

FFA AGRICULTURE EDUCATION

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ENTRY FORMS DUE: Day of judging

JUDGES: TBA

2017 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

All activities listed will be in the FFA Building unless otherwise noted

Friday, July 28	8am-6pm	Entries accepted
Friday, July 28	Noon	Fair opens to the public
Saturday, July 29	8am-6pm	Entries accepted
Sunday, July 30	11am	Agriculture Education Static Display Judging
Tuesday, August 1		FFA Contest Day
	Noon-1pm	Soils Judging Registration
	Noon-3pm	Livestock Judging Registration
	1-4pm	Soils Judging
	3:45pm	Livestock Judging Instructions
	4-7pm	4-H & FFA Livestock Judging, Livestock Pavilion
Wednesday, August 2		FFA Contest Day
	8:00am	Range Judging
	11am	New Horizons Expo Judging
	2pm	Judging Contest AWARDS
Saturday, August 5	6-8pm	Entries released

Every effort will be made to follow the above schedule but due to unforeseen circumstances the schedule is subject to change.

PREMIUMS

ATTENTION EXHIBITORS

Time permitting, results will be posted in each Department throughout fair week. The **Entry Office** will be open from **July 28th through August 5th (8am to 6pm) and August 6th through 10th (9am to 4pm)**. Every effort should be made to collect your Premium Checks between these times. Premium Checks in the amount of \$399.99 or less may be cashed during that time period in the Entry Office.

All remaining Premium Checks will be mailed to you in the name and at the address provided by you on the W-9 on file. **A new W9 must be filled out if you have any changes to your name or address or if you are a first time exhibitor at the Montana State Fair.**

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. All participants at Montana State Fair events are responsible for reading the GENERAL INFORMATION section of this handbook and complying with policies listed therein.
1. AGREEMENT TO ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS HEREIN STATED IS UNDERSTOOD WHEN THE EXHIBITOR SUBMITS THE ENTRY FORM.
2. All entrants must complete a W9 form at time of entry to receive any premiums.
3. No entry fee.
4. Advisors of FFA chapters and FFA members wearing their FFA jackets will be admitted to the Fair without charge on days when the livestock, soils and range judging contests are held.
5. This department is exclusively for regularly enrolled students in recognized Agriculture Education Departments in Montana. The members exhibiting or judging must be in good standing in their schools.
6. Exhibitors in this department will be able to exhibit in other departments if eligible; however, a separate exhibit must be entered.

DIVISIONS/CLASSES

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- 1 **STATIC DISPLAYS**
- 2 **JUDGING CONTESTS**
- 3 **JUDGING CONTEST SWEEPSTAKES**
- 4 **FFA NEW HORIZONS EXPO**
- 5 **LIVESTOCK EXHIBITION**

DIVISION 1: STATIC DISPLAYS

REGULATIONS:

1. Any Montana FFA Chapter is eligible to enter.
2. Superior exhibits or projects are to be displayed. These exhibits should reflect the quality of the FFA/Ag-Ed program.
3. Exhibits for this division may be from the areas of mechanics, plant science, animal science, Ag management, Ag leadership, or an FFA chapter educational display.
4. Exhibits made by graduated seniors are eligible for Division 1.
5. Exhibits will be displayed in the FFA Building.
6. Each Chapter that enters a minimum of 7 exhibits is eligible for a \$60 travel stipend. On your entry form, please indicate your eligibility for this stipend by entering class 2.

ENTRY FEE: None

PREMIUMS: 1st - \$200 & Plaque; 2nd - \$175 & Plaque; 3rd - \$150 & Plaque; 4th - \$125; 5th - \$100; 6th-\$75 (all payable to chapters); Rosettes 1st - 10th place. Up to five (5) individual projects may be selected for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Rosettes.

CLASSES:

- AE-1-1 Static Display
- AE-1-2 Travel Stipend (*see rule 6*). **Must provide complete school street address and contact information on entry form.**

DIVISION 2: JUDGING CONTESTS

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REGULATIONS:

1. Each Ag Education Department of Montana may enter one judging team to consist of as many members as desired. The top three scores will count for the team score.
2. All contestants will be eligible for individual awards.
3. Graduated seniors are not eligible.
4. All contests will follow the rules and guidelines set down in the Montana FFA Activities and Awards Bulletin for livestock, range and soils judging.
5. LIVESTOCK—Contest registration is from Noon-3 pm at the FFA Building. Judging begins at 4 pm.
6. SOILS—Contestants will meet at the FFA Building from Noon-1 pm for registration. Judging will begin at 1 pm. Transportation to the judging site will be by private vehicle provided by each team's supervisor.
7. RANGE—Contestants will meet at the FFA Building at 8:30 am for registration. Transportation to the judging will be by private vehicle provided by each team's supervisor.

ENTRY FEE: None

PREMIUMS: 1st - \$150 plus plaque; 2nd - \$125; 3rd - \$100; 4th - \$75; 5th - \$50;
6th - 10th - \$25 each place (payable to chapters); Rosettes 1st - 10th place.

CLASSES:

- AE-2-1 LIVESTOCK JUDGING-This contest is conducted for educational purposes as a means to increase knowledge of animal science and livestock selection and to give recognition to those who have shown evidence of material progress.
- AE-2-2 SOIL JUDGING-This contest is conducted for educational purposes as a means to increase knowledge about, and appreciation of, soil resources and to give recognition to those who have shown evidence of material progress.
- AE-2-3 RANGE JUDGING-This contest is conducted for educational purposes as a means of increasing knowledge about, and appreciation of, range resources and to give recognition to those who have shown evidence of material progress.

DIVISION 3: JUDGING CONTEST SWEEPSTAKES

Cash awards are courtesy of the *Cascade County Farm Bureau*.

REGULATIONS:

1. Chapters must have an official team that has participated in Division 2 classes 1, 2 and 3 judging contests.
2. Team members may vary in each contest.
3. Team scores will be determined from each team's overall placing in each contest.
4. Individuals must compete in all three contests to be eligible for sweepstakes awards.
5. Advisors must designate individuals eligible for sweepstakes at the time of contest registration.

ENTRY FEE: None

AWARDS: 1st - Plaque; 2nd-5th – Rosette for each place.
Top three sweepstakes individuals will be awarded: 1st - \$100; 2nd - \$50; 3rd = \$25.

CLASSES:

- AE-3-1 Team Sweepstakes
AE-3-2 Individual Sweepstakes

DIVISION 4: FFA NEW HORIZONS EXPO

This contest is an opportunity for FFA members to showcase and exhibit any project relating to agri-science or technology. Displays may include, but are not limited to, agri-science projects, telecommunication in agriculture, marketing, or any other area that promotes agriculture on the cutting edge of technology.

REGULATIONS:

1. Chapters may enter an unlimited number of exhibitors.
2. New Horizons Expo will begin at Noon.
3. Exhibitors should be prepared to answer questions about their project or speech.

ENTRY FEE: None

PREMIUMS: 1st - \$15; 2nd - \$12; 3rd - \$10; 4th - \$7.50; 5th - \$5. Ribbons will be presented to five places.

CLASSES:

- AE-4-1 AgriScience Projects
- AE-4-2 Prepared Public Speeches
- AE 4-3 Group Presentations
- AE-4-4 Other

DIVISION 5: FFA LIVESTOCK EXHIBITION

This is an opportunity for people to showcase their livestock and educate the public.

REGULATIONS:

1. This is an exhibition class only. No prizes are available.
2. Livestock need to stay for the duration of the fair, Saturday to Saturday.
3. Located in the North end of the FFA Building.
4. Superintendants should be notified by July 15th in order to plan for appropriate panels and other setup.
5. Each livestock exhibit must include a poster with identification of the owners, breed, and other pertinent information.

