



Collections



Spencer County 4-H

Many people have a hobby of collecting all kinds of fascinating items. 4-H can help you start or continue a collection of items that is interesting to you. The choice is yours. You may choose any type of article you desire. The list below gives some suggestions, but your choice is NOT limited to these.

Leaves	Glass	Antiques
Flowers (pressed)	Rocks	Dishes
Salt Shakers	Stamps	Bottles
Models	Coins	Dolls
Pitchers	Spoons	Buttons
Match Books	Cups and Saucers	Arrow Heads
Caps	Sports Cards	Pencils

It is also important to learn to label your collection accurately and neatly. As you prepare for the fair, practice arranging your exhibit in a manner that is artistic and neat. Be creative! As you arrange, be sure to correctly label each article so that anyone looking at your collection will know what it is and where you obtained it. For more help with your collection, check a local library or use the Internet. You will find information on many different kinds of collections.

Exhibit Requirements

In the 4-H Collections Project you will:

1. Choose a suitable collection for your age and division in this project.
2. Select a place in your home to store and display your collection.
3. Show and explain your collection to at least two friends.
4. Exhibit part of your collection at the 4-H Fair:

Select a representative sample of your collection and exhibit it attractively and neatly in a box (not to exceed 18 inches x 24 inches) **OR** on a poster (22 inches x 28 inches) **OR** in a notebook. A representative sample would need to fit on or in the box, poster or notebook. Your total collection is not needed for the exhibit. **Bring valuable collections to the 4-H Fair at your own risk!!**

Be sure to attach labels to the items you display explaining them to the people who see

your collection.

Example: Matchbook cover given to me by a friend of my father

Example: Rock shaped like an apple

Example: Button from my mother's wedding dress

No live items are acceptable.

Judge's Criteria of the 4-H Collections Project

The following are the points for you to consider when preparing your exhibit--for they are the same ones the judge will discuss with you and use to decide the ribbon placings.

Explanation of collection	45 points
Historic/scientific value, etc.	40 points
Artistic arrangement for exhibit	15 points
Total	100 points