



POSTER CONTEST GUIDELINES

What is the Poster Contest?

Members create a poster for display that communicates the theme of “What does art mean to you?”. Posters are judged on an individual basis using the score sheet provided on the next page.

1. The subject matter for all posters should relate to some aspect of the theme: **“What does Art mean to YOU?”** All 4-H clubs, leaders, members and Cloverbuds are eligible to participate in the poster contest.
2. If you choose to use a 4-H Clover on your poster please be sure to use the 4-H Clover as is, do not put designs on the clover. Make sure not to misuse the clover. If you have questions about this please call the Extension Office at 920-674-7295.
3. The 4-H Clover emblem OR the words 4-H are required on all posters but will not determine the judging category it is in (if you use premade or printed clovers you can still be in totally original).
4. Individual posters can be entered into the following categories: CLOVERBUDS, 3rd grade, 4th and 5th grade, 6th and 7th grade, 8th & 9th Grade, 10th Grade & Up, Leaders. Club posters are just entered as a club unit.
5. Identification of Posters:
 - Please mark your poster with all required information on the back of the poster.
 - Include your name, grade, division and club name. For Club posters, include club name and those that participated in making the poster.
 - This can be written on the back or put on an index card and taped to the back.
 - Posters are to be entered into one of two divisions:
 - **Division A -Totally Original** ... all lettering, pictures, etc. are done on the poster by the member. No computers, stencils, photos, collages, etc. may be used. The poster must be the work of the individual member/leader/club and will be evaluated on the basis of originality, subject matter and effectiveness.
 - **Division B -Enhanced** ... the poster can be enhanced with stencils, clippings from magazines, computer art, photos, etc. All types of art techniques may be used in the projection of this poster (including collages).
6. Posters Size:
 - Cloverbud, youth and leader posters must be 14” x 22” in size.
 - Club posters must be 24” x 36” in size.
 - Do not use thick foam board or regular paper; please use only poster board.
 - Posters of incorrect size will be disqualified.
 - Posters may be white or colored.

7. All types of art techniques may be used in the production of a poster (including collages). All posters should have a title or slogan in conjunction with the artwork. Copyright cartoons such as Snoopy and Garfield are not allowed. All posters must be one-dimensional. **No raised material may be used for effect. Any 3-dimensional posters will be disqualified.**
8. Posters to be entered in the county event must be in the Extension Office on or before **Thursday, May 11, 2023 by 4 p.m.** If you have club meetings and need to make other arrangements please contact the Extension Office.
9. All Posters received will be displayed during the speech contest on **Thursday, May 18, 2023.**
 - Award of Excellence posters will be voted on for the Awards Ceremony Cover Contest. The poster selected will be the cover for the 2023 Awards Celebration program.
 - Award of Excellence posters will also be displayed at the 2023 Jefferson County Fair.
 - Announcement of the placings will take place at the end of the speaking competition.
10. All poster entries in the county event will receive a rating of purple (award of excellence), blue (high honors), red (honor), white (merit) or Cloverbud (participation). The Award of Excellence gifts are sponsored by the Jefferson County 4-H Leader's Association and are presented at the Awards Banquet in the Fall.
11. Posters submitted late will be dropped one placing.
12. Individual Posters from Cloverbuds, youth or leaders are to be done by an **INDIVIDUAL MEMBER ONLY**. No team or group posters will be accepted; they will be disqualified.
13. Club posters may be done as a club. Please include all member names that participated in the project on the back of the poster.

4-H Poster Score Sheet

Name _____ Grade _____ Club _____

Select One Category: Cloverbud 4-H Member Adult Leader Club

Excellent Very Good Good Fair

THEME

Title _____

ARTWORK

Design, Lettering,
Originality of Art _____

OVERALL

APPEARANCE
Construction, Neatness,
in Correct Division _____

Check One: Division "A" (Original) Division "B" (Enhanced)

Overall Comments:

PLACING: AOE/Purple HH/Blue H/Red M/White Cloverbud

Program Cover Contest (Only available to posters that receive an AOE)

Evaluator's Initials: _____