

NORTHWEST GEORGIA REGIONAL FAIR

YOUTH DISPLAY CONTESTS

The Northwest Georgia Regional Fair is partnering with Gordon County 4-H to host three youth display contests for youth in K-12th grade. See below for entry guidelines.

General Rules

- ♦ Youth in grades K-12 are eligible for the pumpkin and scarecrow decorating contests. The project showcase contest is open to 6th-12th grade youth.
- ♦ All youth must be pre-registered by Friday, August 30 using the online entry form located at this link: https://ugeorgia.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_7VcLw4ghh0nW73M. Entries are limited to the first 30 that register in each contest.
- ♦ All entries must be brought to the Northwest Georgia Regional Fairgrounds at 1060 Liberty Rd SW, Calhoun, GA 30701 on either Wednesday, September 4 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. or Thursday, September 5 from 4:00-6:00 p.m.
- ♦ Display judging will take place on Friday, September 6 at the Northwest Georgia Regional Fairgrounds.
- ♦ Ribbons and prize money will be awarded on Sunday, September 15 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. All displays must be picked up by Sunday, September 15 at 4:00 p.m. or they will be discarded.

Project Showcase Contest

- ♦ Youth will create a trifold display about their 4-H project or a topic of their interest.
- ♦ Youth must select one of the 3 project areas in 4-H (see graphic to the right):
 - ♦ Agriculture and STEM
 - ♦ Civic Engagement
 - ♦ Healthy Living
- ♦ Entries will be limited to the first ten in each project area.
- ♦ Trifold boards must be no larger than 22x28 inches.
- ♦ Showcases will be judged on accuracy of information (50 points) creativity and originality (30 pts), and overall appearance (20 pts).
- ♦ Individual awards will be given as follows:

1st place \$50.00

2nd place \$25.00

3rd place \$10.00



UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA
EXTENSION
Gordon County



Pumpkin Decorating Contest

- ♦ Youth will decorate pumpkins. Remember: this is NOT a carving contest, but a decorating contest. Pumpkins may be pierced with toothpicks to attach decorations, but may not be cut with a knife or pumpkin carving tool.
- ♦ The real pumpkin (no artificial pumpkins allowed) and all decorating materials are provided by the 4-H family participating. Multiple pumpkins can be used, but total weight of the pumpkin(s) may not exceed 10 lbs.
- ♦ Originality is highly encouraged. Use of agricultural materials is encouraged.
- ♦ No item that can be used as a weapon will be allowed to be used in pumpkin display.
- ♦ On use of plant materials - Dried, non-perishable agricultural products (such as gourds, dried corn, peanuts, etc.) may be used and may be penetrated (with pins, earrings, etc.). No perishable items may be used as decoration for the exhibit.
- ♦ Keep in mind that pumpkins will be displayed and accessible by the public for the duration of the Fair. Items used for pumpkin must be weather resistant. The Fair will not be responsible for loss or damage to any items of value used in pumpkins displays.
- ♦ Pumpkins will be judged on creativity and originality (30 pts), use of agricultural materials (20 pts), overall appearance (30 pts), and degree of difficulty (20 pts).
- ♦ Prizes will be awarded as follows:

1st place \$100.00	2nd place \$50.00	3rd place \$25.00
--------------------	-------------------	-------------------

Scarecrow Decorating Contest

- ♦ Youth will create and decorate a scarecrow. The scarecrow and all decoration items will be provided by the 4-H family participating. Old clothes may be used, but purchased Halloween “costumes” are prohibited. Scarecrows must be lovable, mischievous, and humorous - not frightening. Originality is highly encouraged.
- ♦ No item that can be used as a weapon will be allowed to be used in scarecrow display.
- ♦ On use of plant materials - Dried, non-perishable agricultural products (such as gourds, dried corn, peanuts, etc.) may be used and may be penetrated (with pins, earrings, etc.). No perishable items may be used as decoration for the exhibit.
- ♦ Keep in mind that scarecrows will be displayed and accessible by the public for the duration of the Fair. Items used for scarecrow must be weather resistant. The Fair will not be responsible for loss or damage to any items of value used in scarecrow displays.
- ♦ Scarecrows will be judged on creativity and originality (30 pts), use of agricultural materials (20 pts), overall appearance (30 pts), and degree of difficulty (20 pts).
- ♦ Prizes will be awarded as follows:

1st place \$100.00	2nd place \$50.00	3rd place \$25.00
--------------------	-------------------	-------------------