

DEPARTMENT: E 2 – SCARECROWS

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Department Rules:

1. The Orange County Fairgrounds will provide stuffing for the Scarecrow. All other materials are the sole responsibility of the entrant.
2. All entries must be sitting (chair provided by entrant) or free standing (no leaning). Standing scarecrows should be well supported by a sturdy base and post.
3. Hay and straw CANNOT be used because of fire regulations.
4. Articles used may be constructed prior to bringing them in for final construction.
5. Final assembly must occur on fairgrounds and done by the entrant in the individual JUNIOR entries. All others may be brought in pre-assembled or assembled on site.
6. The "Youth Class" (class #4) entries may have help from an adult to secure the scarecrow. The entrant should do as much as they are able to do to assemble and set-up the scarecrow.
7. THE ORANGE COUNTY FAIR WILL TRY TO SECURE YOUR ENTRY BUT WILL NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ARTICLES LOST OR STOLEN DURING THE DURATION OF THE DISPLAY.
8. **All entries will be brought to the fairgrounds on Tuesday, July 19, 2011, beginning at 4:00pm. All scarecrows must be in place and finished by 8:00pm unless other arrangements have been made with the Department Superintendent prior to this date. No appointments are necessary.**
9. **Judging will take place on Wednesday July 20, 2011.**
10. **ALL ENTRIES MUST STAY IN PLACE DURING THE DURATION OF THE FAIR. ENTRIES SHOULD BE REMOVED ON MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2011, BETWEEN 8:00AM – 12:00 (NOON).**

PLEASE NOTE: Props are encouraged for all scarecrow exhibits and will be considered during judging.

*** Stuffed animals and pillows may be used as the head of the scarecrow in the Junior, Junior Group and Youth classes. If used as the head in the Adult class, the scarecrow will not be judged.

Scarecrows will be judged on the following criteria:

- Overall appearance/general effect (is it neat/clean?)	30 points
- Durability (how sturdy is the scarecrow?):	50 points
- Originality (is the idea original?):	60 points
<u>- Creativeness (are props a part of the entry?):</u>	<u>60 points</u>
Total:	200 points

Note: 25 points will be deducted for leaning scarecrows

ALL DECISIONS OF THE JUDGE(S) ARE FINAL.

SECTION: 1	SCARECROWS				
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
	\$50.00	\$40.00	\$30.00	\$20.00	\$10.00
Entry Fee: \$5.00 Class #: 1	Adult (over 18) Open Class - Finished product must be 5 ft. tall or larger.				
Entry Fee: \$3.00 Class #: 2	Junior (Ages 11-17) - Finished product must be 4 ft. tall or larger.				
Entry Fee: \$3.00 Class #: 3	Junior Group (16 & under) – Groups may be Girl/Boy Scouts, church groups (FFA and 4-H not eligible) Finished product must be 4 feet tall or larger. ***See note above				
Entry Fee: \$3.00 Class #: 4	Youth (Ages 10 & under) – Finished product must be 3ft. tall or larger. (FFA and 4-H not eligible) ***See note above				
Entry Fee: \$5.00 Class #: 5	Family - Your entire family may create and enter a scarecrow. Assembly on site is preferred. Limit one entry per family.				
No Entry Fee Class #: 6	Handicapped – Each house may enter one scarecrow. Each participant will receive a ribbon. Scarecrows should be a minimum of 4ft. tall.				