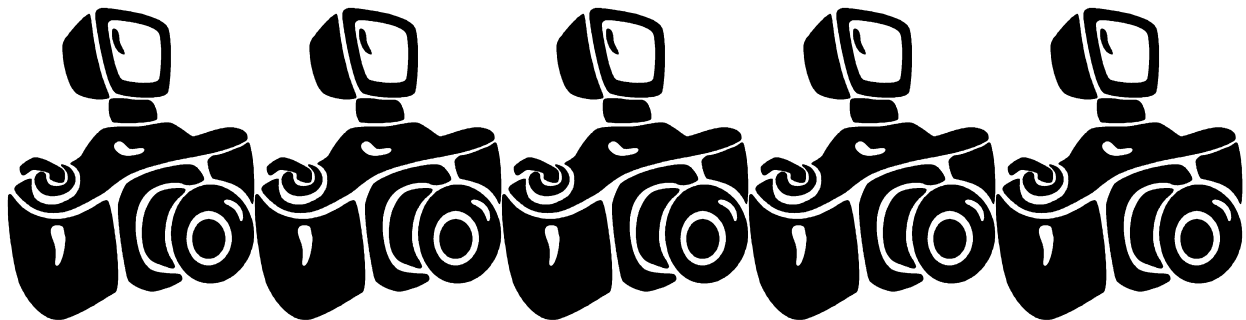




# 4-H Humble Fair & Rodeo Photography Contest

Photos due by: November Meeting  
Monday, November 1, 2021

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**Purpose & Objectives:**

The Humble 4-H County Photography Contest encourages self-expression and allows youth to demonstrate skills learned in the area of photography, including the use of photographic equipment and the processing of photographs.

- To develop skills in composition, light, story line, posing, and awareness.
- To encourage 4-H members to use photography as a meaningful communication tool in their lives.
- To continue to share the message of 4-H.
- To utilize photographs which can promote and strengthen the 4-H program.

**Participation Divisions:** (must have ACTIVE status in 4-H Connect for 2021-2022 4-H year)

- Clover Kids: Kindergarten - 2nd Grade
- Junior: 3rd - 5th Grade
- Intermediate: 6th - 8th Grade
- Senior: 9th - 12th Grade

**Photo Categories:**

- Color
- Black/White
- Black/White Altered
  - Black & White that has been developed in Sepia Tone (brown/white)
  - Black & White that has been sprayed with a mat spray
  - Color added back into the photo with map pencils/crayons, etc.

**Photo Classes:** Each category has four (4) classes:

- Animals
- Nature/Scenic
  - The focus of this category includes landscapes, outdoor scenic views, nature images, sunsets, urban landscapes, seascapes, cityscapes, and farms. Images focus on the beauty of the outdoors.
  - Examples: Gardens/landscapes, outdoors, scenic, etc.
  - Not allowed: Primary subject is a person or wildlife
- Plants/Floral
  - Photos of interesting, unique, and beautiful flowers and flora. Photography can occur outdoors or indoors. Photo subject should be that of a single flower, plant, bush, tree, etc.
- Other

**Entry Fee:** Entry fee is \$10 per participant. Each student may enter one (1) photo per category per class for a total of twelve (12) photos. All fees must be paid and photos turned into the photography leader by Monday, November 1, 2021.

## GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPANT

1. No Photoshop pictures will be accepted. Smartphone filters should not be used.
2. The photograph must be the original work of the exhibitor and *may not* have been previously entered in the Humble Fair and Rodeo 4-H Photography Contest unless it was entered in a different category (ie Black/White, Color, or Black/White Altered) than in the previous years.
3. Exhibitor may only win one Grand Champion in Photography.
4. All photographs entered must be 8"x10", and flush mounted on mat board (cut to fit the exact size of the photograph with no over-hang). **\*\*No frames or borders of any type will be allowed this includes framing with a mat frame.\*\*** (If you have any questions about this, please contact the photography leader.)
5. Every precaution will be taken to protect photo entries, but in no case shall the Humble 4-H photography contest be responsible for any loss or damage to the photo entries.
6. There are several documents required with your photo submission, these are outlined below:

### PHOTO CLAIM SHEET (page 7 of this document)

- Print one copy per student and complete the top half.
- The bottom portion will be populated when photos are submitted, the photography leader will provide the #s.

### PHOTO LABELS (page 8 of this document)

- Print one copy if submitting 1-6 photos, print two copies if you are submitting 7-12 photos.
- For each photo complete: Name of Photo, Division, Category, Class
- The Photo # will be provided at turn in by the photography leader
- Tape label to the back of your photo, **the students name cannot be anywhere on the front, back or label of photo**

### SCORE SHEET (page 9 of this document)

- Print one copy per photo submitted
- Complete: Name of Photo, Division, Category, Class
- The Exhibit # will be provided at turn in by the photography leader
- The students name **cannot** be anywhere on the score sheet

\*\*\*\*All photos are to be turned into the photography leader at the meeting on Monday, November 1, 2021. If you will be unable to attend the meeting, contact the photography leader prior to November 1<sup>st</sup> to arrange a time to drop off your photos. No photos will be accepted after November 1<sup>st</sup>. This allows time for the photos to be judged.\*\*\*\*

**\*\*ALL RULES MUST BE FOLLOWED OR ENTRY WILL BE DISQUALIFIED\*\***

## JUDGING GUIDELINES TO EXHIBITOR

Each photo entered will be judged individually according to excellence and not against peers!!! - All winners will be notified at the January meeting.

Each photo will be judged by three (3) separate judges.

Each judge will be given one (1) score sheet per photo. The judge can award a maximum of one-hundred (100) points per photo based on the following:

### Technical Skill - (10 pts. Max. each category):

1. Focus
2. Exposure
3. Lighting
4. Print Quality
5. Overall Technical Skill - (This includes matting no air bubbles under photo mat cut to the exact size of the photo)

### Subject - (10 pts. Max. each category):

1. Creative use of Subject
2. Photographic Impact
3. Uniqueness of Subject
4. Visual Simplicity
5. Overall Originality of Subject

After all photos have been judged by three (3) judges, the exhibitor's three (3) scores will be added together and averaged for a maximum of one-hundred (100) points.

All photos receiving between 90-100 points will then be judged by a fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) judge based on the above standards. That score will then be added and averaged to the previous scores to determine Grand Champion and Reserve Champions.

In the event of a tie for Grand Champion or Reserve Champion, a fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) judge will be given one (1) score sheet per tying photo and that score will be added and averaged to the total points awarded for that photo thus, breaking the tie.

If you placed with Grand Champion, your photo will be returned to you for framing and mounting before the silent auction.

"GOOD LUCK TO EACH OF YOU AND HAVE FUN!!!"

## PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS / SILENT AUCTION

All winners will be notified at the January meeting and notified of auction details prior to the auction.

There will be 2 Grand Champions and 2 Reserve Grand Champions awarded for each Division from the following 2 categories:

1 - Color Photography

1 - Black & White/Black & White Altered Photography

The Divisions are as follows:

- Clover Kids: Kindergarten - 2nd Grade
- Junior: 3rd - 5th Grade
- Intermediate: 6th - 8th Grade
- Senior: 9th - 12th Grade

Each participant will receive a participation ribbon, this is no longer based on the number of entries. Grand Champions will be awarded a belt buckle and Blue Rosette, as well as being allowed to participate in the Silent Auction. Reserve Grand Champions will be awarded a Red Rosette.

Silent Auction checks will be released during the March meeting to the Grand Champions. Humble 4H cannot release checks unless payment has been received from the buyer. Checks are valid for 90 days after issue date. After 90 days, uncashed checks will be considered a donation to Humble 4H.

If a replacement check is requested, a \$30 stop payment fee will be deducted from the original check amount. No replacement check requests will be accepted after 30 days from original issue date.

**\*\*\*NOTE:\*\*\*** - Students winning a belt buckle in the Photography Show or the Foods Show will need to be present at the Buyer's BBQ in the Humble Civic Center Main Ballroom with their Belt Buckle for the 4-H Belt Buckle Photo.

# TEXAS 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY JUDGING DEFINITIONS AND STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE

## FOCUS:

**Definition:** Adjustment of the distance setting on a lens to appropriately define the subject.  
**Standard:** The focus is appropriate to the theme/mood and/or photographic class.

## EXPOSURE:

**Definition:** The quantity of light allowed to act on a photographic material; a product of the intensity and the duration of light striking the film or paper.  
**Standard:** The exposure compliments the composition and gives the picture a smooth feeling or a particular effect.

## LIGHTING:

**Definition:** The illumination of a subject.  
**Standard:** Use of light to produce the desired mood or effect.

## PRINT QUALITLY/MOUNTING:

**Definition:** The photo exhibits quality consistent with display.  
**Standard:** The absence of blemishes, scratches, overly enlarged (graininess), and pixilation, no dates displayed on the front of photo. The also includes the quality of mounting (No Air Bubbles Under Photo, Photo is Mounted Securely to Board). Mounting Board is Cut to the Exact Size of Photo with no Excess Sticking Out From Under Photo.

## SUBJECT:

**Definition:** The photo uses the subject to deliver a message in a creative way.  
**Standard:** The photo clearly communicates the subject and fits the chosen category.

## IMPACT:

**Definition:** The photo clearly captures the attention of the viewer.  
**Standard:** The composition conveys a strong message.

## UNIQUENESS:

**Definition:** Use of originality, camera angle, lighting, character studies, and/or creativity.  
**Standard:** The photographer exhibits creativity through the photo.

## COMPOSITION/SIMPLICITY:

**Definition:** Placement of a subject in the photo demonstrating artistic ability.  
**Standard:** A pleasing balance exists among all components of the composition.

PHOTO CLAIM SHEET  
2021/2022 SCHOOL YEAR

PARTICIPANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PH: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PH: \_\_\_\_\_

PARTICIPANT GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION - (CIRCLE ONE):

CLOVER KID  
(K-2<sup>ND</sup>)

JUNIOR  
(3<sup>RD</sup>-5<sup>TH</sup>)

INTERMEDIATE  
(6<sup>TH</sup>-8<sup>TH</sup>)

SENIOR  
(9<sup>TH</sup>-12<sup>TH</sup>)

WRITE PHOTO # IN CORRECT CORRESPONDING BOX:

Photo # will be provided by Humble 4H at drop off

	ANIMAL	NATURE/ SCENIC	PLANTS/ FLORAL	OTHER
B/W				
COLOR				
B/W ALT.				

PHOTO #: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF PHOTO: \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION (circle one):

CK-(K - 2<sup>nd</sup>) JR-(3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>) Inter-(6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) SR-(9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)

CATEGORY (circle one):

Black/White    Color    Black/White Altered

CLASS (circle one):

Animal    Nature/Scenic    Plants/Floral    Other

PHOTO #: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF PHOTO: \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION (circle one):

CK-(K - 2<sup>nd</sup>) JR-(3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>) Inter-(6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) SR-(9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)

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PHOTO #: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF PHOTO: \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION (circle one):

CK-(K - 2<sup>nd</sup>) JR-(3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>) Inter-(6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) SR-(9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)

CATEGORY (circle one):

Black/White    Color    Black/White Altered

CLASS (circle one):

Animal    Nature/Scenic    Plants/Floral    Other



# HUMBLE 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST SCORE SHEET

Exhibit #: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Photograph: \_\_\_\_\_

**Judge's Initials:**  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Division:** CK: (K-2<sup>nd</sup>)      Junior: (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>)      Intermediate: (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)      Senior: (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)  
**Class:**    Animal                  Nature/Scenic                  Plants/Floral                  Other  
**Category:** Black/White    Color                          B/W Altered

**TECHNICAL SKILL:**

10 = SUPERIOR                          &                          1 = NEEDS IMPROVEMENT

<b>FOCUS:</b>	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
<b>EXPOSURE:</b>	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
<b>LIGHTING:</b>	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
<b>PRINT QUALITY:</b>	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
<b>OVERALL TECHNICAL SKILL:</b>	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

**TOTAL TECHNICAL SKILL - (50 pts. Max.):** \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBJECT:**

10 = SUPERIOR                          &                          1 = NEEDS IMPROVEMENT

<b>CREATIVE USE:</b>	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
<b>PHOTOGRAPHIC IMPACT:</b>	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
<b>UNIQUENESS:</b>	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
<b>VISUAL SIMPLICITY:</b>	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
<b>OVERALL TOTAL SUBJECT:</b>	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

**TOTAL SUBJECT - (50 pts. Max.):** \_\_\_\_\_

**GRAND TOTAL - (100 pts. Max.):** \_\_\_\_\_

*Combined points from technical & subject*

**Summary / Feedback:**

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Your photograph has been judged according to standards of excellence and not your peers. Thank you for entering your work in the Humble 4-H photography contest!