

# DEPARTMENT 11 - YOUTH UNDER 19

This department is for all youth  
under 19 years of age.

**SUPERINTENDENT • Anna Boylstein • 724-841-4136**

**COMMITTEE: Ian Boylstein, Linda Carson, Abby Flick,  
Beth Flick, Julie Maloney, Bobby Young, Gary Young**

**ENTRY DROP OFF: ONE DAY ONLY  
THURSDAY, JULY 2 - 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
at the Arts & Crafts Building.**

*Entry tags are available at the Fair Office in June.*

**JUDGING: FRIDAY, JULY 3**

Judging area will be closed during judging.

**ENTRY PICK UP: SUNDAY, JULY 12 - 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

*Anyone removing their exhibits  
before 1:00 PM will forfeit their premiums.*

Tags with claim checks will be furnished.

Please print clearly and press hard to go thru the three sheets.

**Exhibitors are to place the tag securely on the article  
and keep the claim check to identify and  
pick up articles at the close of the Fair.**

**GENERAL ENTRY FORMS ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED BUT  
ARE AVAILABLE IN THE BACK OF THIS BOOK OR ONLINE  
IF YOU WANT TO USE ONE FOR PERSONAL REFERENCE.**

**The Fair Association will not be responsible  
for loss or damage of any exhibit,  
or improper entry tags made by the exhibitor.**

Exhibitors must be assigned a "BUTLER FAIR  
EXHIBITOR NUMBER." Please check the registration desk  
or call ahead to the office for your number  
or if you need to be assigned a number.

## **THE FAIR DOES NOT MAIL PREMIUM CHECKS.**

Premium checks will be available **WHEN ANNOUNCED**  
on the last day of the Fair at the Fair office. **PLEASE WAIT  
UNTIL YOU HEAR THE ANNOUNCEMENT.** Premium checks  
will also be available on Sunday from 1 to 3 in the Arts/Crafts  
Building. If you cannot pick up your check, drop off a long  
(#10), self-addressed, stamped envelope (one per exhibitor)  
at the Fair office before or during Fair week.

Checks must be cashed by September 30 or they will  
become null and void. Checks will not be reissued.

## **DEPT. 11 SECTION 1 YOUTH VEGETABLES**

A rosette will be presented to the "Best of Show."

1. All vegetables must be homegrown.
2. The market demand is for vegetables of medium size rather than of extreme size. Overgrown vegetables are likely to be woody or pithy.
3. The specimens should be clean, uniform in size and shape and free from blemishes, insect injury and disease.
4. Carrots, beets and other root crops should have tops removed, leaving about 2 inches of stems.

**PREMIUMS for all classes: 1st – \$5. 2nd – \$3. 3rd – \$2.  
CLASS**

1. BEANS, GREEN SNAP – 5 specimens
2. BEANS, YELLOW SNAP – 5 specimens
3. BEETS – Table, 3 specimens without tops
4. BROCCOLI – 1 primary head
5. CABBAGE – 1 specimen untrimmed

### **DEPARTMENT 11 – YOUTH VEGETABLES (CONT.)**

6. CARROTS – 3 specimens without tops
7. CORN, SWEET - 3 ears, husks on
8. CUCUMBERS, PICKLING - 3 specimens, small,  
under 5 inches
9. CUCUMBERS, SLICING - 3 specimens, over 5 inches
10. GARLIC - 1 bulb
11. GOURDS – 3 specimens
- HERBS
12. BASIL – 3 stems
13. DILL – 3 stems
14. MINT – 3 stems
15. ANY OTHER – ALL OF SAME KIND – 3 stems
16. KALE
17. ONIONS – tops removed, unpeeled – 3 specimens
18. PEAS – 5 pods
19. PEPPERS, HOT – 3 specimens
20. PEPPERS, SWEET – 3 specimens
21. POTATOES – 3 specimens
22. SQUASH – Any summer variety – 1 specimen
23. TOMATOES, GREEN – 3 specimens
24. TOMATOES, RIPE – 3 specimens
25. ANY OTHER VEGETABLE

**PREMIUMS for 26 & 27: 1st - \$9. 2nd - \$8. 3rd - \$6.**

May use one or several. Clothe them, paint them, etc.  
Vegetables may be store bought.

26. **VEGETABLE DRESS UP** - Mix or match vegetables.
27. **PATRIOTIC VEGETABLE DRESS UP - NEW**

### **DEPT. 11 SECT. 2 YOUTH FRUIT**

**A rosette will be presented to the “Best of Show.”**

1. All fruits must be homegrown and in disposable containers or plates. Glass or ceramic containers will NOT be accepted.
2. In selecting fruits for exhibition, choose such specimens that would bring the highest market price. Do not select the largest. Select a medium size. In plate displays, select five specimens as nearly alike as possible.

**PREMIUMS for all classes: 1st – \$5. 2nd – \$3. 3rd – \$2.**

#### **CLASS**

1. APPLES – 3 specimens
2. BLUEBERRIES – 1 pint
3. PEACHES – 3 specimens
4. PEARS – 3 specimens
5. PLUMS – 3 specimens
6. BERRIES – 1 pint, any variety
7. GRAPES – 2 bunches, any variety
8. ANY OTHER FRUIT – 3 specimens

### **DEPT. 11 SECT. 3 YOUTH FOODS**

**A rosette will be presented to the “Best of Show.”**

All foods must be homemade and in disposable containers or plates.  
Glass or ceramic containers will NOT be accepted.

**PREMIUMS for all classes: 1st – \$5. 2nd – \$3. 3rd – \$2.**

#### **CLASS**

##### **QUICK BREADS**

1. Fruit or Nut Bread - 1 rectangular loaf, approximately 4"x8"x5", wrapped in plastic
2. Muffins - 6 on a disposable plate & wrapped in plastic
3. Biscuits - 6 on a disposable plate & wrapped in plastic

##### **YEAST BREADS & ROLLS**

4. Bread, white or wheat - 1 loaf on a disposable plate & wrapped in plastic
5. Cinnamon rolls - 6 on a disposable plate & wrapped in plastic

**DEPARTMENT 11 – YOUTH FOODS (CONT.)**

6. Rolls, white or wheat - 6 on a disposable plate & wrapped in plastic

**BUTTER CUPCAKES** – 6 iced & on a disposable plate covered in plastic

7. Chocolate  
8. Spice

9. White  
10. Yellow

**CANDY** – 6 pieces of each on a disposable plate & wrapped in plastic

11. Fudge, chocolate  
12. Fudge, light

13. Peanut Brittle  
14. Any Other Candy

**COOKIES** - 6 on a disposable plate & covered by plastic

15. Bar  
16. Dropped  
17. Filled

18. Pressed (Use a cookie press)  
19. Rolled  
20. Sliced

**DECORATED COOKIE JAR** 21. Judged on decorations only  
**PIES AND TARTS**

22. Tarts or Turnovers - any variety fruit, 1/2 dozen on disposable plate & covered by plastic

23. Two crust pie - any variety fruit, covered by plastic

**CANNED FRUIT**

24. Peaches  
25. Pears

26. Red or White Cherries w/ pits  
27. Any Other Canned Fruit

**CANNED VEGETABLES**

28. Beets  
29. Carrots  
30. Corn  
31. Peas  
32. Sauerkraut

33. Soup  
34. String Beans  
35. Tomatoes  
36. Any Other Canned Vegetable

**JELLIES**

37. Apple  
38. Grape

39. Any Other Jelly

**JAMS**

40. Berry

41. Peach

**PICKLES**

42. Sweet, whole  
43. Bread and Butter

44. Dill

**SAUCES / SALSAS**

45. Applesauce  
46. Salsa

47. Spaghetti Sauce  
48. Any other Sauce

**Thank you, Exhibitors,  
for sharing your talents and  
displaying your products.**

*Support our local farmers  
and farm markets!*

*Find great home-produced  
products in this area.*



*PA Preferred Products include and are found at  
Marburger Farm Dairy, Metrick's Harvest View Farm,  
McElhinney Farm, Brenckle Farm & Greenhouse,  
Bryner's Classic Hot Sauce,  
Harvest Valley Farm Market, Soergel Orchards,  
Deener's Farm Market, Miller's Quality Meats,  
Sutton Farms, & Vogel Valley Farms.*



**DEPT. 22 SECT. 15 CLASS 1  
2026 PA PREFERRED®  
JUNIOR BAKING CONTEST  
COOKIES, BROWNIES OR BARS**

**SPONSOR: PA PREFERRED®**

The goal of the PA PREFERRED® Baking Contest is to encourage young people across the Commonwealth to participate in Pennsylvania's agricultural fairs by showcasing PA grown and produced products in their contest entries.

**BIG BUTLER FAIR PRIZES: 1st - \$45. 2nd - \$42. 3rd - \$38.**

*First Place Winner is eligible for the 2027 PA Farm Show competition.*

*Prizes for the PA Preferred® Winner at the 2027 State Farm Show:*

*1st = \$500.; 2nd = \$250.; 3rd = \$100.; 4th = Rosette; 5th = Rosette*

**RULES:**

1. Open to any individual amateur baker (*ages 8 through 18 at the time of the fair's contest*) who is a PA resident. **One entry per person.**
2. Entrants may **NOT** have won 1st place in this PA Preferred® Junior Baking contest at any other fair in 2026.
3. Entry must be of six (6) individual sized portions of the baked entry item (cookies, brownies, or bars).
4. The entire entry, including any fillings and frostings, must be made from "scratch" with edible ingredients. **No** pre-packaged ingredients may be used (*ex: pre-made mixes, cookie dough, pie crust, frosting, etc.*). **Any decorations, if used, must be edible.**
5. **At least two (2) PA Preferred® ingredients or locally produced items must be used** in the recipe. Some examples of qualifying ingredients are PA Preferred® grains (*such as oats or flour*), butter, milk, eggs, fruits and/or vegetables.
6. **A PA Preferred® logo is not required** because not all PA Preferred® products carry the label. The name of the ingredient and the source is sufficient. Contact [RA-AGPAPreferred@pa.gov](mailto:RA-AGPAPreferred@pa.gov) for any assistance with qualifying ingredients.
7. Entry must be submitted for judging on a food safe disposable setting.
8. **Recipe(s) listing all the ingredients, quantities and the preparation instructions must be submitted with the entry, printed on one side of an 8 1/2" x 11" size paper.** The name of each PA Preferred® ingredient or **locally produced** ingredient must be listed clearly with **the words "PA PREFERRED"** and the name of the source that made/grew the product (*ex: PA Preferred Milk - Marburger Farm Dairy*). Entrant's name, age, address, **email** and phone number must be printed on the **back** of all the pages. (*All recipes, cakes, and pans become the property of the Fair and will not be returned.*) **EMAIL ADDRESS IS REQUIRED IN ORDER TO COMPETE IN THE 2027 PA FARM SHOW.**
9. Refrigeration is **not** available at the Fair or PA Farm Show. Entries that require refrigeration after baking must indicate so in the recipe. Those entries will not be sold, auctioned or otherwise distributed for consumption after judging for food safety reasons.
10. **Judging Criteria:**

<b>Flavor</b> ( <i>aroma, taste, good balance of flavorings</i> ) .....	<b>40</b> points
<b>Inside Characteristics</b> .....	<b>30</b> points
<i>(texture, even grain, evenly baked)</i>	
<b>Overall Appearance</b> .....	<b>20</b> points
<i>(surface, shape, size, color)</i>	
<b>Topping, Icing, Decoration</b> .....	<b>10</b> points
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b> points

**ENTRIES ACCEPTED ONE DAY ONLY:**

**THURSDAY, JULY 2, 4 PM TO 7 PM.**

**ENTRY PICK UP: SUNDAY, JULY 12, 1 PM TO 3 PM.**

## DEPT. 11 SECT. 4 FLORAL EXHIBITS

A rosette will be presented to "Best of Show."

1. All entries must be homegrown by the exhibitor.
2. Pots, vases or containers must be supplied by the exhibitor and will be given every possible care, but the management assumes no responsibility for broken pots, vases or containers.
3. Pots, vases or containers, unless otherwise noted, will not be judged.
4. Refer to General Rules for Department 17 - Open Floral Exhibits.

**PREMIUMS for all classes: 1st – \$5. 2nd – \$3. 3rd – \$2.**

### CLASS ANNUALS

THREE stems shall comprise an exhibit, except as otherwise stated. Each stem is to be at least eight inches long except where type of flower makes this impossible. For SUNFLOWER entries, bring 1 flower with stem no longer than 12 inches.

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|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Asters             | 9. Pansies                |
| 2. Bachelor Button    | 10. Petunias              |
| 3. Calendula          | 11. Snapdragons           |
| 4. Cosmos             | 12. Sunflower (See above) |
| 5. Dahlia – 1 bloom   | 13. Sweet Peas            |
| 6. Gladiola – 1 spike | 14. Zinnias               |
| 7. Marigolds          | 15. Any Other Annual      |
| 8. Nasturtium         |                           |

### PERENNIALS

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|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 16. Ageratum – 3 stems       | 21. Lilies – 1 stalk    |
| 17. Chrysanthemums – 3 stems | 22. Roses – 3 flowers   |
| 18. Daisies – 3 stems        | 23. Verbena – 5 blooms  |
| 19. Delphinium – 1 spike     | 24. Any Other Perennial |
| 20. Dianthus – 5 blooms      |                         |

### FOLIAGE PLANTS

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|--------------|-----------------------------|
| 25. Begonias | 29. Ferns                   |
| 26. Cacti    | 30. Geranium                |
| 27. Coleus   | 31. Ivy                     |
| 28. Episcia  | 32. Any Other Foliage Plant |

### SPECIALS

33. Fairy/Dish Garden – 3 or more plants in a container
34. Terrarium – 3 or more plants grown in a glass enclosed container
35. Floral Arrangement – no artificial flowers will be accepted.
36. 4th of July Special Arrangement – no artificial flowers will be accepted.
37. **AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL Arrangement** - Red, white and blue floral arrangement in a pint size mason jar using artificial flowers and added decorative items. **NEW**

## DEPT. 11 SECT. 5 YOUTH NEEDLECRAFT & CLOTHING

A rosette will be presented to "Best of Show."

**PREMIUMS for all classes: 1st – \$5. 2nd – \$3. 3rd – \$2.**

### CLASS

#### CLOTHING

- |                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| 1. Back Pack                          | 11. Shirt                                     |
| 2. Blouse                             | 12. Shorts                                    |
| 3. Dress                              | 13. Slacks, any material                      |
| 4. Stuffed animal/toy,<br>sewing only | 14. Skirts, any material                      |
| 5. Hat or cap                         | 15. Separates, 2 or more pieces               |
| 6. Jacket                             | 16. T-Shirt                                   |
| 7. Pillow - Sewing Only               | 17. Tote Bag                                  |
| 8. Pillow - Needlecraft Only          | 18. Useful article, sewing only,<br>no crafts |
| 9. Potholders                         | 19. Vest                                      |
| 10. Purse                             |   |

**DEPARTMENT 11 – NEEDLECRAFT (CONT.)**

**KNITTING & CROCHETING**

- 20. Knitting - Miscellaneous Article
- 21. Crocheting - Miscellaneous Article

**SPECIAL CONTEST  
DEPARTMENT 11 SECTION 6  
SPECIAL HANDSPUN NEEDLECRAFT CONTEST**

A rosette will be presented to "Best of Show."

**SPONSORED BY THE  
BUTLER SPINNERS AND WEAVERS GUILD**  
CONTACT: LINDA GROSS • PHONE: 724-445-3418

**PREMIUMS: ..... 1st – \$23. 2nd – \$15. 3rd – \$8.**

**CLASS 1.** Any item knitted or crocheted using yarn that has been hand spun by the exhibitor.

The Butler Spinners and Weavers are willing to help any of the youth exhibitors learn to spin the yarn.

**THANK YOU TO THE GUILD!**

**DEPT. 11 SECT. 7 YOUTH PHOTOGRAPHY**

A rosette will be awarded for "Best of Show."

**THEME FOR SPECIAL ANNUAL CLASS 9.  
"AMERICAN FLAG ON THE FARM"**

- 1. All photos must have been taken by the exhibitor since last year's fair.
- 2. **All photos must be 8" x 10" and NOT framed and/or matted.** Photos with any type of framing or matting will NOT be accepted.

**PREMIUMS: 1st – \$5. 2nd – \$3. 3rd – \$2.**

**CLASS**

**BLACK & WHITE PHOTO**

- 1. Animals
- 2. Flowers
- 3. People
- 4. Scenic

**COLOR PHOTO**

- 5. Animals
- 6. Flowers
- 7. People
- 8. Scenic

**SPECIAL ANNUAL CLASS**

- 9. "FLAGS ON THE FARM"

**DEPARTMENT 11 YOUTH PAINTING  
SECT. 8 YOUTH 8 YEARS OLD AND UNDER  
SECT. 9 YOUTH 9 YEARS AND OLDER**

A rosette will be awarded for "Best of Show."

- 1. Indicate Section on the tag.
- 2. All paintings must be framed and ready to display by either eye screws and picture wire for hanging or in a standing frame.

**PREMIUMS: 1st – \$5. 2nd – \$3. 3rd – \$2.**

**CLASS**

- 1. Paint by Number
- 2. Pastel
- 3. Oil
- 4. Pen
- 5. Pencil
- 6. Acrylic
- 7. Crayon
- 8. Marker
- 9. Watercolor
- 10. Mixed Media (3D)

**Thank you, *Volunteers*,  
for your help and dedication.  
You make our show what it is.**

Exhibitor Passes are issued for livestock exhibitors ONLY.

## DEPT. 11 SECT. 10 YOUTH CRAFTS

A rosette will be presented to "Best of Show."

**PREMIUMS:** 1st – \$5. 2nd – \$3. 3rd – \$2.

### CLASS

1. Ceramics
2. Diamond Dotz - Finished size not to exceed 16" x 20" (Framed, ready to hang, but ONLY picture judged.)
3. Floral Arrangement
4. Gift Wrapping - any holiday
5. School Craft (Must have been made at school)
6. String Art
7. Tie Dye Shirt
8. Upcycling Clothing
9. Upcycling - Any Useable Item Not Wearable
10. Woodworking
11. Misc. Crafts, Ages 6 & under
12. Misc. Crafts, Ages 7-12
13. Misc. Crafts, Ages 13 & older

## DEPT. 11 SECT. 11 GRANGE POSTER CONTEST

**SUPERINTENDENT • Jill Cavalero (724-352-4191)**

**NEW THEME: "100 YEARS AGO AT THE FAIR -  
WHAT YOU WOULD HAVE SEEN AT THE FAIR 100 YEARS AGO"**

Posters entered and picked up at the Arts & Crafts Building.  
Posters displayed in the Grange Building.

**ENTRY DROP OFF: ONE DAY ONLY  
THURSDAY, JULY 2 - 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
at the Arts & Crafts Building.**

*Entry tags are available at the Fair Office in June.*

**JUDGING: FRIDAY, JULY 3**

Judging area will be closed during judging.

**ENTRY PICK UP: SUNDAY, JULY 12 - 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM  
Anyone removing their exhibits  
before 1:00 PM will forfeit their premiums.**

1. Poster is to feature anything that would have been seen or displayed at the Fair 100 years ago - exhibits, events, food stands, animals, people, machinery, etc.
2. Age – Preschool age to and including 18-year-olds.
3. Work must be done by contestant. Parents advise only.
4. Size 14½ x 22 inches, equivalent to one-half standard poster board.
5. **Slogan must read across the shortest width of poster. Layout should be portrait (vertical) instead of landscape (horizontal).**
6. Poster and slogan must coincide. (Use large letters for slogan.)
7. Use any type of media - pencil, crayon, paint, magic markers, cloth, colors of paper, pipe cleaners, etc.
8. On the back of your poster in the upper left corner, write your name, exhibitor number, age, address, and telephone number.
9. Contestant must follow rules or entry will be disqualified.

**PREMIUMS:**

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
\$23.	\$15.	\$8.	\$8.	\$8.

**CLASS: (Age as of June 1, 2026)**

- |                 |                   |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| 1. Ages 16 - 18 | 4. Ages 8 - 9     |
| 2. Ages 13 - 15 | 5. Ages 6 - 7     |
| 3. Ages 10 - 12 | 6. Ages 5 & Under |

**Thank you, Exhibitors,  
for sharing your talents and  
displaying your products.**

## DEPT. 22 SECT. 11 STATE POSTER CONTEST

Notice Department # 22 & Section # 11 - not a mistake!

**ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED  
THURSDAY, JULY 2, 4 PM TO 7 PM  
AT THE ARTS & CRAFTS BUILDING.**

**BIG BUTLER FAIR PRIZES: 1st - \$25. 2nd - \$20. 3rd - \$15.**

*First Place Winner is eligible for the 2027 PA Farm Show competition.*

**Prizes for the 2027 PA FARM SHOW Winners:**

*1st = \$100.; 2nd = \$75.; 3rd = \$50.*

- 1. 2026 Theme – “GROWING A NATION ”**  
Contestants are to submit artwork that depicts the important role Pennsylvania agriculture played in providing innovative processes and solutions that helped to grow our nation.
- 2. POSTER SIZE MUST BE EITHER 14” x 22” or 14½” x 22”.**  
Other sizes will not be accepted.
- 3. One poster per exhibitor - per age.** Work must be done by contestant. Parents may advise only.
- 4. Use any type of media**
- Posters will be evaluated on use of theme, visual appearance and creativity in relation to exhibitor's age group.
- 6. On the back of the poster in upper left corner, print your name, exhibitor's number, address, phone, date of birth, age as of June 1 of this year, and email address of parent.**
- Premiums for the Big Butler Fair level will be paid on the last day of the Fair, if possible.
- The first-place poster in age groups 2. (8-11), 3. (12-14), and 4. (15-18) will be retained by the Fair and forwarded to the Department of Agriculture for judging at the state level. All others will be returned to contestants.
- Class 1 (Cloverbuds) will be judged only at the Big Butler Fair and not sent to the state contest.

<b>PREMIUMS:</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>
<b>CLASS .....</b>	<b>\$25.</b>	<b>\$20.</b>	<b>\$15.</b>

(Age as of June 1, 2026)

- 1. Novice - Under 8 Years Old**
- 2. Junior - Ages 8-11**
- 3. Intermediate - Ages 12-14**
- 4. Senior - Ages 15-18**



**THANK YOU TO  
THE BUTLER FAIR DIRECTORS,  
DEPARTMENT SUPERINTENDENTS,  
COMMITTEE MEMBERS, VOLUNTEERS,  
4-H LEADERS, AND AG EDUCATORS  
YOU ARE APPRECIATED!**