



4-H Communication Contests

Each year, 4-H offers communication contests for youth ages 5-18. This gives them the opportunity to express themselves in a creative sense, and an opportunity to win [scholarship dollars](#) to be used towards their own 4-H endeavors.



4-H Poster Contests:

Youth may enter the Career Exploration, Dairy, Poultry or Beef Contest or enter all four. All entries must be on standard poster board (22" x 28"). Entries from 5-8 year olds will only be judged on the county level, however the winners in the 9-18 year olds will advance to the state competition. All entries will receive 4-H scholarship dollars. NO clipart or copyrighted material (cartoon characters, etc.) are accepted — original artwork only. No cut-out letters, etc.

- **Dive Into A Career - Due on or before June 7th.** The theme is “Career Exploration”. Posters are scored on originality, accurate information, theme, message and overall general appearance. Age divisions are 5-8, 9-10, 11-13, and 14-18.
- **Dairy Poster Contest - Posters are due on or before July 11th at noon.** The theme is “*Pour One More*”. Age divisions are 5-8, 9-12, 13-15, and 16-19.
- **Poultry Poster Contest—Due on or before July 11 at noon.** The theme is “The History of the TURKEY”. Age divisions are 5-8, 9-10, 11-13 and 14-19.
- **Beef Poster Contest Entries due on or before May 31st.** The theme is “Beefit”. Illustrate how rich lean beef fits into a healthy lifestyle. Age divisions are 5-8, 9-12, 13-16, and 17-21.
- **Beef Photo Contest - Entries due on or before May 31st.** Age divisions are 5-8, 9-12, 13-16, and 17-21. Categories are animals, landscape and people.

Photography Contest: Entries due on or before June 6th. The categories for 2011 are “4-H in Action,” “Nature’s Beauty” and “Patterns”. **NEW THIS YEAR:** In an effort to reduce costs to photo contest participants, we are eliminating the requirement that entries be submitted in print format. Photos may be in color OR black-and-white and any size, 8”x 10” or smaller will be accepted. Entries in the 9-12 and 13-18 year old categories will advance to the State Competition. **Entries should be emailed to april_bowman@ncsu.edu with the appropriate entry information before June 6th (NOT to Rebecca Kirkland).**

NC Strawberry Association Kids Art Contest - Entries must be postmarked to the Strawberry Association by May 25th. Grade grouping levels: Grades K-2, 3-5, and 6-8. Draw a picture inspired by strawberries or your visit to a strawberry farm. Maximum artwork size 8.5” x 11”, though paper can be larger.



For more information on these competitions, please visit the links above or contact the 4-H office at 336-703-2850.

ALL entries should be submitted to the county 4-H office for judging (except strawberry association art).



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