

HOME & GARDEN EXHIBIT HALL COORDINATOR: Jennifer Bridge, Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences Education – Meade County, 270-422-4958

Rules

1. Entries will be accepted between **7:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.** on **Monday, July 22**. Doors will be closed at 12:30. No exceptions. Judging will be on Monday afternoon.
2. No entry should leave the Fruits and Vegetables Department until 1:30 p.m., **Sunday, July 28**. If entry is removed before this time, it will not receive a premium even if the entry placed in top three of class. All entries must be picked up between **1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 28**.
3. No individual may have more than one entry in each class.
4. Item must be homegrown by individual.
5. Exhibits are judged on quality. In order to keep all entries uniform, a small or large plate will be provided for all entries other than 'Display' Entries. Entries including the word 'Display' are judged not only on quality but also on variety, creativity, visual appeal, etc. Displays should be self-contained in a basket, tray, crate, etc; the outer measurements cannot exceed 18" X 24" (inches).
6. No entries containing glass will be accepted.
7. Judging will be done by qualified out of county judges, and they will have the right to disqualify an entry if not of quality to be judged or does not meet category criteria.
8. Providing address labels will be extremely helpful and speed up registration.

All categories will receive: 1st \$8; 2nd \$6; 3rd \$4, unless otherwise indicated. Two Grand Champion ribbons will be given. (One for Fruits and one for Vegetables).

In recognition of the late Minnie Lee Richardson's dedication to the Meade County Fair and the Fruit and Vegetables Department, an award has been created. The Minnie Lee Richardson Outstanding Entry will be determined by the department judges and will be awarded on creativity, appearance, and quality.

1. Vegetable or Fruit Critter - Odd shaped vegetable or fruit that resembles an animal. Simple embellishments allowed.
2. Most unusual, shaped vegetable
3. Beans – Bush, 1 dozen
4. Beans – Pole, 1 dozen
5. Cabbage – 1 head (green)
6. Cabbage – 1 head (red)
7. Best large cabbage – any variety
8. Cantaloupe – 1 best large variety
9. Cantaloupe – 1 best small variety
10. Cucumbers – 3, small for pickling
11. Cucumbers – 3, for slicing
12. Cucumber
13. Eggplant – 1
14. Okra – 6 pods
15. Onions – 6, white
16. Onions – 6, red
17. Garlic – 3 bulbs

18. Banana Pepper, sweet, 3
19. Banana Pepper, hot, 3
20. Bell Peppers – green, large type, 3
21. Bell Peppers – yellow, 3
22. Bell Peppers—red, 3
23. Peppers – (hot) string of 15-20
24. Peppers – Jalapeno, 3
25. Peppers – any other variety, 3
26. Collection of Peppers, any variety, 4 or more different kinds
27. Potatoes – Red Pontiac, 3
28. Potatoes – Kennebec, 3
29. Potatoes – sweet, any variety, 3
30. Potatoes – largest, any variety, 3
31. Pumpkin – pie, small variety, best
32. Pumpkin – any variety, best
33. Pumpkin – largest
34. Rhubarb – red or green variety, 1 bunch of 4
35. Squash – Zucchini, 3
36. Squash – Butternut, 3
37. Squash – Crookneck, 3
38. Squash – Straightneck, 3
39. Largest Zucchini, 1
40. Squash – any other variety, 3
41. Sweet Corn – white, 3 ears in husk
42. Sweet Corn – yellow, 3 ears in husk
43. Sweet Corn - Bi-color, 3 ears in husk
44. Cherry Tomatoes – 6
45. Tomatoes – red, best large variety, 3
46. Tomatoes – yellow, best large variety, 3
47. Tomatoes – pink, best large variety, 3
48. Tomatoes – any other variety, 3
49. Tomatoes – green, best variety, suitable for fried or other dishes, 3
50. Tomatoes – collection of 4 different kinds
51. Tomatoes - Roma, 3
52. Grape tomatoes, 6
53. Watermelon – Any variety
54. Watermelon – largest, any variety
55. Vegetable Display – 6 or more different vegetables.
(Display should be self-contained, no larger than 18”X24” (inches) and must fit easily on display shelf)
56. Collection of herbs (seasoning) 4 or more
57. Best looking sunflower (head)
58. Apples – any variety, 3
59. Blackberries – 1 pint Tame
60. Blackberries – 1 pint Wild
61. Berries, any other variety, 1 pint
62. Peaches – Any variety, 3
63. Pears – Any variety, 3
64. Grapes, any variety, 3 bunches
65. Plums, any variety, 3

Special Displays: (Category will receive: 1st \$10; 2nd \$7; 3rd \$4)

66. Display of fruit, 4 or more different kinds.

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67. Nature’s Bounty Display – may include the following: pawpaws, persimmons, plums, pecans, nuts, fruits, vegetables etc. Minimum of 6 different varieties.

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68. Gourds

69. Loofa or dish rag gourd

70. Dipper gourd

71. Birdhouse gourd

(Gourds will be judged on cleanliness, maturity, length, and circumference. Must be previous season’s gourds).