

# **EDUCATION & SCHOOL PROJECTS GRADES K-5**

## **Hello Summer!**

**Each exhibitor will receive one 2018 Alameda County Fair  
admission ticket at time of entry delivery**

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# EDUCATION & SCHOOL PROJECTS

Category	Online and Paper Entry Deadline	Pre-Fair Delivery Information	Post-Fair Release Information
		<b>DELIVER ENTRIES TO FAIRGROUNDS AT:</b> ↓	<b>STUDENT PICK-UP:</b> ↓
<b>All Education School Projects</b>	<b>April 25<sup>th</sup></b>	Building P <b>*Building next to location from 2016*</b> Friday, May 4 <sup>th</sup> 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Saturday, May 5 <sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Building D Tues. July 10 <sup>th</sup> 12-8 p.m.
			<b>TEACHER PICK-UP:</b> ↓
			Building D Tues. July 10 <sup>th</sup> 12-8 p.m. Wed. July 11 <sup>th</sup> 8-11:30 a.m. (By Appt.)
<b>Teacher Entry Spreadsheet Due</b>	<b>April 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>FAIR SERVICE PICK UP FROM SCHOOL:</b> (Dates Determined by Location) ↓	<b>FAIR SERVICE SCHOOL DROP OFF:</b> (Dates Determined by Location) ↓
		Tuesday, May 1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday, May 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday, May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Tuesday, July 10 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday, July 11 <sup>th</sup> Thursday, July 12 <sup>th</sup>

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

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

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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.
  - 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](mailto: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) **ONLY canvas paintings may be framed.** No frames are allowed on other fine art entries without prior approval.
  - e) 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.
  - e) Items not conforming to all posted rules will not be eligible for special prizes or awards.
- 7) Ribbons:
  - a) Ribbons will be handed out at entry pick up or Fair drop-off. 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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## Students with Physical or Mental Challenges

**Entry Fee:** No Entry Fee  
**Limit:** 2 Entries per Class Category, per Student

### **DIVISION 929      Students with Physical or Mental Challenges**

#### **Grade Levels**

	<u><b>K-5</b></u>	
<b>CLASS:</b>	11	Drawing or Painting
	12	Creative Writing
	13	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.
- **There will be no indication on the entry tag displayed with the item that these entries are in a special category. Only fair staff & judges are made aware of this distinction. The purpose of this division is to let the judges know that students entered in this division have challenges that should be taken into consideration during judging.**

#### **Easy Entry Tip for Teachers:**

You may enter 10 or more students on one Excel Spreadsheet.  
Please email [entries@alamedacountyfair.com](mailto:entries@alamedacountyfair.com) to receive the spreadsheet and instructions.

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

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## Elementary School Exhibits

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**DIVISION 961 Elementary School Arts & Crafts**

Grade Levels		
<u>K-2</u>	<u>3-5</u>	
01	11	3-Dimensional Art (ceramics, paper mache, etc.)
02	12	Crafts (leather, jewelry, textile art, etc.)
03	13	Collage/Assemblage
04	14	String/Yarn Art

**DIVISION 967 Elementary School Fine Arts**  
 (Flat Art using Painting/Drawing Only)

Grade Levels		
<u>K-2</u>	<u>3-5</u>	
01	11	Drawings
02	12	Paintings
03	13	Combination of Painting & Drawing

**DIVISION 963 Elementary School Exhibits**

Grade Levels		
<u>K-2</u>	<u>3-5</u>	
01	11	Photography
02	12	Science Project (school science fair projects)
03	13	Models, Posters, or Collections
04	14	History/Social Studies Projects
05	15	Textiles (tote, clothing, pot holder, pillow, etc.)
06	16	Any Other (specify)

**DIVISION 969 Elementary School Group Projects**

Grade Levels		
<u>K-5</u>		
11		Any Elementary School Group Project

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**DIVISION 965 Elementary School Creative Writing**

Grade Levels		
<u>K-2</u>	<u>3-5</u>	
01	11	Poetry
02	12	Short Stories
03	13	Any Other Creative Writing (specify)

### 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.
- **Limit 1 Per Exhibitor:** Science Projects & Models, Posters, or Collections
- **Items may not be larger than 24" x 36" including any frame without prior approval.** Please email [entries@alamedacountyfair.com](mailto: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.
- Creative Writing entries are limited to 2 pages and must be submitted on 8 ½ x 11" paper in page protectors (1 page per page protector).
- Please write exhibitor's name, teacher & school on the back of each item.

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**Fair Theme Poster**

**Entry Fee:** No Entry Fee  
**Limit:** 1 Entry per Student

**Hello Summer!**

**DIVISION 970—FAIR POSTER OR DIVISION 988 – FAIR POSTER DIGITAL**

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

**To enter students’ submissions digitally, please follow the following steps:**

- Check that each file is named properly with the following information in the correct order.
  - FirstNameLastName\_EntryTitle\_DivisionNumber\_ClassNumber
  - Example: JohnSmith\_LeavesInFall\_992\_33
- Access the Google Drive Folder by clicking this link: <https://drive.google.com/drive/FairPoster>
  - Drag and drop (or copy and paste) students’ entries into the correct Division and Class folder.
  - If you need clarification, please refer to the “Divisions and Classes Reference Guide” file in the Google Drive folder.

Entries must have been entered on the teacher entry spreadsheet by the entry deadline.  
 Entries must be in the Google Drive before 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 5th.

**SPECIAL RULES**

- Design a poster for the 2018 Alameda County Fair!  
The fair theme is Hello Summer!
- 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](mailto:entries@alamedacountyfair.com) for detailed information.

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**Fair of the Future**

**Entry Fee:** No Entry Fee  
**Limit:** 1 Entry per Student

**DIVISION 971—FAIR OF THE FUTURE OR DIVISION 989 – FAIR OF THE FUTURE DIGITAL**

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

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2. Access the Google Drive Folder by clicking this link: <https://drive.google.com/drive/FairoftheFuture>
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**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.
- 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.
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## Literature Based Art

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

		Grade Levels					
		K-2	3-5	6-8	9-10	11-12	
CLASS:	01	11	21	31	41		Picture Books (Eric Carle, Dr. Seuss, Margaret Wise Brown, etc.)
	02	12	22	32	42		Fantasy (J.K. Rowling, Lemony Snicket, J.R.R. Tolkien, etc.)
	03	13	23	33	43		Mystery (Nancy Drew, 39 Clues, Nate the Great, etc.)

### SPECIAL RULES

- Create an arts & crafts entry based on the literary genres of picture books, fantasy or mystery.
- 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.
- Please write exhibitor's name, teacher, and school on the back of each entry.

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