

Entrepreneurship

ESI: Entrepreneurship Investigation

Department F, Division 531

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Entrepreneurship exhibits help participants develop an entrepreneurial mindset. An entrepreneurial mindset is needed to tackle social issues as well as explore new business opportunities.

Exhibit Guidelines: The 4-H member's name, age, town, and county must be listed on the back of the exhibit. Entry cards should be stapled or taped (not paper-clipped) to the upper right-hand corner of posters. If the exhibit is a poster, it must be 14 inches x 22 inches and may be arranged either horizontally or vertically. Poster may not use copyrighted materials, such as cartoon characters or commercial product names. **Exhibits which do not conform to size or content guidelines will be lowered one ribbon placing.** Posters may include photographs, charts, or examples as well as a written explanation.

All static exhibits **must have received a purple ribbon at the county fair to advance** to the State Fair.

Scoresheets, Forms, and Contest Study Materials

Scoresheets, forms, contest study materials, and additional resources can be found.

ESI Unit 1 Discover the E-Scene

Entrepreneurship Investigation

F531001* **Interview an Entrepreneur** (SF181) - Share what you learned from the person about having an entrepreneurial mindset. How have they applied that mindset? Have they started a business? Are they tackling a social issue? How do they deliver excellent customer service? How will what you have learned through this interview change your future plans or ways of thinking about entrepreneurship? The summary of the interview should be typed and with a maximum length of two pages (12 pt. font). Enter exhibit in a folder with fasteners (no slide bars).

ESI Unit 2 The Case of ME

F531002* **Social Entrepreneurship Presentation** (SF181) - Prepare a five-slide power point presentation about a social entrepreneurship venture to benefit a group or individual in your community. Social entrepreneurs are people who are in business to help others. Submit a printout of the note pages which show each slide and include an explanation of each slide. Enter exhibit in a folder with fasteners (no slide bars).

ESI Unit 3 Your Business Inspection

F531003* **Marketing Package** (SF181) - (mounted on a 14 inches x 22 inches poster) must include at least three items (examples) developed by the 4-H'er from the following list: business card, brochure, advertisement, business promotional piece, printout of an internet home page, packaging design, signs, logo design, direct mail piece, etc. The marketing package should be for an original business developed by the 4-H'er and not an existing business.

F531004* **Sample of an Original Product** (SF181) - with an information sheet (8 ½ inches x 11 inches) answering the following questions: What did you enjoy the most about making the product?

1. What challenges did you have when making the product?
2. Would you do anything different next time? If so, what?
3. What is the suggested retail price of the product? How did you decide on the price?
4. Market analysis of the community – data gathered through a survey of potential customers.
5. Survey at least 10 people in your community about your product.
6. How much would you earn per hour? Show how you determined this figure. What is unique about this product?

F531005* **Photos of an Original Product** (SF181) - (mounted on 14 inches by 22 inches poster) must include three photos of developed product and a mounted information sheet answering the following questions. If exhibiting in both Class F531004 and Class F531005, products must be entirely different products.

Information Sheet:

1. What did you enjoy the most about making the product?
2. What challenges did you have when making the product?
3. Would you do anything differently the next time? If so, what?
4. What is the suggested retail price of the product?
5. How did you decide on the price?
6. Market analysis of the community – data gathered through a survey of potential customers.
7. Survey at least 10 people in your community about your product.
8. How much would you earn per hour? Show how you determined this figure.
9. What is unique about this product?

Entrepreneurship- All Units

F531006* **Entrepreneurship Challenge** (SF181) - Take on the entrepreneurship challenge. Entrepreneurship Challenge is open to 4-H members enrolled in any of the three units of ESI. Complete five (5) or more of the challenges from the following list. The exhibit will include highlights from these five (5) challenges. Consider labeling each challenge so the viewer will understand what the challenge was. Enter a poster, video (or other digital presentation), report, or scrapbook related to the learning from the challenge. Use your creativity to show and share what you learned.

Select five (5) challenges from the list below:

- Sell something.
- Talk to local leaders about entrepreneurial thinking and how it is being applied or could be applied to a current community issue.
- Introduce yourself to a local entrepreneur and take a selfie with them.
- Be a detective! Look for Nebraska-made products and find out more about the business.
- Tour 2-3 entrepreneurial businesses and create a photo story.
- Investigate what it takes to be an entrepreneur and complete a skills assessment. .
- Make a prototype (sample/model) of a new product idea. Include the prototype or a photo of the prototype.
- Work with a friend to develop a new business idea!
- Contact your local Extension office to learn about entrepreneurship opportunities.
- Create an activity to teach others about entrepreneurship (color page, puzzle, game, etc.).
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*State Fair Eligible