

Entry check-in Tuesday, August 12th between 4:00-7:00pm

STUDY RULES CAREFULLY. Entries will be inspected by a person in charge as they are received to determine if they meet contest rules. Entries that do not conform to rules will be disqualified.

ALL exhibits must be delivered to the Agriculture Building at 4-H Camp Pioneer (beside livestock barn) between 4:00 and 7:00pm on Tuesday, August 12th. Exhibits can be viewed during designated exhibit hours. Exhibits must remain on display until Saturday closing. **Exhibits need to be removed on Saturday, August 16th, between 7:00 and 8:00 pm.** Unclaimed entries may be discarded. For food safety reasons, baked goods in certain categories may be discarded at the end of the fair; only ribbons will be distributed for these categories.

1. Entries must be registered with the person in charge upon arrival and labeled with supplied tags. To speed this process, tags may be obtained in advance by contacting the West Virginia University Extension Office, 32 Randolph Ave, Suite 102, Elkins, WV 26241 or by calling 304-636-2455.
2. All exhibits must have been made/grown by the exhibitor during the 2024-2025 season and must be the product of the home, garden, or farm. To qualify for judging, exhibits must be entered in the proper class as listed. Participants are limited to one entry in each class. Fresh Clean Produce Only.
3. Canned goods must have been preserved in **Mason-type* canning jars** of the size specified and sealed with two-piece lids. Leave rings on jars to ensure safety in handling. Rings will be removed by the exhibitor when presented for judging. For canned vegetables, leave 1” headspace; fruits, ½” headspace; jams or jellies leave 1/4” headspace. Judges will consider safety of product when placing canned goods. Please use only USDA tested recipes** when canning.
4. Baked goods must be made by the exhibitor from scratch. Exhibitor must exhibit in the quantity specified on **plain disposable plates** in self-closing plastic bags. Cakes may be covered using clear plastic wrap. No entries should be made using a mix or created at a store.
5. Ribbons will be awarded for first, second, third place, and Best of Show. Exhibits will be placed according to their merit. Best of Show will not be awarded simply because the item is the best of its kind exhibited. The judge retains the right to refuse to award a Best of Show.
6. Although proper precautions will be taken, the sponsor is not responsible for loss or damage of entries.

****Mason is a type of jar, not a brand. Only Mason jars tempered for home canning are recommended. Mason jars are made in the United States and are of thicker glass and better quality than regular glass jars. Although some establishments sell their own brand of “canning jar,” they are made in China and are not tempered for canning. When looking at your canning jars, pints and quarts will have the brand name printed on them (for example, Ball, Kerr, Golden Harvest, Atlas, etc.). Pint and quart jars without the brand name printed on the jar are not acceptable for display.***

*****USDA tested recipes have been tested for optimal safety. Use only recipes from reputable sources such as USDA, National Center for Home Food Preservation, Extension Service, etc. Do not use methods from canning books published prior to 1996. Keep in mind that ALL CANNED GOODS MUST BE PROCESSED in a water-bath or pressure canner.***

2025 Award List for Baked Goods, Canned Goods, Produce, Flowers, Arts & Crafts, Needlework, Photos, and Queen's Divisions

The Randolph County Fair Association will award ribbons for first, second, and third place and Best of Show for the indicated sections. Best of Shows and premiums will not be awarded simply because the item is the best of its kind exhibited. The judge retains the right to refuse to award a Best of Show or premium of any kind. Point average of ribbon scores (blue-3, red-2, white-1) will be used to determine the highest average for premier exhibitors.

I. BAKED GOODS

- Premier Exhibitor (10 or more exhibits – highest average) Plaque and \$30
- Best of show for each section \$10

II. CANNED GOODS

- Premier Exhibitor (10 or more exhibits – highest average) Plaque and \$30
- Best of Show for each section \$10

III. PRODUCE

- Premier Exhibitor (10 or more exhibits – highest average) Plaque and \$30
- Quantity Exhibitor Plaque
- Premier YOUTH Exhibitor (5 or more exhibits – highest average) Plaque and \$15
- Best of Show for each section \$10

IV. FLOWERS

- Best of Show for each section \$10

V. NEEDLEWORK & SEWING

- Best of Show for each section \$10

VI. PHOTOGRAPHY

- Best of Show for each Section \$10

VII. ARTS & CRAFTS

- Best of Show Adult \$10
- Best of Show Youth \$10
- Best of show 4-H Club or Classroom \$10

VIII. QUEEN'S DIVISION

- Best of Show Teen \$10
- Best of Show Miss \$10
- Premier Queen—Overall Exhibit Plaque and \$30

Other Awards:

- Premier Arts Exhibitor (5 or more exhibits in Divisions V, VI and VII — highest average) Plaque and \$30
- Premier Arts Youth Exhibitor (3 or more exhibits in Division V, VI, and VII — highest average) Plaque and \$15
- **BEST OF SHOW OVERALL** \$75
(15 or more exhibits entered with at least three exhibits in three divisions)