



2026

Family Department

Rule Book

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CHECK IN SCHEDULE

Fair Week October 5-10, 2026

Monday between 8:30am and 6:00pm

Handicrafts
Art

Needlework
Canned Goods Flowers

Baked Goods Photography
Promotional Media

Check In Time for Cut Flowers ONLY

Tuesday, Between 8:30am-9:00am

JUDGING Starts at **9:00am on Tuesday**

Check In Time for Baked Goods ONLY

(Baked items will be accepted throughout the day)

Monday--Between 4:00pm-6:00pm

JUDGING starting at 6:00pm on Monday

WINNERS PHOTO SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 10, 2025 (BRC @ 10:00am)

WINNERS OF; GRANDS, RESERVES, BEST OF SHOW, MOST BLUE RIBBONS,
MOST ORIGINAL BAKED GOOD, MOST UNIQUE FLOWER CONTAINER,
HONORABLE MENTION

*******CHECK OUT SCHEDULE*******

Saturday, October 10, 2025 after 6p

Or

Sunday, October 11, 2025 9:00am-10am

******Any items that are left will be discarded, unless prior arrangements are made. The family department committee will not be in charge of items left.***

RULES AND REGULATIONS

All entries in the Family Department will be subject to the general rules and regulations published in this catalog.

1. **ELIGIBILITY:** All articles must be clean and in good condition. No articles may be exhibited for prizes that are not listed in this catalog. All entries must be in the names of the craftsman. Articles exhibited in previous Fairs will not be eligible to compete for prizes. Only residents of Jackson County and for a member of Extension related organization and those who attend Jackson County School district and / are home school in Jackson County are eligible.

Only Non-Professional participants may compete. Persons not receiving the majority of their income from the category entered.

Professionals may display

2. **IDENTIFICATION:** I.D. Tags for all entries will be at the County extension Office that you may pick up ahead of time. This will show the exhibitors' name, phone number, and will be attached to the entry. Clothing must have coat hangers to be displayed on.

3. **ENTRY Age Groups:**

Youth

- Preschool and under (not eligible for scholarship)
- Sub-Junior----Kindergarten 5-9 yrs. Old
- Junior----10-13 yrs. Old
- Senior----14-19 yrs. Old

Adult/Golden Age

- Over 19 yrs. Old and older

Silver Streaks

- Nursing Home Residence

4. **Awards:** All entries will be scored and awarded ribbons as follows: A Most Outstanding youth will be selected from Blue Ribbons and will be awarded during the Livestock Auction. In addition, a Grand Champion and Reserve Champion may be selected from the blue ribbon winners in each class, depending on the discretion of the judges. The Grand and reserve winners will be awarded a small rosette. If the judges feel special recognition needs to be given to a participant, an Honorable Mention rosette will be awarded.

- A "***Best of Show***" winner will be chosen from all the Grand Champion winners and awarded a trophy.

5. **DUPLICATION:** There will be no duplication of entries. Judgment of duplication is left up to the discretion of the appropriate Division Chairman.
6. **RESPONSIBILITY OF LOSS:** The Family Department Committee will not be held responsible for the loss of theft of items and/or ribbons lost during the Fair. All due precautions will be

exercised by the committee. Acts of God, such as humidity, gravity, or wind destroying items will not be the responsibility of the committee.

The committee will not be responsible for items left after fair pick-up.

Baked Products



Rules:

Each baked product entry must be accompanied by the recipe. Recipe must be legible and neat on an 8 ½ x 11in piece of paper, with the exhibitor's name on the back. A recipe book will be made from these pages. Entries will be received between 4pm-5:45 pm. Judging will begin at 6:00pm. Please tell the Chairman if you wish to donate the rest of the baked good.

Classes:

1. Breads (Cinnamon rolls, Kolaches)
 - a. Yeast
 - b. Quick Breads

Whole loaves will need to be placed in Gallon Ziploc bags. Two (2) roll, etc. will be on a 6" plate in a Ziploc bag. (bread machine permitted, but homemade ingredients used).
2. Candy

4 pieces on a 6" plate in Ziploc bag
3. Cookies and Cookie Bars (Brownies)
 - A. Homemade
 - B. Mix

Place 4 cookies or bars on a 6" plate in Ziploc bag
4. Pies (Custards/ Fruit/ Nut/ Cheesecakes)
 - A. Homemade (Homemade filling and crust)
 - B. Mix/Bought Crust

The whole pie will need to be placed in Ziploc bag.
5. Cakes
 - A. Homemade
 - b. Mix

The whole cake to be placed in clear wrap or Ziploc bag.
6. Miscellaneous

Cobblers; specialty food recipes

Whole cobbler to be placed in clear wrap or Ziploc bag.
7. Decorated *****

(The cake will not be tasted; may use Styrofoam or formable cake to be judged) Only decorating will be judged.

 - A. Cake
 - B. Cupcake
 - C. Miscellaneous

Most Creative: Special Trophy only award (Youth & Adult).
Judged on: Looks, Originality, Appearance, and Presentation

NOTE DUPLICATION: Limit 3 items per class



Handicraft

May include:

1. Decorated Wood
2. Decorated Metal
3. Arrangements (silk)
4. Decorated Apparel (Shirts, vest, shoes, etc.)
5. Personal Accessories
6. Home Accessories
7. Dolls
8. Model Kits
9. Holiday and Seasonal Decorations
10. Miscellaneous Crafts (Not categorized-glass vases, terra-cotta art, leather work, fabric covered)

If the item hangs, bring your hanger! If you are a professional, please
remember we can display your work
We love looking at New and fresh ideas!

Canned products



May include:

1. Fruit
 2. Vegetables
 3. Jams & Preserves
 4. Jellies & Butters
 5. Pickles (Tasted)
 6. Salsa (Tasted)
 7. Relishes
 8. Honey (Harvested In Jackson County)
 9. Miscellaneous
- All canned goods must be exhibited in standard canning jars. (Kerr or Ball) and must be in ¼ pint up to 1-quart sized standard jars. Each must have complete closure, (includes screw band). Odd shape jars and closures will not be accepted. Check the side of the jar for Ball or Kerr name. (If the company name is on the bottom of the jar, it is not a standard jar). Jars, lids, and bands must be clean and free of rust.
 - No adhesive labels are to be placed on entries.
 - Do not write your name on top of jar lid.
 - You can write the name of the contents on the lid
 - Write the name of canned good on entry ticket.

Poetry



May include:

Adult

Youth (Age as of 9/1/07)

- a. Pre-Junior (8 years and under) b. Sub-Junior (9-10 years)
- b. Junior (11-13 years) c. Senior (14-18 years)

Rules:

- Original poetry—One (1) page, FRAMED and legible.
- Must be ready to hang.

Plants



May include:

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| Cut Specimens | Potted Plants |
| Ferns | Foliage Plants |
| Blooming Plants | Succulents |
| Hanging Baskets | Ivy |
| Fresh Flower Arrangements | Dish Gardens |
| Terrarium | African Violets |
| Tub Plants | |

All entries must have the common name of the plant in plain view; this may be done using a Popsicle stick type marker.

Plant entry check-in is **Monday** between 8:30am and 6:00pm.

Check In Time for Cut Flowers ONLY

Tuesday, Between 8:30am-9:00am

JUDGING Starts **9:00am on Tuesday**

Needlework and Clothing



Classes:

1. Needlepoint
2. Seasonal Decorations
3. Quilts
 - a) All Handmade
 - b) All Machine Made
 - c) Machine Sewn Hand Quilted
4. Counted Cross Stitch
5. Latch Hook
6. Crochet
7. Clothing (Please bring a hanger to display garments)
 - A) Formal-Prom/wedding dresses/evening dresses (please bring a hanger)
 - B) Specialty and Costumes (please bring a hanger)
8. Embroidery



Photography



Classes:

1. Color
 - a. animals
 - b. scenery/still life
 - c. people
 - d. digitally enhanced/special effects
 2. Black/White
 - a. animals
 - b. scenery/still life
 - c. people
 - d. digitally enhanced/special effects
1. Photography entries are open to amateur photographers. Amateur photographers are those persons who make less than 30% of their annual income on photography.
 2. **All photographs must be mounted on mats and have some sort of hanger attached for display.**
(Please, no glass)

Please label all photographs with a name and phone numbers on the back of the entry.

NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED IN FRAMES!

Art



May include:

1. Oil
2. Pen & Ink
3. Water Color
4. Pencil
5. Miscellaneous

RULES:

- Only non-professional artists of Jackson County may compete.
- Adult entries will be judged separately from the youth.
- All entries must be ready to hang and have an entry tag attached in the right-hand corner with the person's name and phone number. Entry tags are available in the Art Building during check-in time.

YOUTH

- P) Preschool
K) Kindergarten
1) First Grade
2) Second Grade
3) Third Grade
4) Fourth Grade
5) Fifth Grade
6) Sixth Grade

- 7) Seventh Grade
8) Eighth Grade
9) Ninth Grade
10) Tenth Grade
11) Eleventh Grade
12) Twelfth Grade

RULES:

All entries in the art department will be subject to the general rules and regulations published elsewhere in this catalog.

Only entries from 3rd grade - 12th grade will be judged.

Preschool - 2nd grade entries will be awarded a ribbon. Ribbons will be delivered or mailed to a school or daycare if requested. These should be attached to the individual entries before they are mounted to craft paper.

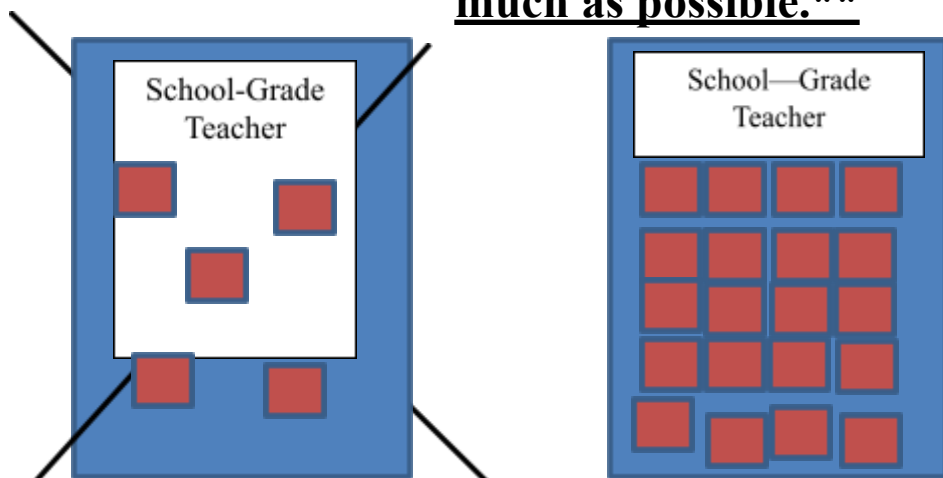
Preschool - 12th grade pictures drawn at school will be limited to one entry per student.

Preschool - 12th graders may enter one other picture created at home.

A grand champion and reserve champion will be selected from each grade level for grades 6th - 12th, if merited and a Youth Best of Show will be selected from grand champion's grades.

A Youth Best of Show will be selected from the grand champion's grades 6th - 12th.

****Please attach the artwork to craft type paper (30" - 36" wide x 7' long) to be hung *vertically*. Any class craft paper longer than 7 feet will be cut off. Space is limited, so please combine as much as possible.****



Art teachers must understand that JCYPF will do the best to maintain the integrity of artwork and cannot guarantee damage will not be done.

Artwork should be attached to craft paper with staples, hot glue or Elmer's glue. Rubber cement, tape, stick glue and glue dots are not recommended due to the humidity in the art building.

Decorating with candy or food items is not recommended due to humidity, insects and rodents.

<i>School</i>
<i>Name</i>
<i>Grade</i>
<i>Medium used</i>
<i>Contact #</i>

Each entry should either have an index card with name, school and grade on it in the upper right-hand corner to which a ribbon will be stapled after judging or should be attached to the craft paper such that a ribbon can be stapled directly to the artwork after judging. If you need tags, please contact the family department chairman, or

individual tags can be made by using an index card and including the information as listed below.

*Each individual, school/daycare must have their own representative to **PICK UP** artwork.*

The Jackson County Youth Fair is NOT responsible for damage to artwork.

(Because of the Humidity, the papers do get soft and tear)

The Jackson County Youth Fair is not responsible for any artwork left at the Brackenridge Recreation Center after the pickup time!

Check in Time for schools and day cares:

Monday, October 5, 8:30am and Noon

Check Out Time:

Saturday, October 10, 2026 after 6p

Or

Sunday, October 11, 2026 9:00am-10am

