

# DEPARTMENT K1 – YOUTH AGRICULTURE & FLORICULTURE

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## **ENTRY FEES: \$2.00 per exhibitor for every 5 items entered.**

As many entries as desired - no restrictions. Entries may be combined with all other Veteran's Building Youth Departments except Baking and Food Preservation.

## **ENTRIES TAKEN: Agriculture: Tuesday, September 23, 2025, 9:30am - 6:00pm**

## **Floriculture: Tuesday, September 23, 2025, 9:30am - 6:00pm**

Note: Adult Agriculture Entries are taken separately. Please check their pages for more info.

## **EXHIBITS RELEASED: Sunday, September 28, 2025, 4:00pm - 6:00pm**

Those who wish to pick up their entries early will forfeit their ribbons and cash prizes. Works not picked up at this time shall become the property of the Southern New Mexico State Fair & Rodeo.

## **ENTRY STUBS ARE REQUIRED FOR RELEASE OF EXHIBITS.**

Youth exhibitors who also exhibit livestock may pick up their entries in accordance with the following schedule on October 3 upon presenting a signed Livestock Release Form.

12:00 PM - Catron, Grant, Hidalgo, Valencia, Bernalillo, and Socorro Counties

1:00 PM – Sierra, Otero, El Paso, and Luna Counties

2:00 PM - Dona Ana County

Those without a signed Livestock Release Form who wish to pick up their entries early will forfeit their ribbons and cash prizes.

## **AWARDS:**

**\*\*\*ANY CASH PRIZE MAY BE REPLACED WITH A GIFT CERTIFICATE OF EQUAL OR GREATER VALUE AT THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DISCRETION\*\*\***

\* Note: Only one rosette will be awarded, and this will be the highest rosette earned.

1. **BEST OF SHOW** (Section 1 Agriculture) Rosette & Additional \$40.00
2. **2nd BEST OF SHOW** (Section 1 Agriculture) Rosette & Additional \$30.00
3. **BEST OF SHOW** (Section 2 Floriculture) Rosette & Additional \$40.00
4. **2nd BEST OF SHOW** (Section 2 Floriculture) Rosette & Additional \$30.00
5. **BEST OF LOT** (Lots 1 - 10) \$30.00 & Rosette
6. **SECOND BEST OF LOT** (Lots 1 - 10) \$20.00 & Rosette
7. **MERIT** Ribbons may be awarded but no cash prize accompanies this award. This award indicates that the item was in contention for the Best of Lot/2nd Best of Lot.
8. General Awards: 1st through 6th place and honorable mention ribbons in each class.
9. Various sponsored awards may be given if available.

## **YOUTH AGRICULTURE/FLORICULTURE GENERAL RULES:**

1. Exhibitors must live in Doña Ana, Bernalillo, Catron, Grant, Hidalgo, Luna, Otero, Sierra, Socorro, Valencia and El Paso Counties and must be 18 years of age or under to participate.
2. All entries must be the work of the exhibitor and must have been grown after the close of last year's Fair. Only Lot 4 Class 402 and Lot 5 may be purchased produce.
3. Any item that is entered and deemed by the Superintendent to be in bad taste, will not be accepted.

4. All entries will be judged according to age group. The age of the exhibitor must be on the entry form. IF THE AGE IS NOT ON THE ENTRY FORM, THE ENTRY WILL BE JUDGED IN THE SENIOR CLASS.

- a. Senior Class - 14 - 18 years old
- b. Junior Class - 9 - 13 years old
- c. Beginners Class - 0 - 8 years old
- d. Special Needs / Handicapped Class

5. The Superintendent may at his or her discretion, declare a new class in miscellaneous to aid the judges in the separation of entries.

6. Every precaution will be taken to protect exhibits, but the fair will not be responsible for loss or damage. The owner's themselves must take the risk of exhibiting them. Exhibits which spoil excessively may be discarded if necessary to prevent damage to other exhibits.

7. The Superintendent may at his or her discretion replace any cash prize with a gift certificate of equal or greater value.

## YOUTH AGRICULTURE/HORTICULTURE -- SECTION ONE

### LOT 1 - GARDEN PRODUCTS

*Exhibitor must furnish disposable plate(s) for each entry. Know your squash variety.*

*Pumpkins have been given their own lot, Lot 2.*

- Y 101. Beans, green garden variety (5 pods)
- Y 102. Beans, yellow wax, lima, other (5 pods)
- Y 103. Beans, dry pinto (1 quart)
- Y 104. Beet, table (3 roots without tops)
- Y 105. Cabbage, (1 head)
- Y 106. Carrot, (2 roots without tops)
- Y 107. Cauliflower, (3 heads with wrapper leaves)
- Y 108. Corn, sweet (3 ears in husks)
- Y 109. Cucumber, slicing (3 fruits, 4" minimum)
- Y 110. Cucumber, pickling (3 fruits, 6" maximum)
- Y 111. Cucumber, other type (3 fruits)
- Y 112. Eggplant, (3 medium size fruit)
- Y 113. Garlic, (3 bulbs)
- Y 114. Lettuce, head (1 head with wrapper leaves)
- Y 115. Cantaloupe, (1 fruit)
- Y 116. Honeydew, (1 fruits)
- Y 117. Melon, other (1 fruits)
- Y 118. Okra (3 pods)
- Y 119. Onion, dry white (3 mature bulbs)
- Y 120. Onion, dry red (3 mature bulbs)
- Y 121. Onion, dry yellow (3 mature bulbs)
- Y 122. Onion, green (bunch of 12)
- Y 123. Peas, green or English (5 pods)
- Y 124. Peas, black-eyed (5 pods)
- Y 125. Peas, any other variety (5 pods)
- Y 126. Peas, dry southern, crowder, other (1 quart, shelled)
- Y 127. Pepper, red bell (3 fruits)
- Y 128. Pepper, green bell (3 fruits)
- Y 129. Pepper, green chile commercial (3 fruits)



- Y 130. Pepper, red chile (3 fruits)
- Y 131. Red chile ristra
- Y 132. Red chile ornamental ristra (wreaths, etc.)
- Y 133. Potato, red (3 tubers)
- Y 134. Potato, white (3 tubers)
- Y 135. Potato, sweet (3 roots)
- Y 136. Radish, (bunch of 5 roots with tops)
- Y 137. Squash, summer - 3 fruit (e.g. zucchini, yellow, etc.)
- Y 138. Squash, winter - 1 fruit (e.g. banana, cushaw, etc.)
- Y 139. Squash, other (1 fruit)
- Y 140. Sunflower head, (1 head)
- Y 141. Tomato, red slicing (3 ripe fruits)
- Y 142. Tomato, cherry (12 ripe fruits)
- Y 143. Tomato, miniature (12 ripe fruits)
- Y 144. Tomato, green, large variety (3 fruits)
- Y 145. Turnip (5 roots)
- Y 146. Watermelon, long type (1)
- Y 147. Watermelon, small round (1) (10-20 lbs.)
- Y 148. Watermelon, large round (1) (over 20 lbs.)
- Y 149. Watermelon, largest (1)
- Y 150. Field Crops (Corn, Cotton, Milo, etc.)
- Y 151. Miscellaneous

### **LOT 2 - PUMPKINS**

- Y 201. Pumpkin, large field type (1)
- Y 202. Pumpkin, Halloween type (medium round-1)
- Y 203. Pumpkin, small to medium pie (round-1)

### **LOT 3 - FRUITS, NUTS & MISCELLANEOUS**

*Exhibitor must furnish disposable plate with each entry.*

- Y 301. Apples (3)
- Y 302. Peaches (3) Y 303. Pears (3)
- Y 304. Grapes (1 bunches)
- Y 305. Plums (3)
- Y 306. Pecans, Western Schley (10)
- Y 307. Pecans, Wichita (10)
- Y 308. Pecans, Burkett (10)
- Y 309. Pecans, any other variety (10)
- Y 310. Figs (5)
- Y 311. Quince (3)
- Y 312. Pomegranates (3)
- Y 313. Peanut (1 quart in hull)
- Y 314. Gourds, ornamental (1)
- Y 315. Honey (1 pint)
- Y 316. Comb Honey (1 lb.)
- Y 317. Bees Wax (1 lb.)
- Y 318. Miscellaneous



**LOT 4 - GARDEN EXHIBIT and ODDITIES**

*A collection of 5 or more different products, creatively displayed in a basket, tray or crate. Be original.*

*Do not mix home grown and purchased products.*

Y 401. Home Grown Produce

Y 402. Purchased Produce



**LOT 5 – DECORATED PUMPKINS**

*Pumpkin may be purchased or home grown. Judging will be on creativity, artistic merit and executed craftsmanship. No piercing of the skin of the vegetable is allowed, as this causes premature rotting.*

Y 501. Decorated Pumpkin

*(Can be a purchased pumpkin, cannot be cut)*



**LOT 6 - HAY BALES**

*Hay entries will be judged visually.*

*Visual Judging criteria will consist of: 1. Leafiness 2. Green Color 3. Fineness of stems 4.*

*Absence of mold 5. Absence of foreign material, including weeds.*

Y 601. Hay Bale, Alfalfa (1 - standard two or three tie bale)

Y 602. Hay Bale,

Y 603. Miscellaneous

## YOUTH FLORICULTURE -- SECTION TWO

(\*Note- silk flower arrangements are entered into Youth Fiber Arts under Home Improvements)

### **LOT 7 – Cut Flowers**

**Cut Flowers** (*one specimen per container entry. Entrants must provide their own container – NO CONTAINERS will be provided at the fairgrounds*)

Y 701. Roses

Y 702. Annuals

Y 703. Biennials & Perennials

Y 704. Miscellaneous

### **LOT 8 - Containers**

(*no container larger than 26 inches wide*)

Y 801. Foliage Plant

Y 802. Cacti & Succulents

Y 803. Bulbs, Corms, Rhizomes, Tubers or Tuberous Roots

Y 804. Herbs

Y 805. More than one plant in container (must have been combined for at least 6 weeks)

Y 806. Bonsai

Y 807. Miscellaneous

### **LOT 9 - Fresh Flower Arrangements**

Y 901. Small

Y 902. Medium

Y 903. Large

### **LOT 10 Dried Flower Arrangements**

Y 1001. Small

Y 1002. Medium

Y 1003. Large

