

Llama and Alpaca: Llama Craft

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The purpose of this project is to give members the opportunity to demonstrate their craftsmanship in working with llama and alpaca wools and fibers. 4-H members will be enrolled in the project by their grade level in school into three categories:

Beginner (grades 3-5)

Intermediate (grades 6-8)

Advanced (grades 9-12)

PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

1. Exhibit will be judged on craftsmanship only.
2. Crafts must have been made within one (1) year of exhibit.
3. Any craft item constructed with llama or alpaca fiber may be entered. Craft may also contain other materials.
4. Fiber may be processed (felted, spun, etc.) or unprocessed, and may have originated from any llama or alpaca.
5. Exhibits will consist of one (1) completed craft item, which can be a single item or a set, and a notebook explaining how the craft was made.
6. All fiber exhibits will be on display in the 4-H Building at the fair.
7. All members may also enter one exhibit in each of the following llama fibers categories, which will be judged separately:
 - a. Raw Fleece: Select, secure and, using hand carders, make ready for spinning a 4 ounce sample of llama fleece.
 - b. Spun Fleece: Select, secure, make ready using hand or drum carder, and spin a skein of llama yarn. (Members may exhibit a single ply, 2 oz. skein for as many as three years, after which they must exhibit a double ply, 4 oz. skein. Spinners may opt to exhibit a double ply skein at any time.)

STATE FAIR ENTRY: one per level