

Project Title: Soil and Water Science

Description:

The soil and water science project teaches youth about soil, water, and environmental stewardship.

State Fair Entries:

3 per county; one per level

Exhibit Guidelines:

Artificial Intelligence (AI) may be used, with parent permission, when creating this exhibit and is to be documented as a reference. A majority of the work to create this exhibit is to be the 4-H member's original work. All posters, notebooks, and display boards must include a reference list indicating where information was obtained, giving credit to the original author, to complete the 4-H member's exhibit. This reference list should/might include web site links, people and professionals interviewed, books, magazines, etc. It is recommended this reference list be attached to the back of a poster or display board, be the last page of a notebook, or included as part of the display visible to the public. A judge is not to discredit an exhibit for the way references are listed.

Posters are to be 22" x 28" and displayed horizontally and placed in a clear plastic sleeve or covered with clear plastic to protect contents. The poster must be mounted on a firm backing to add stiffness to the exhibit, for example: a foam core board. Display boards should be designed to sit on a table using no more than 36" of tabletop space. Space should be left in the lower right-hand corner to place an exhibit tag provided by Purdue Extension staff.

Judges evaluating exhibits should recognize individual differences and creativity, therefore using information in this document as a guide rather than a requirement.

Exhibit Class Guidelines:

Beginner (grades 3-5 suggested)

Create an educational poster, notebook or display about any manual activity or on any soil and water topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate.

Intermediate (grades 6-8 suggested)

Create an educational poster, notebook or display about any manual activity or on any soil and water topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate.

Advanced (grades 9-12 suggested)

Create an educational poster, notebook or display about any manual activity or on any soil and water topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate. Youth can also design and complete an independent study activity.