must be housed during the entire fair in the 4-H barn. 4-H rabbits MAY NOT

8. be moved to another barn. 4-H rabbits housed in the open barn must remain there for the entire fair. Each barn duty shift must have an adult in the crew. Release time will be on the last Sunday of the fair from 11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. with clean up to immediately follow at noon. You or your representative must be present to pick up your rabbits and clean your share of the barn.
9. **All 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> year rabbit member must show a rabbit in showmanship.**
10. All classes will be judged by ARBA rules. **JUDGE'S DECISION IS FINAL!**
11. **ALL PENS MUST BE CLEANED PRIOR TO EXHIBITOR LEAVING GROUNDS.**
12. **When showing a rabbit, 4-H members must be appropriately dressed. If you have any questions as to what appropriate dress is ask your leader or contact the superintendent.**
13. **Any requests of the superintendent must be made in writing 24 hours in advance.**
14. Exhibitors participating in the Ionia County 4-H Rabbit program may not show rabbits through 4-H in any other county fair during the current year. Violators may not participate the following year in the Ionia Free Fair.

### Showmanship

#### 1st year showman may show in their age division class

- 4955 Cloverbud showmanship (ages 7 & 8 only, must be registered in 4-H by May 1<sup>st</sup>, also must have attended 4-H club meetings)  
Prizes: Participation Ribbon
- 4956 1<sup>st</sup> year Showmanship, all ages
- 4957 Novice Showmanship, all ages  
\*with superintendents approval
- 4958 Junior Showmanship, ages 9-11
- 4959 Intermediate Showmanship, ages 12-14
- 4960 Senior Showmanship, ages 15 and over

**Prizes:** 1-8 place Ribbons  
1<sup>st</sup> place showman will receive a plaque (does not include Cloverbud class)

#### FOUR CLASS BREEDS

Placing ribbons, three (3) per class.

**Be sure to enter the correct class number for your breed!**

	Senior Buck	Senior Doe	Junior Buck	Junior Doe
Florida White	4961	4962	4963	4964
Fuzzy Lop All Variety	4965	4966	4967	4968
Mini Satin	4969	4970	4971	4972
Polish	4973	4974	4975	4976
Dutch	4977	4978	4979	4980
Havana	4981	4982	4983	4984
Himalayan	4985	4986	4987	4988
Holland Lop All Variety	4989	4990	4991	4992
Jersey Woolies	4993	4994	4995	4996
Mini Lop All Variety	5001	5002	5003	5004
Mini Rex-Solid	5005	5006	5007	5008
Mini Rex-Broken	5009	5010	5011	5012
Netherland Dwarf	5013	5014	5015	5016
Rex All Variety	5017	5018	5019	5020
Silver Martens	5021	5022	5023	5024
Any other 4 class breed	5025	5026	5027	5028

Best Four Class

**Prize: Plaque**

#### Six Class Breeds

Placing ribbons, three (3) per class.

#### Prize: Plaque

An exhibitor may only receive one premium per class, regardless of number of rabbits entered. **Be sure to enter the correct class number for your breed!**

	Sr. Buck	Sr. Doe	6-8 Month Buck	6-8 Month Doe	Jr. Buck	Jr. Doe
Californian	5029	5030	5031	5032	5033	5040
Champagne D'Argent	5034	5035	5036	5037	5038	5046
Silver Fox	5039	5040	5041	5042	5043	5052
English Lop – any	5044	5045	5046	5047	5048	5058
French Lop – any	5049	5050	5051	5052	5053	5064
New Zealand – white	5054	5055	5056	5057	5058	5070
New Zealand – any other	5059	5060	5061	5062	5063	5076
Satin – all varieties	5064	5065	5066	5067	5068	5082
Any other six (6) breed	5069	5070	5071	5072	5073	5088
Flemish Giant	5074	5075	5076	5077	5078	

Best Six Class

**Prize: Plaque**

5079 Best In Show

**Prize: Plaque**

**Costume**

1-8 place ribbons

Entries will be judge on originality, theme and creativity.

5091 Costume, ages 9-11

5092 Costumes, ages 12-14

5093 Costumes, ages 15-19

5094 Costumes, Cloverbuds

Participation Ribbons ONLY

**Breed Judging**

1-8 place flat ribbons

5095 Junior Breed Judging, ages 9-14

5096 Senior Breed Judging, ages 15-19

5097 1<sup>st</sup> year judging, all ages

(1<sup>st</sup> year you enter and participate in breed judging class)

**Progeny**

Three (3) placing ribbons per class

1. Entry in this class will consist of two (2) animal owned by the same 4-H exhibitor (mother and offspring).
2. **Animal cannot be shared for the progeny class (junior or senior class).**
3. One shall be a senior animal (may be raised or purchased by the exhibitor) and the second animal shall be one of it's offspring raised (not purchased) by the 4-H exhibitor.
4. Offspring must be ten (10) weeks to six (6) months of age.
5. The offspring is required to stay and be housed at the fair it is also to be shown in it's respective breed class.
6. The senior animal is not required to stay at the fair or be shown in it's breed class.
7. A complete pedigree must be made on the offspring and submitted upon showing. No pedigrees submitted will result in the entire project being ineligible for judging in this class. All breeds and varieties must be recognized by the ARBA.

5098 Progeny Class, ages 9-14

5099 Progeny Class, ages 15-19

## Market Rabbits

1. **Exhibitor may enter only one (1) market pen.**
2. Market pen must be bred and raised by exhibitor; weight limit is from 3 to 5 lbs.; age limit, not over 70 days old. Doe must be in exhibitor's possession by April 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year. Exhibitor must be sole owner of the doe (no partnerships outside immediate family; brothers and sisters).
3. All market pen exhibitors and parents must attend two mandatory meetings.
4. 4-H members exhibiting a market pen must also exhibit their records. Record books must be turned in at the time of weigh-in. No exceptions.
5. Any pen eliminated or disqualified on the show table, will not be sold. Judges decision is final.
6. Exhibitors responsible for processing and delivery to buyer within two (2) weeks after sale or sale check will be withheld.
7. A sale charge will be deducted from selling prices.
8. Only one market unit can be sold at auction for personal profit (market rabbit pen, poultry market pen, or eggs).
9. Grand and Reserve Champion units will sell. Should an individual receive Grand and Reserve Champion in more than one category, they must designate unit to be sold for personal profit by noon on Sunday following judging.
10. Weigh-in will be conducted in order of arrival. No parent may weigh-in their child's pen.
11. There will be no addition or subtraction of weight.
12. The decision of the weigh-in committee at the time of weigh-in is final. The first three (3) rabbits presented are the Market Pen. Exhibitors will not be allowed to switch rabbits if one of the first three is disqualified.
13. Under or over weight pens are given a C rating and may stay at the fair if there is enough room. These pens will NOT go to the show table.
14. Market pens must be all the same variety (color) and breed.
15. All seller of market pens must have at least three (3) photos taken the night of the sale.
16. You must show and sell your own animals.
17. Pedigrees are available; it will be between the buyer and seller.
18. If a market rabbit is donated back to a 4-H member, the rabbit or it's offspring must be exhibited at the next fair.
19. Market pens will be judged by ARBA rules and standards.
20. All market pen rabbits must be tattooed with the Ionia County 4-H tattoo. Tattooing will be held on the third Monday in June at 7 p.m. at the Ionia Free Fairgrounds.
21. 1<sup>st</sup> year rabbit member are not eligible to exhibit market pens. However, if a child has participated as a registered rabbit cloverbud for two (2) years, they may bring a market pen when they are nine.
22. **All 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> year rabbit member must show a rabbit in showmanship.** All members in the market rabbit project must show in at least one other class in Department H, with the exception of Costume Class.
23. If a youth brings a market pen of three rabbits and one or two rabbits do not make weight, the member can show and sell one rabbit as a market rabbit fryer. A single fryer entry is eligible for an A rating but will not be eligible for Grand or Reserve Champion. A market rabbit project book must be completed. All market rabbit rules apply.
24. A youth may bring a single fryer (3-6 lbs) in lieu of a pen of three.

### Classes

5100	Market pen of three (3)
5101	Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Market Pen Prize: Special Award
5102	Market Fryer (class will not be placed, only A, B, or C ratings will be awarded)

## **Department 18I**

### **Cavies**

Diane Walter, Superintendent

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1. Cavies will arrive on the first Friday of the fair between 3:00 and 5:00 p.m.
2. Cavies will be housed on the fairgrounds; pocket pets will go home after being judged on Saturday.
3. **Cavy exhibitors must feed and water their own animals.**
4. **The exhibitor must clean their cages daily.**
5. Cavies must be in the exhibitor's possession by May 1<sup>st</sup> of current year. Cavies must be ear tagged. Tagging will be held on the third Monday in June at the Ionia Free Fairgrounds.
6. All cavy exhibitors are required to participate in a showmanship class.
7. Exhibitors participating in the Ionia County 4-H Cavy program may not show cavies through 4-H in any other county fair during the current year. Violators may not participate the following year in the Ionia Free Fair.

### **Cavy Showmanship**

1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> place rosettes

Plaques for Junior, Intermediate, Senior Champions

5104 Cloverbud Showmanship

**Prize:** Participation ribbon

5105 Junior Showmanship, ages 9-11

5106 Intermediate Showmanship, ages 12-14

5107 Senior Showmanship, ages 15-19

### **Cavy Breed Classes**

Three (3) placing ribbons per class

One trophy for top animal

5109 Junior Boar Cavy

5110 Intermediate Boar Cavy

5111 Senior Boar Cavy

5112 Junior Sow Cavy

5113 Intermediate Sow Cavy

5114 Senior Sow Cavy

5115 Cavy costume class

Entries will be judged on originality, theme, and creativity.

## Department 18J

### Dog Care and Training

Lee Ann Sims, Superintendent

616-527-8843

#### Rules & Definitions

**Sub Novice A** = New dog and new handler in first year of 4-H dog project

**Sub Novice B** = Experienced handler and experienced dog, or experienced handler and new dog, or new handler and experienced dog.

1. All dogs exhibited must have current vaccinations for rabies and DHLPP. The member must provide their club leader with a vet. Certificate or product receipt. Vaccinations against Bordetella and Corona virus are also strongly encouraged.
2. All members must submit a Dog Declaration form to their 4-H leader by May 1<sup>st</sup>. Members joining dog project after may be allowed to show at 1<sup>st</sup> year member if they complete all club requirements before the fair.
3. The term “experienced” means completion of any Obedience classes, 4-H or non 4-H.
4. If you or your dog has received training other than in 4-H classes, you must show in the “B” class.
5. If you have shown your dog in an AKC or UKC Match or Obedience trail, you must show in the “B” class. When you show 4-H in a more advanced class than the one you showed in at a match or trial, you may show in the 4-H “A” class.

#### Obedience

- 5126 Cloverbud Obedience- receives participation ribbon  
5127 Sub-Novice A  
5128 Sub-Novice B  
5129 Novice A  
5130 Novice B  
5131 Graduate Novice A  
5132 Graduate Novice B  
5133 Advanced Graduate A  
5134 Advanced Graduate B  
5135 Open A  
5136 Open B  
5137 Sub-Utility A  
5138 Sub-Utility B  
5139 Utility A  
5140 Utility B  
5141 High Score Obedience – Sub Novice Classes  
5142 High Score Obedience – Novice through Utility  
**Prizes:** Plaques

6. Females in season will be allowed to show, but at the very end of the class. They should be kept away from the ring until they are called. Please notify the person giving you your armband that you have a female in season so that she can be scheduled at the end of the class.
7. Once a dog has been excused from a class by the judge for lameness or aggressive behavior, it may not be shown in any other class. If a dog has chronic lameness, and is not in pain, the member may show the dog, if they provide a written statement to the superintendent, who will make the judge (s) aware of the problem. Members are not to approach the judge before the show.
8. Members may show in one (1) showmanship class only. Members showing in 1<sup>st</sup> year showmanship are not eligible for the Showmanship Sweepstakes.
9. Dress Code (following State Dog Show Rules): No denim jeans or skirts of any color or kind. T-shirts, muscle shirts, halter tops, low-cut blouses or sweater, shorts and skirts/ culottes shorter than fingertip length will not be allowed. Flat shows such as tennis shoes, should be worn, no sandals, high heels or boots. Long hair should be tied back.
10. Members are expected to cleanup after their own dogs. Bring plastic bags and paper towels for this purpose.
11. Exhibitors participating in the Ionia County 4-H dog program may not show dogs in any other county fair during the current year. Violators may not participate the following year in the Ionia Free Fair.

#### Showmanship

1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> place rosettes and a plaque for 1<sup>st</sup> place. Cloverbuds must be enrolled in the 4-H dog project and have attended meetings.

- 5143 Cloverbud Showmanship, ages 7-8  
**Prize:** Participation Ribbons  
5144 Showmanship, 1<sup>st</sup> year members, all ages  
5145 Junior Showmanship, ages 9-11  
5146 Intermediate Showmanship, ages 12-14  
5147 Senior Showmanship, ages 15-19  
5148 Best in Show  
**Prize:** Rosette

## **Agility**

Dogs must be at least one (1) year old. Allowing younger dogs on the obstacles could result in permanent injury. Dogs should not be overweight!

The **Beginning Class** is on a leash with a buckle collar. All jumps set not higher than eight (8) inches. The long jump will be sixteen (16) inches wide. The handlers will be allowed to jump the jumps with their dogs.

The **Intermediate Class** is off leash with the jumps set at twelve (12) inches (or eight (8) inches for dogs ten (10) inches and under the withers). The long jump will be twenty (20) inches. The handlers may not jump the jumps with their dog. At no time during competition is the handler able to touch the dog with out being faulted.

The **Advanced Class** is done off leash with the jump height determined by the height of the dog's withers. Handlers may not jump with their dog. Handlers may not touch their dog at any time. The highest score will determine winners in each class. Ties will be broken with times.

- 5150 Beginning Agility A
- 5151 Beginning Agility B
- 5152 Intermediate Agility A
- 5153 Intermediate Agility B
- 5154 Advanced Agility A
- 5155 Advanced Agility B
- 5156 Cloverbud Agility (Participation Ribbons Only)

**Prize:** Plaques for Top Beginning Agility, Top Intermediate Agility, and Top Advanced Agility

## **Costume Class**

1-8 Placings. Rosettes.

- 5157 Junior Costume
- 5158 Intermediate Costume
- 5159 Senior Costume

**Department 18L**  
**4-H Large and Small Animal Sweepstakes**  
Shawn Frisbie, Superintendent  
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The first place senior, intermediate and junior showmanship winners in the 4-H Beef, Dairy, Goats, Horse, Sheep and Swine divisions will be given an opportunity to compete in the Showmanship Sweepstakes Contest. There will be three separate divisions: Senior (15-19); Intermediate (12-14); Junior (9-11). Age is determined by 4-H rules.

***Basic Guidelines***

- In the event a first place winner chooses not to, or is unable to compete, the second place winner in a species will become eligible. If the second place winner is unable to compete, the third place winner becomes eligible, and so on until the spot is filled.
- If an exhibitor chooses to show in a species “first year” or novice class instead of their regular age division, they will NOT be eligible for the Sweepstakes in that species.
- If an exhibitor qualifies for the Sweepstakes in two different species of animal, he or she must choose which animal he or she will represent.
- All decisions regarding Sweepstakes competition must be made and reported to the Showmanship Sweepstakes Superintendent by 5:00 p.m. Tuesday.
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> place showman of the affected species will then be eligible for the sweepstakes.
- **Animals at each station will be assigned a number. The exhibitor representing the species will take their own animal; the other contestants draw a number at each station and will show the animal with the matching number.**
- Each participant will bring the animal shown in the divisional showmanship contest he/she is representing to the contest. In the event that a participant won showmanship in two different species, he will show his own animal for the species he/she is representing. Another individual’s animal must be shown in the other species. Owners of the animals chosen for the other species will assist the competitor in preparing the animals for the sweepstakes contest. No animal substitution from the divisional contests may be made unless the animal becomes ill, is deemed so by that species Superintendent, and the Sweepstakes Superintendent has been notified.
- **An individual may win Showmanship Sweepstakes in any age division one time.** A winner may compete again when he or she reaches the next age category.
- Sweepstakes contests will begin at 5:30 p.m.
- Participants who arrive late for the contest will not be allowed to compete in, nor receive points for, the species already being judged. He or she may compete in the remainder of the contest.

***Scoring***

- Each contestant is scored on a basis of one (1) to ten (10), with ten (10) being a perfect score and five (5) being an average score. Contestants will be scored in all categories including the species they are representing.
- If two contestants are tied for the championship, there will be a run-off with questions supplied by the judges of the contestants’ species. Questions will be at the discretion of the judges.

### **General Rules for Still Exhibit Project Exhibitors**

1. Pre-entry forms are required for all still exhibits.
2. Each still exhibit must have an entry tag attached to each project.
3. Exhibitors should be present for judging if at all possible. If not able to be present, 4-H members with still exhibits may bring their project to the Ionia MSUE Office at another time to be interviewed. This interview will be video tapes and the video will be shown to judges on judging day. The 4-Her will be judged just as they would if they were present and will not be penalized.
4. All projects must be done with your 4-H club. **No school projects will be accepted.**
5. Awards will be based on the Danish System of A, B, or C Ratings.
6. Any 4-H member not following rules specified in the fairbook, including display requirements will be reduced one rating.
7. Premiums will be paid according to the rating awarded.
8. Judges decisions will be final.
9. "Outstanding" ribbons can be awarded for projects of excellence.
10. Up to one "Best of Show" award may be awarded per project area.
11. Hot and frozen dish exhibitors will be allowed to move to the front of the line for that project.
12. Each educational exhibit must include a poster or a 3-D display plus a notebook or workbook. The exhibitor must make this exhibit in their project area. Posters can be any size, but should not be larger than 22 inches by 28 inches.
13. All still exhibits must be picked up between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. the last Sunday of the fair. If a member is unable to pick up a project at this time, arrangements must be made for someone else to pickup the project. Still exhibits not picked up will be discarded. If any exhibits are removed before the correct release time without permission from the Department Superintendent, all premiums and awards will be forfeit.

## Department 18M

### Horticulture

Marie Smith, Superintendent  
517-526-2492

General rules for both Home and Commercial Garden:

1. The member must grow all vegetables exhibited.
2. Kinds of vegetables are to be interpreted as follows: tomatoes are to be counted as one kind of vegetable even though red, yellow, and cherry tomatoes are included in the same exhibit; the same is true for beans, cucumbers, onions, peppers, lettuce, and all other vegetables.
3. Exhibitor must use 9-inch Chinnet type **white** paper plates.

4. Exhibitors are expected to be present to hear the judges' comments on their exhibit to help them learn what to look for next year.
5. Specimens must be of the same variety and on one plate.
6. Leaders should obtain a copy of 4-H 1175 "Selecting Vegetables for Exhibit" to help their members prepare their exhibits properly.
7. **All Horticulture vegetable exhibits MUST include a 3"x5" note card listing vegetable name and specific varieties exhibited. Entries presented to the judge without meeting ALL requirements will be lowered one full rating.**
8. **Only one premium will be paid to each exhibitor per class.**

### Cloverbud

#### 5170 Cloverbud Horticulture Exhibit

### Home Garden

The numbers of specimens of one kind and variety of vegetables to exhibit are as follows:

- 1 specimen** – Broccoli (bunch), cabbage, musk melon, cauliflower, celery (plant), eggplant, leeks (bunch), green onions, (bunch), pumpkin, winter squash, and watermelon,  
**3 specimens** – Rutabagas and summer squash  
**5 specimens** – Beets, carrots, sweet corn, cucumbers, kohlrabi, okra, dry onions, parsnips, peppers, potatoes, radishes, sweet potatoes, tomatoes (except cherry), and turnips.  
**12 specimens** – Green or wax beans, lima beans, brussel sprouts, peas, and cherry tomatoes.

- 5173 Beginner, (1-2 years)  
One plate with required numbers of specimens of vegetables selected.
- 5174 Junior, (3-4 years)  
Two plates with required numbers of specimens of two kinds of vegetables selected.
- 5175 Senior, (5+ years)  
One box with at least eight kinds of vegetables or three plates with required number of specimens of three vegetables selected.
- 5176 Educational Exhibit – to include poster and notebook relating to project
- 5177 Oddities – an unusually shaped vegetable.
- 5178 Novelty Vegetables (blue potatoes, white carrots, blue string beans, etc.

### Herbs

Growing and using herbs is one of the many fun ways to make plant science and horticulture come alive. Imagine growing all the herbs and spices needed to make pizza or spaghetti sauce! Many ideas are available in 4-H bulletin #1516 "Herb Gardening", available at the MSU Extension office.

- 5180 Fresh cut (1 bunch with stems 1 inch in diameter) or dried (1 inch bunch or 3 tablespoons of dried leaves)
- 5181 Potted herbs
- 5182 Herb uses, such as pomanders oils, recipes or Educational Exhibit

### Fruits & Nuts

4-H Horticulture project include the propagation and growing fruits (for example apples, peaches, cherries, blueberries, and pears) and nuts (walnuts, hickory nuts, chestnuts, and hazelnuts)

- 5183 Fruits and/or Nuts

## Heirloom Vegetables

All entries must be labeled as to variety. You can use any heirloom variety. The goals of heirloom gardening are to develop an awareness of folklore as it pertains to gardening, to identify vegetable varieties cultivated by early settlers, and to stimulate interest in preserving heritage vegetable varieties. More information can be obtained in 4-H bulletin 1279 "Heritage Gardening", available at the MSU Extension office.

- 5184 Beans, snap 6 pods, green shell 6; Beans, dry 1/2 cup.  
Note: Beans are considered one kind of vegetable.
- 5185 Beets three with or without tops.
- 5186 Cabbage 1 head with good wrapper leaves
- 5187 Carrots three ears without tops
- 5188 Corn three ears with husk
- 5189 Cucumbers - three
- 5190 Onions three well cured, not peeled, with top off
- 5191 Parsnips three with or without tops
- 5192 Potatoes - three
- 5193 Pumpkin - one
- 5194 Radishes three with or without tops
- 5195 Squash, summer two
- 5196 Squash, winter one
- 5197 Tomatoes six small or three large
- 5198 Turnips three with or without any tops
- 5199 Other – refer to 4-H 1175, "Selecting Vegetables for Exhibit", for exhibiting information on any vegetable included in the heritage garden project not listed above.
- 5200 Largest pumpkin – heirloom variety Connecticut Field – may be entered in this class only.
- 5201 Basket of vegetables (a collection of six or more kinds of vegetables included in the heritage garden project attractively display on a table space measuring 24" x 30". Cut herbs may be used as greenery and may be kept fresh with hidden vials of water. More than one variety of each kind of vegetable may be used, but must be labeled.)
- 5202 Old-fashioned wheelbarrow exhibit (a collection of 10 or more kinds of vegetables from the heritage garden project) attractively displayed in an antique wheelbarrow. Cut herbs may be used as greenery and may be kept fresh with hidden vials of water. Limited to one exhibit per club or group.

## Green Thumb Award

**Green Thumb Award for Horticulture.** This award to be selected by the judges. Requirements for consideration are as follows:

1. At least three different exhibits in the Horticulture Department.
2. Record-keeping notebook of your garden/orchard, including diagrams, record of seeds planted, dates planted, any fertilizers or pesticides used, and success, failure, or problems that you have overcome. Photos of you and your garden at different stages and of you gardening are nice too!
3. Interview with judges. **You must be present on judging day to win this award.**

Plaque awarded at judge's discretion

## Department 18N

### Floriculture

Marie Smith, Superintendent  
517-526-2492

1. Flowers must be grown by exhibitor except for class 5221 and 5222.
2. It is recommended that exhibits be made in narrow necked bottle vases that are not taller than half the length of the stem of the specimens exhibited. **Bottles should be weighed to prevent tipping.**
3. Exhibitors are expected to be present to hear the judges' comments on their exhibit to help them learn what to look

for next year.

4. Be sure to HARDEN your flowers.
5. Check the correct number of stems as specified-no more or less.
6. Flower specimens should have a good display of healthy foliage, but remove all foliage below water level.
7. Stems should be straight and in scale with the flowers.
8. All exhibitors must know and be able to discuss the type of flower they are exhibiting.
9. **All Floriculture exhibits MUST include a 3"x 5" note card to identify the type of plant that is being exhibited. Entries presented to the judge without this card will be lowered one full rating.**

### Flower Arrangement

Limit of five flower arrangements per member.

#### Flowers

- 5220 Artistic flower arrangement using **home grown** flowers
- 5221 Artistic flower arrangement using **purchased** flowers
- 5222 Artistic flower arrangement using **wild** flowers
- 5223 Centerpiece/Table decoration
- 5224 Corsage (fresh flowers)
- 5225 Dried flower arrangement
- 5226 Holiday or Special occasion decoration
- 5227 Miniature arrangement – 5" and under
- 5228 Plaque from dried flowers
- 5229 Wreath from fresh or dried flowers, (no silk or plastic)

#### Indoor Garden

Indoor garden includes both flowering and foliage plants that live in a house year round. Member should know and be able to discuss the type of plant. **MUST** bring a card with the name of the plant you are exhibiting. Exhibitor will be paid only **one premium per class**. Store bought plants must be transplanted into your own container and purchased by May 1st of the current year. Leader must approve purchased plants before being entered.

- 5239 Cactus Plants
- 5240 Houseplant
- 5241 Indoor bulbs, corms, tubers, etc.
- 5242 Dish gardens
- 5243 Terrarium
- 5244 Hanging planter
- 5245 Any other **indoor** plant
- 5246 Poster or educational display on a lesson in indoor gardening or an experimental project; not over 18" x 24" in size.

### Cloverbud

5209 Cloverbud Floriculture Exhibit

#### Home Flower Garden

Up to three exhibits per member. The 4-H Flower Gardening Project Guide (4-H 1337) has many fun and educational ideas for members in the Floriculture project. Copies available at the MSU Extension office.

- 5210 Annual – Spike or flower, 3 ½" diameter or over, one flower with foliage attached; spike or flower under 3 ½" diameter, three flowers with foliage attached. Flowers may be different colors.
- 5211 Perennial – Spike or flower, three 3 ½" diameter, one flower with foliage attached. Spike or flower under 3 ½" diameter, three flowers with foliage attached. Flowers may be different colors.
- 5212 Gladiolus – Best specimen bloom with foliage attached.
- 5213 Dahlia – Over 3 ½" diameter – one flower with foliage attached. Under 3 ½" diameter – three flowers with foliage attached. Flowers may be different colors.
- 5214 Rose – Any variety
- 5215 Outdoor Planter – Artistic arrangement using one plant or a group of plants.
- 5216 Poster or Educational Display – On a lesson in floral gardening or an experimental project; not to be over 18" x 24".
- 5217 Any Other

### **Landscaping/Misc. Outdoor**

1. Before and after pictures of work completed, or other educational exhibit, such as a sketch or scale model.
2. Photos or snapshots should be mounted firmly on 18" x 24" size Bristol board available in art supply stores.
3. Scale of drawing or model must be shown (ie., 1" equals 10'0", or 1" equals 16'0") as well as indication of directions.

5250 Home Landscape, 1-2 years  
5251 Home Landscape, 3-4 years  
5252 Home Landscape, 5+ years  
5253 Home Landscape, educational poster

### **Natural Resource Collections**

- 5606 Wild flower collection, 1<sup>st</sup> year collection or photographs of fifteen or more plants, a poster or model of parts of a flower, and identification label for each plant (avoid protected plants). Must use identification label, provided by the Extension Office.
- 5607 Wild flowers collection, 2<sup>nd</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup> year – collections or photographs of plants, a poster or model of parts of the flower, and an identification label for each plant. 2<sup>nd</sup> year requires twenty-five specimens, ten more each year after that (3<sup>rd</sup> year, requires thirty-five, 4<sup>th</sup> year, requires forty-five, etc.)

### **Green Thumb Award**

**Green Thumb Award for Floriculture.** This award to be selected by judges. Requirements for consideration are as follows:

1. At least three different exhibits in the Floriculture department.
2. Record-keeping notebook of your garden, including diagrams, record of seeds planted, dates planted, any fertilizer or pesticides used, and successes, failures, or problems that you have overcome. Photos of you and your garden at different stages and of you gardening are nice too!
3. Interview with judges. **(You must be present on judging day to win this award.)**

Green Thumb Award is at judge's discretion

## Department 18P

### Arts, Crafts, Hobbies, & Photography

Sandi Whorley, Superintendent

616-642-6869

1. For all Department 18P, the JUDGE'S DECISION IS FINAL!
2. No school projects.
3. All classes in Department 18P are eligible for the Michigan State Fair Gold Ribbon Award. See Michigan State Fair Rules and information at the back of the fairbook.

#### Cloverbud

- 5264 Cloverbud Craft (may be a project from any of the classes in Department 18P)  
**Please note that Cloverbud Shoebox Floats have their own class number (5390)!**

#### Ceramics

- 5265 Hand molded piece  
5266 Coldware (plaster)  
5267 Stain finished greenware  
5268 Glaze finished greenware  
5269 Underglaze technique  
5270 Dry Brushing  
5271 Miscellaneous: unusual decorated pieces, gold, metallic, bronze, jewels, chalk, etc.

#### Collections

1. All collections exhibited must be part of the member's 4-H project work.
2. A written description of your collection stating when you started collecting, where you get your items, and the cost is required with your entry.
3. **All collections must be mounted or ready for display in a neat, orderly fashion. Must add to the original collection each year and update your original written description in notebook.**
4. Collections of great value (coins, stamps, etc.) must be brought to judging day but will not be exhibited during fair week.
5. Valuable collection exhibitors should supply a picture of their collection to be exhibited during fair week.
6. **If the collection takes more than a two-foot square of space, please bring a photo to exhibit.**
7. **Please specify collection type on the exhibit tag.**
8. **Exhibitors may enter more than one collection.**

5300 Any Collection

#### Cultural Arts

1. School projects are not eligible.
  2. All exhibits must be done in 4-H club work.
  3. May enter one exhibit per class number. Must provide own tape and tape recorder to demonstrate to judge where applicable.
  4. Two minutes maximum tape time.
  5. TV and VCR will be provided upon request by calling the MSU Extension office **prior** to fair.
  6. All art projects must be matted or framed and ready to hang.
  7. Exhibits not conforming to standards listed will be dropped by one letter rating.
  8. See Michigan Gold Awards in back of fair book for more information.
- 5307 Calligraphy/Creative writing/Literary Art – Present in a notebook or frame.
- 5308 **Dance**, line dance, square dance, clogging, etc. Presentation to be poster or notebook with pictures or videotape. **Dramatics** – puppetry, performance and/or production, monologues. Written or on video tape.
- 5309 Music: Composition, or special arrangements in written form and/or on tape.
- 5310 Acrylic or Oil  
5311 Watercolor and/or Markers  
5312 Pen & Ink  
5313 Charcoal/Pastel  
5314 Pencil/Colored pencil, Crayons  
5315 Printing: Linoleum, block, styrofoam, vegetable, etc.
- 5316 Collage  
5317 Scratch Art  
5318 Sculpture/Clay (hand formed)  
5319 Poster  
5306 Any other not listed

## Miscellaneous Crafts

1. Limit one (1) entry per class, except in the any other not listed class.
2. All hanging exhibits must be ready to hang. All kits must be marked "kit".

- 5345 Basketry
- 5346 Bead Craft
- 5347 Candles
- 5348 Centerpiece/Table Decoration
- 5349 Decoupage
- 5351 Fabric Painting (no clothing)
- 5352 Fused Glass Item
- 5353 Gift Wrapping (2 small or 1 large)
- 5354 Glass Art, Stained Glass, Etched Glass
- 5355 Holiday Items (three small or one large)
- 5356 Jewelry
- 5357 Lawn, Garden, Outdoor/Nature
- 5358 Mobile
- 5359 Models –Original or made from kits
- 5360 Padded Picture Frames, Photo Albums, etc.
- 5361 Paper Crafts
- 5362 Plaques – hard texture, ex: wood
- 5363 Quick Crafts – three small
- 5364 Recycled Crafts
- 5366 Scrapbooking
- 5367 Sand Art
- 5368 Soap - Homemade
- 5369 Stamping
- 5370 String Art
- 5371 Tie-Dye (no clothing)
- 5372 Tin Punch or Metal Crafts
- 5373 Toys
- 5374 Wall Hangings
- 5375 Wood Carving/Wood Burning
- 5376 Any other not listed above – **(enter project name on exhibit card.)**
- 5377 Any other not listed above – **(enter project name on exhibit card.)**
- 5378 Club Exhibit

## Photography

1. Entries **must** have been taken since the previous fair and **must** be the work of the exhibitor.
2. Member must have knowledge of the type of camera that is used and be able to discuss with judge.
3. Member must be able to discuss techniques learned in taking photographs. Example: composition, lighting/flash, focusing, zoom, action shots, angle shots, storing your photos in albums, on DVD's, etc.
4. All photo's must be mounted on a ½ (11x14) white poster board.
5. Do not use corner mounts – they do not hold up well in Quonset.
6. Use photo spray adhesive, no rubber cement.
7. No writing, drawing, clip art on poster board.
8. First year members **must** enter class number 5381; they may also enter other classes.
9. Do not use corner mounts; use rubber cement around edges of photo only.
10. Entries not meeting each of the requirements will be marked down one ribbon rating.

- 5381 1<sup>st</sup> year project requirements: A set of four photographs two-color and two-black and white. Each photo must be from a different category. The categories: people, buildings, animals, scenery and still life.
- 5382 3-7 photos of a sequence (must use additional boards)
- 5383 2 8x10 portraits
- 5384 3-7 action photos
- 5385 3-7 "unusual" photos
- 5386 3-7 Panoramic photos
- 5387 3-7 night photos
- 5388 3-7 photographic story
- 5389 Photo restoration-before and after
- 5390 One photo matted and framed

## Shoe Box Floats

1. Decorate a shoebox as a miniature fair parade float.
2. Any type of material may be used to decorate the shoebox, however use of glass or fragile items is discouraged.
3. Entries will be judged on creativity, originality, and workmanship.
4. Use your own theme.

- 5305 Cloverbud
- 5391 Junior, ages 9-11
- 5392 Intermediate, ages 12-14
- 5393 Senior, ages 15-19

## Silk Flowers

- 5395 Artistic flower arrangement
- 5396 Miniature arrangement – 5" and under
- 5397 Corsage
- 5398 Plaque
- 5399 Holiday or Special Occasion Decoration
- 5400 Wreath
- 5401 Any other project made using silk flowers

## Woodworking

1. Articles exhibited must be started in a 4-H club and has been made for the 4-H project.
2. Use suggested tools for appropriate age level (check with your 4-H leader).
3. Each year participants must show an improvement in already learned skills from previous year + a new skill.
4. No kits allowed.

- 5405 Beginning 1<sup>st</sup> year – One original article
- 5406 Apprentice 2-3 year – One or more articles using hand or power tools increasing in skills.
- 5407 Handyman 4-5 years– One or more articles increasing in skills.
- 5408 Craftsman Advanced – One or more articles using advanced skills any tool or machinery.
- 5409 "Refinished" (existing furniture) or Upholstery. Include notebook with before and after photographs and techniques used.
- Plaque awarded at judges discretion

**Department 18Q**  
**Foods & Nutrition**  
Virginia Ferris, Superintendent  
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### **FOOD PRESERVATION**

1. Exhibits may be pint or quart containers but should be uniform in type and size.
2. All perishable food will be returned immediately after judging.
3. Product should include a label, giving date it was preserved and name of product.
4. To ensure a tight seal, canning should be completed at least one week prior to judging.

### **Cloverbud**

5416 Cloverbud Foods & Nutrition project

### **Canning**

- 5410 Fruit – 2 jars, each a different kind of fruit  
5411 Cooked soft spread – 2 jars, each a different kind  
5412 Vegetables – 2 jars, each a different kind  
5413 Pickles/Relish – 2 jars, each a different kind  
5414 Meat – 2 jars, each a different kind  
5415 Educational canning project display, poster (not larger than 22"x28"), notebook, etc.



### **Special Ball & Kerr Award**

**Only Classes 5410-5415 are eligible for award**

**Prizes:** One (1) Ball Home Canning Product Coupon and One (1) Ball Canning Guide

Projects must be canned in Ball or Kerr jars and sealed with Ball or Kerr two-piece vacuum caps. The Ball and Kerr Award will be given at the judge's discretion. Proof of purchase must be presented at time of entry.

### **Freezing**

Packages must be labeled with contents, date, serving size,

- 5420 Fruit, 2 packages, each a different kind  
5421 Jam, 2 packages, each a different kind  
5422 Vegetables, 2 packages, each a different kind  
5423 Packaged Dinner  
5424 Packaged Desserts/Pastry  
5425 Bread Product  
5426 Packaged Party Foods

### **Drying/Dehydration**

- 5427 Fruits – 2 packages, each a different kind  
5428 Vegetables – 2 packages, each a different kind  
5429 Herbs – 2 packages, each a different kind  
5430 Food Specialties, fruit leathers, beef jerky, etc.  
5431 Educational Project Display, poster (not larger than 22"x28"), notebook, etc.

### Food Preparation

1. Bring a neatly written or typed copy of the recipe.
2. Exhibitors must bring the entire cake, pie, loaf, main dish, etc. unless otherwise specified.
3. The product can be made in the microwave. [The judge will cut a portion and the rest can be taken home after judging.]
4. Other items should be displayed on 6" white paper plates, sealed with a plastic bag, furnished by exhibitor.

### Baked Goods – Beginner

- 5432 3 cookies (drop, bar, rolled, etc.)  
5433 3 unfrosted cake squares  
5434 1 loaf quick bread (nut, banana, oatmeal, etc.)  
5435 3 muffins or biscuits  
5436 Healthy Snack Food – Homemade (yogurt, trail mix, vegetable/fruit plate, etc)  
5437 Educational display, notebook, posters (not larger than 22"x28"), etc.  
5438 Any other not listed above

### Baked Goods – Intermediate

- 5439 3 yeast rolls (sweet or regular), or a loaf of yeast bread or a yeast coffee cake.  
5440 Pie with baked crust (must be 2 crust pie). No packaged crust.  
5441 Casseroles – Made from scratch, (macaroni & cheese, noodle, vegetables, etc.). May use canned soups. Serve at proper temperature. Picture will be taken of you and your exhibit to leave on display.  
5442 Heritage Baked Goods  
5443 Healthy Main Dish – Low fat, low sugar, low salt, high fiber, etc.  
5444 Educational display, poster (not larger than 22"x28"), notebook, etc. (on food history, health foods, famous cooks, food careers)  
5445 Any other not listed

### Baked Goods – Advanced

- 5446 Gourmet Pastries or Fancy Dessert  
5447 Baked product representative of project chosen  
5448 Cheese Cake  
5449 Educational display, poster (not larger than 22"x28"), notebook, etc. on food history, food as medicine, food in the new millennium, food careers, etc.  
5450 Any other not listed  
5451 Club Exhibit

### Candy

1. Each family member must use a different recipe.
2. Must exhibit 6 pieces of candy.
3. Recipe must be neatly written or typed.

- 5452 Beaten candy (fudge, divinity)  
5453 Brittle (peanut, toffee, almond)  
5454 Molded chocolate (solid or filled centers)  
5455 Pulled (salt water taffy)  
5456 Hand Dipped  
5457 Any Other  
5459 Club Exhibit

### Foodways – FOLKPATTERNS Projects

- 1.
2. For more specific information please refer to 4-H bulletin #1329.
3. Traditions of obtaining, preparing, cooking, eating, storing and sharing foods.
4. Folk art using food, gardening techniques, food festivals, harvest celebrations, recipes, etc.

- 5460 Food Traditions: recipes, food preparation, meal presentation, food games, food folk tales, food marketing, and kitchen utensils.  
5461 Food festivals, celebrations, special occasions, holidays, harvests, etc.  
5462 Cultural Foods, religious beliefs, etc.  
5463 Gardening techniques, food storage, food preservation, etc.  
5464 Food other than a meal: health remedies, decorations, beauty care, cleaning remedies, etc.  
5465 Any three activities from bulletin #1329 (put in notebook)

### Food and People

1. Select a country; exhibit baked goods made in that country.
2. A poster, recipe card and a short story must accompany exhibit.

- 5466 Individual exhibit:  
5467 Club exhibit  
5468 Any other not listed

## Exploring Foods and Nutrition

- 5470 **Exhibit food and educational exhibit** showing food management, consumer education, marketing or experimental foods. Exhibit must contain a food display poster or notebook. (example: meal planning, table setting and food exhibit)
- 5471 **Convenience food vs. homemade counterpart:** Compare cost and quality of convenience food and its home-made counterpart. Include recipe for homemade items.
- 5472 **Convenience Foods:** Entries use a mix as the base. Exhibitor must add at least 2 additional ingredients to mix. Exhibitors may prepare any type of recipe: main dish, casserole, dessert, breads, etc.
- 5473 **Place setting for special occasion:** Show an attractive, harmonious place setting for a special occasion meal (family celebration, picnic, barbecue, etc.) with an explanation for the choices of food and appointments. Please bring only minimum glassware and dinnerware to illustrate when necessary. Example: placemat, napkin, knife, fork, spoon, plate, and glass. Include a menu card, explanation for your choices, and a sketch or photo showing how the place setting should appear.

## Outdoor Meals

- 5474 Properly packed picnic basket or sack lunch (miniature basket or box with menu, omit food). Method of food storage must be explained.
- 5475 Two pieces of homemade equipment for use on campfire such as buddy burner, tin can, skewers, charcoal, stone, reflector oven)
- 5476 Meals in a backpack – must include menu.
- 5477 Outdoor grilled meal – must include menu
- 5478 Individual Exhibits. Miniature picnic area showing either equipment or safety features or types of cooking, with menu included.
- 5479 Innovative
- 5480 Any other
- 5481 Club exhibit
- 5482 Miniature picnic area showing either equipment and safety features or types of cooking done. Menu to be included, plus notebook done by each club member on their year in the 4-H outdoor meal project.

## Cake Decoration – Real and Dummy Cake

1. Cake will be judged on appearance only.
2. Cake must be color-coordinated and neatly done, with no more than 10% of plastic decoration used.
3. Cake must include one or more decorating techniques.
4. Exhibitor must do all work on each cake.
5. Members should increase difficulty of project each year.
6. 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year members must use two new techniques each year, such as border row, flowers, petals, leaves, lettering, etc.

Rosette to best overall cake.

- 5484 On foil covered cardboard, 10 rows of techniques. Should be ten different techniques displayed.
- 5485 Six decorated cupcakes
- 5486 Decorated round cake
- 5487 Decorated tiered cake
- 5488 Decorated cake of any shape (other than round)
- 5489 Fondant Decorated Cake
- 5490 Decorated cut-up cake
- 5491 Decorated structure (house, barn, sugar eggs, etc.)

**Wilton Award** – One Wilton video, dvd or a newest publication of a special cake decorating book will be awarded to the Best of Show. A Wilton yearbook will be awarded to each “A” rating. Only one Wilton prize per person will be awarded at judge’s discretion.

## Dairy Foods

**Note: Eggs and Margarine are NOT dairy products.**

- 5493 Food containing three dairy products with ¼ cup or more of each product.
- 5494 Dairy Beverage Example: Milk with another ingredient
- 5495 Dairy Dessert or snack made with milk, for example cheeses, yogurt, custards, pudding, ice cream or sandwiches.
- 5496 Dairy products educational project (poster, workbook) for example, Vitamin D, protein, calcium, fat, low fat, cheese, etc.
- 5497 Any other



## Department 18R

### Needlework

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### Cloverbud

5499 Cloverbud Needlecraft project

### Personal Appearance

1. All personal appearance entries are eligible for the Michigan State Fair Gold Award, if deemed worthy by judge.
2. Bring a clear plastic bag for articles; also bring a hanger if appropriate for displaying article.
3. All articles must be cleaned and pressed if necessary.

### Knitting

5500 Article(s), ages 9-11  
5501 Article(s), ages 12-14  
5502 Article(s), ages 15-19

### Crocheting

5503 Article(s), ages 9-11  
5504 Articles(s), ages 12-14  
5505 Article(s), ages 15-19

### Clothing

5506 Dressy article or outfit, ages 9-11  
5507 Casual article or outfit, ages 9-11  
5508 Any other article, ages 9-11

5509 Dressy article or outfit, 12-14  
5510 Casual article or outfit, ages 12-14  
5511 Any other article, ages 12-14

5512 Dressy article or outfit, ages 15-19  
5513 Casual article or outfit, ages 15-19  
5514 Any other article, ages 15-19

5515 Quilted or pieced wearing apparel or accessory  
5516 Special Occasion – prom dress, wedding, bridesmaid dress, baptism gown, etc.

**Top Construction award is at judges discretion.**

### Recycling

- 5528 1<sup>st</sup> Year** – change intended use of garment, i.e., cut off a dress and make a blouse, or cut off slack legs and make shorts, (must have sewn finished edge)
- 5529 2-3 Year** – change structure and style of garment, i.e., remove sleeves to make a jumper from a dress, alter lapels, etc.
- 5530 4-5+ Years** – use fabric from one or more garments to create another. i.e., make one garment from others you have taken apart, re-cut and restyled.

## Buymanship

1. Must be enrolled in the Buymanship project.
2. Project must be started and completed under leader supervision.
3. All members must have five new activities each year from the series “A Style of Your Own” or bulletins “Looking Great” – 4-H 1365 and 4-H 1366 for leader and put in notebook.
4. Buymanship guidelines and bulletins are available from your leaders.
5. All garments in the outfit should be commercially made, but may include a personally sewn garment.
6. Accessories may be used, but will not be judged. One outfit must be modeled at fair.
7. In the event of a Best of Show, you will be required to leave your outfit for display.
8. Outfits must be returned by 9 pm day of judging and must be neatly displayed on a hanger and clear plastic bag.

5531 Beginner, 1-2 years

5532 Intermediate, 3-4 years

5533 Advanced, 5+ years

## Sewing and Needlecrafts

1. Wall hanging exhibits must be ready to hang.
2. All kits must be marked “Kit”.
3. Each exhibit must represent a different technique.

5535 Appliqué (sewing –machine or by hand)

5536 Embroidery – machine or by hand

5537 Knitted

5538 Crocheted

5539 Felting

5540 Counted Cross Stitch

5541 Stuffed Animal

5542 Plastic Canvas

5543 Purse, tote bag, gym bag, etc.

5544 Home Décor – 4 minimum, mix or match pot holders, appliance covers, dresser scarves, curtains, etc.

5545 Dolls

5546 Doll Clothes

5547 Pillows

5548 Toys

5549 Quilt – any size

5550 Quilting – not a quilt

5551 Rug (braided, rag, hook, etc)

5552 Weaving

5553 Latch Hook (any one article)

5554 Woven Chair – not macrame

5555 Piecing: ex – set of 6 quilt blocks

5556 Wall Hangings

5557 Recycled

5558 Any other

5559 Educational Display (history of crafts, toys, etc.)

**Supreme Needlecraft award at judges discretion.**

## Decorated Garments

Article of clothing may be purchased

- 5320 Appliqué (non-sewing)
- 5321 Beading
- 5322 Painting
- 5323 Stenciling
- 5324 Tie Dye
- 5325 Combination of techniques
- 5326 Any other not listed

## Leather Craft

1. Techniques to be used: braiding, stitching, dying, stamping, transfer of pattern, etc.
2. Specify kit or no kit on exhibit tag.

- 5330 Apprentice 1-2 years – **kit or no kit**– small items showing at least three different skills.
- 5331 Handyman 3-4 years – **kit or no kit** – large items showing at least three different skills.
- 5333 Craftsman 5+ years – **kit or no kit**– large items made using advanced skills with time involved to exceed twenty hours of work.
- 5336 Self-designed leather project no kit, **any age**. Use suede or leather, sewn by hand or machine

## Macrame

Only one premium per member. All items must be ready to hang. Must add new techniques each year.

- 5340 Article(s) made, ages 9-11
- 5341 Article(s) made, ages 12-14
- 5342 Article(s) made, ages 15-19

## **Department 18S**

### **Natural Resources and Environment Education**

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1. Items entered in this department **must** include a folder, with written report.
2. Should have ten bird work sheets first year and add five every year after that.
3. Other items related to the display may be exhibited.

### **Cloverbud**

5579 Cloverbud Natural Resources & Environmental Education project

### **Wildlife Resources Displays**

- 5580 Birds (must have bird work sheets)
- 5581 Animals
- 5582 Snakes, Lizards or Turtles
- 5583 Insects
- 5584 Water life
- 5585 Trees (Michigan)
- 5586 Rocks, Minerals or Fossils
- 5587 Lichens, Fungi
- 5588 Taxidermy
- 5589 Any other Wildlife Resources

### **Earth, Atmosphere & Heaven Displays**

- 5590 Any display relating to weather, pollution, astronomy, ecology, etc.

### **Nature Discovery Displays**

- 5593 Hiking
- 5594 Shooting Sports Safety
- 5595 Fishing
- 5596 Camping
- 5597 Survival Skills
- 5598 Tracking
- 5599 Personal pursuits
- 5600 Any other Nature Discovery

### **Natural Resource Collections**

- 5605 Rocks, Minerals, or Fossils collection – Exhibit a collection of twenty or more rocks, identified with source, classified by specimen and group.
- 5608 Any other Natural Resource related collection not listed.

## Department 18T

### Entomology

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1. If the collection has been exhibited before, it must be added to and enlarged to be exhibited since the last fair.
2. Use a standard exhibit box (18x24x3½ inches).
3. No cigar boxes accepted.
4. Contact the MSU Extension Office for information and guidelines.

### Cloverbud

5609 Cloverbud Entomology project

- 5610 Entomology I – Individual exhibit of twenty-five to forty-nine labeled adult insects representing at least eight orders. 1<sup>st</sup> year exhibitors only.
- 5611 Entomology II – Exhibit fifty to ninety-nine labeled adult insects representing at least eleven orders.
- 5612 Entomology III – One hundred to one hundred seventy-four labeled adult insects representing at least fourteen orders.
- 5613 Entomology IV – One hundred seventy-five to two hundred twenty-four labeled adult insects representing at least fifteen orders.
- 5614 Entomology V – Two hundred twenty-five or more labeled adult and/or immature insects, representing at least sixteen orders, suitably preserved.
- 5615 Entomology Science I – Special Collections; collect, prepare, and preserve twenty-five different insect immatures (nymphs and larvae) OR twenty-five non-insect arthropods, OR twenty-five species from a single order.
- 5616 Entomology Science II – Economic entomology; collect, preserve, and exhibit thirty different economic insects (pests and beneficial; adults and/or immatures (nymphs and larvae) and include a written notebook with information on their relationship to society.
- 5617 Entomology Science III – Entomological Experiments; can include experiments in biology, ecology, genetics or behavior of insects.
- 5618 Special Entomology Skills I – Illustration; prepare at least five illustrations (any medium) of insects showing form, habits, life cycle or other interesting information.
- 5619 Special Entomology Skills II – Lamination; prepare at least twenty wing laminations; including a name of each species.
- 5620 Special Entomology Skills III – Plastic embodiments; prepare at least five plastic embodiments of various insects and/or arthropod and include names of species where possible.
- 5621 Entomology Educational Exhibit – Exhibit notebook, poster and project materials. Design display to occupy 5621 not more than a 36x26 inch area on table top.
- 5622 Beekeeping I – Exhibit ten or more mounted flowers and leaves of honey plants on a 14x22 poster board panel or in a
- 5623 Beekeeping II – Exhibit 3 one pound jars of extracted honey labeled light or dark, or 3 one-pound sections of comb honey.
- 5624 Beekeeping III – Exhibit 3 one-pound jars of creamed honey, or a single frame observation hive containing bees, brood, and a queen. Plus a notebook (at least 2 pages) on the process in which you extracted the honey). Loose leaf notebook and two one pound jars of extracted honey labeled light or dark.

## Department 18U

### Other Science

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### Cloverbud

5263 Cloverbud Science project

### Rocketry

- 5625 Educational display, poster or notebook (two or more pages) demonstrating knowledge of rocketry.  
5626 Rocket or rocket model with full description of project (at least one page) **cannot launch rocket-do not bring fuel. Kit or no kit.**

### Electrical

- 5630 Beginning Electrical – 1-2 years  
5631 Junior Electrical – 3-4 years  
5632 Senior Electrical – 5+ years  
5633 Educational – must include poster and notebook relating to electrical project. (at least 2 pages)

### Small Engine

Demonstrate knowledge/fundamental of small engine operating principles (4-cycle, 2-cycle, electrical, rotary, etc.). It can be an educational display or notebook (2 or more pages) with pictures of you and your project. Projects can include tune-ups, maintenance work, or minor repairs.

- 5638 Tractor or other farm machinery  
5639 Car/Truck engine  
5640 Marine/Boat engine  
5641 Lawn mower, garden tractor, rototiller, chain saw, or snow blower, etc.  
5642 Generator, air compressor  
5643 Any other related project not listed

### Welding

1. Exhibitors will take pictures (with you in them) through-out the project, showing step by step progress. Bring the pictures (in scrap book form) and be ready to explain your work.
2. Scrapbook will remain on display in Quonset.
3. If the project you made is small, it can be brought instead of pictures and must be left for display in Quonset.

- 5646 Beginner, 1-2 years any useful article made or repaired.  
5647 Advanced, 3+ years any useful article made or repaired using advanced skills and tools.

### Clowning

1. Open to all 4-H'ers currently enrolled in the 4-H clowning project.
2. Each entry will perform a 5 to 10 minutes skit.
3. One clowning record book required for each performer.
4. A Clowning record book will be available at the Extension office before the fair.
5. Entries will be judged on their skit, make-up, costumes, and props, acting and audience involvement.
6. Date, time and location of performance will be announced prior to fair.

- 5649 Clowning, ages 9 to 11  
5650 Clowning, ages 12 to 14  
5651 Clowning, ages 15 to 19  
5652 Any other clowning project – poster, history of, etc.

## Department 18V

### Leisure Education

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#### Cloverbud

5653 Cloverbud Leisure Education project

#### Animal Related Educational Exhibit

1. 4-H members in any animal project are urged to make an educational exhibit, which includes a poster and notebook on some phase of their animal work, even if they are unable to exhibit their project animal.
2. Educational Exhibit must include a poster or a 3-D display plus a notebook or workbook.
3. The exhibitor in his/her project area must make this exhibit. Posters may be any size, but no larger than 22"x28.
4. All 3-D posters must be 11" high x 14" wide and 7" deep.

- 5654 Cat  
5655 Dairy  
5656 Livestock  
5657 Horse/Draft Horse  
5658 Rabbit or Small Animal (cavy, mice, etc.)  
5659 Goat  
5660 Veterinary Science  
5661 Dog Care & Training  
5662 Any Other Animal Not Listed

#### Discovering the USA

1. All exhibits must be done as part of a 4-H project.
- 5664 Educational exhibit on state of choice, to include poster or 3-D display with letters, photos, post cards, or any other artifacts pertaining to the state. A notebook should be included, with facts and/or story about state and why it was chosen.
- 5665 Exchange Trip Educational Exhibit – to include poster or 3-D display with letters, photos, post cards, or any other artifacts pertaining to the state. A notebook should be included, with facts and/or story about state and why it was chosen.
- 5666 Any other USA related display or notebook (no school projects)

#### Folkpatterns

1. All entries in this division must be enrolled in the 4-H FOLKPATTERN project.
2. All work must be done in a 4-H club.
3. Must turn in 4-H FOLKPATTERNS background information sheet with exhibit.

4. Information card should be filled out **before** arriving for judging.
5. Background information cards are available at the MSU Extension office.
6. Articles must be clean.
7. Refer to 4-H bulletin #4H1330 and Leader guide #4H1506 for ideas.

- 5670 Animal Lore** – Traditions associated with animals such as raising animals, grooming know-how, naming, saddle making, stories, songs about animals.
- 5671 Architecture and Historical Sites** – Structure, history, and use of a folk building such as a barn house, etc. Survey of a town or neighborhood. History of an old house. Visits to historical sites.
- 5672 Beliefs** – Traditional knowledge, ideas or opinions such as folk remedies or good luck sayings.
- 5673 Celebrations, Ceremonies, Festivals, and Holidays** – Traditions associated with any of these events such as food, decorating, etc.
- 5674 Cemetery Study** – To learn about family and local history, customs such as naming children and gravestones decorations and saying (epitaphs)
- 5675 Children's Lore** – Traditional games, rhymes, stories, sayings of children.
- 5676 Clothing and Ornamental Traditions** – Traditional ways of dressing, including hair, facial ornamentation (painting), and occupational clothing. Also collecting historical clothing or making clothing from original patterns.
- 5677 Customs** - Traditional practices passed on by word of mouth or by example, such as customs around births, birthdays, weddings, death, and often associated with holidays and the life cycle.
- 5678 Dance** – Patterned movements to music that are taught to one another or mimicked such as polka, clogging, stepping, tap, and square dancing.
- 5679 Ethnic Traditions** – Folk traditions of an ethnic group (sharing the same culture heritage).
- 5680 Family Folklore and History** – Traditions of one's family
- 5681 Folk Skills or Crafts** – Decorative and functional objects traditionally made today such as yard decorations, scarecrows, trout flies, quilts, and/or Historical: Objects once made but not longer traditional, such as candle dipping or soap making.

- 5682 **Games and Toys** – Handmade items, games and recreational pastimes.
- 5683 **Gardening Traditions** – (includes Heritage Gardening): Traditions in gardening, including types of plants, tools, customs, etc. Actual vegetables should be entered under horticulture.
- 5684 **Genealogy** – Family tree, photos research on ones family.
- 5685 **Humor and Jokes** – Jokes, funny stories, and sayings
- 5686 **Hunting, Fishing, Trapping Lore** – Traditions of recreational activities, such as decoy carving, fish lure making, fly tying, boat building, etc.
- 5687 **Local history** – The history of a local community, place, landmark, person, or important local place. Use photos, maps, and library materials.
- 5688 **Medicine and Remedies** – Practices and beliefs about curing and healing that are passed on by word of mouth.
- 5689 **Music and Song** – Musical traditions based within a community or group, such as Native American powwow music and dance, mining songs, spirituals, cowboy songs, old-time fiddle music, etc.
- 5690 **Narrative or Written** – Stories, legends, sayings, and other spoken or written traditions.
- 5691 **Occupational Traditions** – Work place knowledge learned informally by word of mouth or by example, such as the clothes to wear, customs, special sayings, slang, initiation rites, awards, jokes, and pranks.
- 5692 **Speech** – Traditional words, expressions, or names used in a particular region or by a group.
- 5693 **Any Other** – Folk traditions projects not listed.

### **International Programs**

1. All exhibits must be done as part of a 4-H project.
- 5694 Educational exhibit on Country of choice, to include poster or 3-D display with letters, photos, stamps, money or other artifacts pertaining to the country. A notebook should be included, with facts and/or story about the country, and why it was chosen.
  - 5695 Educational exhibit on the International 4-H exchange program, either as a host or traveler. Must include poster and notebook.
  - 5696 Any other International Education Exhibit

## Department 18W

### Leader & Teen Development

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#### Club Exhibits

1. Must have at least three members involved and must have a theme.
2. Should not only tell what the club did, but why they chose to do it.

5697 Educational Exhibit

#### 4-H Member's Personal Record Book- Animal.

**Premiums:** A \$5.00, B \$4.00, C \$3.00

1. Record books can be obtained from the MSU Extension office.

5700 Horse/Draft  
5701 Beef  
5702 Sheep  
5703 Swine  
5704 Dog Care  
5705 Rabbit  
5706 Poultry  
5707 Cat  
5708 Goat  
5709 Any other animal not listed

#### 4-H Member's Personal Record Book – Still Exhibits

1. Should contain information on club participation, project experiences and related activities, 4-H promotion, and community service. No newspaper clippings, awards or letters should be in record book. Record books can be obtained from the MSU Extension office.

**5710 Still Exhibit Record Book** – any project. Book cannot be used as part of another exhibit.

**5711 4-H Member's Scrapbook** – Can contain any 4-H club memorabilia, including snapshots, newspaper clippings, awards, letters, etc. related to an individual member's 4-H club work.

**5712 Secretary Record Book** – Complete secretary record book from an active Ionia County 4-H club during the current year.

**5713 Club Historian's Record Book** – History and souvenirs from an active Ionia County 4-H club. Book may cover several years, but the current year history is required.

**5714 Any Other** - club related record keeping display.

#### 4-H Leadership Experiences

1. Exhibitor must be currently enrolled in the Ionia County 4-H program and have attended the program they are exhibiting.
2. All exhibits must have a notebook and poster or 3-D display.

5715 4-H Explorations Days Educational Exhibit  
5716 4-H Capitol Experience Educational Exhibit  
5717 4-H Citizenship – Washington Focus Exhibit  
5718 Any Other – 4-H experience exhibit

#### Teen Leadership

1. Exhibitors must be currently enrolled in teen leadership, be at least 13 yrs. old as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of this year, and be actively involved in 4H leadership roles, responsibilities or activities.
2. All 4-H members exhibiting a teen leadership project must have a teen leadership plan on file at the Ionia County MSU Extension office, and a copy to turn in for the fair.

5719 1<sup>st</sup> year – Teen Leadership Project  
5720 2<sup>nd</sup> year - Teen Leadership Project  
5721 3<sup>rd</sup> year - Teen Leadership Project  
5722 4<sup>th</sup> year - Teen Leadership Project  
5723 5<sup>th</sup> year - Teen Leadership Project  
5724 6<sup>th</sup> year - Teen Leadership Project  
5725 7<sup>th</sup> year - Teen Leadership Project  
5726 8<sup>th</sup> year - Teen Leadership Project

#### Large Animal Skill-a-thon

Will be held on Wednesday during the fair in the large livestock barn from 10 a.m. to noon. Classes will be broke into Junior (9-14) and Senior (15-19) divisions.

5727 Beef Skill-a-thon  
5728 Sheep Skill-a-thon  
5729 Swine Skill-a-thon  
5730 Goat Skill-a-thon

## Department 18X

### Safety and Care

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1. Exhibitors must include an educational poster or notebook with at least three pages of information, pictures would be nice.

#### Cloverbud

- 5731 Cloverbud Safety and Care project
- 5732 Child Care/Babysitting
- 5733 Community Service Project – Individual or club
- 5734 Tractor , machinery, farm safety and care
- 5735 Bicycle, all terrain vehicle, motorcycle safety and care etc.
- 5736 Water, boating, skiing safety care
- 5737 Home fire, severe weather, automobile safety and care
- 5738 Gun, archery, hunting safety and care
- 5739 First Aid Safety – Farm, fire, home, water, emergency preparedness, must include first aid kit.
- 5740 Any other not listed – add exhibit name to exhibit card

## Michigan State Fair

### Gold Ribbon Award For 4-H Youth

1. The Community Arts Departments of the Michigan State Fair offers a Gold Ribbon Award to fairs throughout the state.
2. At the Ionia Free Fair, 4-H judges may award a gold ribbon to the “Best of Show” winner from each qualifying number.
3. These Gold Ribbon Award winners are invited to enter their exhibit at the Michigan State Fair for additional awards and ribbons. There is no entry fee.
4. Gold Ribbons Award winners will be mailed two (2) free passes to the Michigan State Fair.
5. Exhibitors must be Michigan residents.
6. Exhibitors must have a social security number.
7. Sections and numbers that are eligible for the gold ribbons award program are noted in each department.

**ARTWORK** – All pieces must be framed and ready for hanging. **DO NOT USE TAPE FOR ATTACHING HANGING DEVICE!** Artwork should be no larger than 24” in any direction. If you have won a Gold Ribbon for a piece that is larger than designated, you must furnish an easel for display purposes. We do not recommended glass but it will be displayed with the understanding that we are not held responsible for glass breakage.

**PHOTOGRAPHY**-Photos must be ready for hanging and should be hard framed with wire attached for hanging purpose. (If hard frame is not available, it must be framed with a 4-ply matting). The recommended minimum size of a photo is 5”x7” and the maximum is 24” in either direction. If your wining photo does meet the recommended size make a note on the entry form. If you fee that your piece requires an easel, furnish with your photo. People photos (5x7 or smaller) may be displayed on tabletop easel. Must furnish your own.

**LITERARY**-presentation is a part of judging. Literary includes poetry (the art of writing stories, poems and thought into verse) and prose (ordinary writing as distinguished from poetry).

Entry forms, packing and mailing information, dates and deadlines will be available at: MSU Extension office, (616) 527-5357 or 4-H headquarters on the fairgrounds.