

2024 CLOTHING AND TEXTILES

Participants in the clothing category will demonstrate their knowledge through the creation of garments using STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics) techniques. Through the creation of garments, 4-H'ers will learn more about clothing and application of STEAM abilities. Five divisions in the clothing category offer a varying level of difficulty for 4-H contestants.

4-H'ers may enroll and exhibit in one of the three clothing levels:

Beginning — STEAM 1: Fundamentals

Intermediate — STEAM 2: Simply Sewing

Advanced — STEAM 3: A Stitch Further

4-H'ers can exhibit in only one level and once they have progressed to a higher level they cannot exhibit or enroll in a lower project level.

Entry tag placement: as you look at the garment, place the entry tag on the right side of the garment and the hook of the hanger to the left. **Each item entered as a clothing, knitting or crochet exhibit must have a label attached stating: County, Exhibitor's name, age, project name and class in which the garment is entered and the number of years enrolled in the project exhibited.** Wool entries must have the fiber content listed on the identification label. Attach this label on the inside of every component of the outfit using safety pins, fusible interfacing or by basting. Not responsible for unlabeled items.

Bring wearable exhibits on wire hangers or hangers with a swivel hook ONLY. Each garment must also be entered in a transparent plastic garment bag. All exhibits not suitable for hanging should be entered in a self-sealing plastic bag. As you look at the garment on the hanger, place the hook of the hanger to the left. Use safety pins to fasten skirts, shorts and pants to hangers. Each piece should be entered on its own hanger. If more than one hanger is used for an entry, fasten hangers belonging to one exhibit together with twist ties or rubber bands.

All static exhibits must receive a purple ribbon at the county fair in order to be eligible for State Fair selection. State Fair Premier 4-H Science Award is available in this area. See General Rules in State Fair Book for more details.

OPTIONAL — If you have a unique method or technique in creating your exhibit (drew your own design, wove your own fabric, etc.), indicate that on a half sheet of 8½-inch by 11-inch paper placed with entry tag. Garments may be made for self (4-H member) or another person. Must be the original work of the 4-H member.

KNITTING AND CROCHETING

The purpose of this category is to establish basic to advanced crochet and knitting skills. In addition, projects in this category require 4-H'ers to select adequate yard and make design decisions.

With each entry include an information label stating: County, exhibitor's name and age, project name, and class in which garment is entered and the number of years enrolled in project in which exhibiting. Attach label on every component of exhibit using safety pins or basting. Not responsible for unlabeled items.

DIVISION 225 – KNITTING

All knitted items will be displayed in the clothing area. Criteria for judging knitting: Design and Color, Neatness, Knitting Mechanics, Trimmings, and Constructions Finishes. Information Sheet must be included for all classes in Knitting.

Each knitted exhibit must include the following information with the entry tag or exhibit will be lowered one ribbon placing: 1. Why did you choose to create this exhibit? 2. What steps did you take as you created this exhibit? 3. What were the most important things you learned? 4. Gauge-Number of rows per inch; number of stitches per inch. 5. Size of needles, finger knitted, arm knitted, loom or machine knitted 6. Kind of yarn – weight and fiber content. 7. Names of stitches used.

KNITTING I

Purple, \$2.50; Blue, \$2; Red, \$1.50; White, \$1

C225008 Item of Choice

C225009 Knitted Clothing

C225010 Home Environment Item. Suggestions for entries include hot pad and sink cloth.

C225011 Accessory

Purple, \$2; Blue, \$1.50; Red, \$1; White, \$0.50

C225012 You Be the Teacher — Share with others what you learned in this project. Exhibit may be a poster or foam core board (not to exceed 22 inches by 30 inches), notebook or a small display of an educational nature. Examples include information on knitting equipment, yarns, patterns, stitches, gauge, etc.

KNITTING II and III

Purple, \$3.00; Blue, \$2.50; Red, \$2.00; White, \$1.50

*C225001 Level 2 Knitted Clothing (Garment eligible for State Fair Fashion Show) – Knitted garment using basic stitches [including: Knit (K), Purl (P), Slip Knit Pass Over (SKPO), Knit Two Together (K2tog), Yarn Over (yo)] to form patterns

*C225002 Level 2 Knitted Home Design & Restoration Item - Knitted Item using basic stitches [including: Knit (K), Purl (P), Slip Knit Pass Over (SKPO), Knit Two Together (K2tog), Yarn Over (yo) to form patterns.

*C225003 Arm or Finger Knitted Item (Clothing or Home Design & Restoration Item)

*C225004 Loom Knitted Item (Clothing or Home Design & Restoration Item)

*C225005 Level 3 Knitted Clothing (Garment eligible for State Fair Fashion Show) - Knitted garment made by using stitches learned in Level 2 while advancing to circular knitting, double pointed needle knitting, knitting with multiple pattern stitches, and changing colors throughout the garment such as argyle knitting and chart knitting.

*C225006 Level 3 Knitted Home Design & Restoration Item - Knitted item made by using stitches learned in Level 2 while advancing to circular knitting, double pointed needle knitting, knitting with multiple pattern stitches, and changing colors throughout the garment such as argyle knitting and chart knitting.

*C225007 Level 3 Machine Knitting

DIVISION 226 - CROCHET

All crochet items will be displayed in the clothing area. Criteria for judging crochet: Design and Color, Neatness, Crochet Mechanics, Trimmings, and Construction Finishes. Information Sheet must be included for all classes in Crochet.

Each crocheted exhibit must include the following information on the on the fiber arts data card with the entry tag or exhibit will be lowered one ribbon placing: 1. Why did you choose to create this exhibit? 2. What steps did you take as you created your exhibit? 3. What were the most important things you learned? 4. Gauge and size of hook or type of crocheting tool. 5. Kind of yarn – weight and fiber content or other material used. 6. Names of stitches used. A Fiber Arts crochet data form is available at <https://go.unl.edu/ne-4hclothing>

CROCHET I

Purple, \$2.50; Blue, \$2; Red, \$1.50; White, \$1

C226006 Item Edged with Crochet such as kitchen towel, pillowcase, or another textile-based item.

C226007 Item of Choice

C226008 Crocheted Clothing and Accessory

C226009 Home Environment Item

Purple, \$2; Blue, \$1.50; Red, \$1; White, \$0.50

C226010 You Be the Teacher — Share with others what you learned in this project. Exhibit may be a poster or foam core board (not to exceed 22 inches by 30 inches), notebook or a small display of an educational nature. Examples include information on crocheting needles, yarns, patterns, stitches, gauge, etc.

CROCHET II and III

Purple, \$3.00; Blue, \$2.50; Red, \$2.00; White, \$1.50

*C226001 Level 2 Crocheted Clothing (Garment eligible for State Fair Fashion Show) - Crochet garment using basic stitches [including: chain, single, double, half-double, treble] to form patterns

*C226002 Level 2 Crocheted Home Design & Restoration Item - Crochet item using basic stitches [including: chain, single, double, half-double, treble] to form patterns

*C226003 Level 3 Crocheted Clothing (Garment eligible for State Fair Fashion Show) - Crochet garment using stitches learned in Level 2 while advancing to use afghan stitch, broomstick lace, hairpin lace, design motifs, and multiple pattern stitches.

*C226004 Level 3 Crocheted Home Design & Restoration Item - Crochet item using stitches learned in Level 2 while advancing to use afghan stitch, broomstick lace, hairpin lace, design motifs, and multiple pattern stitches.

C226005 Accessory

