

GARDEN: BERRIES

PLEASE NOTE: Any changes/updates from the previous year will be **BOLDED and **ITALICIZED**! Pay special attention to any projects with **BOLD, ITALICIZED WORDS** because they have changed from last year.**

The gardening **berries** project introduces youth to **berry** gardening. You will learn about **plant growth, soil nutrition, and management of insects and diseases related to strawberry production.**

Completion, exhibition participation, and State Fair information for Garden			
Division/Level	Grades (suggested)	Completion Activities Needed	Maximum State Fair Entries
Beginner	Grades 3-5	EXHIBITION –or– RECORD SHEET	No State Fair Entries
Intermediate	Grades 6-8	EXHIBITION –or– RECORD SHEET	
Advanced	Grades 9-12	EXHIBITION –or– RECORD SHEET	

GUIDELINES

1. Refer to the Hendricks County 4-H Policies, Entry & Exhibit Guidelines for poster and general display guidelines.
2. **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.**
3. Be sure to enroll in the project on 4-HOnline and enter exhibit information into FairEntry by designated date. **2025 designated FairEntry Deadline is Tuesday, July 1st at 11:59 p.m.**
4. Complete a General Record Sheet (if not exhibiting at the Hendricks County 4-H Fair).
5. **It is recommended that exhibitors start with a small patch of plants and then increase the size of the plot as home and market conditions justify.**
6. **Exhibitors are encouraged to go on a tour of a berry patch that belongs to other 4-H members, or local farms.**
7. **All exhibitors should be keeping accurate production records.**
8. The 4-H Fair Board will furnish paper plates or appropriate display containers.
9. 4-H Garden exhibits will be disposed of as decomposition merits.
10. **Berries entered for exhibit should be considered as "non-returnable" to the exhibitor due to their time-on-display and for lack of real food-value after a week at the Hendricks County 4-H Fair.**

EXHIBIT CLASSES

Beginner: Grades 3-5 (suggested)

- **One quart of berries, a live plant, or 1 qt. Frozen berries.**

Intermediate: Grades 6-8 (suggested)

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Advanced: Grades 9-12 (suggested)

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