

Woodworking

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State Fair Entry: 4 per county; one per level

Project Check In: Wednesday, June 25, 2025; 7:30AM-8:45AM, Shrine Building, Kosciusko County Fairground

Judging: Wednesday, June 25, 2025; 9:00AM, Shrine Building, Kosciusko County Fairground

Exhibit Guidelines: The 4-H woodworking project provides youth with educational information about wood and how it can be used to construct items.

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"x28" and displayed horizontally and placed in a clear plastic sleeve or covered with clear plastic to protect contents. 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.

Level 1 Grades 3-4: Exhibit one article of choice made during the current 4-H program year demonstrating a minimum of five (5) techniques outlined in the Indiana 4-H Woodworking Tools, Techniques and Skills Chart. Exhibits may also include higher level techniques that have been mastered. Any higher-level techniques will not be counted as part of the minimum five, but nevertheless will be evaluated for quality. A woodworking skills sheet is to be submitted with the exhibit for judging. Skills sheets are for judging purposes only and will not be returned to the exhibitor. Youth may also choose to create an educational poster, notebook or display about any manual activity or on any woodworking topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate.

Level 2 Grades 5-6: Exhibit one article of choice made during the current 4-H program year demonstrating a minimum of five (5) techniques outlined in the Indiana 4-H Woodworking Tools, Techniques and Skills Chart. Exhibits may also include lower and/or higher-level techniques that have been mastered. Any lower/higher level techniques will not be counted as part of the minimum five, but nevertheless will be evaluated for quality. A woodworking skills sheet is to be submitted with the exhibit for judging. Skills sheets are for judging purposes only and will not be returned to the exhibitor. Youth may also choose to create an educational poster, notebook or display about any manual activity or on any woodworking topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate.

Level 3 Grades 7-8: Exhibit one article of choice made during the current 4-H program year demonstrating a minimum of five (5) techniques outlined in the Indiana 4-H Woodworking Tools, Techniques and Skills Chart. Exhibits may also include lower and/or higher-level techniques that have been mastered. Any lower/higher level techniques will not be counted as part of the minimum five, but nevertheless will be evaluated for quality. A woodworking skills sheet is to be submitted with the exhibit for judging. Skills sheets are for judging purposes only and will not be returned to the exhibitor. Youth may also choose to create an educational poster, notebook or display about any manual activity or on any woodworking topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate.

Level 4 Grades 9-12: Exhibit one article of choice made during the current 4-H program year demonstrating a minimum of five (5) techniques outlined in the Indiana 4-H Woodworking Tools, Techniques and Skills Chart. Exhibits may also include lower-level techniques that have been mastered. Any lower-level techniques will not be counted as part of the minimum five, but nevertheless will be evaluated for quality. A woodworking skills sheet is to be submitted with the exhibit for judging. Skills sheets are for judging purposes only and will not be returned to the exhibitor. Youth may also choose to create an educational poster, notebook or display about any manual activity or on any woodworking topic of choice that is age/grade appropriate.