

ARTS & CRAFTS

In the Arts and Crafts project the 4-H'er will have a chance to express his/her talents in an array of mediums from fine arts which include drawings and paintings in oil, charcoal, pencil, ink, etc., to needlecraft (knitting, embroidery, needlepoint, crocheting, counted cross-stitch), to model crafts, or any other craft project.

Project Rules:

1. ALL completed record sheets must be turned in to the 4-H Club leader by July 1, and must be securely attached in the green "Indiana 4-H Club Member's Record Book." Turn a completed record sheet in for each project entered. Additional record sheets are available through the Extension Office or at www.extension.purdue.edu/jasper under "4-H Youth Development".
2. All crafts will be classified into one of the following six categories (A, B, C...)
 - A. Needlecrafts
 1. Knitting
 2. Crocheting
 3. Crewel/Embroidery
 4. Counted Cross-Stitch
 5. All Other Needlecraft
 - B. Fine Arts - (any medium)
 1. Painting
 2. Drawing
 - C. Ceramics, Pottery, Plastercraft
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 2. Pottery (free form)
 3. Plastercraft
 - D. Basketry
 - E. Models
 1. Plastic
 2. Wooden
 3. Diorama (mini scale scene)
 - F. Farm Toy Scene
 - G. Plastic Building Block
 - H. Leather
 - I. Miscellaneous Crafts - Any type of craft not included above.

If there are 5 or more entries in any one type of craft, that craft will be awarded a Champion and Reserve Champion. All types of Miscellaneous Crafts with less than 5 entries will be grouped together in All Other Crafts, and be awarded a Champion and Reserve Champion.
3. A pair or set of items will be considered one article. Only one article (per craft class) is to be displayed at the fair.
4. Articles made at school are acceptable.
5. Any picture or wall hanging should be ready for display. If the item made should be hung, it must be ready for hanging. **Please realize that the picture frames with the cardboard hangers do not hold up well.**
6. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be awarded in each of the craft categories (A, B, C,...). One Champion and Reserve Champion will be awarded in each craft class (1, 2, 3,...).
7. A 3" x 5" explanation card is required in all craft categories. An explanation card is used to explain to the judge how you chose/completed your project, especially if you are unable to be present at judging.
8. There is no manual for Arts & Crafts. Resources are available at many Department and/or crafts stores.
9. State Fair entries: 12 arts & crafts total – If multiple pieces make up the exhibit, a photograph of



the complete exhibit should be attached to the exhibit so the total exhibit can properly be displayed. For safety purposes any craft exhibit that resembles a sword, knife, or look-a-like weapon will be judged but will not be displayed.

PLASTERCRAFT:

All projects are not to exceed a maximum size of 36 x 36 x 36 inches

GENERAL RULES

- a. *Plastercraft is an unfired plaster object which was cast in a mold by the member or a purchased article made of #1 plaster and finished by the 4-H member.*
- b. *Clean up of object is very important. Seams, rough edges, and bumps must be smooth.*
- c. *Base coat – Recommend two base coats to be sure object is completely covered.*
- d. *When finishing the project, paint bottom or back of piece and cover with felt or felt circles.*
- e. *No bare spots on object. All places inside and outside are to be covered.*
 - f. *A 4-H Craft Information Card (4-H 618a-W) MUST accompany your exhibit so the judge knows what techniques you used to complete your project.*
 - g. *Bottom and concave portions of bottom should be painted, Judge must be able to see the bottom of one of the pieces in the group.*
 - h. *Eye color and detailing such as nose, mouth, paw lines, etc. is not considered one of the colors. Base coat is not considered a color.*
 - i. *No spray paint to be used except of protective finish.*
 - j. *Air brushing is not acceptable for any grade.*
 - k. *If multiple pieces make up the exhibit, a photograph of the complete exhibit should be attached to the exhibit so the total exhibit can properly be displayed. For safety purposes any craft exhibit that resembles a sword, knife, or look-a-like weapon will be judged but will not be displayed.*

Beginner: Grades 3-5

Exhibit one article. Use simple 1-2 part molds. Finish the article with a simple color scheme of 1-2 colors of paint. A 4-H Craft Information Card (4-H 618a-W) MUST accompany your exhibit so the judge knows what techniques you used to complete your project.

Intermediate: Grades 6-8

Exhibit one article or set of articles. Use 2-complex part molds. May use metal, wood or stone finishes. May apply antiquing techniques. A more complex color scheme of 3-4 colors of paint is required. A 4-H Craft Information Card (4-H 618a-W) MUST accompany your exhibit so the judge knows what techniques you used to complete your project.

Advanced: Grades 9-12

Exhibit one large article or set of articles. Use 3-complex part molds. May use metal, wood, or stone finishes. May apply antiquing techniques. A more complex color scheme of 3-4 colors of paint is required with emphasis on details and craftsmanship. A 4-H Craft Information Card (4-H 618a-W) MUST accompany your exhibit so the judge knows what techniques you used to complete your project.



Jasper County 4-H Arts & Crafts Record Sheet

Please select one of the following projects this record sheet represents:

Fine Arts:

- Painting
- Drawing

Needlecraft:

- Knitting
- Crocheting
- Crewel/Embroidery
- Counted Cross Stitch
- All Other Needlecraft

Model Craft:

- Plastic Model
- Wooden Model
- Diorama

Others:

- Basketry
- Pottery
- Plaster Craft
- Plastic Building Blocks
- Leather
- Other/Miscellaneous Craft

Name _____	Grade _____
4-H Club Name _____	Years in Project _____
I have reviewed this record and believe it to be correct _____	
4-H Leader's Signature	Date

How have you helped others to learn your selected art or craft? (Give a brief description of demonstrations given, individual instruction to others, or other activities.)

Explain in detail what you made and how you made it.

Where did you receive information or instruction on this project?

What did you learn by making this project?

Materials Purchased	Where Purchased	Cost
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$

Total Cost \$

Date The Article Was Started: _____

Date The Article Was Completed: _____

Total Hours Spent On This Project: _____

How is this article going to be used?

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4-H Craft Information Card

4-H Member Name _____ County _____ Grade in School _____

What is the title or exhibit, or its purpose?

Was this exhibit completed from a purchased kit or an original design?

Describe how this exhibit was constructed/crafted. (What did you do?)

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