

Virtual Judging Criteria

Primary (PHE):

Judges Comments only

Upload Instructions:

1. Take photographs of your item from 3 different angles. Make sure the lighting is enough to show off your piece.
2. Record yourself showing off your piece and explaining what you did.

Collections (HACL):

Judging Criteria:

- Written Description
- Coordination/Visual Appeal
- Consistent Theme
- Level of Difficulty
- Originality

Upload Instructions:

1. Record yourself showing your collection and briefly telling about it.
2. Take photographs of your collection. Make sure there is enough lighting to show off the collection properly.
3. Take a photograph of your favorite item in the collection.
4. Take a photograph of or submit your page narrative about the collection.

Posters (HAP):

Judging Criteria:

- Originality
- Clear Message
- Information is Educational
- Creativity
- Visual Appeal
- Neatness

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the poster so the entire thing can be seen. Ensure that the lighting is enough to show off your poster.

2. Take two close up photographs of text to make it easier for the judge to read the text.
3. Record yourself in front of the poster briefly explaining the contents of the poster.

Agriculture (HAG):

Judging Criteria:

- Freshness
- Maturity/Ripeness
- Color
- Skin reflects a healthy specimen
- Interior reflects a healthy specimen
- Texture

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph your specimen from three different angles to highlight its shape, color, health, and freshness. Make sure the lighting is enough to show off your specimen.
2. Record yourself showing off your specimen. Show the stem end and the blossom end (if applicable). Cut into the specimen and show the interior. Try to get the sound of cutting into your specimen in the recording.

Baked Foods (HAB):

Cookies

Judging Criteria:

- Appearance
- Color
- Texture/Consistency
- Frosting (if applicable)

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the recipe.
2. Photograph the cookies from two different angles and make sure the lighting is good enough to show off the cookies.
3. Record yourself showing off the cookies. Break the cookie in half and show the inside of the cookie, its color, and texture. Take a bite of the cookie and describe it.

Quick Breads & Muffins

Judging Criteria:

- Appearance
- Crust
- Texture
- Moistness

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the recipe.
2. Photograph the bread or muffins and make sure the lighting is good enough to show off the item(s).
3. Record yourself showing off the item, cutting a slice from the bread or muffin, lifting the piece onto a plate, and then using a fork to cut into the piece that you put on the plate to show the inside, crust, texture, and moistness. Take a bit of the bread/muffin and describe it.
4. Photograph a piece of the bread or muffin on a plate.

Cakes and Cupcakes

Judging Criteria:

- Appearance
- Crust
- Texture
- Frosting/Decorations (if applicable)
- Moistness

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the recipe.
2. Photograph the cake or cupcakes and make sure the lighting is good enough to show off the item(s).
3. Record yourself showing off the item, cutting a slice from the cake or cupcake, lifting the slice out of the cake or cupcake onto a plate, and then using a fork to cut into the slice that you put on the plate to show the inside, crust, texture, and moistness. Take a bit of the cake/cupcake and describe it.
4. Photograph a piece of the cake or cupcake on a plate.

Decorated Item

Judging Criteria:

- Appearance

- Color Scheme
- Composition/Creativity
- Consistency of Frosting

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the recipe.
2. Photograph the cake and make sure the lighting is good enough to show off the cake.
3. Photograph special decorations.
4. Record yourself showing off the item, cutting a slice from the cake, lifting the slice out of the cake onto a plate, and then using a fork to cut into the slice that you put on the plate to show the inside, texture, and consistency. Take a bite of the cake and describe it.

Candy

Judging Criteria:

- Appearance
- Color
- Texture
- Consistency

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the recipe.
2. Photograph your 6 pieces of candy on a plate. Make sure the lighting is enough to show off the candies.
3. Photograph a close up view of a single piece of candy.
4. Record yourself showing off your plate of candies and telling about them. Put one piece of candy down and cut into it if possible to show the consistency and texture of the candy. If it's a hard candy tap it on the plate to show how hard it is. Take a "bite" of the candy and describe it.

Pies

Judging Criteria:

- Texture
- Appearance
- Crust
- Consistency

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the recipe.
2. Photograph the pie and make sure the lighting is good enough to show off the item.
3. Record yourself showing off the item, cutting a slice from the pie, lifting the slice out of the pie onto a plate, and then using a fork to cut into the tip of the piece you put on the plate to show the inside, crust, texture, and consistency. Take a bite of the pie and describe it.
4. Photograph a piece of the pie on a plate.

Gluten Free Baked Item

Judging Criteria:

- Texture
- Appearance
- Integrity
- Moistness

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the recipe.
2. Photograph the baked item from two different angles and make sure the lighting is good enough to show off the item.
3. Record yourself showing off the item and breaking off or cutting off a piece to show the inside, the integrity, texture, and moistness. Take a bite of the item and describe it.

Recipe in a Jar

Judging Criteria:

- Visual appeal of jar contents
- Color scheme of jar contents
- Symmetry of jar contents
- Consistency of final product

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the recipe.
2. Photograph the contents in the jar. Make sure the lighting is enough to show off the contents of the jar.
3. Photograph the finished product that is made from the contents of the jar.
4. Record yourself showing off the finished project. Tell about the product and show it by stirring it if it's a drink or

breaking it apart if it's a cookie, etc. Take a "bite" of the item and describe it.

Food Preservation (HAF):

Jams & Jellies

Judging Criteria:

- Consistency
- Color
- Texture

Upload Instructions:

1. Record yourself showing the jelly/jam jar, telling what you canned, and then opening your sealed jar. The breaking of the seal needs to be audible on the recording. Continue recording yourself using a spoon to place some of jelly/jam on a white or light colored plate, and then using the spoon spread the jelly/jam on the plate to show the consistency and texture.
2. Photograph the recipe.
3. Photograph the jelly/jam in the jar from the side and from the top with the lid off. Ensure there is enough lighting to show the color and clarity of the contents.

Canned Fruit & Vegetables

Judging Criteria:

- Fluid Clarity – if applicable
- Color
- Pack
- Texture

Upload Instructions:

1. Record yourself showing the fruit/vegetable jar, telling what you canned, and then opening your sealed jar. The breaking of the seal needs to be audible on the recording. Continue recording yourself placing some of the contents from the jar on a white or light colored plate, and then using a folk cut into the contents to show the consistency.
2. Photograph the recipe.

3. Photograph the fruit/vegetable in the jar from the side and from the top with the lid off. Ensure there is enough lighting to show the color and clarity of the contents.

Dried Food

Judging Criteria:

- Texture
- Color
- Presentation

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the recipe.
2. Photograph your dried food in or on its container – the way you would present it when serving or giving as a gift.
3. Do a close up recording of yourself picking up one piece of your dried food and bending it to show the flexibility of the dried food.
4. Photograph a close up of your dried food showing off its color.

Honey

Judging Criteria:

- Clarity/Clearness – free from inclusions
- Color/Brightness
- Absence of Crystals
- Consistency - thickness

Upload Instructions:

1. Record yourself holding the jar of honey and telling where the honey came from. Continue recording yourself dipping a spoon into the honey, drawing the spoon out, and then letting the honey drip back into the jar.
2. Photograph the honey in the jar from the side and from the top with the lid off. Ensure there is enough lighting to show the color and clarity of the honey.

Clothing & Machine Sewn Quilts (HAC):

Judging Criteria:

- Originality
- Technique Complexity

- Use of Fabric Color, Pattern, Texture
- Creativity
- Visual Appeal
- Finish

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the item(s) so that the entire piece(s) can be seen.
2. Photograph two different interesting aspect of your piece such as special stitches, seams, hems, techniques, etc. (e.g. sleeve joints, cuffs, binding, quilting, collars, etc.)
3. Record yourself showing the piece(s) and explaining how you made it.

Needlework (HAN):

Judging Criteria:

- Originality
- Technique Use
- Use of Color and Pattern
- Creativity
- Visual Appeal
- Finish/Neatness
- Effective Use of Material

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the item so that the entire item can be seen.
2. Photograph a special stitch, pattern, etc.
3. Photograph the inside of the piece.
4. Record yourself showing the piece and explaining how you made it.

Handicraft (HAH):

Judging Criteria:

- Originality
- Technique Use
- Use of Color and Pattern
- Creativity
- Visual Appeal
- Effective Use of Material

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the item so that the entire item can be seen from two different angles.
2. Photograph a special feature up close.
3. Record yourself showing the piece(s) and explaining how you made it.

Fine Arts (HAFA):

Judging Criteria:

- Design/Composition: How well the actual or visual elements are arranged.
- Craft/Process: How well the media was handled.
- Concept/Content: How well the artist's idea was communicated.
- Originality/Creativity: Willingness to take creative risks.

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the entire art piece. Make sure the lighting is enough to show off the piece.
2. Photograph two special details about the piece.
3. Record yourself showing the piece and explaining the processes you used or the ideas you're conveying.

Home Décor (HAD):

Judging Criteria:

- Originality
- Technique Use
- Use of Color and Pattern
- Creativity
- Visual Appeal
- Effective Use of Material

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the item so that the entire item can be seen from two different angles.
2. Photograph one special feature up close.
3. Record yourself showing the piece(s) and explaining how you made it.

Pottery & Ceramics (HAPC):

Judging Criteria:

- Technique Use
- Use of Color and Pattern
- Creativity
- Visual Appeal
- Finish/Neatness

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the item so that the entire item can be seen from two different angles.
2. Photograph one special feature up close.
3. Record yourself showing the piece(s) and explaining how you made it.

Ornamental Horticulture (HAO):

Judging Criteria:

- Originality
- Plant Variety Compatibility
- Use of Color and Pattern
- Creativity
- Visual Appeal
- Container

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the item so that the entire item can be seen from two different angles.
2. Photograph a special feature up close.
3. Record yourself showing the piece(s), explaining how you made it, why you chose the plants used, and special features of the piece(s).

Photography (HAPH):

Judging Criteria:

- Focus, Identifiable Focal Point, Sharp Image
- Composition (Subject, Background, Other Elements Arranged Well)
- Correct Exposure (Photo is not over exposed nor under exposed)
- Presentation (Neatly Mounted)
- Creativity (interesting perspective, subject matter, composition, use of color, emotion)

- Titled

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the entire piece so that the mat and title are shown. Make sure the lighting is enough to show off the piece.
2. Photograph two special details about the piece.
3. Record yourself showing the piece and explaining the processes you used or the ideas you're conveying.

Industrial Arts (HAI):

Judging Criteria:

- Welding Quality (if applicable)
- Design
- Selection of Material for Project
- Finish Techniques (Grinding, Paint)
- Over-all Construction

Upload Instructions:

1. Photograph the piece from two angles so that all sides can be seen.
2. Photograph a special feature or detail about the piece.
3. Record yourself showing the piece and explaining the processes and techniques you used as well as any special features.

Woodworking (HAW):

Judging Criteria:

- Workmanship Quality
- Technique Use
- Assembly
- Visual Appeal
- Finish/Neatness

Upload Instructions:

4. Photograph the piece from two angles so that all sides can be seen.
5. Photograph a special feature or detail about the piece.
6. Record yourself showing the piece and explaining the processes and techniques you used as well as any special features.

Auction Groups

Judges will select a "Best for Auction" from each of these groups for Juniors and Seniors. The "Best for Auction" from each group is eligible to be auctioned off in the virtual live auction. "Best of Auction" items do not have to be auctioned. It is at the discretion of the entrant.

1. Food Preservation (HAF)
2. Industrial Arts (HAI) & Woodworking (HAW)
3. Photography (HAPH)
4. Home Décor (HAD), Pottery/Ceramics (HAPC), & Ornamental Horticulture (HAO)
5. Fine Arts (HAFA)
6. Handicrafts (HAH)
7. Clothing/Machine Sewn Quilts (HAC) & Needlework (HAN)

Divisions not eligible for auction

The following Divisions have been removed from the auction eligible items for the following reasons.

Collections (HACL) – youth member may not get appropriate value
Baked Foods (HAB) – cannot ensure freshness nor contaminate free
Agriculture (HAG) – cannot ensure freshness nor contaminate free
Posters (HAP) – not typically an item appropriate for sale
Group (HAGR) – do not want to encourage group activities in midst of Covid-19 Pandemic