

EDUCATION & SCHOOL PROJECTS GRADES K-5

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**Each exhibitor will receive one 2017 Alameda County Fair
admission ticket at time of entry delivery**

**For Questions, please contact:
entries@alamedacountyfair.com
925-426-5121**

Paper & Online Entry & Teacher Spreadsheet Deadline is April 26th!

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Category	Online Entry Deadline	Delivery Information	Release Information
		STUDENT DELIVERY:	STUDENT PICK-UP:
All Education School Projects	April 26th	Grandstands *NEW LOCATION* Friday, May 5 th 12:00 – 6:00 p.m. Saturday, May 6 th 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Building D Tues. July 11 th 12-8 p.m.
		TEACHER DELIVERY:	TEACHER PICK-UP:
All Education School Projects	April 26th (Teacher Entry Spreadsheet Due)	Grandstands *NEW LOCATION* Thursday, May 4 th 12:00-6:00 p.m. (By Appointment) Friday, May 5 th 12:00 – 6:00 p.m.	Building D Tues. July 11 th 12-8 p.m. Wed. July 12 th 8-11:30 a.m. (By Appointment)
		FAIR PICK UP FROM SCHOOL: (Dates Determined by Location)	FAIR SCHOOL DROP OFF: (Dates Determined by Location)
All Education School Projects		Monday, May 1 st (By Appointment) Tuesday, May 2 nd (By Appointment) Wednesday, May 3 rd (By Appointment) Thursday, May 4 th (By Appointment)	Tuesday, July 11 th (By Appointment) Wednesday, July 12 th (By Appointment) Thursday, July 13 th (By Appointment)

PICK UP/DROP OFF OPTION INFO FOR TEACHERS WITH MORE THAN 20 ENTRIES

Let us pick up & drop off your students' entries!

The fair will pick up and/or drop off 20 or more entries.

Pick up at schools by appointment May 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th (day will be decided based on location)

Drop off at schools/teacher determined location by appointment July 11th, 12th, & 13th.

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ENTRIES WILL BE DISPLAYED IN THE EDUCATION BUILDING—BUILDING D

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SCHOOL PROJECTS

Please read competition guidelines: Changes are made each year.
All Education entries will be displayed in the “Education Building” (Building D)

- 1) Eligibility:
 - a) Open to Alameda County Residents (please contact for eligibility outside Alameda County).
 - b) The exhibitor must prepare all entries within one year of the opening date of the fair. Items that have been shown at previous Alameda County Fairs are not eligible and will be disqualified.
 - c) The Fair Association reserves the right to refuse any entry or to refuse to display any entry considered not to be in the best interest of the Fair.
 - d) No entry will be accepted where an exhibitor prescribes conditions under which they will exhibit.
- 2) Entry Limits:
 - a) Please note all division and class limits.
 - b) All entries will be accepted unless the exhibitor is otherwise notified.
- 3) Presentation:
 - a) The Fair will provide an exhibit tag. Please enter with the exhibitor's name as you wish it to appear on the display tag.
 - b) Items that are soiled or showing wear will not be accepted or displayed.
- 4) Handling:
 - a) Greatest care will be exercised in handling exhibits, but the Fair Management, Alameda County Fair Association, and the County of Alameda will not be held liable for loss, theft or damage of any kind from any cause. Submission of any work constitutes an agreement to this effect.
 - b) No one but the judges and departmental personnel will be allowed to handle exhibits.
- 5) Display:
 - a) Exhibits are displayed to interest the public and showcase the exhibits. The Alameda County Fair assumes total design control over the presentation of the exhibit.
 - b) **Size of entry may not exceed 24” x 36” without prior approval.** Weight of entry is not to exceed 25 pounds without prior approval. Please email entries@alamedacountyfair.com to request approval.
 - c) Flat paper entries not mounted on poster board, matte board, or heavy card stock may have staples placed in the border in order to hang them for display.
 - d) Some entries including drafting and flat art will be displayed in poster hangers.
- 6) Judging:
 - a) Entries are judged using the Danish System of Judging where exhibits are judged against a scorecard. All 1st place winners in a class will compete against each other for the Best of Class and then all Best of Classes in a division will compete against each other for the Best of Show.
 - b) Qualified judges are selected by the Alameda County Fair. Judging decisions are final.
 - c) Judging results will not be given out by phone, mail, or email.
 - d) The Fair does not guarantee the payment of Special Premiums and awards offered by sponsors. The Fair secures these prizes in good faith.
- 7) Ribbons:
 - a) Ribbons will be handed out at the time of entry pick up. When your exhibit tag indicates that a ribbon has been won, the ribbon is often not displayed—any ribbons won will be waiting for you when you pick up your items.
- 8) Entry Pick-Up
 - a) Exhibits may not be removed prior to the release day(s).
 - b) Exhibits may be picked up by anyone who has your claim check. Items not picked up on the regular delivery date will be sent home with the entering teacher when possible
 - c) Exhibits not picked up on the release day(s) will be returned to the teacher or if a teacher isn't available, will be retained at the Exhibit Office at the owner's risk. There is a storage fee per exhibitor. The Fair Association will not be responsible for unclaimed exhibits and may dispose of remaining items at the start of the Labor Day Weekend.

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Physically or Mentally Challenged Students

Entry Fee: No Entry Fee
Limit: 2 Entries per Exhibitor per Class

DIVISION 929 Entries by Physically or Mentally Challenged Students

		Grade Levels				
		K-5	6-8	9-10	11-12	
CLASS:	11	21	31	41	Drawing or Painting	
	12	22	32	42	Creative Writing	
	13	23	33	43	Any Other Project (specify)	

SPECIAL RULES

- Entries must have been prepared within 1 year of the opening date of the fair.
- Photos, paintings and drawings need to be mounted on matte board or card stock.
- Creative Writing entries must be entered on 8 ½ x 11 paper in a page protector.

Easy Entry Tip for Teachers:

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Elementary School Exhibits

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Limit: 2 Entries per Exhibitor per Class

Elementary School Arts & Crafts Exhibits
DIVISION 961—Grades K-2
DIVISION 962—Grades 3-5
CLASS:

11. 3-Dimensional Art (ceramics, paper mache, sculpture, etc.)
12. Crafts (leather, jewelry, textile art, etc.)
13. Collage/Assemblage
14. String/Yarn Art

Elementary School Exhibits—Creative Writing/Literature--
Limit 2 Per Class Per Exhibitor
DIVISION 965—Grades K-2
DIVISION 966—Grades 3-5
CLASS:

11. Poetry
12. Short Stories
13. Any Other Creative Writing—No reports (Illustrated booklets, song lyrics, etc.)

Elementary School Exhibits—Limit 2 Per Class Per Exhibitor
DIVISION 963—Grades K-2
DIVISION 964—Grades 3-5
CLASS:

11. Photography
12. Science Projects (school science fair projects) – Limit: 1 per exhibitor
13. Models, Posters, or Collections – Limit 1 per exhibitor
14. History/Social Studies Projects (Heritage Dolls, Native American projects, California History projects, etc.)
15. Textiles (tote, clothing, pot holder, pillow, etc.)
16. Any Other (specify)

Elementary School Fine Art Exhibits—Limit 2 Per Class Per Exhibitor—FLAT ART USING PAINTING/DRAWING ONLY
DIVISION 967—Grades K-2
DIVISION 968—Grades 3-5
CLASS:

11. Drawings
12. Paintings
13. Combination of Painting & Drawing

Elementary School Group Projects
DIVISION 969—K-5 Group Project
CLASS:

11. Any K-5 group project

SPECIAL RULES

- No written reports.
- All flat artwork and photography must be mounted on matte board or card stock.
- **Only canvas artwork may be framed.** It must be ready to hang with picture wire only. Please ensure that no nails protrude through the back of canvas items hung with picture wire. Place nails for picture wire on inside frame of canvas
We cannot guarantee the display of non-canvas framed artwork.
- **Items may not be larger than 24" x 36" including any frame without prior approval.** Please email entries@alamedacountyfair.com to request approval. We cannot guarantee the display of entries exceeding the size limits that have not been previously approved.
- **Flat paper entries not mounted on poster board, matte board, or heavy card stock may have staples placed in the border in order to hang them for display.**
- **Some entries may be displayed in poster hangers.**
- Charcoal, pastel and pencil drawings should be protected from handling by spraying them with inexpensive hairspray.
- Computer Generated Artwork may not use any pre-made graphics, artwork, or stamps. Must be the student's original idea.
- Creative Writing entries are limited to 2 pages and must be submitted on 8 ½ x 11" paper in a page protector.
- Please write exhibitor's name, teacher & school on the back of each item.

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Fair Theme Poster

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DIVISION 970—FAIR POSTER – Limit 1 Per Exhibitor

	Grade Levels					
CLASS:	<u>K-2</u>	<u>3-5</u>	<u>6-8</u>	<u>9-10</u>	<u>11-12</u>	
	01	11	21	31	41	Fair Poster

SPECIAL RULES

- Design a poster for the 2017 Alameda County Fair!
The fair theme is Best. Summer. Ever.
- Create your poster on white 9 x 12" to 11 x 17" paper using chalk, watercolor, pencil, markers, etc.
Entries larger than specified size may be marked down by the judges.
- Entries will be judged on Appearance, Creativity, Workmanship, Difficulty Factor, and representation of fair theme.
- Please write exhibitor's name, teacher and school on the back of each entry.
- When possible, entries should be mounted on card stock or matte board.
- Digital entry is also available. Please see "Digital Categories" Entry Guide on the website or email entries@alamedacountyfair.com for detailed information.

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Fair of the Future

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DIVISION 971—FAIR OF THE FUTURE – Limit 1 Per Exhibitor

	Grade Levels					
	K-2	3-5	6-8	9-10	11-12	
CLASS:	01	11	21	31	41	Fair of the Future

SPECIAL RULES

- Show us your ideas for a future fair! What new food, activity or entry category would you like to see at a future fair?
- Create your entry on white 9 x 12" to 11 x 17" paper using chalk, watercolor, pencil, markers, etc. Entries larger than specified size may be marked down by the judges.
- Entry must include a drawing of your idea as well as a written explanation of your idea.
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Literature Based Art

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Limit: 2 Entries per Exhibitor per Class

DIVISION 972 Literature Based Art
(Limit of 2 entries per exhibitor per class)

		Grade Levels				
		K-5	6-8	9-10	11-12	
CLASS:	11	21	31	41		Dr. Seuss Inspired Art
	12	22	32	42		Eric Carle Inspired Art
	13	23	33	43		J.K. Rowling Inspired Art

SPECIAL RULES

- Create an arts & crafts entry based on the work of Dr. Seuss, Eric Carle, or J.K. Rowling.
- Regular glue, glue sticks, and scotch & masking tape do not hold well.
- Size limits: 24" x 36".
- Items may be flat or 3-Dimensional.
- Flat items should be mounted on card stock or matte board.

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