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To: All 4-H Still Exhibit Members and Leaders

From: Kayla Mitchell, Program Coordinator - 4-H Youth Development

Re: 2025 Still Exhibit Information and Updates

This is a quick update on the events that will take place for the 2025 fair season within the still exhibit department. Should you have questions, please feel free to contact the MSU Extension office at 269-467-5511. **Please refer to the 2025 4-H, FFA, and Other Youth Fair Book for specific rules and guidelines.**

NEW for 2025:

- ALL exhibits must have an index card attached to the back or must be written somewhere on the project with their name, club, and project type. This is in case the office-given cards are displaced from the project during the week.
- All “plastic notebooks” have been changed to a **“three-ring binder”**.
- **Diamond Dot** has been added as a new class.
- **Cake Decorating** rules and guidelines have been completely revamped.
- **Candy Making** rules and guidelines have been changed in many areas.
- **First Aid** has been revised.
- **Advanced Food Preparation** class requirements have been adjusted slightly.
- **Gift Wrapping** has been completely revamped.
- The 4-H **Model Construction** Project Report Form has been removed.
- Dimensions for **Diorama** have been increased to 10x10 maximum display.
 - Did you know you can bring Legos in this category as long as they are displayed in an original layout?
 - Some examples could be: a beach scene, country scape, dinosaur habitat, farms, monster jam, or mountain scene – the possibilities are endless!
- ALL photography exhibitors are eligible to receive **“Single Best Photograph”**, regardless of a “Best of Show” placement.
- Exhibitors must you the poster board available at the MSU Extension office for **Pocket Pet** projects.
- **3D Puzzles** are no longer required to be glued, but must be accompanied by an appropriate base for display purposes.
 - 3D Puzzles that contain “hardware” (screws, nuts, washers, etc.) will be shown as a model.
- **2D Puzzle** minimum and maximum number of pieces have changed.
 - 2D Puzzles must be accompanied by a photo of the box showing the number of pieces used.
- All puzzles must be labeled with the exhibitor’s information!
- There is a new Soap Recipe Sheet that must be included with **Lye Soap** projects.
- “Any other bag” has been added to **Wardrobe Personalization**.



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Premium Changes

The following classes will become NO premium classes – ribbon only (trophies will remain in Sections Z, ZA, and ZB):

- Weather and Climate (Department 69, Section V)
- Forestry (Department 70, Section J)
- Bicycle Care/Safety/Touring (Department 72, Section Y)
- Fish, Fun, Fellowship (Department 72, Section Z)
- Fly Tying (Department 72, Section ZA)
- Kite Flying (Department 72, Section ZB)
- Recreation Ideas/Games (Department 72, Section ZC)

The following classes will be added to the A, B, C premium table = 2 for 2025:

- Diamond Dot
- Other Crafts from a Kit (Folk Arts, Department 63)
- Puzzles
- Model Construction General
- Model Construction Snap-Together
- Model Construction Specialty
- Diorama (3D Miniature Model)