

# YOUTH LLAMA/ALPACA SHOW

## February 13 – 16, 2025

Superintendent.....Tracy Weaver

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**Finished Products and Shorn entries will be entered in the Fiber Arts Division through Creative Living Competitions. For more information, please visit [www.floridastatefair.com](http://www.floridastatefair.com) and look under the Participants tab for Creative Living Competitions Youth Handbooks and Forms.**

Educational Opportunities ...See Point Categories on Page 5

Deadline for Scholarship Applications ..... Dec. 6, 2024

**Entry Due Date ..... Hand Delivered or Postmarked  
..... On or Before December 6, 2024  
1<sup>st</sup> Late Entry Period..... December 13, 2024  
..... (Double Entry Fees)  
Final Late Entry Period ..... January 10, 2025  
..... (Double Entry Fees plus \$100.00)**

**Record Book Deadline ..... Hand Delivered or Postmarked  
..... On or Before January 10, 2025  
\*\*No Record Books will be accepted at Check-in –  
See Rules on page 6**

**Youth Livestock Show Ethics and Animal Care Workshop  
Deadline .....January 20, 2025  
\*\*\*This workshop is **REQUIRED** for ALL students entered  
in the Youth Llama/Alpaca Show. (See page 8 for details)**

### YOUTH LLAMA/ALPACA SHOW SCHEDULE

#### FEBRUARY 13<sup>TH</sup>

Arrival/Check-in ..... 12 p.m. - 2 p.m.  
All Posters turned in..... 2:30 p.m.  
Exhibitor Meeting (Tent by Horse Barn) ..... 3:00 p.m.  
Skillathon/Record Book Skills Test ..... 5:30 p.m.  
Seniors start at 5:30, /Intermediates & Juniors start at 6 p.m.

#### FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>

“Meet the Judge” (Small Animal Ring) .....8:30 a.m.  
Showmanship (Small Animal Ring)..... immediately  
after ..... “Meet the Judge”  
Halter Classes (Small Animal Ring) ...Following Showmanship  
Youth Obstacle Classes (Small Animal Ring) .....  
.....30 minutes following Halter

#### FEBRUARY 15<sup>TH</sup>

Ask Me Booth ..... 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
\*\*\*Sign up for times at Thursday check-in\*\*\*  
Walking Fleece Class (Judging Area TBA) ... 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
\*\*\*Sign up for times at Thursday check-in\*\*\*  
Obstacle Classes, cont'd (Small Animal Ring) .....  
.... 30 minutes following Open Obstacle/Performance Classes

#### FEBRUARY 16<sup>TH</sup>

Youth Pack / Public Relations Classes (Small Animal Ring)  
.....Immediately after Open Pack Classes  
Announce Champion Youth and Show Awards.....5 p.m.  
Youth Llama/Alpaca Released .....no earlier than 5 p.m. or  
.....at the end of Show

**Individuals are limited to entering a maximum of 2 Youth Livestock Shows at the 2025 Florida State Fair.**

**Due to stall availability, entries are limited. If entries exceed stall space, they will be accepted on a first-come-first-served basis (based on the postmark).**

#### INTERPRETATION OF RULES

The management of the Florida State Fair reserves the right to amend, add to, and interpret the following Rules and Regulations and to arbitrarily settle and determine all questions and differences in regard thereto or otherwise arising out of, connected with, or incident to the Fair.

#### ELIGIBILITY

- 1. Only Florida residents who are bona fide 4-H or YLPA members (8 years old or older, as of September 1, 2024) and FFA members will be eligible to enter.** All entrants must be currently active in the 4-H or YLPA Club Program or the Vocational Agricultural Program in Florida. Anyone having currently graduated from High School, dropped out of High School, or is currently enrolled in an Agriculture Class but not attending class shall be **ineligible** to enter or show. FFA Chapter, 4-H Club, and YLPA Club entries will be accepted. Chapters and Clubs must be valid clubs and in good standing with their local & state organizations.
- 2. Animals must be in the ownership/lease, possession, and care of the exhibitor as of November 1, 2024.** “Proof of Lease” forms for Florida 4-H/FFA Youth are available on the website. Animals may only be owned/leased by one exhibitor.

**CHAPTERS/CLUBS PLEASE NOTE:** Chapters/Clubs must designate student(s) that will enter and compete in all events. That student will be the representative for the Show, Skillathon, Record Book Skills Test, Showmanship, and all other competitions. The age of the student(s) will determine the division of their competition (Junior, Intermediate, or Senior). Chapters/Clubs must designate student(s) by January 10, 2025, (hand delivered, faxed, emailed, or postmarked – Metered Mail will not be considered as valid or legitimate postmark). **If the name is not received by January 10, 2025, the animal(s) will be allowed to show and compete for animal premiums ONLY. The Chapter/Club will not qualify for Achievement Premiums or participation in the Champion of Champion program. All Chapters/Clubs must have a Federal ID number to enter.** The appropriate form is located on the website.

#### ENTRIES & FEES

- 1. All entries must be made on the Official Youth Llama/Alpaca entry form, which is available on the website.**

2. Use a separate form for each exhibitor.

3. **There is a \$25.00 entry fee per exhibitor for three (3) animals for the Youth Llama/Alpaca Show.**

4. **Entry Due Date - All entries must be hand delivered or postmarked on or before December 6, 2024.** It is the policy of the Florida State Fair to abide by all Rules and Regulations as posted on the Florida State Fair Agribusiness website at [www.floridastatefairag.com](http://www.floridastatefairag.com)

The entry fee will be determined by the date entries are postmarked or hand-delivered to the Agribusiness Office. Hand-delivered entries will be accepted in the Agribusiness Office up to office closing at 5:00 p.m. on the day of the deadline.

Certified mail or a Certificate of Mailing validated by the Post Office is recommended. A metered postmark will NOT be considered a valid postmark for entry deadline purposes.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Late Entry Period for entries postmarked or hand-delivered between December 7 and December 13, 2024, is subject to management approval and availability of space, and will be charged double (\$50.00 per exhibitor) entry fees.

The Final Late Entry Period for entries postmarked or hand-delivered between December 14, 2024, and January 10, 2025, are subject to management approval and availability of space and will be charged double entry fees plus a \$100.00 fee for Youth Entry.

5. **A COPY OF THE REGISTRATION PAPER (if the exhibitor is the owner) OR A COPY OF THE LEASE AGREEMENT (if the animal is being leased) MUST BE SENT IN WITH THE ENTRY.**

6. The Florida State Fair reserves the right to limit entries based on stall availability. Entries will be accepted in chronological order based on the postmark.

7. **Each exhibitor may enter and show three (3) animals in the Show. All of these must be listed on the lease form and submitted with the entry.**

8. **All entries should be mailed to the Florida State Fair, P.O. Box 11766, Tampa, FL 33680.** Entry Fees must be included. **Checks should be made payable to the Florida State Fair Authority.**

9. **The entire entry fee amount is non-refundable.**

10. **SUBSTITUTIONS:** All substitutions must be received by January 10, 2025. No substitutions will be allowed upon arrival. Additional animals will be treated as late entry and will not be allowed. **Please Note: All possible substitute animals must be owned or listed on the Lease Agreement and in the possession and care of the exhibitor as of Nov. 1, 2024. Substitutions can be mailed, faxed, or emailed. (no phone calls) please send emails to [AG@FloridaStateFair.com](mailto:AG@FloridaStateFair.com).**

11. **STALLS:** Limited stalls are available this year for animals and tack/display. The fee for animal stalls is \$25.00 per stall, and the straw fee is \$6.00 per bale. **PLEASE NOTE: ONLY STRAW CAN BE USED IN THE STALLS.**

12. **TACK SPACE:** All youth exhibitors pay the \$5 tack fee. There is limited space for tack, so there will be a limit of 5 exhibitors per 10' x 10' space. One tack stall per youth club and/or 1 tack per every 5 stalls.

13. Any exhibitor from a family with an outstanding balance owed to the Fair will not be eligible to show at the Florida State Fair.

14. **For Entry Verification purposes, the Fair suggests sending a self-addressed stamped envelope with your entry.**

15. Only animals entered and shown in the Youth

Llama/Alpaca Show and checked by the state veterinarian will be allowed in the barns. No exceptions!!!

16. The show committee has the right to split the class into heats for the betterment of the show.

17. **For help filling out the entry form, please visit our website at [www.floridastatefairag.com](http://www.floridastatefairag.com) and watch the video "How to Fill out the Llama/Alpaca Entry Form."**

## HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

1. **All animals must meet health requirements as specified in the Rules for Exhibition as required by the Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services.**

2. All animals must have an official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (COVI) issued by an accredited veterinarian, dated within 90 days of the show, and positive identification. All certificates of veterinarian inspection must show a detailed record of tests given to each animal, giving breed, date of test, name, and registry number. In addition, verification that non-breeders are geldings, vasectomized males, or spayed females should be noted on the face of the certificate of veterinarian inspection. All animals not identified individually by a USDA metal ear tag, tattoo, or microchip must be accompanied by a COVI including a general description of the animal, a photograph of the animal being exhibited, and a notarized letter verifying that the animals being exhibited are those included on the COVI and in the accompanying photographs. All vehicles transporting livestock for exhibition in Florida shall be cleaned and disinfected prior to the loading of such livestock.

3. **Contact the Florida Department of Agriculture, Animal Industry, District 4 Office at (863) 578-1863 with questions pertaining to Health Regulations and/or Rules of Exhibition.**

## ASSISTANCE

1. Youth exhibitors are expected to care for, prepare, and show their own animals while on the grounds of the Florida State Fair.

2. Adults (other than parents) or similar unauthorized persons are strictly prohibited from providing direct assistance in the preparation or showing of youth animals while on the grounds of the Florida State Fair.

3. All preparation will be done in a designated area.

4. **The Florida State Fair recommends that all clipping be done prior to arrival at the Fair.**

5. Exceptions to the above rule must be approved by the committee and be in writing before the Fair.

6. Violations can result in the exhibitor's disqualification, and all premiums, Achievement premiums, etc., will be forfeited.

## GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. **Please Note: Due to health and safety issues, no cooking will be allowed in the barns; food and drink should not be consumed in animal areas; and exhibitors should wash their hands after handling animals.**

2. Feed, care, and management of animals will be the responsibility of the exhibitor. **Failure to maintain animals and exhibit to acceptable standards and/or failure to cooperate with Fair Officials may result in premium forfeiture and immediate dismissal from the Fairgrounds.**

3. Exhibitors must show their own animal unless prior approval has been received from show management.

4. **It is the exhibitor's responsibility to get in the show ring on time.** Once the class has entered the ring, late exhibitors may not enter the class. All animals MUST visit the "facilities" provided in the holding area BEFORE they enter the show ring.

5. Electricity and water will be available. We recommend that you bring fans and extension cords (*a power strip with a breaker is required per Fair regulations*) to keep animals cool in the Florida heat.

6. Wash Racks are available adjacent to the barn if you wish to bathe your animal.

7. Security will be provided Thursday, Friday, and Saturday night by the Florida State Fair and volunteers. Please put your name and phone number where you are staying on the tag provided on your stall in case you are needed during the night.

8. There will be a veterinarian on call. Exhibitors are responsible for any fees incurred.

9. Animals are restricted to designated areas of the Fairgrounds and must not be taken from designated areas. Violators are liable for any damage incurred by the owner or animals.

10. Any person who violates any of the general rules or special rules as posted in this Premium List will forfeit all privileges and premiums won.

11. **NO DOGS ARE ALLOWED INSIDE THE BARN.**

12. Smoking is not permitted in the barns.

13. The use of alcohol is prohibited in barns and livestock areas.

14. **Exhibitors are prohibited from spending the night in livestock tents, barns, or stalls.**

### LIABILITY FOR LOSS OR THEFT

1. The owner or custodian of the property of any kind brought to the Fairgrounds, either for exhibit or for other purposes, assumes as a condition of its admission to the grounds all risk and/or responsibility for its loss, damage, or theft.

2. The Fair, its officers, and its employees cannot and will not accept responsibility and liability for any damage or injury resulting from theft, fire, the elements, accidents, or other conditions or causes; whether to exhibits, property of exhibitor, vehicles on the grounds and articles left therein or any other property of any nature whatsoever.

### ARRIVAL

1. Arrival Time for all exhibitors is 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 13, 2025. All stalls will be assigned prior to your arrival. See Show Staff personnel for help locating your stall(s) upon arrival.

2. Upon arrival, your animals can be unloaded and stalled before checking in at the registration table to receive your show packet.

3. A short Exhibitor Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 13 at 3:00 p.m. in the Tent by Horse Barn. **IT IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR ALL EXHIBITORS TO ATTEND THIS MEETING!**

4. **TRAILERS MAY BE PARKED IN A REMOTE LOCATION ADJACENT TO OR NEAR THE FAIRGROUNDS. See superintendent for location.**

5. Any animals arriving late due to an emergency must call the Livestock Office at 813-627-4229.

### ADMISSION

1. Each exhibitor will be issued three (3) armbands for the duration of the show. These are intended for use by exhibitors and parents. The exception will be made when more than one exhibitor is from the same family. Any additional exhibitors from the same family will be issued 1 armband.

2. Armbands will be picked up at check-in. Additional armbands CANNOT be purchased. Single day admission tickets can be bought in advance at discount prices. See the Advance Ticket Form on the website for details. Tickets will be

for sale at the gate.

3. **Vehicle/Trailer Parking Passes:** All Trailers will be parked in the designated areas within the interior of the grounds. Exhibitors will receive a Vehicle Pass for the duration of the show to be able to park in the Ag Lot outside of Gate 3. Only vehicles with the appropriate tags are permitted in this area.

4. Each passenger must have an armband or admission pass.

5. **Red Gate Drop-Offs Times** (This is in addition to arrival): Vehicles will be allowed to enter through the Red Gate between the hours of 6 am to 10 am and 3 pm to 6 pm to drop-off needed feed and/or supplies. After unloading supplies, vehicles will proceed to the Ag Lot for parking.

6. **Parking Map and Detailed Instructions** will be posted on the Agribusiness Website prior to the Fair.

7. Reserved parking is provided, and exhibitors must park in the assigned Ag Lot or your vehicle will be subject to towing.

8. **Champion of Champion Lot:** Limited Parking Spaces can be purchased by Exhibitors within the interior of the grounds. All information will be posted on the FSF Agribusiness website. Spaces will open for purchase on January 1st, 2025. All proceeds will go towards the Youth participating in the Champion of Champions program.

### JUDGING

1. Judging will be per the FSF Youth Llama/Alpaca Show Schedule.

2. Halter classes will be judged based on a modified Danish System. All exhibitors will receive a Blue, Red, or White Award. Performance classes will receive 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> place ribbons. Walking Fleece classes will receive 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> place ribbons and Grand and Reserve ribbons per class division.

3. **Judges will not award premiums to any article, product, or animal that is not deserving. It must be judged individually worthy.**

4. The decision of the judge shall be final, and no appeal will be considered except in cases of written protest (See General Disputes Policy).

5. Any exhibitor who interferes with the judging will be promptly excluded from the competition; after judging, the premiums awarded will be withheld.

6. All animals must enter the show ring and be evaluated by the judge in order to receive premiums.

### GENERAL DISPUTES POLICY

With respect to any disputes which may occur with respect to an exhibitor at the show, such disputes shall be handled by the appropriate Livestock Committee (the “Committee”) in accordance with the following:

1. An exhibitor may file a protest with respect to another exhibitor for violation of the rules and regulations of the Committee and/or the International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE) National Code of Show Ring Ethics by submitting a written protest (a “Protest”) on a form (the “Protest Form”) which will be available at the Agribusiness Department. The Protest must include the exact basis, cause, and description of the dispute, the name of the protesting exhibitor, the name of the exhibitor being protested, and any materials in support of the Protest as well as any other matters which may be required in the Protest Form and shall be accompanied by payment of \$50 which shall be refunded only if the Protest is sustained by the Committee. The Protest Form must be signed by the exhibitor (as the protesting exhibitor), and if the exhibitor is a minor, the Protest Form must also be signed by the exhibitor’s guardian or parent, unless the parent or guardian is not available under circumstances that warrant, as determined by the Agribusiness Department in its sole

discretion. Failure to properly sign the Protest Form shall deem the Protest Form incomplete and nullity, and in such an event, the Protest will not be considered. Any Protest must be submitted (and received by the Agribusiness Department) at least two (2) hours prior to the time that the show is scheduled to occur in order to be considered prior to the show. If a Protest is submitted less than two (2) hours prior to the time that the show is scheduled to occur (“a “Late Submittal”), then the Committee will handle the Protest after the show in accordance with its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics, but the Late Submittal shall not affect the award of ribbons for the show. In order to minimize disruption to the show, an exhibitor who intends to file a Protest should do so at the earliest feasible time. In any event, a Protest must be filed with the Agribusiness Department prior to the scheduled release hour for the protested exhibitor’s animal in order to be considered.

2. The Agribusiness Department will forward any Protest Form which is duly signed (by an exhibitor as the protesting exhibitor, and if the exhibitor is a minor, the Protest Form must also be signed by the exhibitor’s guardian or parent) and any accompanying materials submitted by the protesting exhibitor in support of the Protest to the Committee for its consideration. The Agribusiness Department will also notify the exhibitor being protested of the Protest as soon as reasonably practicable after the Protest has been duly submitted and make available a copy of the written Protest to the exhibitor being protested. The exhibitor being protested may, but shall not be required to, provide a written response to the Protest (a “Response”) by submitting a Response to the Agribusiness Department, including any materials in support of the response to the Protest, and the Agribusiness Department shall provide the Response to Committee. A Response shall be on a form obtained from the Agribusiness Department and must be signed by the protested exhibitor, and if the protested exhibitor is a minor, the Response must also be signed by the protested exhibitor’s guardian or parent, unless the parent or guardian is not available due to circumstances that warrant, as determined by the Agribusiness Department in its sole discretion. The Agribusiness Department shall make available a copy of the Response to the protesting exhibitor upon request by the protesting exhibitor, but it shall be the protesting exhibitor’s responsibility to monitor the Protest and to obtain a copy of the Response. The Agribusiness Department will attempt to notify the protesting exhibitor and the exhibitor being protested of the time of the Committee’s review and consideration of the Protest by calling their respective cell phone numbers if provided on the Protest Form and/or the Response Form, but it shall be the protesting exhibitor and protested exhibitor’s responsibility to monitor the Protest and obtain the time of the Committee’s review and consideration of the Protest and to be available at the time scheduled for the Committee’s consideration of the Protest. For any late submission, the committee will handle the process of reviewing the Protest after the show.

3. The Committee members present will review the Protest and the Response, if any, in the context of its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and will make a decision to resolve the Protest by a majority of the Committee members present. In the event of a tie vote, the Protest shall be deemed denied by the Committee. The decision of the Committee will be final.

4. The Committee also may apply and enforce its rules and regulations and the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics, with respect to exhibitors at the show.

5. By entering the show, all exhibitors, and their respective

parents and/or guardians, shall be deemed to have acknowledged and accepted this General Disputes Policy.

#### ATTIRE

**For showmanship and show, all exhibitors will be required to be clean, neat, and dressed according to the standards of the youth organization they are representing. FFA – Black jeans, white collared shirt, FFA Jacket, and Tie. 4-H – Black/dark jeans, white collared shirt. 4-H vest, jacket, and/or tie is strongly recommended. YLPA – Dark blue jeans, black collared shirt with logo patch. No caps or hats. Closed-toed shoes or boots are required. Exhibitors not conforming to the Dress Code will not be allowed to enter the Show Ring.**

#### PREMIUMS AND AWARDS

1. Halter classes will be judged on the Danish System for Blue, Red, and White Awards.

Blue .....	\$25.00
Red .....	\$20.00
White.....	\$15.00

Grand Champion ..... Banner  
Reserve Grand Champion .....Banner

Performance classes (Public Relations, Obstacles, and Pack) will receive Ribbons Only.

Performance Champion

Junior Youth Performance Champion .....Plaque  
Reserve Junior Youth Performance Champion .....Plaque  
Intermediate Youth Performance Champion .....Plaque  
Reserve Intermediate Youth Performance Champion .....Plaque  
Senior Youth Performance Champion.....Plaque  
Reserve Senior Youth Performance Champion.....Plaque

2. Premiums will be paid on the basis of the judging reports, which must be signed by the judge and by the department superintendent or clerk.

3. Premiums will be mailed to the exhibitor after the Fair to the address given on the entry form. Errors in premium statements will not be corrected after April 1, 2025.



**Checks will be void six months from the date on the check. After six months, all uncashed checks will be voided, and replacement checks will not be issued.**

4. If a Social Security Number or Federal ID number is not provided, the Fair will not issue a premium check.

5. The management of the Florida State Fair reserves the right to revise the dollar amount of the Premiums.

#### RELEASE

1. Animals will be released on Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup> no earlier than 5:00 p.m. or the end of the Show.

**2. TRAILERS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED OUT OF THE REMOTE LOT UNTIL DESIGNATED RELEASE TIMES UNLESS A FLORIDA STATE FAIR RELEASE FORM IS PRESENTED.**

**3. Any exhibitor removing animals from the barn prior to official release time forfeits all prize monies he may have won.**

**HALTER CLASSES** - You must show your llama(s) & alpaca(s) in the AGE Halter Class in which they qualify. Sex & Age class divisions are listed below. The base date for computing the age of animals is February 13, 2025.



**SEX AND AGE DIVISIONS**

(Males / Females / Non-Breeding Alpacas and Llamas)

- 1. *Juvenile* - 5 months through 12 months
- 2. *Yearling* - 13 months through 24 months
- 3. *Two-Year-Old* - 25 months through 36 months
- 4. *Adult* - 37 months and over

A Non-Breeding Llama or alpaca is a male or female that has been surgically altered.



*On the llama/alpaca's date of birth, the llama/alpaca moves up to the next older class.*

**YOUTH PACK CLASSES** – The pack, including day packs, training packs, and pack systems with removable panners, must have two cinches and use appropriate fill material to simulate a full pack (i.e., the use of paper or hay). Alpacas may not carry weight in the youth class.

**YOUTH PERFORMANCE CHAMPION** – In order to qualify, youth must compete in Youth Obstacle, Public Relations, and Pack, and use the same animal for all three classes unless the animal is less than 12 months old. In that case, only, the Youth may use a second animal in the Youth Pack class.



- 37. Sr. (Age 14 & Over) Youth Public Relations
- 38. Junior (Age 8-10) Youth Obstacle Class
- 39. Int. (Age 11-13) Youth Obstacle Class
- 40. Sr. (Age 14 & Over) Youth Obstacle Class
- 41. Junior (Age 8-10) Youth Pack Llama
- 42. Int. (Age 11-13) Youth Pack Llama
- 43. Sr. (Age 14 & Over) Youth Pack Llama
- 44. *Junior (Age 8-10) Youth Performance Champion*
- 45. *Junior (Age 8- 10) Youth Reserve Performance Champion*
- 46. *Int. (Age 11-13) Youth Performance Champion*
- 47. *Int. (Age 11-13) Youth Reserve Performance Champion*
- 48. *Sr. (Age 14 & Over) Youth Performance Champion*
- 49. *Sr. (Age 14 & Over) Youth Reserve Performance Champion*
- 50. Walking Fleece
- 51. *Grand Champion Walking Fleece*
- 52. *Reserve Grand Champion Walking Fleece*



**2025 YOUTH LLAMA/ALPACA SHOW CLASS LIST**

- Class No.
- 1. Yearling Non-Breeder Alpaca
- 2. 2 yr. old Non-Breeding Alpaca
- 3. Adult Non-Breeding Alpaca
- 4. *Champion Non-Breeder Alpaca*
- 5. *Reserve Champion Non-Breeder Alpaca*
- 6. FEMALE Juvenile Alpaca
- 7. FEMALE Yearling Alpaca
- 8. FEMALE 2 yr. old Alpaca
- 9. FEMALE Adult Alpaca
- 10. *Champion Female Alpaca*
- 11. *Reserve Champion Female Alpaca*
- 12. MALE Juvenile Alpaca
- 13. MALE Yearling Alpaca
- 14. MALE 2 yr. old Alpaca
- 15. MALE Adult Alpaca
- 16. *Champion Male Alpaca*
- 17. *Reserve Champion Male Alpaca*
- 18. Yearling Non-Breeding Llama
- 19. 2 yr. old Non-Breeding Llama
- 20. Adult Non-Breeding Llama
- 21. *Champion Non-Breeding Llama*
- 22. *Reserve Champion Non-Breeding Llama*
- 23. Juvenile Female Llama
- 24. Yearling Female Llama
- 25. 2 yr. old Female Llama
- 26. Adult Female Llama
- 27. *Champion Female Llama*
- 28. *Reserve Champion Female Llama*
- 29. Juvenile Male Llama
- 30. Yearling Male Llama
- 31. 2 yr. old Male Llama
- 32. Adult Male Llama
- 33. *Champion Male Llama*
- 34. *Reserve Champion Male Llama*
- 35. Junior (Age 8-10) Youth Public Relations
- 36. Int. (Age 11-13) Youth Public Relations

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**CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS PROGRAM!!**

The Florida State Fair believes in the value and importance of exhibitor participation in all educational opportunities offered through their animal project. The Champion of Champions program is the means by which exhibitors can take advantage of these opportunities. By taking part in the various activities listed below exhibitors may earn additional monies which we call Achievement Premiums. Achievement Premiums will be paid in addition to current animal premiums and will reward exhibitors based on their participation in the educational events listed below. Participation in the Champion of Champions Program is optional. Points will be accumulated by each exhibitor throughout the program for each event they participate in and Achievement Premium monies will be rewarded proportionately for their involvement.

- The point system will be as follows:
- **Entry** properly filled out (*all or none*) ..... 0 or 10 points
  - **Educational Seminar or January Clinic**..... 0 - 30 points\*
  - **Record Book - Mandatory**..... 0 - 100 points
  - **Record Book Skills Test - Mandatory** ..... 0 - 100 points
  - **Skillathon – Mandatory**..... 0 –100 points
  - **Showmanship** (Jr., Int., & Sr.) ..... 0 - 100 points
    - Blue .....80 points
    - Red .....70 points
    - White .....60 points
    - 1st Place .....20 points
    - 2nd Place .....15 points
    - 3rd Place .....10 points
    - 4th Place .....5 points
  - **Educational Poster** ..... 0 - 30 points
  - **Volunteer in Ask Me Booth - 30 minutes** ..... 0 - 30 points
- 500 TOTAL POINTS possible**

\*PLEASE NOTE: Exhibitors can participate in both the seminar and clinic but will receive points for only one of these two events.

- All points will be totaled, and exhibitors will be ranked in order of point totals for Champion Youth Awards.

#### AGE DIVISIONS as of Sept. 1, 2024

Junior Division (Ages 8 - 10)

Intermediate Division (Ages 11 - 13)

Senior Division (Ages 14 and over)

#### ACHIEVEMENT PREMIUM PAYMENT

Exhibitors will be mailed, after the Fair, a recap of the total Achievement points earned during the 2025 Florida State Fair. Along with the recap, they will be provided with the names and addresses of two (2) Achievement Premium Sponsors. To receive payment for these points, exhibitors will be required to:

1. Write and mail a Thank You letter to the sponsor.
2. Send a copy of each Thank You letter to the Fair.

Checks for Achievement Premiums will be issued when a copy of the Thank You letters to the sponsors is received.

Checks will be void six months from the date on the check. After six months, all uncashed checks are voided, and replacement checks will not be issued.



#### CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS ACHIEVEMENT PREMIUMS – POINT CATEGORIES

#### EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR:

1. **PLEASE NOTE:** There will be one (1) seminar session offered this year.

2. The Educational Seminar will be held as follows:

September 21<sup>st</sup> - Florida State Fairgrounds

##### Group One Seminar

Dog, Dairy Goat, Boer Goat, Rabbit, Dairy

9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

##### First Year Orientation

11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

##### Group Two Seminar

Swine, Llama/Alpaca, Sheep, Poultry,

Beef & Steer

12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

3. Exhibitors can receive up to 30 points toward Achievement Premiums for attending the Seminar.

4. Please Note: Registration will begin 30 minutes prior to seminars.

5. For pre-registration, visit our website:

[WWW.FLORIDASTATEFAIRAG.COM](http://WWW.FLORIDASTATEFAIRAG.COM).

#### JANUARY CLINIC - Optional \*\*\*

1. Exhibitors can earn Achievement Premium points by attending the January Clinic on January 11, 2025, at the Golden Spirit Ranch in Lutz, FL. Registration - 9:30 a.m.

2. The clinic will be for exhibitors to participate in a practice Showmanship and Performance clinic.

3. Exhibitors must bring their own Llama/Alpaca to participate.

4. No health certificate will be required for the January clinic.

5. First-time exhibitors are strongly encouraged to attend the January clinic.

6. Please bring your own lunch.

7. Finished Products and/or Shorn Fleece may be submitted at this time.

**\*PLEASE NOTE:** Exhibitors can participate in both the seminar and clinic but will receive points for only one of

these two events.

#### RECORD BOOK - MANDATORY

1. **PLEASE NOTE:** The Fair will be collecting/judging all the Record Books prior to the Fair. Record Books must be postmarked or hand-delivered on or before **January 10, 2025**. Please note you must turn in a completed record book to be eligible to compete in the Champion of Champions competition. **NO RECORD BOOKS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT CHECK-IN.** The completed record book must be approved and signed by the 4-H or YLPA Club Leader or Agriculture Teacher.

2. A Dog and Llama/Alpaca Record Book (hard copy) is available on the website, at the seminar, or upon request.

3. An Online Dog and Llama/Alpaca Record Book is available at <https://fsf.zsuite.org>. Exhibitors can complete the record book online; however, they must still print it off for needed signatures and have it postmarked or hand-delivered on or before **January 10, 2025**.

A tutorial is available on our website on creating an account and navigating the online record book.

4. Mail completed record books to Youth Llama/Alpaca Show, Florida State Fair, P.O. Box 11766, Tampa, Florida 33680.

5. All Record Books will be scored from 0 to 100, and points will be added to Achievement Premium points.

6. A Record Book is mandatory in order to qualify for Champion of Champions Achievement Premiums. Exhibitors who do not turn in a record book will forfeit all Champion of Champions Achievement Premiums.

7. The Record Book will be returned by mail after the Fair.

#### RECORD BOOK SKILLS TEST - MANDATORY

1. Exhibitors will be given a Record Book Skills Test, in conjunction with the Skillathon. The test will cover all aspects of record keeping on their animal project.

2. Juniors answer Junior designated questions. Intermediates answer Junior and Intermediate designated questions. Seniors answer Junior, intermediate and senior designated questions.

3. The Record Book Skills Test is mandatory in order to qualify for Champion of Champions Achievement Premiums. Exhibitors who do not take the test will forfeit all Champion of Champions Achievement Premiums.

4. It is advised that exhibitors bring a small calculator to use.

#### SKILLATHON - MANDATORY

1. A Skillathon will be held in conjunction with the Record Book Skills Test. Seniors start at 5:30 p.m./Intermediates & Juniors start at 6:00 p.m.

2. The Skillathon is a series of "hands-on" stations where students will be asked to perform specific tasks.


3. A Skillathon study guide is available on the website, at the seminar, or upon request.

4. Junior exhibitors only need to do Junior-level skills, Intermediate exhibitors will only participate in the Junior & Intermediate level skills. Senior exhibitors must do ALL level skills.

5. The Skillathon is mandatory in order to qualify for Champion of Champions Achievement Premiums. Exhibitors who do not participate in the Skillathon will forfeit all Champion of Champions Achievement Premiums.

## EDUCATIONAL POSTER – Optional

### Educational Poster may earn 30 points maximum.

1. Exhibitors can earn additional points toward Achievement Premiums by entering an Educational Poster.
2. The purpose of the posters is to educate the public about the animal industry.
3. Posters must be turned in during designated arrival/check-in.
4. Posters must be removed during the scheduled release times.
5. Acceptable poster size:
  - a. 22" x 28"
  - b. 20" x 30"
6. Acceptable material for poster:
  - a. Posterboard
  - b. Foam Board
7. No attachments to the poster to extend the acceptable size of the poster.
8. Poster attachments must be within the poster size not exceeding 1' in depth.
9. Posters must relate to the 2025 Skillathon topic of **Products and Marketing**. Posters are not to be on showmanship.
10. Posters are not to be reused for another animal division in the current year or future years. Once the poster is judged/displayed it is disqualified for additional competition within the current year or future years. Posters are either photographed or marked submitted. The decision of the judge is final.
11. Other requirements:
  - a. Poster must have a title.
  -  **b. The poster must have your name on the back and exhibitor's age as of Sept. 1, 2024.**
  - c. If the poster is a game/activity it must have instructions and an answer key **ON FRONT**.
  - d. If other resources (such as journals, and websites) are used, they must be cited on the back of the poster.
12. See page 11 at the end of the Rules and Regulations for the **NEW** Poster Scoring Rubric.
13. Posters will be disqualified for:
  - a. Incorrect Poster Size
  - b. Not on current year Skillathon topic
  - c. Plagiarism (use of complete article from web or sourcebook).
  - d. Previously judged poster in other category current year or past years.

## VOLUNTEER IN ASK ME BOOTH - Optional

The Ask Me Booth's purpose is to offer the public an opportunity to meet and speak with Youth Llama/Alpaca Exhibitors.

1. Exhibitors can earn Achievement Premium points by volunteering in the Ask Me Booth.
2. Exhibitors can sign up for a time slot at Arrival/Check-in or at the Ask Me Booth when time/space is available.
3. Exhibitors must complete a one-half-hour segment in order to earn points.
4. Exhibitors will be evaluated on their participation and interaction with the public for a range of 0 - 30 points.
5. Exhibitors are required to be in **Show Attire or current State Fair T-shirt** when in the designated area. **No food or drinks are allowed while interacting with the public.**

## SHOWMANSHIP

1. Exhibitors can earn Achievement Premium Points by participating in the Showmanship Contest. **Please Note: Showmanship placement will go toward "Achievement Points Only." No Premiums will be paid.**

2. The Showmanship Contest will be held on Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup> in the Small Animal Ring.
3. **Age Divisions as of Sept. 1, 2024:**
  - Junior Division (Ages 8 - 10)**
  - Intermediate Division (Ages 11 - 13)**
  - Senior Division (Ages 14 and over)**
4. **Each Exhibitor must show their own or leased animal and the animal must be properly entered in youth classes.**
5. Exhibitors will be judged on the Danish system for Blue, Red, and White awards and will be ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> place.
6. Exhibitors must adhere to the Attire Statement as outlined in the Youth Llama/Alpaca Rules.
7. For reference – use the 2019, 22<sup>nd</sup> edition of the ALSA Handbook  
[www.alsashow.org](http://www.alsashow.org) (Showmanship Page L-1-L-3)

## CHAMPION YOUTH


A Champion Youth Exhibitor will be selected in each age division for the Florida State Fair Youth Llama/Alpaca Show. These exhibitors will be selected based on the highest number of points accumulated. The Champion Youth Exhibitors will be eligible to receive:

### \*\*SENIOR age Category\*\*

Champion Youth -	\$500 Cash Award
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place -	\$375 Cash Award
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place -	\$250 Cash Award
4 <sup>th</sup> Place -	\$125 Cash Award

### INTERMEDIATE and JUNIOR age Category

Champion Youth - \$50 Cash Award

 **Tie breakers will be in this order: 1) Skillathon, 2) Record Book Test, and 3) Record Book.**

Only Senior exhibitors will be eligible to qualify for the top 4 Champion Youth Awards. Intermediate and Junior exhibitors will only complete the segments of the Skillathon and Record Book Test that are designated for their age level.

**PLEASE NOTE: Champion Youth – Senior exhibitors can only place in the top four twice at the Florida State Fair.**

## SPECIAL HERDSMAN AWARDS

1. **Special Herdsman Awards are offered to exhibitors at the Florida State Fair with the purpose of encouraging exhibitors to present more attractive livestock displays.**
2. All Youth Llama/Alpaca exhibitors are eligible to compete for these awards and exhibits will be judged daily on the following basis:
  - a. Orderliness and cleanliness of service area, stalls, pens, animals, and public walkway.
  - b. Courtesy of herdsman and helpers.
  - c. Cooperation with show officials in presenting attractive exhibits and promptness in getting animals into the show ring.
  - d. Availability of personnel to furnish information about their exhibits.

3. The winner in each age category will receive \$25.00 and an award.

*A Special Thanks to  
FLORIDA ALPACA LLAMA ASSOCIATION  
for sponsoring the Herdsman Competition*

**YOUTH LIVESTOCK SHOW ETHICS AND  
ANIMAL CARE WORKSHOP**

The Florida State Fair believes that every youth exhibitor should receive proper training and information for raising and showing a youth animal project. It is important that the exhibitor understand:

- The purpose of youth livestock projects
- The importance of ethics in youth livestock projects
- Proper animal handling and management
- The difference between animal welfare and animal rights
- Be prepared to be an ambassador for animal agriculture

The Youth Livestock Show Ethics and Animal Care Workshop is designed to certify students to meet the mandatory certification requirements that will be in effect for the 2025 Florida State Fair. Certification is valid for a three-year Fair Season not 3 calendar years.

**For the 2024/2025 Fair Season, Certification Numbers starting with 23, 24, or 25 are current and valid.**

The requirements are as follows:

**ALL STUDENTS THAT ARE ENTERED IN THE FLORIDA STATE FAIR MUST HAVE COMPLETED THE ETHICS TRAINING TO SHOW AN ANIMAL AT THE 2025 FLORIDA STATE FAIR.**

- **THE LAST WORKSHOP OFFERED FOR EXHIBITORS SHOWING AT THE 2025 FLORIDA STATE FAIR WILL BE ON JANUARY 20, 2025.**

This program has been endorsed by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agriculture Sciences (IFAS).

**\*\*Please note: Even though you have attended an Ethics Workshop in the past, your certification number may have expired. Be sure to check your certification number to be sure it is still valid.**

You may check your current certification number by going to our website – [www.floridastatefairag.com](http://www.floridastatefairag.com) and clicking on the Ethics / Verification tab.

We will continue to offer both On-Site Workshops and Zoom Meeting Workshops for new exhibitors and anyone who needs to be renewed.

Check our Florida State Fair Agribusiness website for information, times, and dates on Youth Livestock Show

Ethics and Animal Care Workshops that will be held around the state. Please check the website periodically for newly scheduled workshops.

**ALL YOUTH EXHIBITORS ARE  
ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR THE  
MOSAIC SCHOLARSHIP  
AND THE FLORIDA STATE FAIR  
FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP  
See Rules & Application on the website**

**CAMPGROUND**

**1. PLEASE NOTE: ALL CAMPERS/RVS MUST HAVE A CAMPING PERMIT IN ORDER TO BE ALLOWED ON THE FAIRGROUNDS WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE USED FOR CAMPING.**

**2. ALL GOLF CARTS MUST HAVE A PERMIT TO BE DRIVEN ON FAIRGROUNDS.**

3. Campground Rules and Reservation Form is available on our website.

**SHOWERS**

1. Shower facilities are available on the grounds for use by exhibitors only!

2. Shower permits will be issued upon request to Livestock Exhibitors from the Agribusiness Office.

**MOTEL ACCOMMODATION**

1. For motel accommodation information, see our website for the Preferred Hotel List.

**QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM**

The Florida State Fair believes that every animal participating in activities of the Florida State Fair shall at all times be provided proper care and management in the best interest of the animal's welfare.

1. Quality assurance testing or a survey may be done at the Florida State Fair.

2. All animals are subject to testing at any time:

A. To determine whether an animal qualifies for competition in a particular breed classification.

B. To determine whether the animal has been unethically fitted in any way.

C. To determine whether any false information or representation was made in a competition entry.

3. Exhibitor's signature on Entry Form acknowledges that they have read and agree to IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics, (Please note: Rule #4 deals specifically with drugs).

4. Use of drugs, in animals, not in compliance with manufacturer's label as to dosage, time of withdrawal limitations, or other manufacturer's limitations and show regulations are **PROHIBITED**. The use of tranquilizers or possession of same after arrival at the Fair will be construed as tampering.

5. Violators will be disqualified and will forfeit all premiums and awards, including the sale price of animals, if applicable, and future entry of exhibitors and/or family at the Florida State Fair.

6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices that are not recognized as acceptable training, restraint, or animal movement techniques are prohibited.



**IAFE (INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS)**  
**NATIONAL CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS**

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times conduct themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open-class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics," fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations that they impose on the local, county, state, provincial, and national levels.

All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards, and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:

1. All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership, and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.

2. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.

3. Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.

4. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of drugs. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event that culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations, and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state, and provincial statutes, regulations, and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event.

If the laboratory report on the chemical analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other samples were taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample or urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the approved laboratory to which it is sent is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved, and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken with the burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise at any hearing in regard to the matter conducted by the fair or livestock show.

At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or irritant substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.

6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.

7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials

before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation, and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.

8. No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individuals to disciplinary action.

9. The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.

10. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have any disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including *Fairs and Expositions* and any special notices to members.

11. The act of entering an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE National Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action that contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

**Florida State Fair Authority - Livestock Addendum**

OWNER represents to Florida State Fair Authority ("AUTHORITY") that no animals that are exhibited or otherwise transported onto FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS will in any way be suffering from any contagious or infectious disease. In addition, OWNER shall defend, indemnify, and hold the AUTHORITY, the applicable Show Committee and each of their respective officials, officers, directors, employees and agents harmless of and from all losses, damages, claims, expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees at the trial and appellate levels, actions and causes of action arising out of, or in any way connected with, or by reason of this Agreement, the presence of OWNER's livestock at FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS, and/or use of FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS including, but not limited to any claim for the death of, or injury to any person or livestock, or damage to, theft of, or destruction of any property arising out of any act or omission of OWNER, OWNER's officers, agents, employees, trainers, drivers, riders, handlers, contractors and livestock, violation of any Federal, State and Local environmental laws, rules, ordinances and/or regulations, actions for negligence, wrongful death, torts, defects in the real and personal property at FLORIDA STATE FAIRGROUNDS and from any alleged liability, cause, litigation or proceeding whatsoever, even if such injury, death, loss or property damage results, in whole or in part, from the negligence of AUTHORITY, or the applicable Show Committee and their respective officials, officers, directors, employees and agents or otherwise. Neither AUTHORITY nor such applicable Show Committee shall be liable to OWNER, or any officer, agents, employees, trainers, drivers, riders, handlers, or other contractors, invitees, or guests of OWNER for any injury or damage to livestock, person, or property. AUTHORITY, its officers, or agents, assume no liability for any loss or damage to property (including but not limited to livestock) on account of fire, theft, or any other cause including infectious or contagious diseases. In addition, OWNER acknowledges receiving and agrees to abide by the applicable rules and regulations of the AUTHORITY titled FLORIDA STATE FAIR YOUTH LLAMA/ALPACA SHOW RULES & PRIZE LIST, and the same is incorporated by reference herein. pmurr\fair\livestock.add 7\95 10155.1009



## FSF 2025 EDUCATIONAL POSTER RUBRIC

This rubric lists the criteria for the judging of your poster and is used as the scoring tool for the judging. It was developed to inform you as to how your poster was evaluated.

CRITERIA	5 Points	4 Points	3 Points	2 – 1 Points	SCORE
Required Elements	<b>1. SIZE</b> *Thickness (1” or less) *22” x 28” <b>OR</b> 20” x 30”  <b>2. ON FRONT</b> *Title *Current Skillathon topic *Game or Activity – Needs instruction and answer key  <b>3. ON BACK</b> *Name and age (as of 9/1/2024) *Cite Resources	Missing one key element	Missing two key elements	Missing three or more key elements	5 4 3 2 1  <u>Disqualified</u> Incorrect size Incorrect current topic Previously judged Plagiarism
Labels	All items/pictures are labeled and easily read from at least 3 ft. <b>NO BRAND NAMES</b>	Pics/Labels are present but somewhat small	Too small to read	Brand names present and/or no pics/labels	5 4 3 2 1
Accuracy	Accurate facts/details/definitions are displayed without plagiarism	Mostly accurate information	Pictures only with no text.  Text only with no pictures.	Verbatim from source	5 4 3 2 1
Attractiveness	Exceptional use of space, attractive and neat.	Good use of space, attractive and neat.	Acceptable but black/white only.	Lacks neatness and effort. Pencil only.	5 4 3 2 1
Grammar & Spelling	Grammar and spelling are accurate.	1 grammar and/or spelling error.	2 grammar and/or spelling errors.	3 or more grammar and/or spelling errors.	5 4 3 2 1
Effort	Exceptional effort, planning and pride is displayed.	Good effort, planning and pride is displayed.	Basic effort, planning and pride is displayed.	Minimal effort, planning or pride is displayed.	5 4 3 2 1
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>/30</b>

DQ: See above for required poster size/thickness. Any other size/thickness will be disqualified.

DQ: Not Current Skill-a-ton Topic

DQ: Previously judged poster in other category current year or past years.

DQ: Plagiarism (use of complete article from web or sourcebook).

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