# Department 14 - Plant and Soil Science

Project Number 70001, 70002, 70003 Superintendents: Judy Alford, Rose McMahon

Entry Day – 1 p.m. – 8 p.m. Thursday of the fair

Judging Day – Thursday of the fair

Judging Time – 1 p.m. - 8 p.m., face to face judging only

Check Out – Exhibits will be released between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. on Sunday

## Requirements:

- Youth enrolled in 4-H, FFA, or other youth groups in a supervised field crop project are eligible to participate in this
  project.
- Field crops exhibited must be of the current year's crop unless noted and from the exhibitor's own fields.
- Hay must be thoroughly cured and haylage must be fermented.
- Dry hay exhibits should be a 4 inch thick slice from a small square bale or equivalent amount cut from large round or square bale and placed in a clear plastic bag.
- Haylage and silage exhibits should be a completely filled (approximately 4 quarts), one gallon sized zip lock clear bag.
   Corn silage may be from previous falls' harvest.
- Small grain exhibits should be a completely filled (approximately 4 quarts), one gallon-sized zip lock clear bag. Label with variety.
- Small grain sheaves should be 3 to 4 inches in diameter, dried, cured and labeled with variety.
- Corn grain must be shown on the cob, husked, and labeled with hybrid and maturity.
- Corn stalks must include root placed in plastic bag. Stalks must be tied and labeled with hybrid and maturity

#### MOST UNUSUAL PLANT GROWING SITUATION CONTEST

- 1. Category Vegetables
- 2. Category Houseplants and garden flowers

Contestants must have exhibited 5 items in Department 14. Participants can enter by completing a short entry form available at the Extension Office. Must include a photo of vegetable or plant growing in an unique situation. Photograph must have a sign in it depicting the year it was grown or the situation in which it existed. The winner in each category will receive a \$25.00 prize.

 PREMIUMS
 1st
 2nd
 3rd
 4th

 Classes A through E
 2.50
 2.25
 2.00
 1.75

#### CLASS A - GROWING CORN - Project Code 70001

Lot Numbers

- 1. Corn, 8 ears, husked, identify variety and maturity
- 2. Corn, shelled, 4 qts. identify variety, may be from previous year
- 3. Corn, high-moisture, 4 qts. must be fermented
- 4. Corn, 3 stalks, identify variety and maturity, tied, roots placed in plastic bag

### CLASS B - GROWING FORAGE - Project Code 70002

Lot Numbers

- 1. Alfalfa Sheaf, 2 3" in diameter
- 2. Red Clover, Sheaf, 3 4" in diameter
- 3. Alfalfa hay first cutting may contain some grass.
- 4. Alfalfa hay second or subsequent cutting may contain some grass.
- 5. Grass or mixed hay must be predominantly grass
- 6. Haylage 1st crop.
- 7. Haylage 2nd crop
- 8. Corn silage from previous year

## CLASS C - GROWING SMALL GRAINS - Project Code 70003

Lot Numbers

- 1. Barley, 4 qts. identify variety
- 2. Oats, 4 qts. identify variety
- 3. Wheat, 4 qts. identify variety
- 4. Soybeans, 4 qts.- from previous year identify variety

- 5. Any other small grain, 4 qts. identify species and variety
- 6. Barley, sheaf identify variety
- 7. Oats, sheaf identify variety
- 8. Soybeans, sheaf 2½ 3" diameter at neck, freshly cut identify variety
- 9. Wheat, sheaf identify variety

#### **CLASS D - OTHER FIELD CROPS**

Lot Number

1. Exhibit any other field crop not listed above, identify variety

#### **CLASS E - COLLECTION CROP WEEDS AND DISEASES**

Lot Numbers

- 1. Collection of 10 weeds with identification (dried, pressed and mounted on 14"x 22" poster board)
- 2. Collection of 5 crop specimens showing symptoms of diseases with identification and description of how they harm plants (mounted on 14"x 22" poster board)

### CLASS F - PLANT AND SOIL SCIENCE SELF-DETERMINED - Project Code 191

Self-determined project exhibits are records of projects not listed in the premium list or an expansion of a traditional project beyond limits of the project or in greater depth than the project outlines.

- Posters MUST be 14" x 22".
- Scrapbooks MUST be 8 ½"x 11" or 12" x 12".

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	2.50	2.25	2.00	1.75

Lot Numbers:

- 1. A poster promoting your self-determined project
- 2. An article made during current year with a 3 x 5 inch card attached identifying resources. The article should be of reasonable size to exhibit in the Expo building
- 3. A collection made during current year with a 3 x 5 inch card identifying work done
- 4. A scrapbook with story or essay, drawings, and photos of project work done during the current enrollment year.
- 5. Any other self-determined project not listed above.