

Welcome to the 76th Annual Chatham County Fair

The Family Friendly Fair

September 17th- September 20th, 2026

191 Fairgrounds Rd. Pittsboro, North Carolina.

ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL! Midway Opens Thursday Evening

Admission

Adults	\$6.00 (tax included)
Children (Age 6-12)	\$4.00 (tax included)
Children (Age 5 and under)	FREE!
Disabled Vets (with ID card)	FREE!

2026 Premium Book

ENTRANTS: 2026 Premium Book --- entry information and instructions.

EXHIBIT INFORMATION

Rules and Regulations

1. Competition is open to all individuals in Chatham and surrounding counties.
2. Exhibits may be entered on the following dates and times: Monday, September 15 through Tuesday, September 16 from 9am-6pm. Perishables **must** be entered Thursday, September 18, 8:00am-9:30am. **All baked goods become the property of the Fair and will be auctioned off Friday, September 18th.** Proceeds will go to the Fair Association.
3. Every reasonable effort will be made by officers of the Fair Association and those in charge of the premises to protect items on exhibit from loss or damage. However, the Association will not be responsible should loss or damage occur.
 4. Articles, exhibits, awards and ribbons can be removed from the main building after 5pm on Monday, September 21, or Tuesday, September 22 - 10am-6pm.

Entries

1. Every exhibit must be entered in a department, class, or category chosen by the exhibitor. No exhibitor may enter more than one item of the same variety in any class. Based on the number of entries, categories may be subdivided.

2. The right is reserved to reject any entry; no unworthy exhibit will be awarded a premium.
3. Canned goods must be in standard canning jars. No mayonnaise or pickle jars accepted.
4. Classes 1-7 have an adult and youth category. There is no separate category for Children Only. All persons in these categories will compete against others in their age groups (adults against adults, youth category participants against youth ages 9-19). Children ages 5-8 will not participate in competition. Ages 5-8 are considered Child (C). Ages 9-19 are considered Youth (Y). All entrants ages 5-19 will have a green participation ribbon placed on the item at check in.
5. Premiums will be awarded on merit. Ribbons will only be awarded to the best entries in each category. Example: If there are 10 plates of potatoes, only the top 3 will be awarded ribbons. The following colors are being used to designate awards:
 - First Place: **Blue Ribbon**
 - Second Place: **Red Ribbon**
 - Honorable Mention (HM): **Purple Ribbon** (no premium)
6. If there is only one article (no competition) in a class, it can be eligible for a ribbon if it is of acceptable quality, at the discretion of the judges.
7. All exhibits to be judged (except booths) must go through the office to be registered and tagged before

being placed on exhibit. Exhibits not tagged will not be judged.

8. Judging will take place Thursday, September 17th, beginning promptly at 9:30 a.m., for all exhibits.

Only judges and assistants will be allowed in the exhibit areas during the judging.

Exhibits will be held in the following departments:

Exhibits
DEPARTMENT 1
FARM, FIELD AND FORAGE CROPS

Where there are different varieties, each best variety will receive a blue or red premium and ribbon, or honorable mention (HM)

CLASS 1A - CORN	1ST	2ND	HM
(Tray of 3 ears)			
1. Hybrid, Any White	3.00	1.50	HM
2. Hybrid, Any Yellow	3.00	1.50	HM
3. Indian Corn	3.00	1.50	HM
4. Popcorn	3.00	1.50	HM
5. Any Other Variety	3.00	1.50	HM

CLASS 1B - GRAIN AND SEED
(1 Quart, Clear Jar with Cover)

1. Barley	3.00	1.50	HM
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2. Cowpeas	3.00	1.50	HM
3. Milo	3.00	1.50	HM
4. Oats	3.00	1.50	HM
5. Rye	3.00	1.50	HM
6. Soybean	3.00	1.50	HM
7. Sunflower (1 Head)	3.00	1.50	HM
8. Wheat	3.00	1.50	HM
9. Any Other Grain or Seed (Identify)	3.00	1.50	HM

CLASS 1C - PEANUTS

(Tray)

1. Large	3.00	1.50	HM
2. Small (Spanish)	3.00	1.50	HM

Exhibits DEPARTMENT 2 HORTICULTURE PRODUCTS

Display home-grown products in single plates of 5 each unless otherwise noted. Entries may be disqualified if determined to be infested with insects or disease, deceptive in presentation, or, not consistent with guidelines for entry. Variety must be written and label attached. Fruit will be judged according to each variety, but only the best in each category will be given a blue, red or purple ribbon. Special attention should be given to

uniformity and appearance. For each crop certain characteristics will outweigh others. Understand the nature of the crop and its end use.

Appearance: size appropriate to the crop, appropriate shape, uniformity and consistency of color, gloss.

Freedom from Defects: sprouting, curling, wilting, shriveling, drying, bruises, scratches, punctures, cuts, abrasions, splitting, cracking, chilling injury, sunscald, fungal or bacterial blemishes, insect injury, hail damage, and chemical injury are all undesirable.

Maturity: appropriate for the end use of the crop.

Uniformity: all items in a presentation similar in all respects - size, color, absence of defects, maturity.

Presentation: entered in correct category; specified number submitted.

CLASS 2A - FRUITS 1ST 2ND HM

Apples

1. Any Variety	3.00	1.50	HM
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Grapes

1. Any Variety	3.00	1.50	HM
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Other Fruits

(Tray of 5)

1. Pears	3.00	1.50	HM
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2. Persimmons	3.00	1.50	HM
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3. Plums	3.00	1.50	HM
4. Any Other Fruit (Identify)	3.00	1.50	HM

CLASS 2B - HERBS

(Tray of 5 Sprigs or Bulbs)

1. Basil	3.00	1.50	HM
2. Dill	3.00	1.50	HM
3. Garlic	3.00	1.50	HM
4. Oregano	3.00	1.50	HM
5. Sage	3.00	1.50	HM
6. Thyme	3.00	1.50	HM
7. Any Other Herb (Identify)	3.00	1.50	HM

CLASS 2C - NUTS, NEW CROP IN SHELL

(Tray)

1. Chestnuts	3.00	1.50	HM
2. Hickory Nuts	3.00	1.50	HM
3. Pecans	3.00	1.50	HM
4. Walnuts, Black	3.00	1.50	HM

CLASS 2D - VEGETABLES

(Tray unless otherwise noted)

1. Beans, Green Snap	2.00	1.50	HM
2. Beans, Lima (Butter)	2.00	1.50	HM

3. Beets, (Tray of 3 with Greens)	2.00	1.50	HM
4. Broccoli (1 Head)	2.00	1.50	HM
5. Cabbage (1 head)	2.00	1.50	HM
6. Cauliflower (1 head)	2.00	1.50	HM
7. Collards (1 Cut Stalk)	2.00	1.50	HM
8. Corn, Any Variety (Tray of 3 ears)	2.00	1.50	HM
9. Cucumbers (Tray of 4)	2.00	1.50	HM
10. Eggplant (2)	2.00	1.50	HM
11. Gourd, Most Unusual (1)	2.00	1.50	HM
12. Gourds, Ornamental (3)	2.00	1.50	HM
13. Greens (Turnip, Mustard, etc.)	2.00	1.50	HM
14. Okra (Tray of 5)	2.00	1.50	HM
15. Onions, Any Variety, Dry (Tray of 3)	2.00	1.50	HM
16. Peas, Green Field	2.00	1.50	HM
17. Peppers, Banana (Tray of 5)	2.00	1.50	HM
18. Peppers, Hot	2.00	1.50	HM
19. Peppers, Jalapeno	2.00	1.50	HM

20. Peppers, Sweet (Tray of 3)	2.00	1.50	HM
21. Pimentos (Tray of 5)	2.00	1.50	HM
22. Potatoes, Any Variety (Tray of 5)	2.00	1.50	HM
23. Pumpkin, Any Variety (1)	2.00	1.50	HM
24. Radishes (Tray of 5 w/ Greens)	2.00	1.50	HM
25. Rutabagas (Tray of 3)	2.00	1.50	HM
26. Squash, Yellow (Tray of 3)	2.00	1.50	HM
27. Squash, Zucchini (Tray of 3)	2.00	1.50	HM
28. Squash, Other (Tray of 3)	2.00	1.50	HM
29. Sweet Potato, Any Variety (Tray of 5)	2.00	1.50	HM
30. Tomatoes, cherry (Tray of 4)	2.00	1.50	HM
31. Tomatoes (Tray of 3)	2.00	1.50	HM
32. Turnips (Tray of 3 with Greens)	2.00	1.50	HM
33. Watermelon, Any Variety (1)	2.00	1.50	HM

34. Any Other
Vegetable (Identify) 2.00 1.50 HM

Exhibits
DEPARTMENT 3
FLOWERS AND PLANTS

No exhibitor may enter more than one plant of the same variety, or a total of 5 plants if space becomes an issue. No flowers will be accepted in a pot with a bottom larger than 8 inches. Name must be legibly and correctly written on a stiff card and attached. Blue, red and purple ribbons will be given in each variety.

Flower specimens, arrangements, and plants are judged on the basis of size, color, maturity, freedom from defects, and presentation. In all cases characteristics of the individual species or cultivar are important. Certain qualities may be more or less significant depending on category.

Entries may be disqualified if determined to be infested with insects or disease, deceptive in presentation, or not consistent with guidelines for entry.

- Size: length of stem, number and size of leaves, size of the-flower itself, all in proportion.
- Color: intensity and uniformity; fully developed.

- Maturity: appropriate to species; flowers picked fully mature may lose petals quickly.
- Freedom from Defects: disease, insect damage, physical damage, incomplete development, wilting, shriveling, drying, chemical injury, sunscald, and nutritional deficiencies are considered undesirable.
- Presentation: entered in correct category according to guidelines, arranged for three-dimensional viewing.

CLASS 3A -

CONTAINER GROWN PLANTS

	1ST	2ND	HM
1. Succulents	2.00	1.50	HM
2. African Violet	2.00	1.50	HM
3. Begonia	2.00	1.50	HM
4. Cactus, Christmas	2.00	1.50	HM
5. Cactus, True	2.00	1.50	HM
6. Cactus Collection	2.00	1.50	HM
7. Bromeliads	2.00	1.50	HM
8. Fern, Boston	2.00	1.50	HM
9. Fern, Any Other (Identify)	2.00	1.50	HM
10. Geranium	2.00	1.50	HM
11. Impatiens	2.00	1.50	HM
12. Jade Plant	2.00	1.50	HM
13. Lily	2.00	1.50	HM
14. Pepper, Decorative (Large or Small)	2.00	1.50	HM

15. Philodendron	2.00	1.50	HM
16. Wandering Jew	2.00	1.50	HM
17. Any Other (Identify)	2.00	1.50	HM
18. Most Unusual (Identify)	2.00	1.50	HM

CLASS 3B - CUT FLOWERS (Stem or Spray)

1. Annual	1.50	1.00	HM
2. Perennial	1.50	1.00	HM
3. Foliage	1.50	1.00	HM
4. Culinary Herbs	1.50	1.00	HM
5. Trees or Shrubs	1.50	1.00	HM
6. Ornamental Grasses	1.50	1.00	HM
7. Miniature Roses	1.50	1.00	HM
8. Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora Roses	1.50	1.00	HM
9. Floribunda Roses	1.50	1.00	HM
10. Any Other Variety (Identify)	1.50	1.00	HM

CLASS 3D - FLOWER ARRANGEMENT

1. All fresh materials	5.00	3.00	1.50
2. Fresh and/or dried material	5.00	3.00	1.50
3. All dried plant	5.00	3.00	1.50

material

4. Dish gardens	5.00	3.00	1.50
5. Terrariums	3.00	2.00	1.00

Exhibits
DEPARTMENT 4
FOOD PRESERVATION

CLASS 5A - CANNED FRUITS	1ST	2ND	HM
1. Apples	2.00	1.00	HM
2. Applesauce	2.00	1.00	HM
3. Blackberries or Dewberries	2.00	1.00	HM
4. Blueberries	2.00	1.00	HM
5. Cherries	2.00	1.00	HM
6. Figs	2.00	1.00	HM
7. Peaches	2.00	1.00	HM
8. Pears	2.00	1.00	HM
9. Plums	2.00	1.00	HM
10. Strawberries	2.00	1.00	HM
11. Any Other Fruit (Identify)	2.00	1.00	HM

CLASS 5B - CANNED VEGETABLES

1. Beans, Butter or Lima	2.00	1.00	HM
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2. Beans, Green Snap	2.00	1.00	HM
3. Corn	2.00	1.00	HM
4. Kraut (No green jars)	2.00	1.00	HM
5. Okra	2.00	1.00	HM
6. Peas	2.00	1.00	HM
7. Peppers, Hot	2.00	1.00	HM
8. Tomatoes	2.00	1.00	HM
9. Tomato Sauce	2.00	1.00	HM
10. Vegetable Soup	2.00	1.00	HM
11. Any Other Vegetable (Identify)	2.00	1.00	HM

SCORE CARD USED FOR JUDGING FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Fruits and tomatoes should be processed in boiling water bath and low acid vegetables processed in steam pressure canner.

Color - 25 points - that of natural fruit or vegetable

Liquid - 15 points - appropriate for product and method of processing
Flavor* - natural flavor should be preserved as much as possible in canning. Don't overpower flavor with sugar

Appearance - 30 points - uniformly well-ripened products; no defective or over-ripe

fruits or vegetables. Only young and tender vegetables should be canned.

Appropriate Size - 15 points - uniformity and shape and size appropriate for product as to jars, only pints or quarts

Pack and Fill 15 points - containers should be standard quart pint or half pint canning jars. Attractiveness of packing, appropriate/standard sizing of containers for specific items. Filled to level specified by standard recommendations.

TOTAL POINTS - 100

*Flavor is very important, but cannot actually be judged since jars are not opened. All containers except Canned Fruits and Vegetables will be opened for judging.

Note: The Fair no longer accepts CANNED MEATS

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CLASS 5C - PICKLES

1. Artichoke Pickles or Relish	2.00	1.00	HM
2. Beet Pickles	2.00	1.00	HM
3. Bread and Butter	2.00	1.00	HM
4. Chow Chow	2.00	1.00	HM

5. Cucumber Pickles	2.00	1.00	HM
6. Okra Pickles	2.00	1.00	HM
7. Onion Pickles	2.00	1.00	HM
8. Peach Pickles	2.00	1.00	HM
9. Pear Pickles	2.00	1.00	HM
10. Pepper Pickles (Hot)	2.00	1.00	HM
11. Pepper Relish	2.00	1.00	HM
12. Tomato Pickles (Green)	2.00	1.00	HM
13. Any Other Pickle (Identify)	2.00	1.00	HM
14. Any Other Relish (Identify)	2.00	1.00	HM

SCORE CARD FOR JUDGING PICKLES

Size and shape - Size and shape - 10 points -

Flavor - 30 points - Natural not over spiced

Texture - 30 points - Firm, not tough, soft or flabby

Color - 15 points - Natural

Preparation of pickle to liquid 10 points -

Jar filled with pickles; liquid to cover and fill spaces

Container - 5 points - Appropriate for pickles

TOTAL POINTS - 100

CLASS 5D - JELLY

1. Apple	2.00	1.00	HM
2. Blackberry or Dewberry	2.00	1.00	HM
3. Crab Apple	2.00	1.00	HM
4. Grape	2.00	1.00	HM
5. Pepper, Green	2.00	1.00	HM
6. Peach	2.00	1.00	HM
7. Pear	2.00	1.00	HM
8. Plum	2.00	1.00	HM
9. Any Other Jelly (Identify)	2.00	1.00	HM

SCORE CARD USED FOR JUDGING JELLY

Color - 10 points - Pronounced yet natural color

Clearness - 10 points - Transparent and sparkling

Lack of Crystals - 10 points -

Flavor - 25 points - Natural fruit flavor

Consistency - 35 points - Tender, breaks with distinct cleavage; angles hold shape; should not be syrupy, sticky or tough

Container - 10 points - Standard jars, half pints, pints, or quarts.

TOTAL POINTS - 100

CLASS 5E - JAMS, CONSERVES, MARMALADES, BUTTERS AND PRESERVES

1. Any Butter	2.00	1.50	HM
2. Any Conserve (Identify)	2.00	1.50	HM
3. Any Jam (Identify)	2.00	1.50	HM
4. Any Marmalade	2.00	1.50	HM
5. Any Preserve (Identify)	2.00	1.50	HM

SCORE CARD USED FOR JUDGING JAMS, CONSERVES, MARMALADES AND BUTTERS

Smoothness - 20 points -

Flavor - 35 points -

Consistency and Texture - 30 points -

Color and Clearness - 10 points -

Container - 5 points -

TOTAL POINTS - 100

SCORE CARD USED FOR JUDGING PRESERVES

Fruit and Syrup

- **Shape** - 15 points - Fruits should be whole and have original shape as nearly

as possible.

- **Clearness and Color** - 15 points - Fruit should be translucent and not too dark; liquid should be clear.
- **Texture** - 25 points - Tender, but firm and plump.
- **Pack and Fill** - 10 points - Appropriate arrangement of the fruit as related to the container. Filled 1/4" of top, water bath processed.
- **Consistency** - 10 points - Juice should be of honey consistency or slightly jellied.
- **Proportion of Syrup**- 25 points - About one-third as much syrup as fruit.

TOTAL POINTS - 100

**CLASS 5F - MISCELLANEOUS HOME
INDUSTRY**

1. Dried Apples (Tray)	2.00	1.00	HM
2. Dried Peaches (Tray)	2.00	1.00	HM
3. Dried, Any Other Fruit (Tray)	2.00	1.00	HM
4. Dried, Any Vegetables (Tray)	2.00	1.00	HM
5. Eggs (1 doz. in Carton)	2.00	1.00	HM
6. Soaps (1 bar)	2.00	1.00	HM

CLASS 5G - HONEY

1. Chuck Comb

Honey jar w/ honey, comb and rock	1.75	1.00	HM
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2. Extracted Honey	1.75	1.00	HM
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3. Beeswax	1.75	1.00	HM
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Exhibits

DEPARTMENT 5

BREADS, CAKES, COOKIES, CANDIES, AND PIES

(Enter 1/4 cake, except for decorated cakes; enter only 1/2 loaf yeast or quick breads)

CLASS 6A - BREADS

	1ST	2ND	HM
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1. Biscuits (Any Kind)	2.50	1.50	HM
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2. Bread, Loaf	2.50	1.50	HM
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3. Coffee Cake	2.50	1.50	HM
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4. Muffins	2.50	1.50	HM
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5. Quick bread, Fruit, Nut, Vegetable	2.50	1.50	HM
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6. Rolls (6)	2.50	1.50	HM
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7. Skillet or Soda Bread	2.50	1.50	HM
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8. Any Other Bread (Identify)	2.50	1.50	HM
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SCORE CARD USED FOR JUDGING BREADS

Appearance - 25 points - Looks tender and good; even golden-brown color; good shape, well proportioned, even rounded top.

Flavor - 25 points - Good, well blended flavor; pleasing

Texture - 25 points - Fine even grain; thin cell walls; feathery light Crumb - Creamy white color, slightly moist, light and elastic, tender.

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TOTAL POINTS - 100

CLASS 6B - TUBE, LOAF OR SHEET CAKES

(Display 1/4 cake covered in clear plastic)

1. Angel Food cake	4.00	2.00	HM
2. Cup Cakes (6)	4.00	2.00	HM
3. Jelly Roll Cake	4.00	2.00	HM
4. Spice Cake	4.00	2.00	HM
5. Any Other	4.00	2.00	HM

CLASS 6C - TUBE, LOAF, SHEET and LAYER CAKES

(Display 1/4 cake on tray covered in clear plastic)

1. Apple Cake, Raw	5.00	3.00	HM
2. Caramel Cake	5.00	3.00	HM
3. Carrot Cake	5.00	3.00	HM
4. Coconut Cake	5.00	3.00	HM
5. Devil's Food Cake	5.00	3.00	HM
6. Fruit Cake	4.00	2.00	HM
7. German Chocolate Cake	5.00	3.00	HM
8. Pound Cake	4.00	2.00	HM
9. Spice Cake	5.00	3.00	HM
10. White or Yellow Cake	5.00	3.00	HM
11. Any Other Layer Cake (Identify)	5.00	3.00	HM

SCORE CARD USED FOR JUDGING CAKES

Appearance - 15 points - Pleasing appearance; slightly rounded top; unfrosted; smooth uniform, light brown; Frosted: frosting free from stickiness; crystals or crustiness; characteristic of type.

Crumb - 30 points - Smooth and velvety; slightly moist; light and tender; pleasing color.

Texture - 25 points - Fine, even grain; thin

cell walls; feathery light.

Flavor - 30 points - Delicate, well blended flavor; sweet flavor, free from strong flavor, tastes good.

TOTAL POINTS - 100

CLASS 6D - COOKIES

(Display on cardboard tray covered with clear plastic. Six of each re-quired for judging.)

1. Bar or cut strips	3.00	2.00	HM
2. Brownies	3.00	2.00	HM
3. Decorated	3.00	2.00	HM
4. Drops (Chocolate Chip, Etc)	3.00	2.00	HM
5. Filled or Sandwich	3.00	2.00	HM
6. Refrigerator or Rolled	3.00	2.00	HM

SCORE CARD USED FOR JUDGING COOKIES

Appearance - 30 points - Outside uniform, not too thick, size-not over 3"; surface texture and color.

Texture - 35 points - Characteristics of type.

Flavor - 35 points - Natural flavor of ingredients.

TOTAL SCORE - 100

CLASS 6E - CANDIES

(Six pieces of each required for judging)

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| 1. Any Candy
(Identify) | 3.00 | 2.00 | HM |
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SCORE CARD USED FOR JUDGING CANDIES

Appearance - 15 points - Color, size and shape of pieces.

Texture - Crystalline - 30 points - velvety, creamy, smooth.

Consistency - 25 points - Crystalline - firm, not hard or soft. Non-crystalline - should hold shape, no crystals.

Flavor - 30 points - Blended, high quality, pleasing.

TOTAL SCORE - 100

CLASS 6F - PIES

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| 1. Fruit Pies | 4.50 | 3.50 | HM |
| 2. Meat Pies | 4.50 | 3.50 | HM |
| 3. Cream Pies | 4.50 | 3.50 | HM |
| 4. Other Style Pies | 4.50 | 3.50 | HM |

SCORE CARD USED FOR JUDGING PIES

Entry must have at least 60% of the primary ingredient in filling. It does not need to be a “traditional” two-crust pie. Must be presented on a disposable aluminum (throw-

away) pie pan.

Flavor - 30 points - Blended, high quality,
pleasing

Appearance - 25 points -

Color, texture and doneness - 25 points -

Creativity - 5 points -

Ease of Preparation - 5 points -

General Appeal - 10 points -

TOTAL SCORE - 100

Exhibits

DEPARTMENT 6

CLOTHING, ARTS, CRAFTS

(To protect garments, use clear plastic cover)

CLASS 7A - ADULT

CLOTHING	1ST	2ND	HM
CONSTRUCTION			
1. Apron	2.25	1.25	HM
2. Blouse	2.25	1.25	HM
3. Dress (woven or knit)	4.25	2.75	HM
4. Pant and Pant Outfit	2.25	1.75	HM
5. Skirt, Jumper and Vest (woven or knit)	3.25	2.00	HM
6. Best of Any Other	2.25	1.50	HM

CLASS 7B - APPLIQUE

1. Best Any Applique Piece	3.00	2.00	HM
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CLASS 7C - ARTS AND PHOTOGRAPHY

**All pictures must be made and mounted by exhibitor.
Photographs may be contact prints or enlargements.**

1. Animals, Birds or Insects	2.00	1.00	HM
2. Buildings	2.00	1.00	HM
3. Computer Art	3.75	2.25	HM
4. Fiber or Wood	3.75	2.25	HM
5. Graphics	3.75	2.25	HM
6. Landscape or Seascape	2.00	1.00	HM
7. Miscellaneous	2.00	1.00	HM
8. Oils	3.75	2.25	HM
9. Original in <i>Stone, Clay, Metal or Glass</i>	3.75	2.25	HM
10. Pen and Ink	3.75	2.25	HM
11. People (Individual or Groups)	2.00	1.00	HM
12. Picture stories (4-6 pictures)	2.00	1.00	HM
13. Watercolor	3.75	2.25	HM
14. School Groups 6 entries per school K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9- 12	10.00	2.25	HM

CLASS 7D- BEDSPREADS AND QUILTS

1. Best of Any Item, identify	5.00	3.75	HM
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CLASS 7E - CERAMICS

1. Best Any Ceramic Article	2.50	1.50	HM
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CLASS 7F - CHILDREN'S CLOTHING

1. Best of Any Clothing, identify	3.50	2.50	HM
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SCORE CARD USED FOR JUDGING CHILDREN'S CLOTHING

Suitability - 20 points -

General Appearance - 25 points - Design, individuality, color combinations, texture combinations

Workmanship - 35 points - Cutting, quality of finish, neatness and accuracy, appropriateness of finish

Economic Aspects - 20 points - Value in relation to cost in time-money, durability of materials and design, value of upkeep.

TOTAL POINTS - 100

CLASS 7G -

CROCHETING

5. Best of Any Type	3.00	2.00	HM
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CLASS 7H - CROSS STITCH

1. Best Cross Stitch	3.75	2.25	HM
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CLASS 7I -

EMBROIDERY

1. Best Any Type	3.25	2.25	HM
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Embroidery

CLASS 7J - HAND-WEAVING

1. Best Handwoven Article	3.50	2.50	HM
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CLASS 7K - INFANT'S CLOTHING

1. Best of Any Item(s)	3.25	2.25	HM
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CLASS 7L - KNITTING

1. Best Any Knitted Article	3.00	2.00	HM
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CLASS 7M - NATURAL MATERIALS

1. Arrowhead	2.00	1.00	HM
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2. Class of Insect (min of 10)	2.00	1.00	HM
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3. Class of Leaf (min of 10)	2.00	1.00	HM
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4. Insect (min of 10)	2.00	1.00	HM
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5. Leaf (min of 10)	2.00	1.00	HM
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6. Nectar Producing Plants	2.00	1.00	HM
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7. Rock	2.00	1.00	HM
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8. Shark's Teeth	2.00	1.00	HM
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9. Shells	2.00	1.00	HM
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10. Other collections, Identify	2.00	1.00	HM
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CLASS 7N

1. Best of Any Design(s)	2.50	1.50	HM
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CLASS 7O - NEEDLEPOINT ON

PLASTIC, CANVAS

1. Best of Any Design(s)	2.50	1.50	HM
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CLASS 7P - ORNAMENTS

1. Best Any Ornament Design	2.50	1.50	HM
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CLASS 7Q - TATTING

1. Best garment (linen, towel, other)	3.00	2.00	HM
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CLASS 7R

WOODWORKING

1. Bird Feeder	2.25	1.50	HM
2. Bird House	2.25	1.50	HM
3. Bowls	2.25	1.50	HM
4. Chest	2.25	1.50	HM
5. Desk Set	2.25	1.50	HM
6. Key Holders	2.25	1.50	HM
7. Nesting Box	2.25	1.50	HM
8. Picture Frame	2.25	1.50	HM
9. Plant Stands	2.25	1.50	HM
10. Shelving	2.25	1.50	HM
11. Squirrel Box	2.25	1.50	HM
12. Squirrel Feeder	2.25	1.50	HM
13. Table	2.25	1.50	HM
14. Toys	2.25	1.50	HM
15. Trays	2.25	1.50	HM
16. Best of Any Other, Identify	2.25	1.50	HM

CLASS 7S - OTHER CRAFT ITEMS

1. Basketry	3.75	2.25	HM
2. Block Printing	2.25	1.75	HM
3. Braided Articles	2.25	1.75	HM
4. Candle Making	2.25	1.75	HM
5. Crafts Made from Craft Kits	2.25	1.75	HM
6. Fabric Painting	2.25	1.75	HM
7. Glass (<i>Stained or Leaded</i>)	2.25	1.75	HM
8. Gourd	2.00	1.00	HM
9. Hooked Articles	2.25	1.75	HM
10. Jewelry - <i>Paper, Plastic, Metal</i>	2.25	1.75	HM
11. Leather Articles	2.25	1.75	HM
12. Mechanical Crafts (<i>Robots, Rockets</i>)	2.25	1.75	HM
13. Metal- <i>Embossed, Tooled, Etched</i>	2.25	1.75	HM
14. Mosaics	2.25	1.75	HM
15. Non-Quilted Articles	2.25	1.75	HM
16. Pottery	2.25	1.75	HM
17. Recycled - any object made from recycled materials	2.25	1.75	HM
18. Stenciling	2.25	1.75	HM
19. Stepping Stones	2.25	1.75	HM

20. Stuffed Animals & Dolls	2.25	1.75	HM
21. Tie Dyeing	2.25	1.75	HM
22. Wood Objects - Accessories (<i>shelves, plant stand, desk sets, etc.</i>)	2.25	1.75	HM
23. Woodworking - Toys	2.25	1.75	HM
24. Any Other Craft Item	2.25	1.75	HM

Exhibits
DEPARTMENT 7
OTHER EXHIBITS
 (Booths by clubs, etc.)

**THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA ARE
 USED IN DETERMINING QUALITY OF
 EXHIBITS**

1. Effective Title and Caption -

- a. Short, catchy, appropriate and well-placed.
- b. Well worded to cover subject.
- c. Suggests action when appropriate.

2. Draws Attention -

- a. With something unusual: motion, lights, clever design, color or special features.
- b. With attention getting that reinforces and doesn't withhold attention from

main idea presented.

3. Arouses and Holds Interests -

- a. Tells coherent, clear messages quickly.
- b. Arouses curiosity, emphasizes importance of problem, connects that problem with experience of average person and suggests a practical remedy.
- c. Promotes logical sequence of thought by systematic arrangement easy to follow.

4. Provides educational information -

- a. Current, practical, accurate and recommended information.

5. Makes strong appeal for idea or project -

- a. Uses striking facts and clinching arguments to show that idea or product is desirable.
- b. Shows that proposed idea or product is easy to understand, adopt, convenient, inexpensive and satisfying.

6. Shows Creativeness -

- a. Is original in design in whole or in part.

7. Pleasing Appearance -

- a. Booth and material artistic, neat and

attractive.

8. Uses Explanatory Material Effectively

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- a. Adequate charts, maps, placards, etc.
- b. Material concise and understood by average person.
- c. Size and number of charts, maps, etc. appropriate.

Exhibits DEPARTMENT 8 4-H SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Age Categories:

- 5-8: Youth will receive a green clover bud ribbon for entering crafts in this division.
- 9-13: First Place: \$3.00 & ribbon; Second Place: \$2.50 & ribbon; Third Place: \$2.00 & ribbon.
- 14-18: First Place: \$3.00 & ribbon; Second Place: \$2.50 & ribbon; Third Place: \$2.00 & ribbon.

Entry Details:

Anything which deals with science or technology can be entered. You are encouraged to use your imagination and be creative. No entries will be accepted that use

animals, explosives, or any other item deemed unsafe by the Fair Association.

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ENTEERTAINMENT DAILY

The Entertainment schedule for the 2026 Chatham County Fair is as follows: *Stay tune foe Updates*

On all outside stage events, the inside stage will be a back-up in case of rain. Also, a smaller PA with 2 mics should be set up inside during outside performance events, as events may be added.

Visit our **FARM ANIMALS** - Potbelly Pig, goats, horse, cow, and many more!!!!

DJs and ENTERTAINMENT performing throughout the Fair – Stay Tuned for UPDATES!

On the Sunday, September 20, 2026, Liquid Pleasure will be the closing performance!!

Outside Stage Stage

Thursday, September 17, 2026
17-20, 2026

4:00pm – 10:00pm DJs and ENTERTAINMENT

5:30pm – 6:30pm Opening Ceremonies

Friday, September 18, 2026

4:00pm – 6:00pm Line Dancing

DJ ENTERTAINMENT

6:30pm – 9:30pm Pat & The Soul BROS Band

Inside Building and

EXHIBITS ON DISPLAY Sept

Saturday, September 19, 2026

1:00pm - 5:45pm DJ LOBITO (Hdz)

1:30 – 3:00 pm - Presentation

Legend of WYATT OUTLAW

5:00pm – 8:00pm Pageants
TBA

6:00pm – 6:45 pm Stan Malette Saxophonist

7:00pm – 9:00pm Coezii Music Collective Band

Sunday, September 20, 2026

1:00pm – UNTIL Children's Art Activities Tent

1:00pm – 3:00pm Spiritual Tones Gospel Group of Pittsboro

4:00pm – 8:00pm The Famous Liquid Pleasure Band –

Experience The Magic of Live Music *diverse repertoire spanning across genres like funk, R&B, soul, and pop, the band ensures a high-energy performance that gets everyone on their feet.*

***FARM ANIMALS EVERYDAY including a
POTBELLY PIG***