

# Ceramics

## Arts and Crafts

### State Fair Project

Up to 12 Arts and Crafts exhibits from the Marion County Fair can be advanced to the State Fair as follows: Up to two exhibits from Fine Arts, two exhibits from Needle Craft, two exhibits from Model Craft, and up to six exhibits from Any Other Crafts.

### **Ceramics: Exhibit Requirements**

Items **must be** kiln fired to be exhibited. Items that have been fired before purchase (plaster craft) are to be entered in Miscellaneous Crafts, not ceramics, It is recommended to place protective felt on the bottom of your finished piece. Attach to the exhibit the new 4-H 618aW Craft Information Card.

#### **Please Note -**

- **Green ware Pre-molded Ceramics:** finished pieces are not considered green ware. These Pieces should be entered as miscellaneous crafts.
- Many schools/classes call wheel thrown & hand built pieces “ceramics”, but in 4-H this is called pottery.
- Ceramics pertains to pieces that have been poured, cleaned, fired, and painted.
- As ceramics involve a multi-step process, any piece already cleaned and fired (bisque-ware) is not eligible for this category. Cleaning seams on greenware is an important step in ceramics. If painting on a cleaned and/or fired piece, it should be entered into miscellaneous crafts.

**Level 1** (Grades 3-5)- Exhibit a simple piece of bisque or pre-fired ceramic piece Apply one or more colors of basic stain or glaze.

**Level 2** (Grades 6-8)- Exhibit an item of bisque or pre-fired ceramic piece Apply two or more colors of basic stain or glaze.

**Level 3** (Grades 9-12)- Exhibit an item of bisque or pre-fired ceramic piece. This article(s) should show advanced techniques.