



Department 15 – Flowers & Houseplants - ATCP 160.63



REGISTRATION DATES: APRIL 21 – MAY 21, 2026

JUDGING: MONDAY, JULY 13, 2026 @ 8-10:30 AM

JUDGING STYLE: FACE-TO-FACE

SUPERINTENDENTS: KRIS WINKLER & PAT SLEITER

Rules & Instructions

- a) Read the **General Rules & Instructions** document!!
- b) Each exhibit should have a 3"x5" card which describes:
 - 1. Exhibitor's grade & number of years in the project
 - 2. Steps taken to complete this exhibit.
 - 3. What have you learned or practiced in completing this exhibit.
 - 4. In Classes D & E: Houseplants & Outdoor containers, please list the plant variety/varieties and...
 - i. If exhibit was purchased, the date exhibit was purchased and planted.
 - ii. If plants were propagated, how and when started.
 - 5. Class F: Plant Crafts, describe techniques used in drying and arranging of plant materials
- c) Posters can be no larger than 14"x22", displays no larger than 28"x40".

CLASS A – GROWING LAWNS, TREES, SHRUBS, OR LANDSCAPE DESIGN

Premiums \$ 2.00 \$ 1.75 \$ 1.50 \$ 1.25

Lot

- 1. Any display related to this project (maximum size of 22"x28")

FLOWERS

Rules and Instructions (Class B & C)

- a) Annual and perennial lots will be judged on stem and foliage, flower, container, and arrangement.
- b) Arrangements judged on color harmony, design, balance, proportion, condition, suitability of material and relation to container.
- c) The mechanics of the arrangement (wiring, taping, needle-point, if used, must be properly concealed)
- d) Roses may be used in Lots 10 and 20. They and other perennial shrubs, i.e. potentilla, hydrangea, clematis, etc. are not eligible for use in the other flower Lots.
- e) **Fresh cut flowers and/or side of the road flowers may be brought in before 9:00 a.m. the day of judging.**

CLASS B – FLOWERS (Gr. 3-7)

Lot

- 10. Cut flowers – 1,2, OR 3 BLOOMS OF THE SAME FLOWER....
\$ 2.00 \$ 1.75 \$ 1.50 \$ 1.25
- 11. Bouquet of annuals, 5 OR MORE SPIKES OR BLOOMS –
EACH SPIKE OR BLOOM A DIFFERENT VARIETY.....
\$ 2.50 \$ 2.25 \$ 2.00 \$ 1.75
- 12. Bouquet of perennials, 5 OR MORE SPIKES OR BLOOMS –
EACH SPIKE OR BLOOM A DIFFERENT VARIETY.....
\$ 2.50 \$ 2.25 \$ 2.00 \$ 1.75
- 13. Fresh cut floral arrangement for home (USING
FLOWERS, FOLIAGE, ETC. GROWN ON THE EXHIBITOR'S HOME
GROUNDS. INCLUDE A 3"x5" CARD WHERE ARRANGEMENT
WILL BE PLACED (DINING/COFFEE TABLE))
\$ 3.00 \$ 2.75 \$ 2.50 \$ 2.25
- 14. Side of the road bouquet...
\$ 3.00 \$ 2.75 \$ 2.50 \$ 2.25
- 15. Floral arrangement with any Holiday theme.....
\$ 3.00 \$ 2.75 \$ 2.50 \$ 2.25

CLASS C – FLOWERS (Gr. 8 & up)

Lot

- 20. Cut flowers – 1,2, OR 3 SPIKES OR BLOOMS OF THE SAME
FLOWER... \$ 2.00 \$ 1.75 \$ 1.50 \$ 1.25
- 21. Bouquet of annuals, 5 OR MORE SPIKES OR BLOOMS –
EACH SPIKE OR BLOOM A DIFFERENT VARIETY.....
\$ 2.50 \$ 2.25 \$ 2.00 \$ 1.75
- 22. Bouquet of perennials, 5 OR MORE SPIKES OR BLOOMS –
EACH SPIKE OR BLOOM A DIFFERENT VARIETY.....
\$ 2.50 \$ 2.25 \$ 2.00 \$ 1.75
- 23. Fresh cut floral arrangement for home (USING
FLOWERS, FOLIAGE, ETC. GROWN ON THE EXHIBITOR'S HOME
GROUNDS. INCLUDE A 3"x5" CARD WHERE ARRANGEMENT
WILL BE PLACED (DINING/ COFFEE TABLE, ETC.))....
\$ 3.00 \$ 2.75 \$ 2.50 \$ 2.25
- 24. Side of the road bouquet...
\$ 3.00 \$ 2.75 \$ 2.50 \$ 2.25
- 25. Floral arrangement with any Holiday theme....
\$ 3.00 \$ 2.75 \$ 2.50 \$ 2.25

House Plants & Outdoor Containers

Premiums: \$2.00 \$1.75 \$1.50 \$1.25

Rules & Instructions (Class D & E)

- a) All house plants exhibited must have been started as a leaf or stem cutting or bulb after September 1. All plants must be propagated, except for Dish Gardens and terrariums.
- b) Plants MUST be free of disease and insects.
- c) Choice of container is left to exhibitor.
- d) All plant exhibits must include a 3"x5" card, listing plant variety/varieties, and...
 - If plants were purchased...the date(s) purchased and planted.
 - If plants were propagated...how and when started.
- e) House Plants exhibits will be judged on:
 - **Flowering Plants** – cultural perfection, form, size of plant, abundance of blooms, flower color and distinctiveness.
 - **Foliage Plants** – cultural perfection, form, size of plant, distinctiveness. Remove dry leaves.
 - **Propagated Plant Classes** – The techniques of propagation, the completeness of the description, and the explanation of why the chosen technique was used will be considered in addition to the quality of the plant.

CLASS D – Gr. 3-7

Lot

30. One foliage plant
31. One flowering plant
32. Plant from bulb or tuber.
33. Terrarium
34. Dish Garden using cactus & cactus-type plants. It is permissible to purchase plants, but members are encouraged to propagate their own plants.
35. Dish Garden using foliage-type plants. It is permissible to purchase plants, but members are encouraged to propagate their own plants.
36. Outdoor Planter containing 2 or more variety of plants. It is permissible to purchase plants, but members are encouraged to start their own plants from seed, stating how and when.
37. Item for outdoor garden made by exhibitor (not a recycled or repurposed item)
38. Recycled or repurposed item for use in an outdoor garden, with 3"x5" card explaining what was done.
39. Grow an herb, 1 plant, on 3"x5" card state when and how herb was started and what it will be used in. Started after September 1 of preceding year.

CLASS E – Gr. 8 & up

Lot

50. One foliage plant
51. Dish Garden using cactus & cactus-type plants– may purchase plants. It is permissible to purchase plants, but members are encouraged to propagate their own plants.
52. Dish Garden using foliage-type plants. Must start at least 50% of plants. The other 50% may be purchased.
53. Outdoor Planter containing 2 or more varieties of plants. Must start at least 50% of plants by seed or other propagation. The other 50% may be purchased.
54. One flowering plant
55. Plant from bulb or tuber.
56. Terrarium
57. Item for outdoor garden made by exhibitor (not a recycled or repurposed item).
58. Recycled or repurposed item for use in an outdoor garden, with 3"x5" card explaining what was done.
59. Exhibit of 2 different herbs– may be in separate pots or together in 1 pot. On 3"x5" card state when & how herb was started and what it may be used in. Started after September 1 of preceding year.

CLASS F – PLANT CRAFTS Premiums: \$2.00 \$1.75 \$1.50 \$1.25

Rules & Instructions

- a) Include 3"x5" card describing techniques used in drying and arranging of plant materials.
- b) Majority of material must be dried by the exhibitor. Fill and accents may be purchased. (i.e. Spanish moss, baby's breath)

Lot

- 70. Dried Arrangement
- 71. Any other display of dried flowers
- 72. Display using Christmas greens (may use fresh greens)
- 73. Display using dried gourds, etc.

CLASS G – FAIRY GARDENS Premiums: \$2.00 \$1.75 \$1.50 \$1.25

Lot

- 80. Fairy Garden, Gr. 3-5 – Exhibit a Fairy Garden that has a minimum of 3 different kinds of plants. Please incorporate fairies and other miniature items. Starting your own plants by propagation is encouraged.
- 81. Fairy Garden, Gr. 6-8 – Exhibit a Fairy Garden that has a minimum of 3 different kinds of plants. Please incorporate fairies and other miniature items. At least 1 plant must be propagated by the exhibitor.
- 82. Fairy Garden, Gr. 9 and up - Exhibit a Fairy Garden that has a minimum of 3 different kinds of plants. Please incorporate fairies and other miniature items. At least 2 plants must be propagated by the exhibitor.