







Opporunity for all ages to share their talents!



2025 Sioux County Open Class
Rule Book

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Sioux County Youth Fair P.O. Box 183 Sioux Center, Iowa 51250







All entries will be

Friday, July 11, 2025

No entry fees Open to anyone Ribbons & Prize Money!

This includes:

- Agriculture, Vegetables, Fruits
 - Floriculture
 - Textiles & Handcrafts
 - Photography
 - Food
 - Canned Goods
 - Creative Arts
 - Woodworking

Adult: 18 & older, Youth: Ages 5-17

All entries will be released Thursday, July 17, 5 to 7PM.

Any questions contact Laura Byker - 712-441-3952

All diligence will be used to ensure safety of entries after arrival, the association will not be responsible for any loss, stolen, or damaged items.

Open Class

RULES, REQUIREMENTS AND CLASSES

Adult: 18 & older, Youth: Ages 5-17 (please indicate age)
Premium amounts: Purple-\$6, Blue-\$3, Red-\$2, White-\$1
\$5 will be given to each participant for entering a project.

GENERAL OPEN CLASS RULES

- The exhibit will be located in the 4-H Exhibit Building at the Sioux County Fairgrounds.
- Registration forms will be available at the exhibit area, but are preferred to be printed off and filled out beforehand. They can be found at www.siouxcountyfair. org under the GET INVOLVED tab. One form attached to each entry. Each project MUST be labeled on the FRONT OUTSIDE (bottom right hand corner) with name, address & class/category entered. There are NO registration fees.
- All entries must be at the exhibit area between 8:00-10:00 AM on Friday. Judging will follow and is NOT open to the public.
- Entries, ribbons and premiums can be claimed from 5 to 7 pm on Thursday the week of the fair. If items are not picked up during this time frame, premiums will be forfeited. If exhibits are picked up by someone other than exhibitor, exhibit stubs must be provided in order to claim.

- The Youth Fair and show management are NOT responsible for damage or loss of exhibits, but will use care to ensure their safety.
- Exhibitors are urged to use clear, protective coverings for all their entries. Ziplock bags are recommended, no plastic wrap, especially for baking entries.
- The show management reserves the right to limit entry numbers as the space is filled. They also retain the right to disqualify any inappropriate entries.
- All entries presented for exhibit must meet the requirements stated in each category.

• COPYRIGHTED PROJECTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

- Exhibitors are responsible for knowing which class their entries are to be submitted. If not, the judges will place the entry in a class of their choosing.
- Entries MAY NOT have been previously exhibited at the SCYF.
- There will be NO commercial vendors.
- All entries will be judged and awarded a ribbon (Purple, Blue, Red, or White). One Purple ribbon will be awarded as specified in each category. Ribbon placing is at the discretion of the judges. If you do not wish to have a ribbon, you can donate it back to the fair board to save on expenses. All prize winnings donated back will be given to the fair board to put on next year's fair.

HORTICULTURE

CLASS A. LIVE/CUT FLOWERS

Requirements

- Specimens must have their own containers
- Must be shown at natural height
- No noxious weeds allowed
- Foliage should be above water

Lot Numbers:

- 1. Annuals: 2-3 stems
- 2. Perennials: 1-3 single stems or 1 spray
- 3. *Tuberous or Bulbs: single stem/spike
- 4. Roses: 1 stem & 2 sets of leaves
- 5. Arrangements
- 6. Houseplants
- 7. Outdoor Planters

CLASS B. FRUITS & VEGETABLES

Requirements

- Specify the variety of fruits and vegetables, if possible
- Fruits and vegetables must be thoroughly washed
- Beans and peas must be on plates 6 pods

Lot Numbers:

- 1. Fruits berries (10)
- 2. Vegetables Above Ground
- 3. Vegetables Below Ground

FOODS

(one youth purple, one adult purple)

CLASS A. BAKING

Requirements

- All entries must be made by the exhibitor
- Entries must be on a firm, disposable base
- Food must be covered and sealed with a plastic bag. Anything not in a plastic bag will not be accepted.
- A recipe card must be included on the outside, along with the entry label.
- No frosting is permitted on baked goods
- Cookies, rolls, and candies must be plates of 6

Lot Numbers:

- 1. Yeast Breads & Rolls
- 2. Quick Breads
- 3. Cakes
- 4. Pies
- 5. Cookies/Bars
- 6. Candies

CLASS B. PRESERVES

Requirements

- Canned goods & preserves must use clear pint or ½ pint jars with a clean lid and ring (no coffee or salad dressing jars)
- List the canning method used on the identifying registration form
- Must be at least ½ cup of food in a clear container
- When necessary, canned goods will be opened for judging

• A recipe card must be included on the outside, along with the entry label.

Lot Numbers:

- 1. Canned Meats
- 2. Canned Tomatoes
- 3. Canned Vegetables, including Pickles and Relishes
- 4. Jams, Jellies, Marmalades, Preserves & Butters
- 5. Canned Fruits

ART, PHOTOGRAPHY, SEWING & NEEDLEWORK

- All artwork must be original/No kits permitted
- Exhibitors may enter more than one class
- 2-dimensional artwork and photography **MUST BE MATTED, FRAMED, OR MOUNTED** and covered with a sealable plastic bag.
- 3-dimensional artwork may include a stand or pedestal
- Paintings must not be more than 3 years old to be considered for prize money. No painting by numbers.

FINE ARTS

CLASS A. ART

Lot Numbers:

- 1. Painting & Drawing
- 2. Print Making
- 3. Woodworking

- 4. Clay
- 5. Metalwork
- 6. Leatherwork

CLASS B. PHOTOGRAPHY

- Limit of 5 entries per person
- Prints must be 5 x 7 or larger

Lot Numbers:

- 1. People/Portraits
- 2. Animals
- 3. Action
- 4. Digitally Manipulated Art
- 5. Series of 3-5 photos telling a story
- 6. Landscape/Nature
- 7. Still Life
- 8. Panoramic

CLASS C. SEWING & NEEDLEWORK

**All pictures must be framed with a finished back and ready to hang.

Lot Numbers:

- 1. Knitting
- 2. Crocheting
- 3. Sewing
- 4. Counted Cross-Stitch
- 5. Needlepoint
- 6. Quilting
- 7. Embroidery

TALL CORN CONTEST

Submit your best corn and see how it compares to others.



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