

# Creative or Expressive Arts: Farm Toy Scene

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## **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

1. A written description of your scene is required for this project. Include information such as why you chose this project, what your homemade item is (Level 2) and why you made it, why you chose the type of layout (for Level 3), or to point out things you want the judge to notice. The description needs to be at least one paragraph but not more than one page long. The older you are the more detailed it should be. It needs to be neatly presented and placed in a report cover or thin binder.
2. Multiple items on a common base count as separate items towards your limit of items. For example: three chickens on a common base = 3 animals = 3 items; 4 grain bins and a grain leg on a common base = 5 structures = 5 items (plus anything else attached to base). Additional items beyond your limit will count against you during judging.

## LEVEL 1: GRADES 3 - 5

1. **Prepare a farm layout that is no larger than: 2'x3'**
2. Any scale of toys may be used.
3. Include NOT MORE THAN 20 items (pieces). Fencing, land, landscaping (trees, rocks, plants, crops), and roadways are not included in the 20 items. Stickers applied to any of the 20 items do not count as items.
4. Any combination of items may be used but you may have:
  - a. Not more than 1 structure (barn, building, tool shed, grain bin, silo, house, wind mill, wind turbine, etc.). Please make sure structures do not extend more than an inch over the edges of your board ie wind turbines and utility poles.
  - b. Not more than 8 animals
  - c. Not more than 8 wheel toys (tractors, trucks, cars, implements, equipment, etc.) A tractor with an implement is considered 2 toys with wheels.
  - d. Not more than 8 extras (feeders, people, bales of hay, etc.)

## LEVEL 2: GRADES 6 - 8

1. **Prepare a farm layout that is no larger than: 2'x3'**
2. Any scale of toys may be used.
3. Include NOT MORE THAN 40 items (pieces). Fencing, land, landscaping (trees, rocks, plants, crops), and roadways are not included in the 40 items. Stickers applied to any of the 40 items do not count as items.
4. Designed and/or constructed 1 item. This item needs to be built from scratch. Kits, like ERTL snap-together barns, do not count.
5. Any combination of items may be used but you may have:
  - a. Not more than 3 structures (barns, buildings, tool sheds, grain bins, silos, houses, etc.)
  - b. Not more than 15 animals
  - c. Not more than 15 wheel toys (tractors, trucks, cars, implements, equipment, etc.)
  - d. A tractor with an implement is considered 2 toys with wheels.
  - e. Not more than 15 extras (feeders, people, bales of hay, etc.)

LEVEL 3: GRADES 9 – 12

1. **Prepare a farm layout that is no larger than: 3'x4'**
2. Any scale of toys may be used
3. Each year, select a theme from the following list. A theme may be repeated one time.
4. Theme list:
  - a. Historical Layout (Any time before 1960.)
  - b. Farmstead Layout
  - c. Farm Business Layout
  - d. Livestock Emphasis Layout
  - e. Crop Emphasis Layout
  - f. Agriculture Specialty Area Layout

Please note: There needs to be one home-made item (not necessarily a structure), and remember, items cannot extend an inch over the edges of your board.

***NO STATE FAIR ENTRY – The exception would be the sweepstakes winner has the option of going to the state fair under the basic craft project. The 4-H member is responsible for taking the project to the state fair. Please let the 4-H Educator know so you can be promoted correctly in the system.***