SCHOOL FAIR EXHIBIT BOOK 2021
SCHOOL EXHIBITS FOR ALL DAWSON COUNTY SCHOOLS

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SCHOOL EXHIBIT DEFINITION
1. The Dawson County Fair Board reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected with or incident to the fair.

2. The Board reserves the right to formulate, amend and announce new rules to meet emergencies and all matters arising from the fair.

3. The Dawson County Fair will not be liable for any lost or damaged exhibits.

4. **A fair art representative should be selected by EACH school.** The representative will serve as the contact person for entry information, arrange entry drop-off and pickup for their school, etc. The representative’s name should be forwarded to the County Superintendent’s office and Fair Office as soon as possible.

5. Exhibits are expected to be entered, delivered and picked up as per schedule of events.

6. Online entries are due **MONDAY, MAY 24TH.**

7. Printed entry tags will be available for pickup at the fair office **WEDNESDAY, MAY 26TH.**

8. The entry tag should be stapled to the **upper right hand corner** of each exhibit, when this is not possible place in an appropriate location; **entry tags should not extend beyond the edge of the project even if the tag partially covers the project.** **FOLD,** do not staple, the bottom section of the tag on the dotted line and secure in the notch provided.

9. All school entries should be taken to the **Basement** the courthouse -- before Tuesday, June 1. All exhibits should be placed in protective covering or boxes.

10. **Judging will take place on FRIDAY JUNE 4th.**

11. **Fair exhibits may be picked up after 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 1 OR THE FOLLOWING WEEK by each school’s representative, or by individual teachers. Students may not pick up their own entries. Teachers will be responsible for returning them to the proper individual exhibitor. Individual teachers are also asked to remind students about not picking up entries themselves.**

12. **Please contact the Fair Manager’s office if other pickup arrangements need to be made.**

13. Exhibits not removed or arrangements made for their removal within ten days of the close of the fair will become property of the fair.

14. **Checks will be made payable to each Dawson County School teacher and checks will be available at the fair office or they will be mailed out.**

15. **The office of the County Superintendent is responsible for putting up and taking down (or hiring persons to complete the job) all school exhibits.**

16. **A list of commonly accepted definitions is provided in this booklet for certain lot numbers. If, in the opinion of the judge, an entry does not fit the commonly accepted definitions, the entry will be disqualified.**

17. **Premiums or ribbons will be given only for those items of merit that exemplify quality work. Exemplary work will exhibit the basic principles of art (balance, line, color, texture, etc.)**
18. Projects are eligible under only one category. (One project cannot be entered into more than one class/lot)

19. All entries must meet accepted guidelines or they will be disqualified for premium money. When a "participation" ribbon is awarded a brief explanation from the judge will be on back of the tag. We ask your cooperation in following these adopted guidelines.

20. All entries must have been made at school during the current school year and must have been made by the student.

21. Not over three entries from each grade in rural schools or from each room in city schools shall be made in any one lot number in grades K-5. The total number of entries submitted in any one lot number by teachers in departmentalized schools shall not exceed three times the number of classes taught. Each student from Glendive Schools shall not have more than one entry. Rural Schools will be allowed two entries per student.

22. Grades 6, 7 & 8 One entry per subject area per student will be allowed.

23. Paper patterns or tracing will be allowed in all classes except Class I. This is the art section. Art should be original work of the student.

24. Fragile objects, such as those made from plaster of Paris, should not be entered, and are done so only at the student's own risk.

25. Chalk pictures should be sprayed with a fixative to prevent smearing.

26. Exhibits that are mounted are always more attractive.

27. Laminating projects that are to be hung will preserve the project and is encouraged.

28. Quilts will be displayed folded.

29. No karo syrup pictures will be accepted. Please refrain from using seeds (except for seed collections) and glitter.

30. Only one oversized exhibit will be allowed per room/class. An oversized project is any project larger than tag board size (11 X 17). Oversized projects will be displayed as room permits. Table displays are excluded from this limit. Table displays shall not exceed 24 x 30 inches. Classroom or Group Projects This is the only class in which to enter class and group projects. This means that only under this class may group or classroom projects be entered. Every teacher will be allowed to enter two (2) classroom or group projects. In classroom or group projects, only one premium ribbon per project will be allowed. A "Group Project" is one that several students worked on collectively to complete a single project. A "Classroom Project" is one that individual students have contributed recognizable parts to complete the project.

31. Language Arts projects in grades K-4 may use pencil. Language Arts projects in grades 5-8 must be done in pen. All projects may be computer generated with the exception of penmanship. Booklets will be judged according to grade level. Computer generated booklets will be judged the same as handwritten. Entries should not have teacher or peer students corrections on them.
32. Any foreign language project will be entered under Language Arts Class.

33. If an exhibit is the work of several children who are in different grades it will be judged in the highest grade.

34. An area for "Display Only" entries will be provided. Entries will be handled on a space available basis in the display area. No premiums will be awarded for this category. Entry tags must be marked "For Display Only".

35. If you have any questions or concerns about entering an item for exhibit or suggestions for improvement, please get in touch with the representative from your school.

JUDGING INFORMATION

1. When entries are judged by the Danish System all will receive a placing, but this does not mean that a blue ribbon must be awarded if there is no entry deserving of award.

2. Judges are instructed not to award prizes to any unworthy exhibits. It is the intention of management that no premium shall be given to any articles that are undeserving. This rule must be strictly adhered to whether there be competition or not.

3. Special Premium Awards will only be awarded if there are at least three exhibitors/entries in that category.

4. If there are no entries in a category where there is a specific Special Premium Award assigned--Judge or Superintendent must check with Fair Manager before awarding premium to a different category. (All Special Premium awards are sponsored by individuals/businesses--some are insistent that they go to designated or area or ask that sponsor money is returned.)

5. Judges may provide written comments on the back of the exhibit tags.

6. Decision of the judges are final. No appeal will be considered except in case of protest. All protests will be determined by the Fair Board and must be made in writing to the manager.

7. Protest against an award must be filed before 8 pm on the day of the award was given, and will be given due consideration by the Fair Board.

8. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, superintendents, other exhibitors, show officials before, during or after competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all superintendents, judges, and clerks shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation & respect.
Register your entries ONLINE at www.dawsoncountyfair.fairentry.com.

SCHOOL ENTRIES ARE DUE MONDAY, MAY 24TH by 11:59 p.m.

FAIRENTRY Recommended browsers, Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox.
- Older versions of Internet may cause unexpected results.

Find Your Fair | Type Dawson

Sign in or Create a Fair Entry account for your Classroom.
- Do NOT create profiles for individual students.

Enter as many exhibits as you think you might have- no penalty if you don't bring them.

Register all entries before proceeding to the Payment section.

Once all entries are in, click all the way through invoice/payment screen! There is no fee to exhibit at the fair - it will show $0.00.

Be sure to click SUBMIT button when you have completed your entries. Entries are Not final until they have been submitted!

You will receive an email showing you are registered.

You will receive a second email after your entries have been approved by your fair.

Tags will be available for pick up May 26th.

Bring your exhibits with tags attached- to the 2nd Floor of Old Jail before TUESDAY, June 1.

Judging will begin FRIDAY June 4th.