

# JUNIOR FRUIT, VEGETABLE & DECORATIVE

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October 11th between 2pm and 6pm. All monetary awards (1st-5th) will be mailed to you.

## SECTION A: VEGETABLES

Entry forms must be received by **Monday, September 12th** at 4 P.M. Exhibits must be set up **Thursday, September 29th** from 4 - 8 P.M. (Judging will begin this very evening. Exhibitors will be asked to leave the Junior area at 8 P.M. Please plan accordingly.)

**Awards: FIRST \$6.00 SECOND \$5.00 THIRD \$4.00**

### SECTION A

- Class
1. Beans, Pole Wax, 15 specimens
  2. Beans, Pole Green, 15 specimens
  3. Beans, Pole Shell, 15 specimens
  4. Beans, Green, 15 specimens
  5. Beans, Purple, 15 specimens
  6. Beans, Wax, 15 specimens
  7. Beans, Shell, 15 specimens
  8. Beans, Lima, 15 specimens
  9. Beets, 5 specimens
  10. Broccoli, 2 specimens
  11. Cabbage, 2 specimens
  12. Cabbage, Red, 2 specimens
  13. Carrots, 5 specimens
  14. Danvers Half-Carrot, 5 specimens
  15. Cauliflower, 2 specimens
  16. Celery, 2 bunches
  17. Corn, Sweet, husks on, 5 specimens
  18. Popcorn, 2 specimens
  19. Cucumbers, 2 specimens
  20. Pickling cukes, 2 specimens
  21. Egg Plant, 2 specimens
  22. Herbs, 3 types in (1) clear glass container with water
  23. Lettuce, 2 specimens
  24. Onions, Yellow Flat or Globe type, 5 specimens
  25. Onions, White Flat or Globe type, 5 specimens
  26. Onions, Red Flat or Globe type, 5 specimens
  27. Peppers, Hot Red, any type, 5 specimens
  28. Peppers, Hot Green, any type, 5 specimens
  29. Peppers, Hot Yellow, any type, 5 specimens
  30. Peppers, Sweet Green, any type, 5 specimens
  31. Peppers, Sweet Red, any type, 5 specimens
  32. Peppers, Sweet Yellow, any type, 5 specimens
  33. Peppers, Purple, any type, 5 specimens
  34. Potatoes, Any smooth-skinned late variety, 5 specimens
  35. Potatoes, Any netted late variety, 5 specimens
  36. Potatoes, Any red variety, 5 specimens
  37. Potatoes, Any other, 5 specimens
  38. Radishes, 10 specimens

**Awards: FIRST \$10.00 SECOND \$8.00 THIRD \$6.00**

39. Squash, Butternut, 2 specimens
40. Squash, Buttercup, 2 specimens
41. Squash, Delicious, Green, 2 specimens
42. Squash, Delicious, Golden, 2 specimens
43. Squash, Spaghetti, 2 specimens
44. Squash, Hubbard, Blue, 2 specimens
45. Squash, Hubbard, Green, 2 specimens

**Awards: FIRST \$6.00 SECOND \$5.00 THIRD \$4.00**

46. Squash, Summer, Yellow, 2 specimens
47. Squash, Summer, Green, 2 specimens

### Save these

#### important dates!

#### Please read carefully

### TIME AND PLACE TO MAKE ENTRIES FOR

#### SECTIONS A, B AND C IN THE

#### JR. FRUIT AND VEGETABLE SECTIONS

1. All entry forms must be in the Topsfield Fairground office by **Monday, September 12th** at 4pm.
2. Exhibitors must bring in exhibits on **Thursday, September 29th** by **4pm** and have exhibits completely set up by 8 pm. Judging will begin that night.
3. Exhibitors can pick up their exhibits on **Tuesday, October 11th between 4 - 6 pm**. (This is the day after the fair closes. Please make a note of this.) No one will be able to pick up their entries on the last day of the fair.
4. Use proper entry form on pages 5 and 6.
5. Awards will be available to winners **Tuesday, October 11th between 2 - 6 pm** in the Vegetable Building. Any awards not picked up will be mailed (1st through 5th only). All monetary awards will be mailed.

### RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR SECTIONS: A, B, C

1. Vegetables and fruits must be grown, selected and arranged by an **individual**. Groups that work on a vegetable garden must enter a plate by having a child choose the vegetable(s) they would like to enter. (It isn't fair for a group to compete against an individual.) Each child needs their own entry form.
2. Exhibitors should keep in mind when selecting specimens that the judge looks for:
  - Uniformity of size, shape and color
  - Trueness of type
  - Proper number of specimens per plate
  - Exhibits in the proper class
  - Washed when necessary
  - Leave one inch tops on beets and carrots
  - Onions should not be peeled
  - Stems off field tomatoes
  - Tips left on beans
  - Damaged parts trimmed or removed
  - Peppers - same number of Lobes
  - Condition of, and freedom from blemishes
3. Squampkins or large overgrown pumpkins will not be exhibited in the Jr. dept. These are entered in the adult section, one per family.
4. You must follow all rules and regulations listed, including the entry dates, or you will be disqualified.
5. All exhibits must represent the work of the individual. The child must set up the exhibit.
6. An individual may only enter once per class.

### AWARDS FOR SECTIONS A, B, C

1. Only worthy entries will receive prizes at the discretion of the judges.
2. Honorable mention ribbon to be awarded at the discretion of the judge.
3. Sweepstakes Rosette will be awarded in both the fruit and vegetable sections for the best plate in the show.
4. A special award (ribbon) will be given to: 1. Best pair of pumpkins in the show 2. Best pair of squash in the show
5. All ribbons, awards and entries can be picked up on Tuesday,

**Awards:** FIRST \$10.00 SECOND \$8.00 THIRD \$6.00  
48. Squash, Acorn type, Green or White, 2 specimens  
49. Squash, Carnival, 2 specimens

**Awards:** FIRST \$6.00 SECOND \$5.00 THIRD \$4.00  
50. Squash, any other winter variety, 2 specimens  
51. Tomatoes, Green, any type, stems off, 5 specimens  
52. Tomatoes, Red, any field type, stems off, 5 specimens  
53. Tomatoes, Red, any trellis type, stems off, 5 specimens  
54. Tomatoes, Red, any Plum or Pear type, stems off,  
10 specimens  
55. Tomatoes, Cherry type, stems on, or on branch, 10 specimens  
56. Tomatoes, Yellow, any Plum or Pear type, stems off,  
10 specimens  
57. Tomatoes, Yellow, any other, stems off, 5 specimens

**Awards:** FIRST \$12.00 SECOND \$10.00 THIRD \$8.00  
58. Pumpkins, Field, 2 specimens, woody stem  
59. Pumpkins, Jack-O-Lantern, 2 specimens  
60. Pumpkins, White, 2 specimens

**Awards:** FIRST \$8.00 SECOND \$6.00 THIRD \$4.00  
61. Pumpkins, Sugar-Pie, 2 specimens  
62. Pumpkins, Jack-B-Little, 2 specimens  
63. Melon, 2 specimens  
64. Watermelon, 2 specimens

**Awards:** FIRST \$6.00 SECOND \$5.00 THIRD \$4.00  
65. Greens, any type, 2 specimens (roots on)  
66. Gourds, collection, 10 specimens in a decorative  
container  
67. Any decorative type corn, 2 specimens

**Awards:** FIRST \$20.00 SECOND \$18.00 THIRD \$15.00  
68. Bushel, Any Vegetable Pack for Market

**Awards:** FIRST \$6.00 SECOND \$5.00 THIRD \$4.00  
69. Any other worthy exhibit

**Awards:** FIRST \$12.00 SECOND \$10.00 THIRD \$8.00  
70. Display of at least 5 different vegetables artfully  
arranged in a decorative container  
71. Sunflower, largest 12" stalk attached (Judged for largest  
diameter and fully seeded head.)

## SECTION B: 3X4 FOOT DISPLAYS

Entry forms must be received by **Monday, September 12th** at 4 P.M.  
Exhibits must be set up **Thursday, September 29th** from 4 - 8 P.M.  
(Judging will begin this very evening. Exhibitors will be asked to leave  
the Junior area at 8 P.M. Please plan accordingly.)

### RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Any child not older than 20 years of age is eligible to exhibit.
2. All vegetables must be grown, picked and arranged by the child.
3. The exhibit shall occupy a space of 3 ft. x 4 ft. No taller than 2 1/2 feet. Only worthy products should be exhibited. **Each kind of vegetable should be properly labeled** as to variety and in the amounts indicated in Section A. At least 5 types of vegetables or fruits.
4. Exhibits will be judged according to trueness to type, arrangement, freedom from disease, insect and mechanical injury, also condition and uniformity.
5. The exhibitor should have prepared any canning or decorations used.
6. List of vegetables and variety must be included in the display.
7. Be creative. Choose a theme or design that draws a viewer to your display.
8. The entrant will be disqualified if he or she does not set up his or her own display.
9. Follow dates and times for entry, set up and pick up.

**Awards:** FIRST \$40.00 SECOND \$35.00 THIRD \$30.00  
FOURTH \$25.00 FIFTH \$20.00

### SECTION B

Class 1. 3 x 4 foot display.

## SECTION C: FRUIT

Entry forms must be received by **Monday, September 12th** at 4 P.M.  
Exhibits must be set up **Thursday, September 29th** from 4 - 8 P.M.  
(Judging will begin this very evening. Exhibitors will be asked to leave  
the Junior area at 8 P.M. Please plan accordingly.)

**Awards:** FIRST \$10.00 SECOND \$8.00 THIRD \$6.00  
SECTION C

Class

1. Baldwin, 5 specimens
2. Cortland, 5 specimens
3. Delicious, 5 specimens
4. Delicious, Yellow, 5 specimens
5. Gravenstein, 5 specimens
6. Macoun, 5 specimens
7. McIntosh, Early, 5 specimens
8. McIntosh, Late, 5 specimens
9. Northern Spy, 5 specimens
10. Wealthy, 5 specimens
11. Crabapples, 10 specimens
12. Spartan, 5 specimens
13. Any other named variety, 5 specimens
14. Pears, Bartlett, 5 specimens
15. Pears, Bosc, 5 specimens
16. Pears, Clapps Favorite, 5 specimens
17. Any other named Pear variety, 5 specimens
18. Peaches, any variety, 5 specimens
19. Grapes, Blue, 3 bunches
20. Grapes, Green, 3 bunches
21. Any other worthy exhibit

## SECTION D: DECORATIVE PUMPKINS

### RULES AND REGULATIONS

Entry forms must be received by **Monday, September 12th** by 4 pm.

All individual entries must be brought to the Vegetable Building on

**Wednesday, Sept. 28th between 4 - 8 pm.**

All Group entries must be brought in as assigned in acceptance letter

**Wednesday, Sept. 28th, between 4-6 pm or between 6-8 pm.**

Exhibitors must leave the Junior Vegetable area at 8 pm.

All entries that you'd like to pick up must be retrieved on **Tuesday, Oct. 11th**

**between 2-6 pm.** Otherwise they will be donated to the food bank..

Award ribbons may also be picked up on **Tuesday, October 11th, 2- 6 pm.**

All monetary awards will be mailed.

### Individuals

1. Pumpkins may be decorated in any manner but it must be obvious that a pumpkin is being used.
2. **No carving of the flesh please. You may secure decorations with pins, glue, etc.**
3. No artificial fruits or vegetables are to be used.
4. Pumpkins are not to be taller than 15 inches. The decorative pumpkin must sit in a space 1 foot long, keeping in mind that the shelf is only 8 inches deep. Decorations may be taller, but must be self-supporting and the entry has to be stable enough to move.
5. An exhibitor may only enter once per class.
6. We try to be fair to all. This is why we have so many age groupings. We have family entries for adults who would like to participate with their children. Children entering in an age group must complete their own work.
7. Pumpkins will be judged keeping in mind age, creativity, and the originality of theme.
8. The fair and its committee members are not responsible for damage or lost items.

**Individual Awards:** FIRST \$15.00 SECOND \$12.00

THIRD \$10.00 FOURTH \$6.00 FIFTH \$4.00

(Two prizes may be awarded in the first, second, and third  
categories as the judge deems worthy)

Special Award rosette for Best Individual Entry

## Individual Decorative Pumpkins Continued

Classes Offered: Individual

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|---------------------|----------------------|
| D1. 4-6 years old   | D4. 13-15 years old  |
| D2. 7-9 years old   | D5. 16-19 years old  |
| D3. 10-12 years old | D6. 20-100 years old |
| D6a. Special Needs  |                      |

### Groups

1. **Option 1:** Three tiers, each 3 feet long and 8 inches wide. This entry includes a backdrop that is 3 ft. wide by 2.5 ft. tall. The flat cardboard backdrop must be stapled to support provided. (no Tri-folds please). The group's name must **not** appear on the backdrop.

**Option 2:** Two tiers each 3 ft. long and 8 inches wide. The decorations cannot be taller than 18 inches (no backdrop).

Due to space limitations we will accept a limited number of entries.

**D7 Scout troops:** 12 entries of option 1  
8 entries of option 2

**D8 Schools / Clubs:** 6 entries of option 1  
6 entries of option 2

**D9 Special Needs:** 3 entries of option 1  
3 entries of option 2

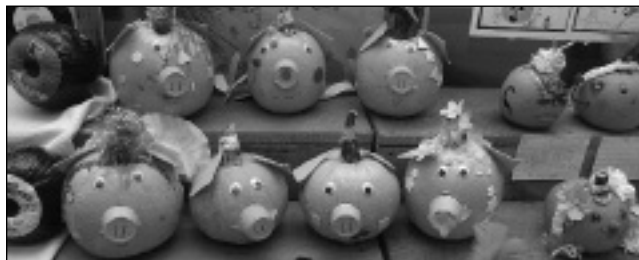
**D10 Family Entries:** Must be secured to a board (or any firm surface) Entry can be no longer than 18" and no wider than 8".

2. If your group is accepted as an entry you will be notified. All family groups will be accepted.
3. All entries are date stamped upon receipt at the Administration Building at the Fair.
4. All groups must follow the individual rules when decorating. Please be sure to read them carefully.
5. The single theme should be chosen by the group. Keep in mind there are awards for Best Educational Theme and Team Work. Please remember that this is strictly a youth contest. Groups will be disqualified from the judging if it appears the adults are doing the majority of the decorating. Children must help set-up exhibit.
6. You will be given a specific space to set up in and it is your job to make sure that your exhibit stays within those parameters. (Suggestion: Set up your exhibit at home first.)
7. All groups may have a sign with your group's name printed on it. The sign must be 12 inches long x 3 inches tall. This sign will be turned over after judging. Please use this exact size for uniformity.

**Group Awards:** FIRST \$30.00 SECOND \$25.00  
THIRD \$20.00 FOURTH \$15.00 FIFTH \$10.00

Special Award Rosette for Best Group Entry

**Classes Offered: Groups** D7. Scouts / Troops  
D8. Schools / Clubs  
D9. Special Needs  
D10. Family



## SECTION E: POSTER CONTEST

### THEME: My Farm Stand "Vegetables at Their Best"

Entry forms must be received by **Monday, September 12th at 4 pm.**

Posters must be brought to the Vegetable Building, **Monday, September 19th between 12 noon and 6 pm.**

Posters are secured high on a barn wall.

All schools, troops, clubs or other groups who want to enter in this individual contest will need to have a contest amongst themselves first. Then a group may enter no more than 3 entries each. We have limited space and want to have as much of the community involved as possible.

Award ribbons will be picked up on **Tuesday, October 11th between 2 - 6 pm.**

All 1st through 5th place awards not picked up will be mailed.

Monetary awards will be mailed.

### RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Posters may be decorated in any manner keeping in mind the theme, using original artwork—no computer art.
2. The posters should be no larger than 30" x 30". Any variation of the theme is acceptable. **Please only use poster board. NO FORM BOARD.**
3. The posters will be judged for use of theme, creativity, color and public eye appeal.
4. No poster will be hung if the committee feels it may be offensive to the public. Prizes will be awarded as the judge deems worthy.
5. An exhibitor may enter only once in any given class.
6. The fair is not responsible for damaged or lost items.
7. Any entry not believed to be completed by the child will be disqualified.
8. Each poster must be marked clearly with the name, age, full address and phone number on the back of their poster.

**Individual Awards:** FIRST \$10.00 SECOND \$7.00  
THIRD \$5.00 FOURTH \$4.00 FIFTH \$3.00

Classes Offered: Individual

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|---------------------|----------------------|
| E1. 4-6 years old   | E4. 13-15 years old  |
| E2. 7-9 years old   | E5. 16-19 years old  |
| E3. 10-12 years old | E6. 20-100 years old |
| E6a. Special Needs  |                      |

**SPECIAL AWARD ROSETTE** will be awarded to the best posters in the show (as judge deems worthy).

**Group Awards:** FIRST \$20.00 SECOND \$18.00  
THIRD \$15.00 FOURTH \$10.00 FIFTH \$8.00

The only group entry offered in the poster contest will be:

- E7. Buddy (maximum of 2-4 entrants working on the same poster)

## SECTION F: VEGGIE CREATURES

### RULES AND REGULATIONS

Entry forms must be received by **Monday, September 12th by 4 pm.**

All entries must be brought to the Vegetable Building on **Wednesday, September 28th 4-8 pm.** Exhibitors must leave the Junior Vegetable Area at 8 pm. (Please plan accordingly.)

All entries must be picked up on **Tuesday, October 11th 4 - 6 pm,** otherwise they will be discarded or donated to the food bank. Award ribbons may be picked up on **Tuesday, October 11th between 2 - 6 pm.** Monetary awards will be mailed. All 1st through 5th place awards not picked up will be mailed.

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## Veggie Creatures Continued

### Individuals

1. Veggie creatures may be decorated in any manner, but it must be obvious that vegetables are being used.
2. No carving into the flesh of the fruits or vegetables please. You may attach decorations with pins, glue, etc.
3. Any combination of vegetables allowed. No artificial fruits or vegetables of any kind.
4. Vegetables are not to be taller than 15 inches. Veggie creatures must fit in a space one foot long, keeping in mind the shelving is 8 inches wide. Decorations may be taller, but must be self-supporting and the entry has to be stable enough to move.
5. An exhibitor may only enter once per class.
6. We try to be fair to all. This is why we have so many age groupings. We have a family entry for adults who would like participate with their children. Children entering in an age group must complete their own work.
7. Creatures will be judged keeping in mind: age, creativity, and originality of theme.
8. The Fair and its committee members are not responsible for any lost or damaged items.

**Individual Awards:** FIRST \$10.00 SECOND \$8.00  
THIRD \$6.00 FOURTH \$4.00 FIFTH \$2.00  
TWO PRIZES MAY BE AWARDED IN THE 1ST, 2ND, AND 3RD  
PLACE CATEGORIES AS THE JUDGE DEEMS WORTHY.  
SPECIAL AWARD ROSETTE FOR THE BEST INDIVIDUAL ENTRY  
WILL BE AWARDED.

### Classes Offered: Individual

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|--------------------|-----------------|
| F1. 4-6 years      | F4. 13-15 years |
| F2. 7-9 years      | F5. 16-19 years |
| F3. 10-12 years    | F6. 20-100      |
| F6a. Special Needs |                 |

### Groups

Due to space limitations, we will accept a limited number of Group Entries.

1. Groups will be as follows:

**F7 Scout troops:** 6 entries

**F8 Schools / Clubs:** 3 entries

**F9 Special Needs:** 3 entries

**F10 Family Entries:** Must be secured to a board (or any firm surface) Entry can be no longer than 18" and no wider than 8".

2. If your group is accepted as an entry you will be notified. All family groups will be accepted (no letter necessary).
3. All entries are date stamped upon receipt at the Administration Building at the Fair.
4. All groups must follow the individual rules when decorating. Please be sure to read them carefully.
5. The single theme should be chosen by the group. Keep in mind there are awards for Best Educational Theme and Team Work. Please remember that this is strictly a youth contest. Groups will be disqualified from the judging if it appears the adults are doing the majority of the decorating and set-up.
6. All veggie creature group entries will be displayed on a flat surface with measurements not exceeding 3 ft. long x 18 inches wide x 18 inches high.
7. You will be given a specific space to set up in and it is your job to make sure that your exhibit stays within those parameters. (Suggestion: Set up your exhibit at home first.)
8. Groups will be judged on originality of theme, creativity, use of color, and attractiveness of display.
9. All groups should have a sign with your group's name printed on it. The sign must be 12 inches long x 3 inches tall. This sign will be turned over after judging. Please use this exact size for uniformity.

**Group Awards:** FIRST \$25.00 SECOND \$20.00  
THIRD \$15.00 FOURTH \$10.00 FIFTH \$5.00  
Special Award Rosette for Best Group Entry

### Classes Offered: Groups

- F7. Scouts / Troops
- F8. Schools / Clubs
- F9. Special Needs
- F10. Family

## SECTION G: DECORATIVE HANGING (WALL OR DOOR)

### THEME: "BOUNTIFUL HARVEST"

#### RULES AND REGULATIONS

Entry forms must be received by **Monday, September 12th by 4 pm.**

All entries must be brought to the Vegetable Building on **Monday, September 26th between 12 noon and 6 pm.**

All schools, troops, clubs or other groups who want to enter in this individual contest will need to have a contest amongst themselves first. Then a group may enter no more than 3 entries each. We have limited space and want to have as much of the community involved as possible.

All entries must be picked up on **Tuesday, October 11th between 2 - 6 pm,** otherwise they will be discarded.

Award ribbons may be picked up on **Tuesday, October 11th between 2 - 6 pm.** All 1st through 5th place awards not picked up will be mailed. Monetary awards will be mailed.

1. Decorative Hanging should be no larger than 2 ft. in length, width or height.
2. Keeping in mind the theme, create a decoration that you would want to hang on your door or wall.
3. The use of natural material is encouraged. However, the decoration is meant to be used at one's home for months, so artificial ingredients are acceptable.
4. It must have a wire attached so that it can be hung on a trellis fence.
5. Only one entry per class.
6. Wall Hangings will be judged for use of materials, color, creativity, public eye appeal and use of theme.
7. You must send in entry forms and bring in exhibits by the dates and times listed above.
8. Your name, town, age and phone number must be attached to the back of the hanging.

**Awards:** FIRST \$10.00 SECOND \$8.00 THIRD \$6.00  
SPECIAL ROSETTE AWARD to the Best Wall Hanging in Show  
SECTION G

#### Class Individual Entries

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|--------------------|----------------|----------------|
| G1. 4-6 yrs        | G3. 10-12 yrs  | G5. 16-19 yrs  |
| G2. 7-9 yrs        | G4. 13 -15 yrs | G6. 20-100 yrs |
| G6a. Special Needs |                |                |

No group entries offered.

## Special Awards

**METCALF MEMORIAL AWARD:** To be awarded to the individual receiving the most ribbons in the entire Junior Vegetable Department.

**WOOD MEMORIAL AWARD:** To be awarded to the individual receiving the most 1st place ribbons in the Junior Fruit and Vegetable Department.

**HENRY J. RANTA MEMORIAL AWARD:** For the best educational exhibit in the Junior Vegetable Show.

**CARLETON M. STEARNS MEMORIAL AWARD:** To the exhibitor with the best plate in the Junior Fruit and Vegetable Department.

**SYDNEY A. PORTER MEMORIAL AWARD:** Two awards will be given (1) Best family or group entry in Decorative Pumpkin or Veggie Creature. (2) Best individual entry in Decorative Pumpkin or Veggie Creature.

**SPIRIT AWARD:** To the exhibitor who exhibits good sportsmanship & creativity. The Junior Committee will give this award.

**TEAM ACHIEVEMENT AWARD:** To the group who shows creativity, team work, cooperation and plenty of youth involvement.

**INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD:** To the exhibitor who shows knowledge, workmanship, and thoroughness in exhibiting.





All entry forms must be received by **Sept. 12th** by 4 pm.

Please mail this entry form to:  
**Topsfield Fair, P.O. Box 134,  
Topsfield MA 01983**  
or e-mail to: [essex@topsfieldfair.org](mailto:essex@topsfieldfair.org)  
or fax to: (978) 887-3016

# Junior Fruit, Vegetable, & Decorative GROUP ENTRY

Group Name (please print clearly) \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Group (Troop, School, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Ages of Children in Group \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

### **POSTER CONTEST**

Section E Class Number \_\_\_\_\_ # Exhibitors in Group \_\_\_\_\_

### **VEGGIE CREATURE** (Height 18", Width not over 3', Depth not over 18")

Section F Class Number \_\_\_\_\_ Group Type \_\_\_\_\_ # Exhibitors in Group \_\_\_\_\_

### **FAMILY**

Section & Class Number \_\_\_\_\_ # Exhibitors in Group \_\_\_\_\_

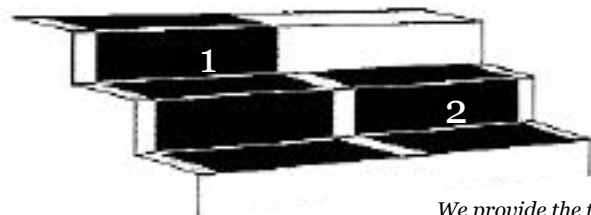
### **DECORATED PUMPKIN**

Section D Class Number \_\_\_\_\_ Group Type (Troop, School, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_ # Exhibitors in Group \_\_\_\_\_

**Decorated pumpkin group entry form: Remember that only a limited number of group entries will be accepted this year. The entries will be accepted as they are received according to the postmarked date and time.**

Each tier is only 3 ft. long. Be sure to set up your exhibit and measure it prior to setting it up at the Fair. You must stay within the space limits given for your entry.

Family entry will have one tier 1½ ft. long by 8" wide. Must be secured to a board or any firm surface.



*We provide the tiers*

**Choose an option: Check one box only.**

**Option 1:** Three tiers 3 ft. long each. Must have a backdrop 3 ft. wide by 2.5 ft. tall. (See rules for specifications.)

**Set-up September 28th between 4 - 6 pm.**

**Option 2:** Two tiers 3 ft. long each. No backdrop. Nothing higher than 18" in exhibit. (See rules for specifications.)

**Set-up September 28th between 6 - 8 pm.**



**Everyone is invited to Come See Us on Opening Day- FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH. All exhibits will need to be in place on Thursday, September 29th, EXCEPT POULTRY. Please refer all questions regarding this change to the Department Chairperson or the Fair's Administration Office.**

## GENERAL RULES & INFORMATION

**\*\* *Topsfield Fair and Essex Agricultural Society are not responsible for changes to or omissions from any contest rules, regulations, and/or guidelines.***

Exhibitors must adhere to all rules as they apply to individual departments as well as the following regulations:

1. The Essex Agricultural Society is a member of the Massachusetts Agricultural Fairs Association. The rules and regulations of this organization will apply where applicable.
2. Drinking of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on fairgrounds.
3. No smoking allowed in buildings.
4. No exhibit shall be removed before the close of the fair, without the express consent of the department head and fair management. Please refer to individual department for specific pickup times.
5. Departments designated 4-H and youth are restricted to boys and girls 9 through 19 years of age as of January 1, 2011, unless otherwise stated in department rules.
6. All reasonable precautions will be taken by the Society for the safe keeping of animals and articles entrusted to its care, but all exhibits are received upon express condition that **THE SOCIETY SHALL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOSS OR DAMAGE** that may occur to animals or articles on exhibit for any reason. Exhibitors, contestants, and/or participants agree to be solely responsible for any loss, injury to, damage done, occasioned by or arising from any exhibit, equipment, animal or person and to defend and indemnify the Society and the management thereof against all claims and liability in regard thereto. In view of this understanding, exhibitors, contestants, and/or participants may deem it advisable to obtain appropriate liability insurance.
7. No person will be awarded premium checks with providing the Fair office with his/her social security number.

## GENERAL LIVESTOCK RULES & INFORMATION

1. All animals must be checked by the State Veterinarian and/or the department head or his designee, upon arrival at the fairgrounds.
2. Please review and comply with all health regulations as they pertain to individual departments. Massachusetts Department of Agriculture rules regarding animal health must be adhered to.
3. All out-of-state livestock must be accompanied by a current Certificate of Health.
4. **EXHIBITOR PARKING WILL BE EXTREMELY LIMITED. PLEASE CHECK WITH DEPARTMENT HEAD IF PARKING PROBLEMS ARISE.**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
BUREAU OF FAIRS, DIVISION OF AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

In addition to complying with all laws and regulations governing animal health issues (M.G.L. C. 129§§14D, 14E, 44 and 330 CMR 4.03, 4.07, 16.03), all fairs must adopt and enforce the following rules for governance of the fair:

**2011 FAIRS ANIMAL HEALTH RULES**

**NO animal will be admitted to the fairgrounds unless it meets the requirements below.  
NO animal is to be unloaded or enter a barn or tie-out stall until the animal and its paperwork have been inspected and approved for entry.**

**A. GENERAL RULES FOR ALL ANIMALS**

1. All animals must be in proper physical condition, be properly identified and free of visual evidence of infectious, contagious or parasitic disease at time of arrival. Specific diseases and conditions which will disqualify an animal for entry are identified for each species in the following sections of the rules. Animals of any species with open or draining wounds will not be approved for entry.
2. Evidence of infectious, contagious or parasitic disease or failure to produce the necessary documents for health certification, vaccination or testing will result in the animal's rejection for entry. **THE INSPECTOR'S DECISION IS FINAL.**
3. **REMINDER: ALL sheep and goats of any age or sex brought to show or exhibition from either out of state or within state must possess a USDA approved individual identification tag, tattoo, or electronic implant consistent with the Federal Scrapie Eradication Program and the Massachusetts Emergency order 1-AHO-06. Information on approved tags, tattoos, and electronic implants is available from the USDA APHIS office in Sutton, MA at 508-363-2290.**
4. All livestock must have proper ID. For animals identified by microchip, readers must be available to the Inspectors.
5. SEE INDIVIDUAL REQUIREMENTS FOR EACH SPECIES LISTED BELOW.

**B. OUT OF STATE ANIMALS**

1. All animals entering a Massachusetts fairground from out of state must be accompanied by a valid health certificate signed by an accredited veterinarian certifying that the animals are clinically free of infectious or contagious disease and exposure from such disease. Documents of health certification must be written on relevant state or federal health forms only. These certificates must be available upon request to fair inspectors.
2. Health certificates must be dated January 1, 2011 or later. These documents will be acceptable for the entire fair season in Massachusetts. TB and Brucellosis testing is not required for animals from TB accredited and Brucellosis Free States. All other states must call for requirements.  
(617-626-1795)

**C. POULTRY**

1. No poultry will be admitted to a fairground until it has been individually inspected.
2. All poultry must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases: infectious bronchitis, coryza, pullorum-typhoid, fowl-pox, external parasites and laryngotracheitis.
3. Each bird must be accompanied by written proof (ID card or test report) that the breeding flock was blood-tested negative for pullorum-typhoid within one year prior to entry date.
4. Birds from quarantined states will not be permitted entry.
5. All birds over 16 weeks of age as of January 1, 2011 shall be individually leg banded with a state leg band. This includes out of state exhibitors.
6. No bird vaccinated for laryngotracheitis within thirty days of the fair will be admitted.

**D. CATTLE, GOATS AND CAMELIDS (LLAMAS, ALPACAS, ETC.)**

1. All animals entering a Massachusetts fairground from out of State or within the state must be accompanied by a valid health certificate signed by an accredited veterinarian certifying that the animals are clinically free of infectious or contagious disease and exposure from such disease. Cattle and Camelids must be identified by either ear tag, tattoo registration or microchip. **Note that all goats and kids presented, regardless of age, must be individually listed and identified on the health certificate.** These certificates must be available upon request to fair inspectors. Documents of health certification for out of state animals must be written on relevant state or federal health forms only. In-state animals may be accompanied by a certificate of examination on a veterinarian's letterhead stationery which clearly identifies the contact information for the veterinarian signing the certification. Certificates written on plain paper are not acceptable. Health Certificates must be dated January 1, 2011 or later. These documents will be accepted for the entire fair season in Massachusetts.
2. All of the above must be free of visual evidence of the following disease: foot rot, mange, pink-eye, ringworm, warts, cow-pox and open or draining wounds.
3. In addition all Goats must also be free of sore mouth and scrapie exposure. Based on the Federal Scrapie Eradication Program (FSEP), goats of any age or sex brought to show or exhibition from either out of state or within state must possess a USDA approved individual identification tag, tattoo, or

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electronic implant consistent with the requirements of the FSEP and the Massachusetts Emergency order 1-AHO-06. Information on approved tags, tattoos, and electronic implants is available from the USDA APHIS office in Sutton, MA at 508-363-2290.

4. Blue Tongue testing is required for Camelids originating from outside the Commonwealth. Exception: Animals from a USDA declared "Low Incident State" are exempt. Note: New England and New York are low incident states.
5. While not required, it is strongly recommended that all cattle be currently vaccinated for rabies.

## E. SWINE

1. All swine entering a Massachusetts fairground must be accompanied by a valid health certificate signed by an accredited veterinarian certifying that the animals are clinically free of infectious or contagious disease and exposure to such disease. Documents of health certification for out of state animals must be written on relevant state or federal health forms only. In-state animals may be accompanied by a certificate of examination on a veterinarian's letterhead stationery which clearly identifies the contact information for the veterinarian signing the certification. Certificates written on plain paper are not acceptable. These certificates must be available upon request to fair inspectors. Health certificates must be dated January 1, 2011 or later. These documents will be accepted for the entire fair season in Massachusetts. All swine must be identified by an official ear tag or registration.
2. Swine must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases: erysipelas, atrophic rhinitis, mange and open or draining wounds.
3. No person shall import into Massachusetts from outside the state any swine which have been pseudorabies vaccinated. M.G.L. c. 129§14E.
4. No person shall import into Massachusetts swine from Stage I or Stage II Pseudorabies States.
5. All swine shall originate from qualified pseudorabies-free herds, or monitored herds in qualified pseudorabies-free States only. The pseudorabies status of the exhibitor's state can be obtained from the state veterinarian's office in each state.

## F. SHEEP

1. Sheep entering a Massachusetts fairground must have a valid health certificate signed by an accredited veterinarian certifying that the animals are clinically free of infectious or contagious disease and exposure from such disease. Documents of health certification for out of state animals must be written on relevant state or federal health forms only. In-state animals may be accompanied by a certificate of examination on a veterinarian's letterhead stationery which clearly identifies the contact information for the veterinarian signing the certification. Certificates written on plain paper are not acceptable. These certificates must be available upon request to fair inspectors. Health certificates must be dated January 1, 2011 or later. These documents will be acceptable for the entire fair season.
2. No sheep will be allowed entry from flocks in which Scrapie has been diagnosed or in which animals are under surveillance

for Scrapie during the previous eighteen months. Based on the Federal Scrapie Eradication Program and the Massachusetts Emergency Order 1-AHO-06, sheep of any age or sex brought to show or exhibition from either out of state or within the state must possess a USDA approved individual identification tag, tattoo, or electronic implant consistent with requirements of the Federal Scrapie Eradication Program (FSEP).

Information on approved tags, tattoos, and electronic implants is available from the USDA APHIS office in Sutton, MA at 508-363-2290.

3. No sheep will be permitted entry from flocks in which Soremouth has existed or in which Soremouth Vaccine has been administered in the previous sixty days.
4. Sheep must be free from visual evidence of foot rot, sore mouth, pink-eye, ringworm, and open and draining wounds.
5. While not required, it is strongly recommended that sheep be currently vaccinated against rabies.

## G. EQUINE

1. All equines entering a Massachusetts fairground must have a valid health certificate signed by an accredited veterinarian certifying that the animals are clinically free of infectious or contagious disease and exposure from such disease. Documents of health certification for out of state animals must be written on relevant state or federal health forms only. In-state animals may be accompanied by a certificate of examination on a veterinarian's letterhead stationery which clearly identifies the contact information for the veterinarian signing the certification. Certificates written on plain paper are not acceptable. These certificates must be available upon request to fair inspectors. Health certificates must be dated January 1, 2011 or later. These documents will be acceptable for the entire fair season.
2. All equines must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases: mange, ringworm, soring, strangles and open or draining wounds..
3. All equines originating from within and outside of the Commonwealth must have a negative USDA-approved EIA test (i.e., coggins test or ELISA test dated within twelve months of entry.
- \*4. While not required, it is strongly recommended that all equines be vaccinated for rabies, tetanus, and EEE within one year of the fair.

## H. RABBITS

1. Rabbits must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases: snuffles, wet tail, skin and ear infections.

## I. DOGS AND CATS

1. All dogs and cats must be free of visual evidence of the following diseases: kennel cough, distemper, hepatitis, parvo, ringworm, and mange.
2. **All Massachusetts dogs and cats and those originating from out of this State must have a valid and current vaccination certificate for rabies.**