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Placer
County Fair

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2026

Exhibitor Handbook

Exhibitor Handbook



Placer County Fair

Dates

June 25-28, 2026

Theme

Past, Present and Future

Website

PlacerCountyFair.org

Administrative Address

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Roseville, CA 95678

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Fair Schedule

Thursday, June 25th 5:00 – 11:00 p.m.
Friday, June 26th 5:00 – 11:00 p.m.
Saturday, June 27th Noon – 11:00 p.m.
Sunday, June 28th Noon – 11:00 p.m.

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

February 2026

2026 California Fair Season

Fairs showcase the best of California, highlighting our spirit and creativity, and celebrating our agricultural heritage through competition and community. Through exhibitions and other fair offerings, Californians gain a deeper appreciation for the effort, skill, and care that sustain our food systems and support rural communities.

Although we celebrate the annual fair season, with events that bring Californians together in honor of agriculture, fairgrounds throughout the year serve as gathering places that strengthen our communities in both celebration and times of hardship. They bring people together to share, to learn, and to help one another when it matters most.

Fairgrounds and fairs are the landscape of so many happy memories for generations of Californians. This season, we show our gratitude for the countless people who put in the time and energy needed to keep these traditions alive and meaningful year after year. We all look forward to a safe, successful, and memorable 2026 fair season.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gavin Newsom", written over a horizontal line.

Gavin Newsom



Welcome to the 2026 Placer County Fair @the Grounds!

We're thrilled to invite you to four days of excitement, fun, and unforgettable memories at the Placer County Fair, happening June 25–28. Whether you're a long-time supporter of the Fair or joining us for the first time, we're delighted to welcome you to this major community celebration @the Grounds!

Get ready to step into the Placer County Fair and celebrate this year's theme "Past, Present & Future" — a journey through the traditions that shaped us, the excitement and creativity of today, and the bold innovations that will define tomorrow.

The 2026 Placer County Fair is packed with exciting activities and attractions. Fan favorites like the All-Alaskan Racing Pigs, Los Moralitos Circus and Violins on Fire, the entertainment schedule is packed full of fun for all ages.

Nightly concerts will get you out of those seats and dancing to hits from Uptown Funk, Wonderbread 5, Radio Ready, and Outlaw Mariachi's. For thrill-seekers, the carnival rides promise adrenaline-pumping fun, while expanded live entertainment—both indoors and outdoors—offers something new to discover across the entire campus.

Want to get involved? The Fair is all about community, and we love showcasing local talent. Whether you bake, craft, knit, or garden, we encourage you to enter your creations in one of the many Still Exhibit competitions held in Jones Hall. Enjoy raising and showing livestock animals? Then be sure to check out all options offered as part of the Livestock Competition and Auction. From animal costume contests to best in show, these animals are always fun to see! It's your chance to shine and be part of what makes the Fair so unique!

If you're passionate about the Placer County Fair, consider joining us as a sponsor or volunteer. Opportunities abound both before and during the Fair, and your involvement helps create lasting memories for everyone in our community.

Join us for fun, discovery, and a look at how the memories of yesterday inspire the magic of tomorrow.

We can't wait to see you at the 2026 Placer County Fair – The Summer Fun Starts Here!

Kim Summers, CEO

Kim Summers
CEO
@theGrounds

Innovate Everyday Life!

2026 Placer County Fair is holding an Invention Challenge!

Participants will design and display an original invention that improves everyday life. The invention may solve a common problem, make daily tasks easier, improve safety, or increase comfort or efficiency. All entries will be publicly displayed and must be understandable without digital tools or written explanation.

Who Can Enter?

- Elementary School
- Middle School
- High School
- College & Adults



All age groups follow the same rules and are judged within their age group only.

What to Submit

Each entry must include both:

● Invention or Design

- A prototype or model
- A non-functioning invention
- A blueprint or detailed drawing

(Inventions do not need to work)

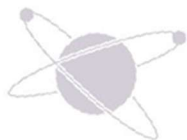
● Display Board

- Poster board, tri-fold board, foam board, or similar No digital screens, tablets, or electronics

● Display Must Include

- Invention Name
- The Problem – What everyday problem does it solve?
- The Solution – How does it work?
- Everyday Impact – How does it improve daily life?

Text and visuals must be large and easy to read by fair attendees.



Display Rules

- Displays must be clearly visible
- Must be self-standing
- No taping, hanging, or wall mounting
- Must be stable and safe for public viewing
- No sharp edges, hazardous materials
- Materials should be durable
- No electricity will be provided



Public Judging

This competition uses public judging. Fair attendees will vote for entries based on:

- Creativity and originality
- Usefulness in everyday life
- Presentation is clear and easy to understand
- Winners will be determined by public votes within each age group
- Voting will conclude on Saturday June 27th at 11:00 pm

Design Tip

A fair attendee should be able to understand your invention in under one minute by viewing your display.

Due Date

June 18th Noon-7:00pm Drop off will be the back of Jones hall

Located at

@the Grounds
700 Event Center Drive
Roseville, CA 95678

- Item will be displayed June 25th-28th
- All entries can be picked up by June 29th, 2026 3:00pm - 6:30pm



Exhibitor FAQ



How do I enter into the Placer County Fair?

Fill out the application form with your entry information. Review all information related to your entry including special rules, entry deadline, fees, awards, delivery/pick up information and the judging schedule. This information can be found in this book at the start of each department.

What are important deadlines and dates to know?

May 29, 2026 at 5 p.m. - All applications are due in the administration office, through the mail, or via the ShoWorks online entry system by this time.

June 18 and 24, 2026 - Entry receiving days, please look at the Receiving and Judging Schedule for exact dates and times for your category. Any entries turned in early or late will not be accepted.

June 20 and 24, 2026 - Judging days, please look at the Receiving and Judging Schedule for exact dates and times for your category. Any entries turned in early or late will not be judged.

June 29, 2026, from 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. - Entry pick-up day after fair. Entries and exhibits not claimed during this time will be disposed of at the Fair's discretion.

Where do I turn in my entry form and fees?

You are encouraged to enter online through our ShoWorks online entry system or to print the entry form and bring it directly to @the Grounds administration office. You can also choose to mail in the entry form and fees, but you will not receive a return receipt. You must sign the entry form, electronically or by hand. Note: There is a \$5 fee for each entry in the Adult Section. There are no fees for Youth & Teen entries.

Mailing Address:

451 Los Vegas Avenue Roseville, CA 95678

Forms and fees may be mailed immediately following the issuance of this exhibitor handbook. Hand delivered forms will be accepted in the administration office during normal business hours from Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. No forms or fees will be accepted after the entry deadline date. Post-marks are accepted! No entry will be accepted with a postmark later than May 29, 2026. Here is the link to register online: <https://placer.fairwire.com>

Exhibitor FAQ



What are the different areas I can enter?

Both the Adult and Youth & Teen Sections are segmented as follows:

- Department (i.e. Floriculture)
- Class (i.e. Succulent)
- Categories (i.e. Plants and Flowers)
- Divisions (i.e. Potted Plants)

Do I get an admission pass into the fair for entering?

Yes! Each individual who fills out an entry application on time and brings in an entry will be given one admission ticket to the fair. This ticket will be available for pick up during the receiving days for entries.

Who do I contact if I have questions?

Admin Office: (916) 701-8181 or fairexhibits@atthegrounds.com

Admin Hours: Monday - Friday 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (During Fair)

Online Entry Instructions



ShoWorks

<https://placer.fairwire.com>

1. Click Sign-In in the top right corner.
2. Use the drop-down box for "I am a..." and choose "Exhibitor". *Note: Families can use the Quick Group Feature.*
3. Sign-in if you have previously used ShoWorks Software for other fairs, expositions, and/or jackpots.
4. OR if you do not have a previous account, click "I am a new exhibitor or have yet to register this year".
5. Complete the following page of exhibitor information.
6. Use the drop-down boxes to add entries to your cart.
7. You will select "Department" then "Division" and then "Class".
8. Fill in the required information for each entry.
9. Enter a short description of your item, please be detailed if it is in an "Any Other" class.
10. Review your entries, pay and confirm. Make sure you have completed all steps to ensure your entries were successfully completed.
11. It is advised to print your confirmation number and entries for your records.

Registration Link

<https://placer.fairwire.com>

Receiving and Judging Schedule



Still Exhibits

Thursday, June 18, 2026

Receiving

Adult Still Exhibits

Jones Hall 12 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Clothing & Textiles
Fine Arts & Crafts
Photography
Preserved Foods
Special
Education

Youth & Teen Exhibits

Jones Hall 12 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Clothing & Textiles
Fine Arts & Crafts
Photography
Preserved Foods
School Projects
Special Education
Technology

Saturday, June 20, 2026

Judging

Adult Still Exhibits

Jones Hall 9 a.m.

Clothing & Textiles
Fine Arts & Crafts
Photography
Preserved Foods
Special
Education

Youth & Teen Exhibits

Jones Hall 9 a.m.

Clothing & Textiles
Fine Arts & Crafts
Photography
Preserved Foods
School Projects
Special Education
Technology

Monday, June 29th, 2026 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Entry Pick-Up for Adult and Teen & Youth

Receiving and Judging Schedule



Still Exhibits

Wednesday, June 24, 2026

Receiving

Adult Still Exhibits

Jones Hall 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Jones Hall 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Agriculture
Baked Foods
Floriculture
Homebrew &
Wine Table
Settings

Youth & Teen Exhibits

Jones Hall 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Jones Hall 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Agriculture
Baked Foods
Floriculture
Table Settings

Wednesday, June 24, 2026

Judging

Adult Still Exhibits

Jones Hall 7 p.m.

Agriculture
Baked Foods
Floriculture
Homebrew &
Wine Table
Settings

Youth & Teen Exhibits

Jones Hall 7 p.m.

Agriculture
Baked Foods
Floriculture
Table Settings

Monday, June 29, 2026 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Entry Pick-Up for Adult and Teen & Youth

Adult Categories

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Adult Rules and Judging Overview

Below is a list of rules that apply to all adult categories unless otherwise noted. Rules specific to each category will be noted in each category's section in the following pages.

All rules must be followed for entries to be accepted and judged in the Placer County Fair. For questions on any entry rules, please email fairentries@atthegrounds.com.

Adult Rules

1. Adult categories are open to exhibitors who are legal residents of El Dorado, Placer, Nevada, Sacramento, Sutter & Yuba counties.
2. All entries are to be displayed in Jones Hall.
3. Every possible care will be taken in handling work, but no responsibility is assumed by fair management or @the Grounds.
4. All entries must be made, collected or produced by the exhibitor not more than one year prior to opening day of the Fair. Copied work will be disqualified.
5. Exhibitors must check carefully for receiving instructions and any other rules specific to their entry.
6. Entries cannot have been exhibited in any prior Placer County Fair.
7. For amateurs only, unless otherwise specified.
8. Management reserves the right to withhold or reject any entries if they are deemed inappropriate or offensive.
9. If any of the above rules are not followed, works shall not be displayed.
10. Management has the right to change schedules and divisions at any point in time. Please check back frequently on www.placercountyfair.org/get-involved/contests/still-exhibits for any updates.

Definition of Terms

- Class - A group of items that are judged together
- Division - A group of classes with a similar theme
- Show/Category - A group of divisions that make up a category

Adult Judging

All Adult categories will be judged using the **American Judging System**. In the American judging system, each entry in a class is judged in comparison to other entries in the class. Awards are given for each class with the potential for no more than one first, one second and one third place per class.

A Best of Division award is given in each division. This is selected from all of the first place class winners in that division.

A Best of Show award is given in each category (unless otherwise noted). This is selected from all of the Best of Divisions in that category. The Best of Show award may or may not be awarded based on number of entries.

Awards

1. Placement of ribbons does not guarantee correct placing in judging. Only the official placing on the judging sheet constitutes the final placement.
2. Cash awards will be paid out within 60 days of the conclusion of the Placer County Fair.

Adult Agriculture

Agriculture Rules

1. The quality desired in agriculture & horticultural product exhibits is the quality that brings the best financial return in the commercial market.
2. Entry or container must be labeled with exhibitor name, division and class number.
3. Please provide your own container for any agricultural item smaller than a quarter; such as berries, cherry tomatoes, nuts etc.

Egg Rules

1. All eggs are to be from the exhibitor's own birds.
2. Each entry consists of one-half dozen eggs (6), unless otherwise specified.
3. Please transport your WASHED eggs in a non-porous sanitary container. Put pointy ends down!

Agriculture: Divisions 100 - 102

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Wednesday, June 24, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 3-6 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Wednesday, June 24, 7 p.m.

Entry Pick-Up After the Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday, June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Premium Awards Offered

- Best of Division - \$5
- Best of Show - \$85

Adult Agriculture

Agriculture Divisions

Division 100 Vegetables

Please provide 5 of each vegetable

Class

- 01 Beans
- 02 Peas
- 03 Tomatoes
- 04 Lettuce/Chard
- 05 Beets
- 06 Carrots
- 07 Potatoes
- 08 Garlic
- 09 Onions – Specify in description
- 10 Eggplant
- 11 Any other – Specify in description

Division 101 Fruit

Please provide 3 of each fruit

Class

- 01 Strawberries
- 02 Peaches
- 03 Nectarines
- 04 Plums
- 05 Apricots
- 06 Any other – Specify in description

Division 102 Eggs

Please provide 6 eggs

Class

- 01 White
- 02 Brown
- 03 Green
- 04 Any other – Specify in description

\$5 fee for each entry. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Adult Agriculture Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Drop-Off - June 24, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 3 - 6p.m.

Entry Judging - June 24, 7 p.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Adult Fine Crafts

Fine Craft Rules

1. A label bearing the title, artist's name, division and class number must be attached to the back or bottom of the work.
2. Kits or molds will be accepted in specified divisions only. All other divisions must represent original artwork of the participant.
3. No individual entry shall exceed 36" x 36" in., exceed 30 lbs., or take up more than 4 square feet of floor space.
4. All artwork expected to hang must be wired. Do not use tape as it does not hold up for the duration of the exhibit. Any artwork deemed unsafe to hang will not be displayed.

Fine Crafts: Divisions 110-113

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Thursday, June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Premium Awards Offered

- Best of Division - \$5
- Best of Show - \$85

Adult Fine Crafts

Fine Crafts Divisions

Division 110

Jewelry

Class

01 Any - Specify in description

02 The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence

(Any jewelry item; theme-based design.)

Division 111

Gourds

Class

01 Any - Specify in description

Division 112

Junk Yard/Farm Art

Class

01 Any - Specify in description

02 Specific Theme – *The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence*

Division 113

Fine Crafts Misc.

Kits and/or molds accepted for Fine Crafts Misc.

Class

01 Models

02 Needlepoint

03 Macrame

04 Collections

05 Tie-Dye

06 Any other – Specify in description

07 Specific Theme - *The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence*

\$5 fee for each entry. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. -6:30 p.m.

Adult Fine Crafts Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off - June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 20, 9 a.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Adult Clothing and Textiles

Clothing and Textile Rules

1. A label bearing your name, division, and class number must be attached to the entry.
2. A minimum 3" top sleeve must be attached to each quilt for hanging purposes. Miniature quilts must have either sleeves or loops attached.

Clothing and Textiles: 120-123

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 5 p.m.

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Thursday, June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday, June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Premium Awards Offered

- Best of Division - \$5
- Best of Show - \$85

Adult Clothing and Textiles

Clothing and Textiles Divisions

Division 120

Clothing: Knitted or Crocheted

Class

- 01 Hat
- 02 Scarf
- 03 Sweater – Any size
- 04 Any other – Specify in description
- 05 The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence
(Open to all knitted or crocheted clothing items. Entry must reflect the theme.)

Division 121

Other: Knitted or Crocheted

Class

- 01 Afghan
- 02 Any other – Specify in description
- 03 The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence
(Open to all knitted or crocheted items not classified as clothing. Entry must reflect the theme.)

Division 122

Sewn Items

Class

- 01 Any other – Specify in description
- 02 – The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence
(Open to all sewn items. Entry must reflect the theme.)

Division 123

Quilts

Class

- 01 Any other - Specify in description
- 02 – The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence
(Open to all quilted items. Entry must reflect the theme.)

\$5 fee for each entry. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Adult Clothing and Textile Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off - June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 20, 9 a.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Adult Fine Arts

Fine Art Rules

1. A label bearing the title, artist's name, division and class number must be attached to the back or bottom of the work.

Two Dimensional Rules

1. No individual entry shall exceed 36" x 36" in. or exceed 30 lbs.
2. All works must be on canvas or matted and ready to hang or wired for hanging. Any artwork deemed unsafe to hang will not be displayed. No frames allowed!

Three Dimensional Rules

1. No individual entry shall exceed 36" x 48" in. or exceed 50 lbs.

Fine Arts: Divisions 130-131

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Thursday, June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday, June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Premium Awards Offered

- Best of Division - \$5
- Best of Show - \$85

Adult Fine Arts

Fine Art Divisions

Division 130

Two-Dimensional Artwork

Digital designs must be printed to be displayed

Class

01 Watercolor

02 Oil

03 Acrylic

04 Drawings (charcoal, graphite, ink, etc.)

- Specify in description

05 Printmaking (lithograph, etching, silk-screen, wood cut etc.) - Specify in description

06 Digital design

07 Any other (pastel, gouache, tempera, mixed media, etc.) – Specify in description

08 The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence

(Open to all two-dimensional media. Artwork must reflect the theme)

Division 131

Three-Dimensional Artwork

Class

01 Ceramics (must be finished pieces that have been set and fired in a kiln)

02 Woodworking

03 Metalworking

04 Glass

05 Any other – Specify in description

06 The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence

(Any three-dimensional medium; entry should visually or conceptually interpret the theme.)

\$5 fee for each entry. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Adult Fine Arts Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026 Entry Drop-Off - June 18 12-7 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 20, 9 a.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Adult Floriculture

Plants and Flowers Rules

1. All entries must be grown by the exhibitor.

Table Setting Rules

1. Table must be set by exhibitor only.
2. Tables are to have a setting for one (1) person.
3. Setting must include dish, glassware, linens, napkin, utensils and floral arrangement. Accessories are optional.
4. Stands and backdrops are acceptable as long as the entire table setting does not exceed 24" x 24".
5. Emphasis will be on design and originality.

Plants and Flowers: Divisions 140-141

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Wednesday, June 24, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
& 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Wednesday, June 24, 7 p.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday, June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Premium Awards Offered

- Best of Division - \$5
- Best of Show - \$85

Table Settings: Division 149

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Wednesday, June 24, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
& 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Wednesday, June 24, 7 p.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday, June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Premium Awards Offered

- Best of Division - \$5
- Best of Show - \$85

Adult Floriculture

Plants & Flowers Divisions

Division 140 Potted Plants

Class

- 01 Cactus
- 02 Succulents
- 03 Dish Garden
- 04 Plants in an Unusual Container
- 05 Any other - Specify in description

Division 141 Floral Arrangements

No less than 12 stems per arrangement

Class

- 01 Fresh Arrangements
- 02 Any other - Specify in description

Table Setting Division

Division 149 Table Setting

Class

- 01 2026 Fair Theme Table Setting:
Past Present and Future
- 02 Any other - Specify in description
- 03 The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence
(Open to all eligible table settings. Design and presentation must reflect the theme.)

\$5 fee for each entry. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Adult Floriculture and Table Setting Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Drop-Off - June 24, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 3-6 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 24, 7 p.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show (Best of Show only for Table Settings)

Adult Baked Foods

Baked Food Rules

1. All entries must be prepared by the exhibitor in a home, not a commercial kitchen.
2. All entries must be delivered on a disposable plate or container and covered with cellophane wrap or its equal and be ready for display.
3. Please read all instructions for number of baked goods needed for each division.
4. You must note on your entry form or your online registration if any entries require refrigeration for proper display throughout the Placer County Fair.
5. Any remaining baked goods not picked up during the designated entry pick-up will be disposed of.
6. All items are to be judged on taste and presentation.

Baked Foods: Division 150-155

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Wednesday, June 24, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
& 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Wednesday, June 24, 7 p.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Premium Awards Offered

- Best of Division - \$5
- Best of Show - \$85

Adult Baked Foods

Baked Food Divisions

Division 150

Breads

*Please provide 1/2 loaf for display and one slice for judging.
Please provide 6 biscuits/rolls for display and 1 for judging.*

Class

- 01 Banana Bread
- 02 Whole Wheat
- 03 White
- 04 Biscuits or Rolls
- 05 Sourdough
- 06 Any other - Specify in description

Division 151

Cakes

*Please provide 1/2 a cake for display and one slice for judging.
Please provide 3 cupcakes for display and 1 for judging.*

Class

- 01 Any Cake - Specify in description
- 02 Any Cupcake - Specify in description
- 03 2026 Fair Theme Cake or Cupcakes:
Past, Present, and Future
- 04 Decorated Cake *(Not to be edible, display only. Decorations should be completed on a foam mold).*
- 05 The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence
(Open to all eligible cake entries. Design and presentation must reflect the theme).

Division 152

Confections

Class

- 01 Any Confection - Specify in description

Adult Baked Foods

Baked Food Divisions

Division

153

Cookies

Please provide 6 cookies for display and 1 for judging.

Class

- 01 Brownies
- 02 Chocolate Chip
- 03 Oatmeal
- 04 Peanut Butter
- 05 Any other - Specify in description

Division 154

Pies/Pastries

Please provide 1 8" pie in disposable container. Please provide 3 pastries for display and 1 for judging

Class

- 01 Apple Pie
- 02 Berry Pie
- 03 Lemon Pie
- 04 Any other - Specify in description

Division

155

Gluten

Free

Please see other divisions for counts based on type of baked good.

Class

- 01 Bread
- 02 Cake
- 03 Cookies Any other- Specify in description

\$5 fee for each entry. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Adult Baked Foods Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Drop-Off - June 24, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 3-6 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 24, 7 p.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Adult Preserved Foods

Preserved Food Rules

1. Accurate and legibly written labels, including exhibitor's name, entry division and class number, must be attached to entry on bottom of jars.
2. No paraffin seals. All canning must be in sealed glass jars with rings in place.
3. Exhibitor to present two (2) identical sized containers for each entry. One container is to be opened for judging, the other is to be displayed. Exception would be Dried Foods.
4. Vegetables must be canned under pressure. Low acid fruits such as figs, should be made more acidic by adding lemon juice as directed in the University of California Agricultural Extension Service leaflet, "Home Canning of Fruits." Tomatoes and fruit, not including their juices, must be processed in a boiling water bath.

Preserved Foods: Division 160-164

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Thursday, June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Premium Awards Offered

- Best of Division - \$5
- Best of Show - \$85

Adult Preserved Foods

Preserved Food Divisions

Division 160 Canned Foods

Class

- 01 Any Fruit - Specify in description
- 02 Any Vegetable – Specify in description
- 03 Any other - Specify in description

Division 161 Dried Foods

*Indicate method of drying on entry form.
Provide in zip lock bag or plated display.*

Class

- 01 Fruit
- 02 Vegetables
- 03 Meat
- 04 Any other - Specify in description

Division 162 Jams and Jellies

Class

- 01 Any Jam – Specify in description
- 02 Any Jelly - Specify in description

Division 163 Miscellaneous Preserved Foods

Class

- 01 Sauce/ Syrup
- 02 Juices
- 03 Pickled Food
- 04 Any other - Specify in description

Division 164 Pickled Vegetables

Class

- 01 Beets
- 02 Pickles
- 03 Peppers
- 04 Any other - Specify in description

\$5 fee for each entry. All entries to be picked up on Monday June 29 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Adult Preserved Food Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off - June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 20, 9 a.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Adult Homebrew and Wine

Homebrew and Wine Rules

1. Exhibitor must be 21 years of age or older.
2. Accurate and legibly written stickers, including exhibitor's name, entry division and class number, must be attached to entry on bottom of bottles only.
3. Open bottles will be disposed of. Any exhibits not claimed within the release time will be discarded.
4. Entries may not be produced in a commercial facility.
5. No more than 5 entries per person.

Homebrew Specific Rules

1. Entries for Homebrew shall consist of three (3) 12-ounce bottles. One bottle will be for display only, two bottles will be opened for judging.
2. Bottles with identifiable commercial labels will be disqualified. Caps with commercial markings must be blacked out.
3. All entries must include type of herbs, fruit, etc. used in homebrew in the description on the entry form.

Wine Specific Rules

1. Exhibitor must bring two 750 ml. cork or screw finished bottles. One bottle will be for display only, one bottle will be opened for judging.
2. Wine must be personally produced by the exhibitor. Grapes do not have to be grown by exhibitor.
3. All wine entries will be judged for taste and bottle label design. In judging, consideration for label design will be given to creativity, marketability, aesthetic appearance and appropriateness to product. Label must be presented on a wine bottle.

Homebrew and Wine: Divisions 170-171

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Wednesday, June 24, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
& 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Wednesday, June 24, 7 p.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Premium Awards Offered

- Best of Division - \$5
- Best of Show - \$85

Adult Homebrew and Wine

Homebrew & Wine Divisions

Division 170

Homebrew

Must specify any fruits or herbs used in production on label

Class

01 Lager

02 Ale

03 Porter/Stout

04 Wheat Beer

05 Fruit/Herb

06 Sours

07 Any other - Specify in description

Division 171

Wine

Class

01 Red Wine

02 White Wine

03 Blush Wine

04 Any other - Specify in description

\$5 fee for each entry. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Adult Homebrew and Wine Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Drop-Off - June 24, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 3-6 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 24, 7 p.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Adult Photography

Photography Rules

1. A label bearing the photographer's name, division and class number must be attached to the back or bottom of the work.
2. Entries must be the original work of the exhibitor with the exception of processing and mounting materials.
3. Amateur photographers only. Amateurs are defined as someone whose main source of income does not come from photography.
4. Any entry can be a color or black and white photograph. The B&W Film class is specifically for photographs developed using traditional film methods with no digital interference.
5. Exhibitors are limited to 10 print entries total.
6. Size of print must be at least 5" x 7". The print, including the mat, must not weigh more than 5 lbs. or exceed 18" x 24".
7. All prints must be matted. No canvas or frames are allowed!
8. Prints must be ready for display at time of drop-off. To be display ready you must either attach a medal wire to your print or attach a plastic sawtooth adhesive picture hanger (to prints 3 lbs. or less). All prints not ready for display at time of receiving will not be accepted. For step-by-step instructions on how to prepare your print for display visit placercountyfair.org/photo-display. Fair management will be selling hanging supplies for \$1.00 during receiving times only.
9. Prints will be judged on the following criteria:
 - Exposure/Focus
 - Composition
 - Lighting
 - Image Processing
 - Image Creativity
 - Emotion/Expression (Portraits Only)

Photography: Division 180

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Thursday, June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Saturday June 20, 9 a.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Premium Awards Offered

- Best of Show - \$85

Adult Photography

Photography Divisions

Division 180 Photography

Class

- 01 Portrait
- 02 Animals
- 03 Landscape
- 04 Cityscape
- 05 Still Life
- 06 Street Photography
- 07 Placer County Fair
- 08 B&W Film

\$5 fee for each entry. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Adult Photography Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off - June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 20, 9 a.m.

Awards - Best of Show

Adult Special Education

We encourage ALL adults to submit their work in the age specific category they belong to. However, if anyone with a disability would like to submit their entry under the Special Education Department as well, the rules and instructions are below.

Department Judging

All divisions and categories in the Special Education Department will be judged using the Danish judging system. In the Danish judging system, each entry in a class is judged according to how well it meets a product standard rather than how it compares with other exhibits.

Special Education Limits

1. This department is open to those, of any age, who are currently enrolled in Special Education classes, are residents of any care facility, or who have a disability and are legal residents of El Dorado, Placer, Nevada, Sacramento, Sutter and Yuba counties.
2. Paintings, drawings, and photographs must be adequately matted and ready for display.
3. A label bearing the title and name of the exhibitor must be attached to the back or bottom of the exhibit.

Special Education: Division 190

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Thursday, June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m.- 6:30 p.m.

Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Premium Awards Offered

- Best of Show - \$85

Adult Special Education

Special Education Divisions

Division 190 Special Education

Class

01 Fine Arts & Crafts

02 Clothing & Textile

03 Photography

05 Any Other - Specify in description

06 The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence
(Any eligible medium; theme-based entry.)

\$5 fee for each entry. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Adult Special Education Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off - June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 20, 9 a.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Youth and Teen Categories

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Youth and Teen Rules Overview

Youth and Teen Rules

1. Restricted to youth ages 5 to 18 years of age and/or 4-H Member to age 19.
2. All entry forms must be signed by a parent or guardian if the exhibitor is under the age of 18.
3. Youth and Teen categories are open to exhibitors who are legal residents of El Dorado, Placer, Nevada, Sacramento, Sutter & Yuba counties.
4. All entries to be displayed in Jones Hall.
5. Every possible care will be taken in handling work, but no responsibility is assumed by the fair management or @the Grounds
6. All entries must be made, collected or produced by the exhibitor not more than one year prior to opening day of the Fair. Copied work will be disqualified.
7. Exhibitors must check carefully for receiving instructions and any other rules specific to their entry.
8. Entries cannot have been exhibited in any prior Placer County Fair.
9. State and local rules apply to all entries in corresponding Adult Departments and shall be used unless otherwise specified in the Youth & Teens Department.
10. Management reserves the right to withhold or reject any entries if they are deemed inappropriate or offensive.
11. If any of the above rules are not followed, works shall not be displayed.
12. Management has the right to change schedules and divisions at any point in time. Please check back frequently on www.placercountyfair.org/get-involved/contests/still-exhibits for any updates.

Definition of Terms

- Class - A group of items that are judged together
- Division - A group of classes with a similar theme
- Show/Category - A group of divisions that make up a category

Can't find a youth Division that fits your entry? All Youth and Teen exhibitors are eligible to enter an Adult open category if it is not offered in the Youth and Teen department.

Youth and Teen Judging Overview

Youth and Teen Judging

If a division is divided into age groups, the 15-18 years old age group (15-19 for 4-H) will be judged using the **American Judging System**. In the American judging system, each entry in a class is judged in comparison to other entries in the class. Awards are given for each class with the potential for no more than one first, one second and one third place per class.

The **Danish Judging System** will be used in all divisions not divided by age groups and in divisions with age groups 5-9 years old and 10-14 years old. The Danish judging system is based upon standards of quality for each type of product. In this system each exhibit is judged according to how well it meets that standard rather than how it compares with other exhibits.

The following guidelines shall be used by the judge(s):

Quality:	Score:
1st Place – Superior	90-100 %
2nd Place – Good	80-89 %
3rd Place – Average	70-79 %

A Best of Division award is given in each division. This is selected from all of the first place class winners in that division.

A Best of Show award is given in each category (unless otherwise noted). This is selected from all of the Best of Divisions in that category. The Best of Show award may or may not be awarded based on number of entries.

Awards

1. Placement of ribbons does not guarantee correct placing in judging. Only the official placing on the judging sheet constitutes the final placement.

Youth and Teen Agriculture

Agriculture Rules

1. The quality desired in agriculture & horticultural product exhibits is the quality that brings the best financial return in the commercial market.
2. Entry or container must be labeled with exhibitor name, division and class number.
3. Please provide your own container for any agricultural item smaller than a quarter, such as berries, cherry tomatoes, nuts etc.

Egg Rules

1. All eggs are to be from exhibitor's own birds.
2. Each entry consists of one-half (6) dozen eggs, unless otherwise specified.
3. Please transport your WASHED eggs in a non-porous sanitary container. Put pointy ends down!

Agriculture: Divisions 200 - 202

Deadline for Entry

Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Wednesday, June 24, 9 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
& 3-6 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Wednesday, June 24, 7 p.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday, June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

No Entry Fee!

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Youth and Teen Agriculture

Agriculture Divisions

Division 200 Vegetables

Please provide 5 of each vegetable

Class

- 01 Beans
- 02 Peas
- 03 Tomatoes
- 04 Lettuce/Chard
- 05 Beets
- 06 Carrots
- 07 Potatoes
- 08 Garlic
- 09 Onions
- 10 Any other – Specify in description

Division 201 Fruit

Please provide 3 of each fruit

Class

- 01 Strawberries
- 02 Peaches
- 03 Nectarines
- 04 Plums
- 05 Apricots
- 06 Any other – Specify in description

Division 202 Eggs

Please provide 6 eggs

Class

- 01 White
- 02 Brown
- 03 Green
- 04 Any other – Specify in description

No Entry Fee. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Youth & Teen Agriculture Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Drop-Off - June 24, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 3-6 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 24, 7 p.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Youth and Teen Fine Arts & Crafts

Fine Arts and Crafts Rules

1. A label bearing the title, artist's name, division, and class number must be attached to the back or bottom of the work.
2. Kits or molds will be accepted in specified divisions only. All other divisions must represent original artwork of the participant.
3. No individual entry shall exceed 36" x 36" in., exceed 30 lbs., or take up more than 4 square feet of floor space.
4. All works must be on canvas or matted and ready to hang or wired for hanging. Any artwork deemed unsafe to hang will not be displayed. No frames allowed!

Age Groups

1. The Fine Art and Fine Crafts divisions are divided into three age groups.

Art

Division 210 5-9 years old

Division 211 10-14 years old

Division 212 15-18 years old *Judged American

Crafts

Division 214 5-9 years old

Division 215 10-14 years old

Division 216 15-18 years old *Judged American

Fine Arts & Crafts: Divisions 210-217

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Thursday June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Saturday June 20, 9:00 a.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

No Entry Fee!

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Youth and Teen Fine Arts & Crafts

Fine Art and Crafts Divisions

Division 210-212 Fine Art

Digital designs must be printed to be displayed

Age Groups

Division 210 5-9 years old
Division 211 10-14 years old
Division 212 15-18 years old

Classes for Divisions 210-212

01 Acrylic
02 Drawing: charcoal, pencil, pen & ink, felt pen or colored pencils
03 Oil
04 Watercolor
05 Sculpture, Specify medium in description
06 Ceramics
07 Digital design
08 Any other - Specify in description
09 The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence
(Open to all fine art media within this division. Entry must reflect the theme.)

Division 214-216 Fine Crafts

Age Groups

Division 214 5-9 years old
Division 215 10-14 years old
Division 216 15-18 years old

Classes for Divisions 214-216

01 Jewelry
02 Collections
03 Tie Dye Items
04 Puzzle
05 Any other - Specify in description
The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence
(Open to all fine craft media within this division. Entry must reflect the theme.)

Division 217 Lego & Knex Class

01 2026 Fair Theme: *Past, Present, and Future*
02 Cars/Trucks
03 Made by a kit
Specify in description

No Entry Fee. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Youth & Teen Arts and Crafts Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026
Entry Drop-Off - June 18, 12-7 p.m.
Entry Judging - June 20, 9 a.m.
Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Youth and Teen Clothing & Textiles

Clothing and Textiles Rules

1. A label bearing your name, division and class number must be attached to the entry.
2. A minimum 3" top sleeve must be attached to each quilt for hanging purposes. Miniature quilts must have either sleeves or loops attached.

Clothing & Textiles: Divisions 220-221

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Thursday, June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday, June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

No Entry Fee!

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Youth and Teen Clothing & Textiles

Clothing and Textile Divisions

Division 220

Clothing

Class

01 Clothing - Specify in description
(includes crochet, knitting, embroidery, etc.)

02 Mask

03 The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the
Declaration of Independence

*(Open to all clothing items. Entry must reflect
the theme.)*

Division 221

Textiles

Class

01 Non-Clothing - Specify in description
(includes crochet, knitting, embroidery, etc.)

02 The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the
Declaration of Independence

*(Non-clothing textile items only. Entry must
reflect the theme.)*

No Entry Fee. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Youth & Teen Clothing and Textiles Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off - June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 20, 9 a.m.

Awards - Best of Show

Youth and Teen Floriculture

Plants and Flowers Rules

1. All entries must be grown by the exhibitor.

Table Setting Rules

1. Table must be set by exhibitor only.
2. Tables are to have a setting for one (1) person.
3. Setting must include dish, glassware, linens, napkin, utensils and floral arrangement. Accessories are optional.
4. Stands and backdrops are acceptable as long as the entire table setting does not exceed 24" x 24".
5. Emphasis will be on design and originality.

Plants and Flowers: Divisions 230-231

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Wednesday, June 24, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 3-6 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Wednesday, June 24, 7 p.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday, June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

No Entry Fee!

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Table Settings: Division 239

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Wednesday, June 24, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
& 3-6 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Wednesday, June 24, 7 p.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

No Entry Fee!

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Youth and Teen Floriculture

Floriculture Divisions

Division 230 Potted Plants

Class

- 01 Cactus
- 02 Succulents
- 03 Dish Garden
- 04 Plants in an Unusual Container
- 05 Any other - Specify in description

Division 231 Flowers

For arrangements, no less than 12 stems

Class

- 01 Fresh Arrangements
- 02 Tallest Sunflower
- 03 Any other - Specify in description

Table Setting Division

Division 239 Table Setting

Class

- 01 2026 Fair Theme Table Setting: *Past, Present, Future*
- 02 Any other - Specify in description
- 03 The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence
(Open to all eligible table settings. Design and presentation must reflect the theme.)

No Entry Fee. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Youth & Teen Floriculture and Table Setting Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Drop-Off - June 24, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m., 3-6 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 24, 7 p.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show
(Best of Show only for Table Settings)

Youth and Teen Baked Foods

Baked Foods Rules

1. All entries must be prepared by the exhibitor in a home, not a commercial kitchen.
2. All entries must be delivered on a disposable plate or container and covered with cellophane wrap or its equal and be ready for display.
3. Please read all instructions for number of baked goods needed for each division.
4. You must note on your entry form or your online registration if any entries require refrigeration for proper display throughout the Placer County Fair.
5. Any remaining baked goods not picked up during the designated entry pick-up will be disposed of.
6. All items are to be judged on taste and presentation.

Age Groups

Breads, Cakes, and Cookie divisions are divided into three age groups. All ages can enter the Misc. Baked Foods division.

Breads

Division 240 5-9 years old
Division 241 10-14 years old
Division 242 15-18 years old *Judged American

Cakes

Division 243 5-9 years old
Division 244 10-14 years old
Division 245 15-18 years old *Judged American

Cookie

Division 246 5-9 years old
Division 247 10-14 years old
Division 248 15-18 years old *Judged American

Baked Foods: Divisions 240-249

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Wednesday, June 24, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 3-6 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Wednesday June 24, 7 p.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

No Entry Fee!

Ribbon Awards Offered

- 1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only
- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
 - Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Youth and Teen Baked Foods

Baked Food Divisions

Division 240-242

Breads

Age Groups

Division 240 5-9 years old

Division 241 10-14 years old

Division 242 15-18 years old

*Please provide 1/2 loaf for display and one slice for judging.
Please provide 6 biscuits/rolls for display and 1 for judging.*

Class

01 Banana Bread

02 Whole Wheat

03 White

04 Biscuits or Rolls

05 Sourdough

06 Any other - Specify in description

Division 243-245

Cakes

Age Groups

Division 243 5-9 years old

Division 244 10-14 years old

Division 245 15-18 years old

*Please provide 1/2 a cake for display and one slice for judging.
Please provide 3 cupcakes for display and 1 for judging.*

Class

01 Any Cake - Specify in description

02 Any Cupcake - Specify in description

03 2026 Fair Theme Cake or Cupcakes:

Past, Present, Future

04 Decorated Cake (Not to be edible, display only.)

Decorations should be completed on a foam mold)

05 The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence (*Any cake entry; theme-based design.*)

No Entry Fee. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Youth & Teen Baked Foods Division

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Drop-Off - June 24, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 3-6 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 24, 7 p.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Youth and Teen Baked Foods

Baked Food Divisions

Division 246-248 Cookies

Age Groups

Division 246 5-9 years old

Division 247 10-14 years old

Division 248 15-18 years old

Please provide 6 cookies for display and 1 for judging.

Class

01 Brownies

02 Chocolate Chip

03 Oatmeal

04 Peanut Butter

05 Any Other - Specify in description

Division 249

Misc. Baked Foods - All Ages

Please provide 1 8" pie in disposable container. Please provide 3 pastries for display and 1 for judging

Class

01 Any Pie - Specify in description

02 Any Confection - Specify in description

03 Any Gluten Free - Specify in description

No Entry Fee. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Youth & Teen Baked Foods Division

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Drop-Off - June 24, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 3-6 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 24, 7 p.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Youth and Teen Preserved Foods

Preserved Food Rules

1. Accurate and legibly written labels, including exhibitor's name, entry division and class number, must be attached to entry on bottom of jars.
2. No paraffin seals. All canning must be in sealed glass jars with rings in place.
3. Exhibitor to present two (2) identical sized containers for each entry. One container is to be opened for judging, the other is to be displayed. Exception would be Dried Foods.
4. Vegetables must be canned under pressure. Low acid fruits such as figs, should be made more acidic by adding lemon juice as directed in the University of California Agricultural Extension Service leaflet, "Home Canning of Fruits." Tomatoes and fruit, not including their juices, must be processed in a boiling water bath.

Preserved Foods: Divisions 260-263

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Thursday, June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday, June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

No Entry Fee!

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Youth and Teen Preserved Foods

Preserved Food Divisions

Division 260 Canned Foods

Class

- 01 Any Fruit - Specify in description
- 02 Any Vegetable - Specify in description
- 03 Any other - Specify in description

Division 261 Dried Foods

*Indicate method of drying on entry form.
Provide in zip lock bag or plated display.*

Class

- 01 Any Fruit - Specify in description
- 02 Any Vegetable - Specify in description
- 03 Any other - Specify in description

Division 262 Jams and Jellies

Class

- 01 Any Jam - Specify in description
- 02 Any Jelly - Specify in description

Division 263 Miscellaneous Preserved Food

Class

- 01 Pickled Fruit or Vegetable
- 02 Any other - Specify in description

No Entry Fee. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Youth & Teen Preserved Foods Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off - June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 20, 9 a.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Youth and Teen Photography

Photography Rules

1. A label bearing the photographer's name, division and class number must be attached to the back or bottom of the work.
2. Entries must be the original work of the exhibitor with the exception of processing and mounting materials.
3. Any entry can be a color or black and white photograph. The B&W Film class is specifically for photographs developed using traditional film methods with no digital interference.
4. Exhibitors are limited to 10 print entries total.
5. Size of print must be at least 5" x 7". The print, including the mat, must not weigh more than 5 lbs. or exceed 18" x 24".
6. All prints must be matted. No canvas or frames are allowed!
7. Prints must be ready for display at time of drop-off. To be display ready you must either attach a medal wire to your print/frame or attach a plastic sawtooth adhesive picture hanger (to prints 3 lbs. or less). All prints not ready for display at time of receiving will not be accepted. For step-by-step instructions on how to prepare your print for display visit placercountyfair.org/photo-display. Fair management will be selling adhesive hangers for \$1.00 each during receiving times only.
8. Prints will be judged on the following criteria:
 - Exposure/Focus
 - Composition
 - Lighting
 - Image Processing
 - Image Creativity
 - Emotion/Expression (Portraits Only)

Age Groups

The Photography division is divided into three age groups.

Photography

Division 270 5-9 years old

Division 271 10-14 years old

Division 272 15-18 years old *Judged American

Photography: Divisions 270-272

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

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Thursday, June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

No Entry Fee!

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Youth and Teen Photography

Photography Divisions

Divisions 270-272

Photography

Age Groups

Division 270 5-9 years old

Division 271 10-14 years old

Division 272 15-18 years old

Class

01 Portraits

02 Animals

03 Landscape

04 Cityscape

05 Still Life

06 Street Photography

07 Placer County Fair

08 B&W Film

09 Poultry Animal

No Entry Fee. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Youth & Teen Photography Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off - June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 20, 9 a.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Youth and Teen School Projects

School Project Rules

1. Projects must be made in school under the supervision of a teacher, home school, or 4-H/FFA program.
2. The class for Individual Projects is meant for one individual entering a school project. The class for Group Projects is meant for multiple persons turning in the same group project.
3. The class for 4-H/FFA Projects is only allowed to be entered by 4-H/FFA members.

School Age Groups

The School Projects division is divided into four school age groups.

School Projects

Division 280 2nd Grade and Under

Division 281 3rd-5th Grade

Division 282 6th-8th Grade

Division 283 9th-12th Grade

School Projects: Divisions 280-285

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Thursday, June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday, June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

No Entry Fee!

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Youth and Teen School Projects

School Project Divisions

Divisions 280-283

School Projects

Age Groups

Division 280 2nd Grade and Under

Division 281 3rd-5th Grade

Division 282 6th-8th Grade

Division 283 9th-12th Grade

Classes for Divisions 280-283

01 Individual Project

02 Group Project

03 4-H/FFA Project

04 Any other - Specify in description

Division 284

Language Arts & Creative Writing

Class

01 Poems

02 Short Story

03 Any other - Specify in description

Division 285

California Missions

Class

01 Models

No Entry Fee. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Youth & Teen School Projects Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off - June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 20, 9 a.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Youth and Teen Technology

Technology Limits

1. A label bearing the photographer's name, division and class number must be attached to the back or bottom of the work.
2. Projects made from kits are not eligible. Component parts should be made by the exhibitor whenever possible.
3. No exhibitor may enter more than one article made from the same pattern.
4. Power Mechanics classes include rebuilt motors and tractors, engines, engine cut-away. Each exhibit must be accompanied by before/after photos/storyboard.
5. Projects must be completed and operational upon receiving. No work, additions or embellishments can be done once the project is received.

Technology: Divisions 290-292

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Thursday, June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday, June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

No Entry Fee!

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Division at Judge's discretion
- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Youth and Teen Technology

Technology Divisions

Division 290 Small Tech Projects

Class

- 01 Metal Fabrication - (i.e. hay hooks)
- 02 Wood Technology - (i.e. bookends)
- 03 Power Mechanics - (i.e. chainsaws)

Division 291 Large Tech Projects

Class

- 01 Metal Fabrication - (i.e. grooming chutes)
- 02 Wood Technology - (i.e. beds)
- 03 Power Mechanics - (i.e. tractors)

Division 292 Miscellaneous Tech Projects

Digital designs must be printed to be displayed

Class

- 01 Electricity/Electronics
- 02 Pyrography
- 03 Any other - Specify in description

No Entry Fee. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Youth & Teen Agriculture and Horticulture Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off - June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 20, 9 a.m.

Awards - Best of Division and Best of Show

Youth and Teen Special Education

We encourage ALL youth and teens to submit their work in the age specific category they belong to. However, if anyone with a disability would like to submit their entry under the Special Education Department as well, the rules and instructions are below.

Department Judging

All divisions and categories in the Special Education Department will be judged using the Danish judging system. In the Danish judging system, each entry in a class is judged according to how well it meets a product standard rather than how it compares with other exhibits.

Special Education Limits

1. This department is open to those, of any age, who are currently enrolled in Special Education classes, are residents of any care facility, or who have a disability and are legal residents of El Dorado, Placer, Nevada, Sacramento, Sutter and Yuba counties.
2. Paintings, drawings, and photographs must be adequately framed and ready for display.
3. A label bearing the title and name of the exhibitor must be attached to the back or bottom of the exhibit.

Special Education: Divisions 191

Deadline for Entry Application:

Friday, May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off at Jones Hall:

Thursday, June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Exhibit Judging:

Saturday, June 20, 9 a.m.

Entry Pick-Up After Fair at Jones Hall:

Monday, June 29, 3 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

No Entry Fee!

Ribbon Awards Offered

1st, 2nd & 3rd Ribbons Only

- Best of Show at Judge's discretion

Youth and Teen Special Education

Special Education Divisions

Division 191 Special Education

Class

01 Fine Arts & Crafts

02 Clothing & Textile

03 Photography

04 Any other - Specify in description

05 The 250th Anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence
(Any eligible medium; theme-based entry.)

No Entry Fee. All entries to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Youth & Teen Special Education Divisions

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Entry Drop-Off - June 18, 12-7 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 20, 9 a.m.

Awards - Best of Show

Feature Booths

Feature Booth Limits

1. Entries are limited to Placer County organizations. Due to space restrictions Feature Exhibits Booths will be available on a first come, first serve basis.
2. Divisions are limited to one entry by a club, chapter or organization.
3. Space for each exhibit will be 10' x 10'.
4. Booths must be designed, constructed and installed by organization members only.
5. Exhibits must be maintained for the duration of the fair.
6. Booths are subject to fire inspector's approval.
7. Exhibits must be completed by 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 19. There will be no exceptions.
8. Entries are limited to the first ten (10) entries.

Scorecard for Judging Booths

Effective Title - short, personal, active verb	10%
Suitable Subject - timely, personal	10%
Attracts Attention - stopping power	20%
Holds Interest - encourages study	10%
Conveys Message - accomplishes purpose	30%
General Appearance - simple, balanced, orderly	10%
Workmanship - neat, well-constructed	10%
Total	100%

Notes

The feature exhibit booth provides members an opportunity to acquaint the public with a specific focus of their club or chapter. The booth can show what they learned, the activities in which they have participated in, or contributions of their organization to the community.

Feature Booths

Feature Booths: Divisions 195-197

Entries Close:

Friday, May 29, 5:00 p.m.

Entry Set-Up Times:

Tuesday, June 23, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 3-6 p.m.

Wednesday, June 24, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 3-6 p.m.

Exhibits Judged:

Wednesday, June 24, 7 p.m.

Exhibits Released:

Monday June 29, 3:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Entry Fee – \$10 per entry

Premium Awards Offered Per Class

- 1st - \$50
- 2nd - \$40
- 3rd - \$30

Feature Booth Divisions

Division 195

FFA Chapters

Class

01 Agriculture theme and/or 2026 Fair theme: Past, Present, and Future

Division 196

Placer County 4-H

Class

01 Agriculture theme and/or 2026 Fair theme: Past, Present, and Future

Division 197

Other Organized Group

Class

01 Group and/or 2026 Fair theme: Past, Present, and Future

\$10 fee for each entry. All exhibits to be picked up on Monday, June 29, 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Feature Booths

Application Deadline - May 29, 2026

Entries Set Up - June 23 and 24 from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 3-6 p.m.

Entry Judging - June 24, 7 p.m.

Premium Awards Offered Per Class - 1st - \$50, 2nd - \$40, 3rd - \$30