



Dinwiddie Extension Contests, Exhibits Rules and Regulations

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REGISTER:



Registration open now through September 29 at <https://bit.ly/deofair> or use the QR code to complete the online form!

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact VCE Dinwiddie at 804-469-4514 during business hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to discuss accommodations 5 days prior to the event. *TDD number is (800) 828-1120.

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Please call the Dinwiddie Extension Office, 804-469-4514, for details on fair entries.

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General Rules and Regulations

1. Entries are welcome from Dinwiddie and adjacent Virginia counties and cities.
2. Registration will be done online this year and will be accepted through **September 29, 2023. Cutoff for entries to arrive at fairgrounds for judging is 12:00 p.m. on October 6, 2023. Judging will follow.**
3. Exhibitors may enter **only one** article **per class** but may enter as many classes as desired.
4. **No article will be accepted** unless it has a class listed for it in the rules/regulations. Articles entered in Oddity or Exhibitor's Choice classes **must not** fit in any class listed. (Give a description of these classes on the registration)
5. The exhibitors are **solely** responsible for deciding the proper class for their entry; entries improperly classified will not be changed or judged. We reserve the right to accept or refuse an exhibit.
6. Exhibits must be made or grown in the last 12 months by the person entering the exhibit.
7. Where any conflict occurs between these general rules and the special rules governing the different departments, the department rules will take precedence.
8. The Dinwiddie County Fair will not be responsible for any accident or injury to the person or property of any exhibitor, spectator, attendant, or any other person from any cause whatsoever. The Agency will provide sufficient security from Friday, October 6, 2023, starting at 6 p.m. through Monday, October 9, 2023, until 12 p.m.
9. The exhibitor agrees to indemnify the Dinwiddie Extension Office and Dinwiddie Parks & Recreation against any claim or liability for damage to his/her animal or equipment. Any insurance desired on any entry or animal must be acquired by the exhibitor.
10. All articles received will be entirely under the control and authority of the management of the Fair. No exhibitor will be allowed to remove, handle, or rearrange the exhibit.
11. Entries will be accepted in each department on a first come basis. The exhibitor will be advised if all space has been assigned prior to the receipt of an entry. Space will be assigned by the chairperson in charge.
12. If it is ascertained that an exhibitor or person associated with an exhibitor has made or caused to make a false statement regarding any animal or articles exhibited, or if exhibitor shall attempt to interfere with the judges in the performance of their duties, the exhibitor shall be excluded from competing or from exhibition on the grounds of the Fair.

Judging and Department Rules

1. The decision of the judges will be final.
2. Competition is open to all interested parties. Youth is 18 or younger and Adults 19 and older.
3. Awards (youth only): 1st – Blue Ribbon, \$4.00; 2nd – Red Ribbon, \$3.00; 3rd – White Ribbon, \$2.00
4. Contest items **may be removed at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 8, 2023, or 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. on Monday, October 9, 2023.** Any items not removed on Monday will be properly disposed of.
5. Ribbons will be posted on all exhibits before the fair opens on **Friday at 6 p.m., October 6, 2023.**
6. The stub from the exhibit tag must be presented to redeem the ribbon.
7. **Ribbons/items not picked up by 10:00 a.m. Monday, October 9, 2023, will be moved to the Dinwiddie Extension Office, Dinwiddie.**
8. The right is reserved by the Fair to withhold the prizes awarded in every case in which it shall appear the regulations have not been complied with, or that fraud or deception has been attempted, or where the article is not worthy. Its decision shall be final and binding on all parties.

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DEPARTMENT A – FIELD CROPS, VEGETABLES, FRUITS, EGGS

Exhibit Check-In Time: October 6, 2023, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Exhibit Pick-Up Time: October 8, 2023, by 6:00 p.m. or October 9, 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

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Department A Rules

1. Each exhibitor may have only one exhibit in each class.
2. Each exhibit must have specified number of specimens.
3. Each exhibit must have been harvested within past 12 months.
4. Each exhibit must be packaged/bundled prior to entrance.
5. Any item may be removed by department supervisor if deemed necessary (i.e. spoilage)
6. Awards: Unless otherwise specified, prize money is as follows: First Place - \$4, Second place - \$3; Third Place -\$2 (Youth only)

DIVISION –

Adult or Youth

Note: Youth 18 and younger;

Adult – 19 and older

SECTION I – Row Crops

Class

1. Peanuts (6 plants) Non-Irrig
2. Peanuts (6 plants) Irrigated
3. Soybeans (6 plants)
4. Sorghum/Milo (3 plants)
5. Cotton (3 stalks, include roots & remove leaves)
6. Sunflowers (3 stalks)
7. Tobacco (3 bundles)
8. Corn, Non-irrigated (5 stalks) – unhusked
9. Corn Irrig (5 stalks) – unhusked
10. Corn, Non-Irrigated (10 ears) husked
11. Corn, Irrigated (10 ears) – Husked
12. Corn, Tallest Ear
13. Oddities
14. Exhibitor Choice

SECTION II – Small Grain/Seed

(entries should be made in one-quart plastic bags or jars)

Class

1. Wheat
2. Oats
3. Rye
4. Barley
5. Milo
6. Oddities
7. Exhibitor Choice

SECTION III – HAY

(Attractive Bale or Bundle)

Class

1. Mixed Hay
2. Fescue
3. Orchard
4. Oddities
5. Exhibitor Choice

SECTION IV – Vegetables

Class

1. Beets, 6 with 1-inch stems
2. Cantaloupe, 3 specimens
3. Carrots, 6 roots with 1-inch tops
4. Citron, Melon, 2 specimens
5. Corn, Sweet (with husks), 6 ears
6. Cucumber, Slicing, 4 specimens
7. Cucumber, Small pickling, 8 specimen
8. Cushaw, 1 specimen
9. Eggplants, 2 specimens
10. Display of Indian Corn, 3 ears
11. Display of miniature Indian Corn, 3 ears
12. Butter Beans
 - a. large, fresh, unshelled, 1 quart plastic bag
 - b. large, fresh, shelled 1 pint plastic bag
 - c. small, fresh, unshelled 1 quart plastic bag
 - d. small, fresh, shelled 1 pint plastic bag
13. Okra, 1 quart
14. Onions
 - a. white (mature), 6 bulbs

- b. red (mature), 6 bulbs
 - c. yellow (mature), 6 bulbs
 - d. green (immature), 6 bulbs
 - e. onion sets, 1 quart
15. Parsnips, (tops removed), 6 roots
 16. Peppers
 - a. banana, 5 specimens
 - b. hot (mature), 12 specimens
 - c. pimiento, 5 specimens
 - d. sweet, (bell-type, mature, green), 5 specimens
 17. Popcorn, 4 ears
 18. Radishes, 6 roots with 1-inch stems
 19. Snap beans, Green, 1 quart
 20. Snap beans, yellow wax, 1 quart
 21. Southern Peas
 - a. blackeye, green unshelled 1 quart
 - b. other varieties, green shelled, 1 pint plastic bag
 - c. other varieties, green, unshelled 1 quart
 - d. crowder peas, purple, unshelled, 1 quart
 22. Squash, summer,
 - a. white, 3 specimens
 - b. yellow, 3 specimens
 - c. green, 3 specimens
 - d. patty pan, 3 specimens
 23. Squash, winter
 - a. acorn, 3 specimens
 - b. butternut, 3 specimens
 - c. Hubbard, 3 specimens
 - d. Mexican hat, 3 specimens

24. Sunflower, (largest head, best quality), 1 head
25. Tomatoes
 - a. cherry, 1 quart
 - b. grape, 1 quart
 - c. red ripe, 5 specimens
 - d. yellow ripe, 5 specimens
 - e. roma ripe, 5 specimens
 - f. tomatillo, 5 specimens
26. Turnips, (tops removed), 6
Roots
27. Vegetable Basket (minimum 6 different vegetables)
28. Vegetable Sculpture
29. Zucchini
30. Oddities
31. Exhibitor Choice

SECTION V - Irish Potatoes

Class

1. White, 6 specimens
2. Yellow, 6 specimens
3. Red, 6 specimens
4. Purple, 6 specimens
5. Oddities
6. Exhibitor Choice

SECTION VI - Sweet Potatoes

Class

1. Potatoes, Sweet, 6 specimens
2. Oddity
3. Exhibitor choice

SECTION VII - PUMPKINS

Class

1. Pumpkins, Largest of good quality & variety) 1 specimen
2. Pumpkin, field type
3. Oddities
4. Exhibitor Choice

SECTION VIII - WATERMELONS

Class

1. Watermelon (with stem)
2. Watermelon (moon & stars)
3. Watermelon, largest good
4. Watermelon (ice box)
5. Oddity
6. Exhibitor Choice

SECTION IX - FRUITS AND NUTS

Class

- 1 Apples, red, 4 specimens
2. Apples, yellow, 4 specimens
3. Blackberries, 1 pint
4. Blueberries, 1 pint
5. Chestnuts, (unshelled) 1 quart

6. Crabapples, 1 pint
7. Figs, 4 specimens
8. Grapes, American Table, 1 pint
9. Grapes, Muscadine, 1 pint
10. Peaches, 4 specimens
11. Pears, 4 specimens
12. Pecans, (unshelled) 1 quart
13. Persimmons, 3 specimens
14. Plums, 4 specimens
15. Oddities
16. Exhibitor Choice

SECTION X - GOURDS

Class

1. Gourds, 3 specimens
2. Gourd, ornamental, not less Than 5
3. Oddities
4. Exhibitor Choice

SECTION XI - EGGS

Class

1. Eggs, brown, ½ doz.
2. Eggs, white, ½ doz.
3. Eggs, largest, ½ doz.
4. Eggs, Pullet, ½ doz.
5. Eggs, Guinea, ½ doz.
6. Oddities
7. Exhibitor Choice



DEPARTMENT B - BAKED GOODS

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Department B Rules

1. All baked goods become property of the Dinwiddie County Fair.
2. Commercially prepared mixes, pie shells, or fillings may not be used.
3. Recipe must be submitted with all baked goods. Entries without recipe will not be accepted.
4. All baked goods must be submitted on disposable plates and covered or sealed with clear plastic wrap or sealable (Ziploc) bags. Baked goods will be disposed of once they become unpresentable during the fair (I.e. Spoilage)
5. Please make sure that you submit the quantity indicated for each category.
6. Exhibitors will not be allowed in the tent during judging.
7. Awards: Unless otherwise specified, prize money for youth only: First Place - \$4, Second Place - \$3, Third Place - \$2.

Judging Criteria:

1. Appearance - Shape, Size, Rounded, Even..... 15 points
2. Crust - Color, Crispness, Thickness, Flaky 20 points
3. Crumb - Texture, Lightness, Moist, Color 30 points
4. Flavor - Taste, Texture, Moist 35 points
5. Total..... 100 points

Quantities for each Class:

1. Cakes - 1 whole cake
2. Pies - 1 whole pie
3. Cookies - 6 each entry
4. Brownies and Candy - 6 each entry

DIVISION -

Adult or Youth

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SECTION I - BREADS

Class

1. Sourdough Bread
2. Bread, White
3. Bread, any other bread
4. Whole Wheat Bread
5. Yeast Rolls
6. Cinnamon Rolls
7. Sourdough Rolls

8. Cinnamon Rolls
9. Biscuits (specify)
10. Buttermilk Biscuits
11. Sourdough Biscuits
12. Angel Biscuits
13. Bran Muffins
14. Cornmeal Muffins
15. Blueberry Muffins
16. Cornbread
17. Banana Bread
18. French Bread
19. Zucchini Bread
20. Oddities
21. Exhibitors Choice

SECTION II - CAKES

Class -

1. Zucchini Cake
2. Angel Food Cake
3. Pound Cake
4. Yellow Layer Cake, Chocolate Frosting
5. Chocolate Layer Cake, Chocolate Frosting
6. Devil's Food Cake
7. Coconut Layer Cake
8. Carrot Cake
9. German Chocolate Cake

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10. Applesauce Cake
11. Raw Apple Cake
12. Fruit Cake
13. Black Walnut Cake
14. Cheese Cake
15. Chiffon Cake
16. Best Decorated Cupcakes
17. Oddities
18. Exhibitors Choice

**SECTION III - DECORATED
CAKES**

* Judged on Appearance

Class

1. Best Decorated

SECTION IV - COOKIES

Class

1. Chocolate Chip
 - a. With nuts
 - b. W/O nuts
2. Oatmeal
3. Peanut Butter
4. Sugar
5. Fancy Christmas
6. Brownies
 - a. Not iced
 - b. Iced
7. Butter
8. Lemon Bar
9. Bar (specify)
10. Oddities
11. Exhibitors Choice

SECTION V - PIES

Class

1. Buttermilk
2. Apple
3. Cherry
4. Lemon Chess
5. Pecan
6. Sweet Potato
7. Coconut
8. Chocolate Chess
9. Peach
10. Pumpkin
11. Squash
12. Oddities
13. Exhibitors Choice

SECTION VI - CANDIES

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Class

1. White Fudge
2. Chocolate Fudge
3. Microwave Chocolate Fudge
4. Peanut Butter
5. Peanut Butter Brittle
6. Chocolate Peanut Butter Balls
7. Seafoam
8. Oddities
9. Exhibitors Choice

**SECTION VII -
MISCELLANEOUS**

Class

A. Artificial Sweetener

Class

1. Cake (specify)
2. Pie (specify)
3. Oddities
4. Exhibitors Choice

B. Low Fat Items

Class

1. Pie (specify)
2. Bread (specify)
3. Muffins (specify)
4. Cake (specify)
5. Oddities
6. Exhibitors Choice

C. Gluten Free Items

Class

1. Bread
2. Desserts
3. Oddities
4. Exhibitors Choice



DEPARTMENT C - CANNED GOODS

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Department C Rules

1. Foods should be canned in standard glass canning jars (such as Kerr, Ball, Anchor-Hocking, etc.) for exhibiting.
2. Jars must be labeled with type of food, date, and preservation method (hot/rawpack, water/pressure/steam, processing time, and PSI for pressure.
3. There must not be names on jars.
4. Rings should be on jars with vacuum sealed lids.
5. Any jar may be opened at the discretion of the judge.
6. All foods must have been canned during the past year.
7. **Paraffin** on top of jellies, preserves or jams **will not** be accepted by judges.
8. Factors to be considered by judges: rusty lids and bands, unclean jars, nonstandard jars, sediment on bottom of jars, foreign matter inside jars, molded food, amount of liquid covering food, amount of head space, uniform pieces, clear liquid, color, etc.

Judging Criteria:

1. Quality (judged by appearance)
2. Uniformity (size, shape, and color). Packed full, right proportion of solids and liquids, attractive, and compact, but not fancy.
3. Quality of Liquid
4. Appearance of Jar (Clear, neatly labeled)

DIVISION -

Adult or Youth

Note: Youth 18 and younger.

Adult - 19 and older

SECTION I - VEGETABLES

Class

1. Beets
2. Black-eyed Peas
3. Carrots
4. Corn (a) white (b) yellow
5. Lima or Butter Beans
6. White Potatoes
7. Peas, garden
8. Pepper
9. Snaps, wax
10. Snaps, green

11. Soup mixture, containing at least 3 vegetables
12. Winter Squash
13. Tomato Juice
14. Tomatoes, chunks
15. Tomatoes, whole, canned in tomato juice
16. Tomatoes, crushed
17. Tomatoes, yellow
18. Best jar of greens
19. Pole Beans, Green
20. Sweet Potatoes
21. Oddities
22. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION II - FRUITS

Class

1. Apples
2. Applesauce
3. Blackberries
4. Strawberries
5. Cherries
6. Peaches
7. Pears
8. Plums
9. Grape juice
10. Oddities
11. Exhibitors Choice

SECTION III - PICKLES, RELISHES, SAUCES, ETC

(small jars)

Score Card for Pickles:

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Condition: firm, tender, crisp
Appearance: color – natural and clear, attractive not fancy pack, proportion of solid to liquid
Appearance of jar: appropriate, neatly labeled

Class

1. Beets
2. Chili sauce
3. Chow Chow
4. Cucumber, sour
5. Cucumber, sweet
6. Dill Pickles
7. Green Tomato
8. Mixed Pickles
9. Sweet Dill
10. Peaches
11. Pears
12. Pepper Relish
13. Tomato Catsup
14. Watermelon Rind
15. Bread & Butter
16. Spaghetti Sauce
17. Cuke Rind
18. Squash, yellow
19. Peppers
20. Kosher Dill
21. Zucchini
22. Cinnamon Pickles
23. Chutney Relish
24. Cucumber Relish
25. Corn Relish
26. Sauerkraut
27. Any other Brand Pickles (specify)
28. Any other Relish (specify)
29. Salsa
30. Marinara Sauce
31. Barbecue Sauce
32. Oddities
33. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION III - JELLIES (small jars)

Judging Criteria

Appearance: natural color, clear, no crystals
Consistency: holds shape, tender quivery

Appearance of jar: appropriate, well covered, neatly labeled

Class

1. Apples
2. Blackberry
3. Grape
4. Plum
5. Strawberry
6. Mint Jelly
7. Peach
8. Damson
9. White Grape
10. Crab Apple
11. Pepper
12. Fruit Sauce
13. Cherry
14. Low Sugar Jellies (specify)
15. Habanero
16. Oddities
17. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION IV - PRESERVES & JAMS (small jars)

Judging Criteria

Appearance: color, clearness
Consistency: even, stiff, not syrupy, sticky, nor sugary

Class

1. Blackberry
2. Cherry
3. Grape
4. Peach
5. Pear
6. Plum
7. Strawberry
8. Tomato
9. Watermelon Rind
10. Fig
11. Blueberry
12. 2 or 4 Fruits (conserve)
13. Damson
14. Low Sugar (specify)
15. Oddities
16. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION V - SYRUPS/CANNED JUICES

Judging Criteria

Appearance: color, clarity
Consistency: flows freely, not too thick

Class

1. Fruit Juice
2. Fruit Syrup

SECTION VI – FLAVORED VINEGARS

Judging Criteria

Appearance: Color, added ingredients, no artificial coloring, free from any excessive sediment, clarity

SECTION VII – MEATS, POULTRY, SEAFOOD

Judging Criteria

Appearance: uniform pieces of same to comparable size and shape, free from fat and gristle, no unnatural cloudiness

Class

1. Beef
2. Lamb
3. Venison
4. Chicken
5. Rabbit
6. Squirrel
7. Pork
8. Bear
9. Fish
10. Oddities
11. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION VIII – DRIED FOODS

Judging Criteria

Appearance: color, size and shape, texture

Class

1. Vegetable
2. Fruit
3. Herbs
4. Leathers
5. Jerky

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DEPARTMENT D - HORTICULTURE - FLOWERS AND HERBS

Exhibit Check-In Time: October 6, 2023, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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Department D Rules

1. Any amateur grower may exhibit in the following sections.
2. Entries must be fresh flowers/herbs only, grown by exhibitor, free of insects.
3. Each exhibitor may have only one exhibit in each classification.
4. A specimen is a single blossom or single stem of blossoms.
5. A collection consists of 4 or more assorted colors or different varieties.
6. Exhibitors must furnish containers. These containers must be clean, neat, with no labels, filled with water, and weighted where necessary. (An excellent container for a specimen or a collection is a transparent glass bottle with no labels that are approximately 2/3 the height of the flower or flowers to be judged.)
7. Potted plants must weigh no more than 20 lbs. max.
8. There will be only first, second and third place ribbons awarded in each classification.
9. Cut flowers/herbs may not look good for the entire fair. Any item may be removed by the department supervisor if deemed necessary (i.e., spoilage).
10. Any flower/herb left at the exhibit area after 10:00 a.m. on Monday, October 9, 2023, will be discarded and ribbons will be available for pick-up at the Extension Office.
11. Awards: Unless otherwise specified, prize money for youth only: First Place - \$4, Second Place - \$3, Third Place - \$2. Participants will be notified when prizes are ready to be picked up at the Extension Office.

DIVISION - ADULT OR YOUTH

Youth - 18 and younger

Adult - 19 and older

SECTION I - PETUNIAS

Class

1. Specimen
 - a. Single
 - b. Double
2. Collections
 - a. Single
 - b. Double
 - c. Mixed
3. Oddities
4. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION II - MARIGOLDS

Class

1. Specimen
 - a. French
 - b. American

- c. Other
2. Collections
 - a. French
 - b. American
 - c. Mixed
3. Oddities
4. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION III - ZINNIAS

Class

1. Specimen
 - a. small varieties - under 1 1/2"
 - b. medium varieties - 1 1/2"-3"
 - c. large varieties - over 3"
2. Collections
 - a. small varieties
 - b. medium varieties
 - c. large varieties
 - d. Mixed varieties
3. Oddities
4. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION IV - DAHLIAS

Class

1. Specimen
 - a. Miniature - under 2"
 - b. Small - 2"-4"
 - c. Large - 4"-8"
 - d. Giant - over 8"
2. Collections
 - a. Miniature
 - b. Small
 - c. Large
 - d. Giant
 - e. Combination
3. Oddities
4. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION V- CHRYSANTHEMUM

Class

1. Specimen
 - a. Small or Button

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- b. Regular
- c. Giant or Football
- 2. Collection
- 3. Oddities
- 4. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION VI - COSMOS

Class

- 1. Specimen
- 2. Collection
- 3. Oddities
- 4. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION VII- GLADIOLA

Class

- 1. Specimen
- 2. Collection
- 3. Oddities
- 4. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION VIII- ROSES

Class

- 1. Specimen
 - a. red varieties
 - b. pink varieties
 - c. Orange/peach varieties
 - d. yellow varieties
 - e. White varieties
 - f. Bi-color varieties
 - g. other color varieties
 - h. Miniature varieties
- 2. Collection
 - a. Regular varieties
 - b. Miniature varieties
- 3. Oddities
- 4. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION IX- COXCOMB

Class

- 1. Specimen
 - a. Crested
 - b. Plume
 - c. Other (specify)
- 2. Collection
- 3. Oddities
- 4. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION X- ASTERS

Class

- 1. Specimen
- 2. Collection
- 3. Oddities
- 4. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION XI- SUNFLOWERS

(Heads grown for decoration)

Class

- 1. Specimen
 - a. Single
 - b. Double
- 2. Collection
- 3. Oddities
- 4. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION XII- ANY OTHER FLOWERS

Class

- 1. Specimen
 - a. Any other annual
 - b. Any other perennial
 - c. Any grown from bulb
 - d. Any shrub
 - e. Any wildflower
- 2. Collection
 - a. Annuals
 - b. Perennials
 - c. Bulbs
 - d. Shrubs
 - e. Wildflowers
 - f. Garden mixture
- 3. Oddities
- 4. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION XIII- POTTED PLANTS

Class

- 1. African Violets
 - a. White
 - b. Pink
 - c. Purple
 - d. Red/Rose
 - e. Blue/violet
 - f. Variegated blossom
- 2. Begonias
 - a. small leaf
 - b. large leaf
- 3. Ferns
- 4. Ornamental vegetables

5. Foliage

- a. small leaf
- b. large leaf
- 6. Flowering
- 7. Dish Garden
- 8. Cactus/Succulents
- 9. Cactus Garden
- 10. Orchid
- 11. Any other potted plant (specify)
- 12. Oddities
- 13. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION XIV - Herbs

Class

- 1. Basil
- 2. Mint
- 3. Lavender
- 4. Parsley
- 5. Garlic
- 6. Rosemary
- 7. Thyme
- 8. Tarragon
- 9. Sage
- 10. Garlic Bulbs
- 11. Oregano
- 12. Dried Herbs
- 13. Any Other (Specify)
- 14. Oddities
- 15. Exhibitors' Choice

SECTION XV- ARRANGEMENTS

Arrangements must consist of freshly grown materials. Containers should be appropriate to class and should be deep enough to hold water for several days and to contain "Oasis" and weights when needed. Arrangements will be judged on materials, design, and appropriateness to class.

Class

- 1. "Summer Life"
- 2. "Celebrate Independence"
- 3. "End of Summer"
- 4. "Harvest Home"
- 5. "Silent Night"
- 6. "Happy New Year" (one blossom)
- 7. Oddities
- 8. Exhibitors' Choice

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DEPARTMENT E - ANTIQUE TRACTOR AND EQUIPMENT

Bring your tractor or equipment out to the Annual Dinwiddie County Fair to be held October 6-8, 2023, at Virginia Motorsports Park. We will have 2 classes for entry, and it is open to adults 19 and older. Tractors & Equipment will be displayed during the fair for visitors to look over. Please call the office (804-469-4514) for any questions.

Exhibit Check-In Time: October 5, 2023, 12:00 p.m. - October 6, 2023, 12:00 p.m.

Exhibit Pick-Up Time: October 8, 2023, by 6:00 p.m. or October 9, 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Contact Information: Dinwiddie Extension Office, (804) 469-4514

Please note: Any recognition awarded and not picked up by October 9, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., can pick it up at the Extension Office.

Department E Rules

1. Registration is all online this year. Registration must be filled out prior to registration at the fairgrounds.
2. Equipment must be labeled - Make, Model, Year, & owner's name displayed.
3. Batteries must be disconnected after entry.
4. You must provide a muffler cover for tractors.
5. Please contact the Extension Office if you are unable to pick up your equipment before the deadline to plan pick up time with the office.
6. If you are okay with pictures being taken and used, please remember to fill out a waiver at the time of registration.
7. All liability concerns are addressed in the General Rules section of the fair booklet.
8. No equipment will be moved or started during fair hours unless department/official representatives are present.

DIVISION -

Adult - 19 and older

SECTION I - TRACTORS

Class

1. Antique Show - 1959 and older
2. Antique Working - 1959 and older
3. Antique Rare
4. Vintage Show - 1960-1970
5. Vintage Working - 1960-1970
6. Vintage Rare

Section II - Farm Equipment

Class

1. Planters
2. Tillage equipment
3. Harvesting equipment
4. Sprayers
5. Exhibitor's Choice

Section III - Hand Tools

Class

1. Gardening
2. Row Crops
3. Woodworking
4. Machinery Repair
5. Exhibitor's Choice



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DEPARTMENT F - CREATIVE ART EXHIBITS

Exhibit Check-In Time: October 6, 2023, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Exhibit Pick-Up Time: October 8, 2023, by 6:00 p.m. or October 9, 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Contact Information: Dinwiddie Extension Office, (804) 469-4514

Please note: any item left at the tent after 10:00 a.m. on Monday, along with ribbons will be available for pick up at the Extension office. Items may be removed by the department supervisor if deemed necessary. i.e., spoilage

Department F Rules

1. Pre-registration (online) is required 1 week before Dinwiddie County Fair.
2. Must comply with all rules.
3. Sections II-VII will be judged in the following groups: Cloverbuds (ages 5-8), Juniors (ages 9-13), Seniors (ages 14-18), and Adults (ages 19+)
4. Participant does not need to be present.
5. All uses of a 4-H Club Name or Emblem shall be consistent with the educational purposes, character building objectives and dignity of the 4-H program. 4-H Club Name or Emblem shall be given position of prominence. It is not permissible to superimpose any letter, design, or object on the 4-H Emblem, or to materially alter its intended shape.
6. You may not include copyrighted characters, images, or materials.
7. Awards: Unless otherwise specified, prize money is as follows: First Place - \$4, Second place - \$3; Third Place - \$2 (Youth only)

DIVISION -

Adult or Youth

Note: Youth 18 and younger.

Adult - 19 and older

SECTION I-

4-H CLUB EXHIBIT

ALL BOOTHS SHALL BE

JUDGED ON THE

FOLLOWING POINTS:

- Effective message (caption or title sign) (15%)
Short, catchy, appropriate, well worded, to cover subject and suggest action when appropriate
- Draws attention. (20%) An attention getter that reinforces the main idea.
Something unusual:

- motion, light design, and/or color.
- Holds attention. (25%) Tells a coherent, clear-cut one-idea message quickly.
Arouses curiosity about the subject. It has systematic arrangements that are easy to follow to tell the story.
- Shows what is being done in individual clubs (15%)
- Shows what club members learned in projects and activities

- and how they applied this knowledge.
- Shows where assistance and more information is available (5%)
- Presents pleasing appearance. (10%)
- The exhibit and material are artistic, neat, and attractive. Good balance.
- Uses explanatory material effectively. (10%)
- Material brief easy to read. Size of charts, maps, placards, and letters adequate.

SECTION II- HOME IMPROVEMENT AND CRAFTS

Class

1. Pencil Can
2. Pillow

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3. Decorative wall hangings
4. Christmas ornament
5. Leather Craft
6. Terrariums
7. Tie dying
8. Jewelry
9. Legos
10. Craft made from popsicle sticks
11. Picture frame
12. Trash to treasure
13. Scrap book
14. Book report
15. Decorated hat
16. Bookmark
17. Key chain
18. Braided Item
19. Crochet
20. Knitting
21. Miscellaneous (specify)

SECTION III- ART

Class

1. Charcoal
2. String art
3. Watercolor
4. Tempera
5. Oils
6. Acrylics
7. Crayon drawing
8. Pencil sketches
9. Collages
10. Sculpture
11. Model rocket
12. Model car
13. Pencil drawing (colored)
14. Origami
15. Pastels
16. Markers
17. Mosaic
18. Chalk
19. Pen and Ink
20. Miscellaneous (specify)

SECTION IV- WILDLIFE

Class

1. Insect collection
2. Animal track cast
3. Fish print
4. Bird shelter or feeder
5. Taxidermy
6. Tanned snakeskin
7. Miscellaneous (specify)

SECTION V- WOODWORKING

Class

1. Nail point design
2. Letter or note holder
3. Stilts
4. Puzzle or game
5. Picture frame
6. Nesting shelf or bird house
7. Tie rack
8. Key holder
9. Cutting board
10. Foot stool
11. Book ends or book rack
12. Toolbox
13. Wood craving
14. Napkin holder
15. Jewelry box
16. Miscellaneous (specify)

SECTION VI- POSTER

RULES

-Poster must be titled and relate to title

-Posters should be standard size 22x28

Class

1. Poster representing project work
2. Poster representing county contest work

SECTION VII- PHOTOGRAPHY

Judging Criteria

- Photos must be taken with a conventional camera or a digital camera.
- Prints may be made by commercial printers.
- All prints must be on white mat with a minimum of a 2-inch border.
- Pictures in a frame will not be accepted.
- Prints on off white, ecru, or any other color will not be accepted.
- Pictures can be 5x7 or 8x10.
- Same guidelines for color and black and white.

Class

1. **BLACK & WHITE**
 - a. Portrait
 - b. Landscape
 - c. Still life
 - d. Architecture
 - e. Human Interest
 - f. Floral
 - g. Animals
 - h. Children
 - i. Miscellaneous
2. **COLOR**
 - a. Portrait
 - b. Landscape
 - c. Still life
 - d. Architecture
 - e. Human Interest
 - f. Floral
 - g. Animals
 - h. Children
 - i. Miscellaneous

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DEPARTMENT G - QUILTS

Exhibit Check-In Time: October 6, 2023, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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Department G Rules

1. Each exhibitor may have only one exhibit in each classification.
2. Quilts that do not meet these requirements will not be judged or displayed. Entries submitted in the wrong class will be evaluated and re-assigned to the correct class per judge's ruling. Reclassification will not affect the entries score.
3. Please include dimensions in the description field of entry form.
4. Awards: Unless otherwise specified, prize money for youth only: First Place - \$4, Second Place - \$3, Third Place - \$2

DIVISION - ADULT OR YOUTH

Youth - 18 and younger

Adult - 19 and older

SECTION II - BARN QUILTING

See next two pages for contest details and judging criteria.

1. Fabric
2. Wooden

SECTION I - QUILTING

1. Appliqued
2. Baby
3. Crazy
4. T-shirt
5. Machine embroidered
6. Patchwork
7. Lap
8. Wall hanging
9. Hand-embroidered
10. Tied Knot
11. Stamped, printed, or cross-stitched
12. Miniature (less than 10")
13. Art (imitates a painting)
14. Christmas
15. Multi-medium
16. Historic/heritage/display only
17. Table runner
18. Exhibitor's Choice

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FABRIC BARN QUILT CRITERIA

DEFINITION: A barn quilt is always a single square block (while standard quilts are usually made up of a series of blocks of the same pattern pieced together). Barn quilts displayed on barns around the United States range in size from 4ft x 4ft to 16ft x 16ft. For the purposes of the fair, and for display ability, submitted barn quilts must be restricted in size. To view one of Virginia's actual Barn Quilt Trails, go to <http://visitcraigcountyva.com/craig-county-barn-quilts-trail/>.

Contest Details:

3. Only one square, with backing, batting and bound should be submitted (must be square).
4. Entry must comply with the stated theme (above).
5. The finished square should be no smaller than 12" by 12" and no larger than 24" by 24".
6. The finished square can be hand quilted or machine quilted.
7. The finished square should be pieced, not appliqued.
8. The finished square can be hand or machine sewn.
9. The finished square can only contain geometric shapes.
10. Entry must be completed by the exhibitor.
11. Entry must be family friendly.
12. Participant agrees that should his/her entry be judged as the top fabric barn quilt, such entry will be retained for future honorary display by the Dinwiddie Master Gardeners, unless otherwise noted on entry. Winner's entries will be returned to owner after 12 months or during/immediately after the subsequent Dinwiddie County Fair completion.

Judging Criteria:

Overall Design	40
Creativity	35
Craftsmanship	25



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WOODEN BARN QUILT CRITERIA

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Contest Details:

1. Only one square block constructed from wood.
2. Entry must comply with the stated theme (above).
3. The finished square should be no smaller than 12" by 12" and no larger than 48" by 48".
4. The finished square should be painted, stained, inlaid, or mixed media.
5. The finished square can be hand or machine tooled.
6. The finished square can only contain geometric shapes.
7. Entry must be completed by the exhibitor.
8. Entry must be family friendly.
9. Participant agrees that should his/her entry be judged as the top wooden barn quilt, such entry will be retained for future honorary display by the Dinwiddie Master Gardeners, unless otherwise noted on entry. Winner's entries will be returned to owner after 12 months or during/immediately after the subsequent Dinwiddie County Fair completion.

Judging Criteria:

Overall Design	40
Creativity	35
Craftsmanship	25



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