

## Summary of 2024-2025 4-H Project Updates (December 5, 2024)

This list is an overview and does not include every change to project guidelines. Please be sure to read the exhibit guidelines for each project before starting.

Complete State Fair guidelines are available at: <https://extension.purdue.edu/4-H/projects/index.html> . For questions, call the Purdue Extension Elkhart County Office at 574-533-0554.

- **2024-25 State Exhibit Guidelines Revisions**
  - Most projects have added a statement about Artificial Intelligence to the project guidelines.
    - Aerospace
    - Animal Education
    - ATV Safety and Operator Skills
    - Beekeeping
    - Bicycle
    - Child Development
    - Communications
    - Computer Science
    - Construction and Architectural Replica
    - Consumer Clothing
    - Electric
    - Entomology
    - Floriculture
    - Foods, Baked
    - Foods, Preserved
    - Forestry
    - Garden
    - Genealogy
    - Geology
    - Health
    - Home Environment
    - Lawn and Garden Tractor Safety and Operator Skills
    - Leadership
    - Photography
    - Shooting Sports
    - Small Engine
    - Soil and Water Science
    - Sportfishing

- Tractor Safety and Operator Skills
  - Veterinary Science
  - Weather and Climate Science
  - Wildlife
  - Woodworking
  - Zero-Turn Mower Safety and Operator Skills
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- Animal Education – added posters for Beef, Dairy Cattle, Goat, Horse, Sheep and Swine.
  - Beekeeping – See guidelines about changes to Honey products.
  - Computer – See guidelines for changes to Graphic Design, Computer Art and 3-D Printing
  - Construction and Architectural Replica – The exhibit can be no larger than a standard 8' long table. A county 4-H program may implement a smaller size limit if available facility space merits.
  - Consumer Clothing – Notebook changes
  - Entomology – Specimens may be displayed in a collection box no larger than 24"x28" x 3" displayer horizontally
  - Consumer Clothing Fashion Revue – **New** see guidelines
  - Fashion Revue Sewing – No junior class at state fair, remove consumer clothing entries
  - Foods Baked and Preserved – New Recipe Card – no address or contact information on recipe cards
  - Garden – added tomato to single vegetable option
  - Geology – Collection box no larger than 24"x18"x3"
  - Photography – Clarification on creative/experimental category. Added choose one or more of the following exhibits
  - Sewing – skills and techniques specific to non-wearable are being collected and will be added to the Sewing Guidelines when complete

(see next page for County Project revisions)

## **Elkhart County Exhibit Guidelines Revisions**

- Added Mini 4-H Photography project – manual is now available
- Auto Mechanics to do “bicycle rodeo” style test, more of a skills test where the kids must demonstrate their skills. If they can not come on the specified day to do so they would do a poster as per the rules now.
- 2025 4-H Policies & Procedures updated
- Recycling project – Delete page that is titled Recycling Project Tips. Delete reference to notebooks in the manuals

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