

GENERAL RULES For EXHIBITS 2018

1. The 2018 Fair will be held at **New Kent Middle School** on September 15th and 16th.
2. Exhibits will be open: **Saturday:** 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM. **Sunday:** Noon – 6:00 PM.
3. Home and Garden exhibits will be accepted Thursday, September 13th, between 3:00 PM and 8:00 PM. **NO EXHIBITS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 8:00 PM THURSDAY**, except fresh flowers and baked goods for which entry cards have been entered on Thursday. These entries may be brought between 9 AM and 10 AM on Friday, September 14th, to the front door of the school. A Fair staff member will accept them there; please do not enter the school.
4. All exhibits must be listed on an entry blank form and have an entry tag attached. Call 932-3155 if you would like entry tags before Thursday. You can also receive your exhibitor's number at this number also. **PLEASE LIST ENTRIES ON THE SHEET IN NUMERICAL ORDER BY CATEGORIES.**
5. No home or garden exhibits are to be removed, eaten, or handled until 6:00 PM Sunday and must be removed by 7:00 PM on Sunday.
6. **All exhibits must have been completed or grown by the exhibitor since last year's fair.** Any exhibitor may enter any or all categories in each class as desired. However, **an individual may not enter two of the same item, either in the same category or by putting one in one category and another of the same kind in another category.** Under exhibitor's choice, enter **ONLY** unusual items not found in the fair entry list. Up to three items may be entered in each exhibitor's choice category, provided each is a distinctly different item not otherwise listed.
7. **Each exhibitor must enter as either a resident or non-resident of New Kent County. All exhibits must be completed only by the exhibitor.** All exhibits will be judged in two groups: Adult and Youth. Youth age groups are **5 – 8 years, and 9 – 13 years, and 14 – 19 years.** Age is as of September 13, 2018.
8. **There are exhibits for youth in the younger age groups of 5 – 8 and 9 – 13. These are special areas that are open only to these age groups.**
9. The number of specimens to be displayed in each entry is clearly stated. This should be adhered to by the exhibitor.
10. Judging will begin in all departments on Friday at 10:00 AM. No spectators will be allowed in the exhibit area during judging.
11. Care will be taken to protect exhibits daily, but the committee will not assume responsibility for loss or damage either to person or property. Under these conditions only, are exhibits accepted.
12. Youth and Adult awards will be: 1st- Blue Ribbon, \$1.00 cash, 4 points; 2nd – Red Ribbon, 50¢ cash, 3 points; 3rd – White Ribbon, 25¢ cash, 2 points. If any item is outstanding in its class, a "Best in Show" ribbon will be awarded, \$3.00 cash, and 6 points.
13. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place Sweepstakes Ribbons will be given to the three people (youth and adult) earning the largest number of points. Only New Kent residents will be eligible for sweepstakes award ribbons.
14. Cash awards and ribbons may be picked up **no earlier than 6:00 PM** on Sunday.