## **Get Your 4-H Still Life Entries Ready for FAIR!!!!**

To help you plan and enter your still life exhibits, the 4-H Fair Committee has created a checklist for you to follow. We've added a link to the 4-H Exhibitor Guide too!

If you follow the checklist, it will help not only you but the 4-H fair volunteers, staff, and judges. We try to follow the general entry guidelines for State 4-H Fair to make it easier for blue ribbon exhibits to be entered in state fair as well. However, if you do have blue ribbon exhibits that you want to send to the State 4-H Fair, you might find that some of the classes/divisions have a more restrictive number of articles you are able to enter.

## First of all, what is considered 'still life'?

Simply put, it's non-animal exhibits such as sewn articles, posters, arts & crafts, garden exhibits, etc.

Become familiar with the 4-H Fair Exhibitor Guide (also known as the Premium Guide)! https://extension.wsu.edu/graysharbor/4-h/links/

If you are unsure in what class or lot your item should be entered, check with your 4-H leader or WSU Extension staff.

Make sure your exhibit is clean, and in good shape for fair entry!

Here are some but not all common preparation oversights in fair entries:

- 1. Is your exhibit accompanied by 3" x 5" explanation card required in most still life entries (especially arts & crafts)?
- 2. Does your sewn article have a care label?
- 3. Is your painting or drawing matted or framed and ready to hang?
- 4. Is your photograph properly matted?
- 5. Do you have the correct number of cookies or other baked goods for judging & display?
- 6. Does your educational poster have your name and date on the back?
- 7. Does your jar of jam have the correct label attached?
- 8. READ the guidelines for your entry in the premium guide!

We hope this helps you in planning your 4-H fair still life exhibits...don't hesitate to reach out to our county 4-H coordinators for assistance! If they can't help you, they can put you in touch with someone who can!

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