

2020 SHEBOYGAN COUNTY 4-H FINE ARTS FESTIVAL – COMMUNICATION ARTS



SATURDAY, APRIL 4TH at the SHEBOYGAN FALLS HIGH SCHOOL

Entry Deadline: March 4th, 4:30pm

Return to: Sheboygan County UW-Extension Office

5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081

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Name _____ Grade _____ Club _____

Email _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Grade Divisions

- Cloverbud** (K5-2nd gr.)
- Junior** (3rd-5th gr.)
- Intermediate** (6th-8th gr.)
- Senior** (9th gr. and up)

Communication Arts Festival Categories:

- A. Poster
- B. Creative Writing
- C. Demonstration
- D. Informative or Persuasive Speaking
- E. Interpretive Reading
- F. Photography
- G. Other Communication Arts

PLEASE CHECK ALL CATEGORIES BELOW THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO ENTER.

Volunteer to help for the day: _____ Helper email: _____

Class A - Poster **Bring your poster to the event.**

A good poster speaks for itself. Posters make people stop, look, read and remember. Effective posters; (1) attract attention, (2) focus your interest on one idea and (3) sell you to take action. Make your poster say something. Good posters should have one main idea.

- Posters must be 14" x 22" and need to be flat surface poster board only! (No 3-D or Foam Board)
- Judges' criteria includes: information given and idea expressed, design and construction

Ideas:

- Set up a display to share your experience at a 4-H event, activity or on a 4-H trip.
- Check out <http://www.shebcofair.com/exhibitors.html> for ideas in categories that can also be used at the fair.

Resource: "Making a Poster" is a handout available from the Extension Office to assist youth in developing an entry.

Class B – Creative Writing/Essay **Due to the Extension by March 4th**

(up to two entries allowed, one per category)

Category of Entry

- Prose (Non-Fiction)**
- Poetry**
- Story (Fiction)**

Length Requirements:

	<u>Poems</u>	<u>Prose</u>
Cloverbud (K5-2nd gr.)	any length	up to 200 words
Junior (3rd-5th gr.)	any length	up to 750 words
Intermediate (6th-8th gr.)	any length	up to 1000 wds
Senior (9 th gr. and up)	any length	up to 2000 wds

Participants must choose either poetry, fiction prose story or non-fiction prose. Writers should be creative and use their imagination!

- Entries will be judged prior to the Festival and will be put on display at the Festival.
- Judging Criteria: based on creativity, message, word usage, mechanics and neatness. A judging form will be returned to each participant. Entries must be neatly printed in ink (pencil can be used for K5-2nd graders) or computer printed (double-spaced), on one side of the paper only. Your name, 4-H club, grade and entry type must be in the upper right-hand corner of your paper.
- You want your entry to be in tip-top shape; having someone proofread your entry is encouraged!
- **Non-original words or thoughts included in your writing must include citation. If you use someone else's words, you must state from whom and where you got them.**

Ideas:

- Favorite 4-H projects, reasons to join 4-H, what has 4-H taught you etc. or, any other topic, which may include a short story, essay (fiction or non-fiction) or any kind of poem. You may also include an account of an interview with someone.
- Check out www.shebcofair.com/JRFair/Dept%2018.pdf for ideas that can also be used at the fair.

Resource: Refer to the following "Building Bridges" booklets for help: Creative Wordworking, and Voices from the Past.

Class C – Demonstration **To be presented at the event.**

Topic _____ Title _____

A demonstration should show the audience how to do something, explaining each essential step, with the use of visual aids.

- Demonstrations will be judged on the day of the event. Each demonstration will be judged face-to-face immediately following the presentation. All demonstrators will be competing against themselves. Judges will have the option to lower placing if the entry is not within the established time limits.
- Tables will be provided. If an easel is needed, you will need to bring one. Computer equipment may be available upon request.

Grade Divisions: (Demonstrations should be within the allotted time listed below).

Cloverbud (K5-2nd gr.)	2 min.
Junior (3rd-5th gr.)	2-4 min.
Intermediate (6th-8th gr.)	4-6 min.
Senior (9 th gr. and up)	6-8 min.

Ideas:

- Demonstrations can be on any topic, 4-H or otherwise. For example, you could do a demonstration on how you prepare your chicken for a show, or how to pack for camp.

Resources: There's a publication called "Let's Demonstrate" that is available. You may also refer to the Building Bridges booklet; 4-H Public Speaker's Handbook for some helpful information.

Class D – Informative or Persuasive Speaking **To be presented at the event.**

Topic _____ Title _____

A persuasive or informative speech is an original talk prepared for this contest, which may be memorized or given with note cards.

- Speeches will be judged on the day of the event. Each speech will be judged face-to-face immediately following the presentation. All speakers will be competing against themselves. Judges will have the option to lower placing if the entry is not within the established time limits.
- Tables will be provided. If an easel is needed, you will need to bring one. Computer equipment may be available upon request.

Grade Divisions: (Speeches should be no longer than the time indicated below.)

Cloverbud (K5-2nd gr.)	2 min.
Junior (3rd-5th gr.)	2-4 min.
Intermediate (6th-8th gr.)	4-6 min.
Senior (9 th gr. and up)	6-8 min.

Ideas:

- Inform your audience about 4-H, i.e., favorite project, why join 4-H, what has 4-H taught me, etc. Think about a 4-H activity, project or group you are involved with or knowledgeable about and try to educate people about it.

Resources: Publications available at the Extension include "4-H Public Speakers Handbook" & "A Parent's Guide to Public Speaking".

Class E – Interpretive Reading **To be presented at the event.**

Selection Style (poetry, prose, lyrics etc.): _____ Title: _____

Cloverbud (K5-2nd gr.)	2 min.
Junior (3rd-5th gr.)	2-4 min.
Intermediate (6th-8th gr.)	4-6 min.
Senior (9 th gr. and up)	6-8 min.

Interpretive reading involves a speaker selecting either poetry or prose. The selection should be chosen and edited for this contest. An introduction should be included which credits the author. The selection can be read, given with note cards or memorized.

- Selections will be judged on the day of the event. Each reading will be judged face-to-face immediately following the presentation. All speakers will be competing against themselves. Judges will have the option to lower placing if the entry is not within the established time limits.

Ideas:

- A short reading, story or memorization. For example, the pledge of allegiance, 4-H pledge, nursery rhyme, short poem, song lyrics (not to be sung) or children's story.

Resources: Publications available at the Extension include "4-H Public Speakers Handbook" & "A Parents' Guide to Public Speaking".

Class F – Photography Bring your photography to the event.

(up to two entries allowed)

- Collection of 4 color photos Description: _____
- Collection of 4 black/white photos Description: _____
- Color enlargement Description: _____
- Black & white enlargement Description: _____
- Computer Enhanced Description: _____

- Entries will be judged face-to-face.
- You may enter up to two different categories.
- Include your name, grade and club on the back of each entry.
- Do NOT frame photos. They may be matted (poster board) and cropped, but should not be framed.
- Photos in collections should be no larger than 4" x 6" each and must be mounted on poster board 11"x14".
- Enlargements must be at least 5" x 7" but no larger than 8" x 10".
- Photos may be cropped as long as the final size meets the above requirements.
- Photography will be judged on the basis of technical quality, composition and storytelling ability.
- Include a caption for each photo entered on the front of the entry.

Ideas:

- Capture the image of your favorite 4-H event, person, project subject or activity.
- See www.shebcofair.com/JRFair/Dept%2020.pdf Class A for ideas that can also be shown at fair.

Class G – Other Fine Art (up to four entries allowed) **Bring your artwork to the event.**

- Scrapbook or stamped item.
Description of Entry: _____
- Create an original piece of artwork using drawing and painting techniques. (16" by 20" maximum size, 2D or 3D)
Description of Entry: _____
- Create an original animation either on the computer or hand-drawn
Description of Entry: _____
- Create a flyer or brochure on the computer that promotes 4-H. (8 1/2"x11" paper)
Description of Entry: _____
- Produce a video or PowerPoint that is 3-5 minutes in length.
Description of Entry: _____
- Create an original piece of art. (computer, origami etc.)
Description of Entry: _____
- Miscellaneous original vocal or instrumental composition. Submit score and performance of piece on CD or flash drive.
Description of Entry: _____

Other Fine Arts Categories include various strategies and tools to communicate a message to the general public. These methods are used to inform, entertain, and persuade audiences.

- Entries will be judged, face-to-face at the event.
- You may enter up to four exhibits, you may exhibit more than one exhibit per category.

Ideas:

- Capture the image of your favorite 4-H event, person, project subject or activity.
- See <http://www.shebcofair.com/JRFair/Dept%2017.pdf>, <http://www.shebcofair.com/JRFair/Dept%2018.pdf>, & www.shebcofair.com/JRFair/Dept%2020.pdf Class B for ideas that can also be shown at fair.

Fine Arts Festival Registration Check-List

- Form Completed with All Required Information (One Registration Per Participant) due March 4th.
- Creative writing entries are submitted to the Extension by March 4th.
- All classes other than creative writing will be judged on April 4th at the event.
- Name, Grade and 4-H Club on Exhibits Submitted
- April 4th is marked on your Family Calendar for a Day of FUN and Learning

Before the Festival:

Watch your email for more information regarding the Fine Arts Festival!

Day of the Festival:

Pick up your name tag when you arrive at the Festival. There will be helpers to direct you to the various rooms. Speeches and demonstrations will be given in front of the judge, other participants and parents. Youth submitting photographs, drawings, paintings and scrapbooks will meet with the judge face to face to talk about the item. All entries will be displayed with a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place ribbon. Once everyone has presented, scores will be tallied. At the close of the event, ribbons and awards will be distributed.

- All entries must be your own work and must have been made after the 2019 Sheboygan County Fair.
- You may enter as many festival categories as you wish, even if you are not enrolled in that project. For example, if you are not enrolled in photography, you may still enter photography in the festival.
- The Fine Arts Festival is a family event. Family and friends of all ages are welcome to attend.
- All entries must remain on display until the conclusion of the Festival on April 4th.
- Sheboygan County 4-H reserves the right to use winning entries as they see fit in promoting 4-H and/or the festival in the newsletter and/or at other 4-H activities/events.

Imagination is the limit for your entries. If you're having trouble getting started, try these ideas: 4-H, favorite animal, hobbies, family, friends, etc. If you need any more help with creative ideas call the extension office at 459-5903.

Any questions????

Please feel free to contact any of the following:

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