



Virtual 4-H Fair Exhibit Tips

While it is understood that pictures and videos cannot fully replace live exhibits, the virtual fair environment is intended to allow a judge to see and learn about the skills a 4-H member has developed throughout this past year resulting from their 4-H experiences. Refer to the Indiana 4-H Youth Development web site [project page](#) for a list of 4-H projects supported by the state 4-H office. In addition to these tips, families can see a summary of files to be uploaded in FairEntry and should follow the link to each project's page for exhibit requirements. Contact the Montgomery County Extension office to learn more or if you have any questions. maximum upload file size is 50MB per photo or document.

Photo Tips: Do not cover poster before taking photo. If taking photo outside, take on a slightly overcast day. Move in close enough to exhibit to fill the entire frame. Watch the background and get rid of anything not part of the exhibit. If the exhibit is horizontal, take the photo horizontal. If vertical, take the photo vertical.

STATIC PROJECTS

Project	Exhibit	Suggestions
Aerospace	Rocket or Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster or rocket is visible in the photo.
Arts and Crafts	Fine Art, Needle Craft, Model Craft, or Other Craft	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. The craft information card will be a second file upload.
Beekeeping	Poster, Honey Jar, Honey Comb Box, Other Exhibit	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster or jar is visible in the photo. The judge should also be able to see the honey's clarity and any dirt or debris that may be dispersed throughout the honey.
Beekeeping	Notebook or Presentation	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Bicycle	Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster is visible in the photo.
Cake Decorating	Cake	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire cake, showing the top and side, is visible in the photo. The skills card will be a second file upload.
Cat	Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster is visible in the photo.
Child Development	Display or Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster is visible in the photo. The activity card will be a second file upload.
Child Development	Notebook	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Computer	Notebook	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Consumer Clothing	Notebook	Upload a photo of the purchased outfit. Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.

Electric	Circuit Board	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. The bulb is to be lit. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. Upload a second photo showing at least one soldered connection. Upload your "What have I done or learned" as a single document in PDF or Word format.
Electric	Magnetic Flashlight	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. Upload a second photo showing at least one soldered or wired connection.
Electric	Extension Cord, Shop Light, or Lamp	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. Upload a second photo showing a plug-in end uncapped so the wiring connections is visible.
Electric	Other Exhibits	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. Upload a second photo showing at least one wiring connection.
Electric	Electronic Exhibits	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. Upload a second photo showing the circuit board and soldering. Upload a copy of the schematics.
Electric	Notebook	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Entomology	Poster or Collection Box	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. The plexiglass covering will likely need removed to eliminate glare. Be sure the entire poster or collection box is visible in the photo. One, two or three photos will be uploaded based on grade level exhibit requirements.
Entomology	Notebook	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Floriculture	Plant Exhibit or Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit, showing the top and side, is visible in the photo.
Floriculture	Notebook	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Foods, Baked	Cookies	Three baked cookies are to be plated; two right-side up and the third upside-down and broken in half showing the inside and bottom. Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. The recipe card will be a second upload.
Foods, Baked	Muffins	Three unlined muffins are to be plated; two right-side up and the third broken in half showing the inside and bottom. Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. The recipe card will be a second upload.

Foods, Baked	Cake	Plate the cake for display and remove one slice from the edge to the center. On a small dessert type plate place the removed slice upside down showing the bottom. Take the photo in a well-lit area of the plated cake and plated slice together in one photo. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. The recipe card will be a second upload.
Foods, Baked	No-Yeast Pretzels or No-Yeast Biscuits	Three baked pretzels or biscuits are to be plated; two right-side up and the third upside-down and broken in half showing the inside and bottom. Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. The recipe card will be a second upload.
Foods, Baked	Yeast Bread Sticks or Rolls	Three baked bread sticks or rolls are to be plated; two right-side up and the third upside-down and broken in half showing the inside and bottom. Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. The recipe card will be a second upload.
Foods, Baked	Yeast Bread Loaf	Slice the loaf of bread in half at its middle plating one half right-side up and the other half upside-down showing its middle and bottom crust. Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. The recipe card will be a second upload.
Foods, Baked	Invented Healthy Snack	Take the photo showing the entire exhibit in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. The recipe card will be a second upload. A third upload will be the entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Foods, Baked	Fruit Pie	Remove one slice of pie. On a small dessert type plate place the removed slice upside down showing the bottom crust. Take the photo in a well-lit area of the whole pie and plated slice together in one photo. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. The recipe card will be a second upload.
Foods, Baked	Low Fat-Reduced Sugar Product or Special Dietary Product	Remove a portion of the product and place it upside down on a dessert type plate showing the bottom. Take the photo showing the entire dish and plated portion in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. The recipe card will be a second upload. A third upload will be the entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Foods, Preserved	Frozen Baked Cookies, Frozen Berries, Frozen Pizza, Frozen Vegetables, Freezer Jam, or Frozen Entrée	Take a photo of the entire packaged exhibit showing the label. If the exhibit is covered in aluminum foil or non-see-through plastic wrap, remove a corner of that covering so the product is visible. Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. The recipe card will be a second upload.

Foods, Preserved	Canned Tomato Product, Canned Pickle Product, Pressure Canned Product, or Cooked Jam/Reduced-Sugar Fruit Spread	Take a photo of the canned product showing the label. Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo. The recipe card will be a second upload.
Forestry	Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster is visible in the photo.
Forestry	Notebook	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Garden	Educational Exhibit Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster is visible in the photo.
Garden	Educational Exhibit Notebook	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Garden	Herb	Take a photo of your herb exhibit labeled, including Latin name, according to exhibit requirements. Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire exhibit is visible in the photo.
Garden	Potato Tray	Take a photo of your exhibit labeled according to exhibit requirements. Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire collection is visible in the photo.
Garden	Single Vegetable	Take a photo of your exhibit with at least one stem showing and labeled according to exhibit requirements. Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire collection is visible in the photo.
Garden	Tomato	Take a photo of your exhibit with at least one stem showing and labeled according to exhibit requirements. Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire collection is visible in the photo.
Garden Collection	3 Plate, 4 Plate or 5 Plate	Take a photo of your exhibit with at least one stem showing and all items labeled according to exhibit requirements. Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire collection is visible in the photo.
Genealogy	Notebook	Each notebook, in its entirety, is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Geology	Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster is visible in the photo.
Geology	Notebook	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Health	Display or Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster or exhibit display is visible in the photo.
Health	Notebook	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.

Home Environment	Exhibit Display and Notebook	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster or exhibit display is visible in the photo. The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format as a second file upload.
Home Environment	Portfolio or Presentation	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Livestock Posters	Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster is visible in the photo.
Llama	Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster is visible in the photo.
Photography	Poster or Salon Print	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster is visible in the photo. If exhibiting a Creative-Experimental Digital Salon Print, a document in PDF or Word format describing digital changes made to the photograph will need to be a second file upload.
Poultry	Poster or Display	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster or display is visible in the photo.
Rabbit	Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster is visible in the photo.
Sewing	Wearable	Take a photo of the front of the article showing its finished side. Take a second photo of the article turned inside out showing the article's back side, seams, hooks and zipper. Take a third photo of the zipper, hooks or fasteners (only one photo if more than one fastener). Be sure the article has been pressed and photos are taken in a well-lit area with the article lying flat, like on a bed. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire article is visible in the photo. The skills card will be uploaded as a fourth file.
Sewing	Non-Wearable Article	Take a photo of the front of the article showing its finished side. Take a second photo of the back of the article. Take a third photo of a sewn seam, the zipper, hooks or fasteners (only one photo if more than one fastener). Be sure the article has been pressed, if possible, and photos are taken in a well-lit area with the article displayed for its intended use. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire article is visible in the photo. The skills card will be uploaded as a fourth file.
Sewing	Construction Technique or Sewing Machine Survey	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Shooting Sports Education	Poster or Display	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster or display is visible in the photo.
Shooting Sports Education	Notebook	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.

Small Engine	Display	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire display is visible in the photo. The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format as a second file.
Soil and Water Science	Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster is visible in the photo.
Soil and Water Science	Notebook	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Sport Fishing	Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster is visible in the photo.
Sport Fishing	Notebook	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Tractor Safety Education	Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster is visible in the photo.
Tractor Safety Education	Notebook	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Veterinary Science	Poster or Display (Level 3 also includes notebook)	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire display is visible in the photo. Level 3 exhibit, the entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format as a second file.
Weather and Climate Science	Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster is visible in the photo.
Weather and Climate Science	Notebook	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Wildlife	Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster is visible in the photo.
Wildlife	Notebook	The entire notebook or presentation is to be included in a single electronic file using PDF, Word, Power Point, or Excel format.
Woodworking	Display	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire display is visible in the photo. Take a second photo showing a joint. A third photo is to show the exhibit's back side or underneath. The skills card is to be included as a fourth file upload.
Woodworking	Poster	Take the photo in a well-lit area. Try to reduce as many shadows and glares as possible. Be sure the entire poster is visible in the photo.