

Bedford County Fair Premium Catalog

Bedford County, VA

August 23-25, 2024

Bedford County Gym

1059 Turning Point Road

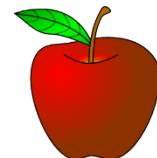
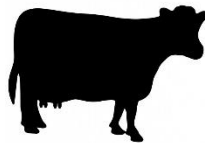
Bedford VA 24523

CELEBRATING THE BEST OF BEDFORD

August 23, 2024 4 pm to 9 pm

August 24, 2024 10 am to 9 pm

August 25, 2024 12 pm to 6 pm



IMPORTANT DATES AND THINGS TO REMEMBER

- August 10, 2024 is the Deadline to enter the Poster/Essay Contest.
 - Entry forms for the poster/essay contest must be postmarked no later than August 8, 2024
 - August 19, 2024 is the Deadline to enter all other contests. Entry forms for all other contests must be postmarked no later than August 17, 2024.
 - August 19, 2024 , is pick up day for egg containers and Baked Goods Containers at the Bedford County Gym from 9 am until 6 pm. If other arrangements to pick up containers are needed, contact us at bedfordvafair@gmail.com or call Carolyn Fellers at 434-941-4962.
 - August 19, 2024 we will accept Ag Competition entries except for Baked Goods, Produce and Horticulture from 9 am until 6 pm and assist with finalizing your entry forms
 - August 20, 2024 we will accept all entries from 9 am until 6 pm.
 - August 21, 2024, judging will take place. The facility will be closed to all except those working with the judges.
 - Baked goods will be tasted, recipes are required.
 - Recipes will only be accepted on white 8.5 x 11 paper typed in black ink.
 - Baked goods and eggs will not be returned to entrants due to USDA guidelines.
 - Craft show entry deadline is August 19, 2024. See craft show guidelines for more details.
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- ✚ Sunday, August 25, beginning at 6:30 pm you may pick up your entries. Entries will not be released before this time.
 - ✚ **No one is to drive onto the property to pick up early. This is to ensure the safety of everyone at the fair.**
 - ✚ You must check in with our staff before leaving with your entries.
 - ✚ If you are unable to pick up your entries, notify staff upon check in who will pick up your entries on your behalf. They must have photo ID to pick up the items.

Since we were not able to hold the fair in 2020 - 2023, we will allow entries produced since January 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 in specific categories. They are as follows:

- Quilts
- Photography

Produce, Ag Crops, Food Preservation, Honey, Horticulture, all other Arts and Crafts and Special Contest items are products of 2024. Baked Goods are freshly prepared within the day or two prior to Tuesday August 20th. This is the only year we allow the extra time frame for the competitions.

General Information & Rules

It is all about celebrating our beautiful county, it's rich history, agriculture, and art.

**Share your original creations with us, be sure to review this catalog.
There are some new contests to challenge your skills.**

Entry forms must be completed using the paper entry forms for all contests including special contests such as Largest Watermelon, Quilt Block etc. by the entry deadline. You may mail your entry forms to Bedford County Fair PO Box 1461 Bedford VA 24523 or email your form to bedfordvafair@gmail.com.

Completed entry forms can be delivered to us at the Bedford County Gym on August 19, 2024 from 9 am until 6 pm. Fair Rule Book and Entry forms are available at the Fair website www.bedfordvafair.com or request via email at bedfordvafair@gmail.com.

Copies of the catalog will be available for viewing at all Bedford County Library sites. Entry forms with addressed envelopes will be available too. **Please no cell phone photos** of entry forms. We print the forms that come in via email to have on hand when you check in your entries. Cell phone photos are hard to read.

Entry deadline is August 19, 2024, for all competitions except Poster/Essay. Deadline for Poster/Essay is August 10, 2024.

If you have not received an acknowledgement of your entry form, email us at bedfordvafair@gmail.com.

**NO NEW ENTRY FORMS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON CHECK-IN DAY
TUESDAY August 20, 2024.**

Entrants for Ag Competitions must be a resident of the Town of Bedford or Bedford County. Deadlines are firm. Judge's decisions are final.

Check-in for Ag Competition Entries:

- ◆ Entries in all competitions except Baking, Produce and Horticulture will be accepted on Monday August 19, 2024 from 9 am until 6 pm.
- ◆ We will check in entries in all categories on Tuesday August 20, 2024, from 9 am until 6 pm at the Bedford County Fair Ag Competition Room located at the Bedford County Gym at 1059 Turning Point Rd, Bedford VA 24523.
- ◆ Tuesday August 20, 2024 at 6 pm is a firm deadline to bring in entries for the contests.
- ◆ Judging will take place Wednesday August 21, 2024. No access will be allowed in the Ag Competition Room except for those working directly with the judges.

- ◆ Recipes for baked goods are required to be sent with the entry form. Entry forms without recipes will be considered incomplete and will not be accepted. Recipes must be typed on 8.5 x 11 white paper.
- ◆ Recipes are required to keep food allergies in mind where our judges are concerned.
- ◆ All fruits, vegetables, eggs, and crops should be in their natural state. No waxing or oiling. Refer to ***Exhibiting Fruits and Vegetable*** at www.bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/c405.pdf for recommendations on exhibiting fresh fruits and vegetables. Each entry shall be composed of specimens of only one variety or strain except where noted. PLEASE name variety on entry form.
- ◆ Perishable products may be removed by the Exhibit Coordinators from display after judging if the product reaches a state of decomposition.
- ◆ No entry will be judged unless it meets the class specifications regarding quantity and quality.

Check-out of for Ag-Competition Entries

- ◆ Pick up time for all entries will be Sunday, August 25, 2024, **starting at 6:30 pm**. No exhibits may be removed until release time. **Vehicles are not allowed on site until 6:30 pm after the Craft Show/Fair closes.**
- ◆ See exhibit coordinators to pick up your entries. It is your responsibility to pick up your entry, ribbons, and feedback forms. Entries not picked up will be destroyed.
- ◆ Baked goods and eggs will be discarded, we cannot return these entries due to USDA food safety guidelines.
- ◆ If only one exhibit is entered in a category, a blue ribbon will be awarded **only** if the judge(s) consider it representative of First Place. If an exhibit is considered unworthy of first place, the judge(s) will award an appropriate placing. Judges reserve the right to withhold all prizes if no exhibits are considered worthy of class.

Diligence will be used to ensure the safety of articles after their arrival and placement, but in no case will the Fair staff be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.

Prizes: **1st, 2nd, and 3rd place ribbons** will be awarded in each category as stated above unless otherwise noted in this catalog. Essay - Poster, The Largest Watermelon, Quilt Block and Painted Barn Quilt contests will have cash prizes for the top 3 in each. Photography, Quilt Block, Painted Barn Quilt, Garden Scarecrow Contests will also have “People’s Choice Awards” voted on by fairgoers and announced Sunday, August 25, 2024, at 4 pm. *Questions? Contact us at bedfordvafair@gmail.com.*

New this year! Handmade Crafts Show.

During Fair operating hours, a craft show of handmade crafts will be held at the Ag Competition Building.

This is a juried show, meaning the items offered for sale are handcrafted by the vendor selling the item and must be approved in advance by the Ag Competition Committee. A separate entry form is included in this catalog or can be requested from us at bedfordvafair@gmail.com.

Space is limited as well as the number of vendors in each category to allow for a nice variety of products for sale. Sellers **are not** limited to Town of Bedford or Bedford County residents.

Booth fees are as follows: \$25 Friday, \$40 Saturday, \$25 Sunday, \$60 Friday & Saturday, \$60 Saturday, and Sunday, \$70 all three days.

Best in Show will be awarded.

Craft Show Requirements

All items sold must be handmade by the vendor selling the products and approved by the Ag Competition Committee in advance of the show. The last day to submit an entry form will be Monday August 19, 2024. All entry fees will be collected in advance of the show.

Contact us at bedfordvafair@gmail.com or call Carolyn Fellers at 434-941-4962 for application and any questions. Entry forms should be mailed to Bedford County Fair – Craft Show PO Box 1461 Bedford VA 24523. Applications may be delivered to us at the Bedford County Gym on August 19, 2024 between 9 am and 6 pm.

Vendor must provide tables and chairs. Availability of electric hook up to be determined.

Sellers may arrive between 12 pm and 2 pm on Friday August 23, 2024 to set up for the show. Saturday August 24, 2024 between 7 am and 9 am and Sunday August 25, 2024 between 9 am and 11 am.

All vehicles must be removed from the County Gym lot once unloaded on the day of show. You will be directed to the parking area by fair staff. At the end of the show, we will coordinate vehicle movement according to fair shut down and shuttle service for fair attendees. Please be patient as we do our best to coordinate your exit from the facility and property. There will be a limit of 1 or maybe 2 parking spaces per vendor. Parking permits will be issued to the craft show vendor. Anyone assisting may also utilize the shuttle service provided by Bedford County Fair.

Bedford County Fair is not responsible for theft or damage to any property of the craft show vendors or their staff.



Bedford County Fair Craft Show

August 23 – 25, 2024

Bedford County Gym

1059 Turning Point Rd. Bedford VA

*****All items must be handcrafted by the vendor selling the product. This is a juried show *****

Only 1 booth per vendor Booth fees as noted above. Booth size is 10' x 10'.

Name of Vendor _____

Trading As _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone Number _____

Email address _____

Will you need electricity if available? _____

List all items for sale: _____

By signing this application, I hereby waive any claims against and agree to hold harmless the Bedford County Fair, Bedford County, and their employees or volunteers from all liability for damages, loss or injury incurred during participation in this event.

Payment to be made to Bedford County Fair. Mail application and payment to Bedford County Fair – Craft Show PO Box 1461 Bedford VA 24523.

Signature _____ Date _____

Hours for this show are the same as for the fair. Friday 4 pm until 9 pm. Saturday 10 am until 9 pm and Sunday 12 pm until 6 pm. You may rotate staff at your booth throughout the fair. Please advise us of who will be working at your booth. Vendor parking will be close to this site. Specific site TBD. There will be a limit of 1 or maybe 2 parking spaces per vendor.

Adult & Youth Produce

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- ◆ All entries will be displayed during the fair on white paper plates of appropriate size.
- ◆ Bring items in bags labeled with your name and entry detail. Fair staff will set up on the plates in the display area. Plates are provided by the fair committee.
- ◆ Only one variety should be represented in an entry. Each entry can only contain the number of items listed. Any entry not meeting the quantity stated below for an entry will not be judged.
- ◆ All exhibits must be grown by the exhibitor.
- ◆ Each exhibitor is limited to one entry per class.
- ◆ Exhibits will be judged based on quality, condition, uniformity, and correctness of kind.
- ◆ Entries should be uniform. Uniformity applies to size, shape, and color.
- ◆ Eggs will be judged by both exterior and interior attributes.
- ◆ Questions concerning Fruit, Vegetables and Other Produce Division may be submitted by e-mail to bedfordvafair@gmail.com.
- ◆ **Egg containers will be provided to you. Each container will hold 6 eggs. See pick up dates in the general rules section.**

Adult (age 18 and over) Youth (ages 9 - 17)

Note name of variety on entry form

Fruit

Any Variety Cantaloupe

Any Variety Honeydew Melon

Any Variety Red Apples – 4

Any Variety Yellow Apples – 4

Heirloom Red Apples – 4

Heirloom Yellow Apples – 4

Any Variety Yellow Peaches – 4

Any Variety White Peaches – 4

Any Variety – Grapes – 1 large bunch

Any Variety – Nectarines – 4

Any Variety – Plums - 4

Any Variety Small Pumpkin – 1

Jack-O-Lantern Pumpkin – 1

Red Warty Pumpkin – 1

White Pumpkin – 1

Gourds – any variety – 1 large or 2 small (same variety)



Other – the Fair Committee will provide Egg cartons

Brown Eggs - 6

Color Eggs – 6

White Eggs – 6



Vegetables

Corn

Yellow - 2 ears shucked
White - 2 ears shucked
Bi-Color - 2 ears shucked

Beans/Peas

Green Beans - 10 pods
Blackeye Peas - 10 pods
Wax Beans - 10 pods
Lima Beans - 10 pods

Eggplant

Any Variety - 3

Greens

Collards - 4 leaves
Kale - 4 leaves
Turnips - 4 leaves
Turnips - plants with root

Onions

Red - 3
Sweet - 3
White - 3

Peppers

Bell - 3
Jalapeno - 3
Banana - 3
Cayenne - 3
Poblano - 3
Serrano - 3

Beets

Red - 3
Golden - 3
Other Variety - 3

Cucumbers

Pickling - 2
English - 2
Straight Eight Type - 2
Other Variety - 2

Cabbage

Any Variety - White - 1 head
Any Variety - Red - 1 head

Potatoes

Gold/Yellow - 3
White/Russet - 3
Blue/Purple - 3
Sweet Potatoes - 3

Squash

Any Winter Type - 2
Yellow Straight neck - 2
Yellow Crookneck - 2
Pattypan - other variety - 2
Sunburst - 2
Zucchini - 2

Tomato

Heirloom Sauce - 3
Heirloom Slicing - 3
Heirloom Salad/Canner - 3
Novelty Cherry, Pear, Grape - 8
Salad/Canner - 3
Sauce Type - 3
Slicing Type - 3

Agricultural Crops

B

Judging Hay based on:

Purity of type

Quality

Condition

Any questions regarding the Agricultural Crops Division may be submitted to bedfordvafair@gmail.com.

Adult and Youth Classes – Class Number, Description, Quantity Required

Adult (age 18 and over) Youth (ages 9 - 17)

Crops

Hay – Alfalfa- 1 whole square bale

Hay – Mixed Grass – 1 whole square bale

Soybeans – Quart jar of beans

Wheat – Quart jar

Oats – Quart jar



Adult and Youth Baked Goods

C

Love to bake and decorate? We are mixing things up a bit, so check out the options below.

Display containers will be provided to entrants in advance of the fair and must be used for entry. Containers may be picked up on Monday, August 19, 2024 between the hours of 9 am and 6 pm. If alternate arrangements are needed, please email us at bedfordvafair@gmail.com or contact Carolyn Fellers at 434-941-4962.

Sizes and Age Ranges are specific. Entries will not be accepted from children under 9 years of age.

Junior Youth ages 9-12 Youth ages 13-17 Adults ages 18 and over

- ◆ Entry forms must be postmarked no later than August 17, 2024.
- ◆ A clearly typed copy of the recipe on white 8.5” x 11” paper must accompany your entry form.
- ◆ Key recipe into a word document, print and mail or attach to email with entry form.
- ◆ ***Failure to include the recipe will disqualify your entry. Incomplete entry forms will not be accepted. Recipes are required to keep possible food allergies of the judges in mind.***
- ◆ Recipes will become the property of the Bedford County Fair and can be published as determined by the Fair Committee.
- ◆ Check-in for entries will be on Tuesday, August 20, 2024, from 9 am to 6 pm.
- ◆ All decisions made by the judges are final.
- ◆ Items may not be entered by professional bakers, or someone employed by a food service business as a baker or decorator.
- ◆ All entries must be made by the entrant in their home kitchen, must be fresh.
- ◆ Tasting the baked goods is part of the judging process.
- ◆ No mixes, store bought pie crusts, pre-made frostings may be used to produce the product.
- ◆ No artificial materials may be used to decorate cakes, cookies, etc.

- ◆ See each category for size and numbers of an item to prepare for entry.
- ◆ Each contestant may enter one entry per class.
- ◆ Only residents of the Town of Bedford or Bedford County may enter this contest.
- ◆ Do not place your name, any special labels, or logos on the food containers.

Judging Criteria:

35 points Flavor

30 points Appearance

20 points Texture

15 Points Aroma

See detail below for quantities and sizes. Baked good display containers will be provided for you. Bake your item in the appropriate size pan where applicable and move it to the container provided for display.

Adult & Youth Baked Goods

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Junior Youth ages 9-12 Youth ages 13-17 Adults ages 18 and over

Note name of baked good recipe on entry form. Recipe must be attached.

Breads

Biscuits – 4 biscuits – same flavor

Muffins – 4 muffins same flavor

Quick Breads – 9” x 5” loaf – 1 loaf. May be baked in fair provided display container.

Muffins and Quick Bread flavors for entry:

- Zucchini
- Apple
- Banana
- Pumpkin
- Gingerbread
- Carrot

Sticky-Cinnamon Rolls – 4 – same flavor

Cakes

Chocolate Cake – your favorite recipe –special prize category.
8” or 9” round or square cake. May be decorated.

Cookies

Special Contest ages 9-17. Best decorated cookie using a Sunflower theme.

Pies

Chess Pie – 8”- 9” Round – 1

Flavors for entry:

- Chocolate
- Lemon
- Coconut
- Brown Sugar
- Pecan

Fruit Pie – 8” – 9” Round – 1

Flavors for Entry:

- Apple
- Cherry
- Pumpkin

Adult & Youth Food Preservation

D

Food Preservation Rules

- ENTRY DEADLINE IS August 19, 2024.
- All entries in Food Preservation must be the product of the exhibitor, made in their home kitchen this year, 2024, and not a means of livelihood.
- Only residents of the Town of Bedford or Bedford County may enter. Divisions are open to Youth (Age 9-17) and Adults aged 18 and over.
- Entries are limited to one per class for each age group.
- Each entry form shall identify what is in the jar (i.e., tomato, green pepper, hot pepper) and processing details. (How, time frame)
- Use only Clear Canning jars with plain silver or gold jar rings and lids. No embellishments or paraffin waxes. **Please do not label the jars.** We will place the labels on the jars when you check in your entry.
- *All entries are limited to the size indicated in each category listed below. Entries submitted in any size other than the size indicated will not be accepted.*
 - ◆ Jams and Jellies – 1/2 pint (8 oz.) and 1-pint (16oz) jars.
 - ◆ Sauces, relishes, and pickles – 1/2 pint (8oz.) and 1-pint (16 oz.) jars.
 - ◆ Fruits, vegetables, tomatoes, and tomato juice – 1-pint (16 oz.) and 1-quart (32 oz.) jars.

Use USDA RECOMMENDATIONS when preparing jars.

Headspace is the unfilled space above the food in a jar and below its lid. USDA recommends headspace in specific foods as follows:

Jams, Jellies, Preserves - 1/4 inch

Fruits, Tomatoes, Pickles, Relishes, etc. - 1/2 inch

Low Acid Foods processed in pressure canner- 1 inch to 1 1/2 inches

LIABILITY

Diligence will be used to ensure the safety of articles after their arrival and placement, but in no case will the Fair staff be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.

SCORING

TOTAL POINTS 100

Quality of Canned Product - Total	40 Points
Maturity	15 pts
Color	10 pts
Condition of Product	15 pts
Pack – Total	30 pts
Proportion of Liquids to Solids	10 pts
Uniformity of Size/Shape of Product	10 pts
Correct Head Space	10 pts
Cleanliness and Appearance of Container - Total	30 pts



Adult & Youth Food Preservation

D

Adult and Youth Classes – Class Number, Description, Sizes Required
Note name of variety on entry form - 1 jar for each item entered

Adult (age 18 and over) Youth (ages 9 - 17)

Fruit Butters - 1/2 pint or pint jars

Apple Butter
Pumpkin Butter

Fruit - 1/2 pint or pint jars

Apples	
Applesauce	Pears
Blackberries	Pumpkin
Cherries	Raspberries
Peaches	Rhubarb

Jams - 1/2 pint or pint jars

Apple	Miscellaneous
Blackberry	Peach
Cherry	Raspberry
Grape	Strawberry

Jellies - 1/2 pint or pint jars

Apple	Miscellaneous
Blackberry	Peach
Cherry	Pepper
Cranberry	Raspberry
Grape	Strawberry

Other - Pint or Quart jars

Ketchup	Sauce - Spaghetti
Salsa	Sauce - Tomato
Sauce-BBQ	Soup - Tomato

Pickles - 1/2-pint or pint jars

Beet Pickles

Bread and Butter Pickles

Dill Pickles

Pickled Vegetables

Pickled Peppers

Salt Brine Pickles

Sour Pickles

Sweet Pickles

Preserves - 1/2 pint or pint jars

Apple

Blackberry

Cherry

Grape

Miscellaneous

Peach

Raspberry

Strawberry

Relish - 1/2 pint or pint

Chow Chow

Chutney

Corn

Hot Dog

Sweet Indian

Tomato

Zucchini

Vegetables - Pint or Quart Jars

Green Beans

Beets

Carrots

Corn

Peas

Potatoes

Squash

Tomato - Stewed

Tomato - Whole

Tomato – Juice

Specialty Item – may use specialty bottles

This is a new category and is open to different varieties.

Infused Vinegars

Judging criteria for Infused Vinegars:

Appearance – color of vinegar is uniform and typical of product and attractive for serving.	30%
Clarity – clear, not cloudy. No signs of spoilage.	30%
Container – Clean	20%
Pack – attractive, neat, space well used.	20%

Adult & Youth Arts & Crafts

E

Articles exhibited must be the work of the person in whose name entered and must have been made or completed in 2024 except for quilts. (See General Rules)

Entries are judged on design, appearance, color, workmanship, and suitability of materials.

Only one entry per person, per class allowed.

Size restrictions will be strictly adhered to. Please carefully read and adhere to size restrictions and regulations as set.

The Bedford County Fair Quilt Show is open to youth (age 9 - 17) and adult amateur quilters.

Entrants must be Town of Bedford or Bedford County residents.

Quilts:

1. All quilts must be clean, free of smoke or odor, constructed of fabric and quilted.
2. All entries must have been completed since January 2020.
3. There is a limit of one quilt per person, per class. A quilt may be entered in only one class.
4. Please include quilt dimensions in the description field of entry form. **DUE TO SPACE CONSTRAINTS, QUILT SIZES WILL BE LIMITED.** Quilts may not exceed maximum sizes noted for each entry type.
5. Quilts that do not meet these requirements will not be judged or displayed. The competitors will be notified.
6. Quilt Block Contest is open to Youth ages 9 -17 and Adults aged 18 and up.

For fairness in judging, please stitch a piece of fabric covering the name of the competitor before delivering the quilt to the Fair.

An amateur exhibitor is defined as anyone who has earned less than \$1,000 during the calendar year, either by selling their items, teaching the subject, doing extended exhibiting, or involving themselves in other professional related activities.

Each entry should be pieced and quilted entirely by the entrant.

E

Adult and Youth Classes – Class Number, Description, Size/Type

Adult (age 18 and over) Youth (ages 9 - 17)

Crafts—Woodworking

Woodburning - 24” x 24” max	Bird Feeder 12” x 18” max
Birdhouse - 12” x 18” max	Cutting Board 12” x 18” max
Hanging Gun Rack	Wood turned bowl or platter 12” x 18” max (bowl or platter)
Free Standing Gun Rack	Toolbox
Squirrel Feeder 12” x 18” max	Mailbox

Trash to Treasure—Indoor or Outdoor – Must be true upcycle recycle, meaning you are taking something **old** that served one purpose and converting to something with a **new** purpose.

Adult (age 18 and over) Youth (ages 9 - 17)

Decorative Use Useful Purpose

New Contest! Adult (age 18 and over) Youth (ages 9 - 17)

Have pallets? Create an item made with pallets. A planter, small table, chair, or a bench.

One item per entrant.

Maximum Size limits:

Bench 3’-4’ length maximum	Small table 3’ x 3’
Planter 20” x 20 “ x 20”	Adirondack chair
Kid’s size Chair	Rocking Chair

Adult (age 18 and over)

Needlework - Crochet

Hat

Afghan 68" x 78" max

Baby/Child Clothing

Scarf

Shawl

Doilies

Animal or Doll

Christmas Ornament

Youth (ages 9 - 17)

Needlework - Knitting

Hat

Afghan 68" x 78" max

Baby/Child Clothing

Scarf

Shawl

Animal or Doll

Christmas Ornament

Other - Decorative Displays

Adult (age 18 and over)

Youth (ages 9 -17)

Garden Basket filled with a combination of fruits, vegetables and herbs using a summer harvest theme.

Decorative Egg Displays – Create a beautiful basket of farm fresh eggs, using a summer harvest theme. Children’s toys may not be used as part of the display.

Egg Display



Garden Basket



Quilts - Hand Quilted

Baby 36" x 54" max

Lap 36" x 48" max

Placemats - Set of 2 or 4

Table Runner 17" x 48" max

Wall Hanging 3' x 4' max

Quilts - Machine Quilted

Baby 36" x 54" max

Lap 36" x 48" max

Placemats - Set of 2 or 4

Table Runner 17" x 48" max

Wall Hanging 3' x 4' max

Painted Barn Quilts

20" x 20" max, 12" x 12" minimum size. Painted on wood or canvas. The quilt block must be an Old Fashioned/Traditional quilt block pattern.

Quilt Block Contest

Old Fashioned/Traditional Quilt Block

See special entry form and rules on next pages for Quilt Block/Painted Barn Quilt Contest



Quilt Block & Painted Barn Quilt Contest Old Fashioned Quilt Block Pattern



- ◆ Each fabric block must be 12 1/2 "x 12 1/2 "including seam allowance.
- ◆ Hand or machined pieced block can be appliqued or pieced.
- ◆ Fabric must be washed and ironed when finished. Block must be pressed.
- ◆ No buttons, charms, or paint. (On fabric quilt block)
- ◆ DO NOT QUILT!
- ◆ One entry per exhibitor.
- ◆ All exhibitors must be a resident of the Town of Bedford or Bedford County.
- ◆ Painted Barn Quilts 12" x 12" minimum or 20" x 20" maximum painted on canvas or wood.
- ◆ Two groups - Youth ages 10-17 and Adults 18 and over.
- ◆ All blocks must be a traditional quilt block pattern.

Prizes: Adult (age 18 and over) Youth (ages 9 -17)

1st place – Blue ribbon and \$25

2nd place - Red ribbon and \$15

3rd place – Yellow ribbon and \$10

Best in show - \$50 and Rosette Ribbon (determined by fair judges)

People's Choice Award – determined by votes submitted by fair attendees receives a Rosette Ribbon.



Quilt Block Contest Entry Form
Old Fashioned Quilt Block

Entrant's Name

Entrant's Full Mailing Address

Circle One: Youth Aged 9 - 17 or Adult 18 and older.

Entrant's or Parent's Email Address _____

Entrant's or Parent's Phone Number _____

Name of Quilt Block

Describe the quilt block pattern and why you selected it.

Adult and Youth Photography and Art

F

- ◆ Photographs and artwork must be the sole work of the person in whose name they are entered. Artwork will be done in pencil or watercolor. This competition is for amateurs.
- ◆ All photographs must be taken between January 2020 and August 2024. Artwork must be completed between January 2020 and August 2024.
- ◆ Youth art and photos will be entered using the age of the contestant the year the entry was produced.
- ◆ Entries will be judged on appearance, composition, tone, balance, clarity, and contrast.
- ◆ **A title/name is required for your entry.**
- ◆ Limit one entry per exhibitor per class. **No frames or decorative borders.**
- ◆ All entries must be 8”x 10” and securely mounted to 11”x 14” black mat.
- ◆ **Since we require** the use of a specific type and size mat for photos and art, they will be available for purchase at check-in on August 19, 2024, from 9 am to 6 pm and, Tuesday August 20, 2024 from 9 am until 6 pm, check-in day at the Bedford County Gym for \$1.00 each.
- ◆ There will be a “People’s Choice Award” voted on by fairgoers. The winner will be announced on Sunday, August 25, 2024, at 4 pm.
- ◆ **Youth classes will be divided into three age groups – Sr Youth, 14-17 years old; Jr Youth 8-13 years old; and Youth under 8 years old.**
- ◆ The subjects for the 2024 Photography and Art Contests are as follows:
- ◆ Color Photography - Animals, Farm Scenes, People at Work, Historic site located in Bedford County or Town of Bedford, Bedford County Barns, Views from the Blue Ridge Parkway, Night Sky.
- ◆ Black & White photography – small child/children in a field or garden.
- ◆ Pencil Drawing – ‘Your Favorite Animal’.
- ◆ Watercolor Paintings – “Your Favorite Farm Scene”.

Photography/Art

F

Adults (18 years and over) Senior Youth (14-17 years)

Junior Youth (8-13 years) Youth (Ages 7 and under)

Color - Animals

Color - Farm Scenes

Color - People at Work

Color – Historic Site located in Bedford County or Town of Bedford

Color – Bedford County Barns

Color - Views from the Blue Ridge Parkway

Color – Night Sky

Black and White – Small child/children in a field or garden

Pencil - Animals

Watercolor – Farm Scene



Adult and Youth Horticulture

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Flower Arrangements

Using purchased or home-grown fresh cut flowers and greenery, create a flower arrangement with a summer or fall color scheme. Must be placed in a vase or in a small or medium sized bucket.

Adult (age 18 and over) Youth (ages 9-17)

Wall or Door Hanging

Create an arrangement to hang on a wall or door using purchased or home grown fresh cut flowers and greenery with a summer or fall color scheme.

Adult (age 18 and over) Youth (ages 9-17)

Judging Criteria for Horticulture Entries:

Color Harmony	25 points
Design, Balance, Proportion	25 points
Condition	20 points
Suitability of Material in relation to container	15 points
Distinction & Originality	10 points
Construction	5 points

Honey

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The purpose of including a Honey Show in the Bedford County Fair is to emphasize the importance of beekeeping to agriculture and to provide a competitive forum directed toward improvement of the products of beekeeping.

All entries in the Honey show are subject to the General Rules. The general rules and the show rules must be read and adhered to.

Honey Show Rules:

- ◆ Only one entry in each class may be made by an individual or that individual's family, or that individual's apiary.
- ◆ All entries must be the product of the exhibitor's apiary and have been produced in the current year.
- ◆ Do not label entries, include information on entry form.
- ◆ The exhibitor must choose which classes to place entries, but Judges may adjust classes at their discretion
- ◆ No commercial products or displays are permitted
- ◆ The decision of the judges in all cases will be final
- ◆ The Fair Committee has the authority to accept, reject and classify entries in accordance with the show policies, rules, and judging criteria
- ◆ Bedford County Fair assumes no liability for loss or damage to entries. Although Bedford County Fair will exercise all due care in judging and displaying entries exhibitors enter items at their own risk
- ◆ Entries not claimed on Sunday, August 25, 2024 will be disposed of by the Fair Committee.
- ◆ Extracted Honey must be in glass or plastic queen-line type jars and have plain metal or plastic lids.
- ◆ Cut-comb Honey must be in the appropriate cut comb container – all sides transparent
- ◆ Chunk Honey must be in cylindrical jars
- ◆ Honey jars should be delivered in a small box. Since container appearance is judged we will handle jars wearing gloves.

Judging criteria

Extracted Honey

Density	20 pts
Acceptable: 15%-18% - entries over 18.6% will be disqualified	
Absence of crystals	10 pts
Cleanliness	30 pts
Flavor	10 pts
Container Appearance	15 pts
Accuracy/Uniformity of filling (Headroom: 1/2" max, 3/8" min)	15 pts
Total	100 pts

Comb Honey

Uniformity of appearance	20 pts
Absence of uncapped cells	15 pts
Absence of watery capping	10 pts
Uniformity of color	15 pts
Cleanliness and absence of travel stains	15 pts
Freedom from granulation and pollen	15 pts
Uniform weight of each sample	10 pts
Total	100 pts

Adult (age 18 and over) Youth (ages 9-17)

Extracted	Light/Light Amber	2 - 1 lb. Bottles
Extracted	Amber/Dark	2 - 1 lb. Bottles
Cut Comb		2 packs 4" square



POSTER/ESSAY CONTEST

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- ◆ Poster/Essay must be the sole work of the person in whose name entering the contest.
- ◆ Entrant must be a Town of Bedford or Bedford County resident.
- ◆ Entries must be submitted in a plastic cover with name, address, and school grade on the front page.
- ◆ The essay or poster must be accompanied by the official entry form. No name should appear on the essay/poster itself.
- ◆ It is preferable that the essay be typed. However, an essay that is neatly handwritten in ink will be accepted.
- ◆ Two pages typed or 3 pages handwritten maximum for essays.
- ◆ All entries with entry form must be postmarked by August 8, 2024 and received by August 10, 2024. Mail entries to Bedford County Fair, P. O. Box 1461, Bedford, VA 24523. The Fair is not responsible if mailed item does not arrived by deadline.

Divisions:

Kindergarten – 2nd grade: Drawing – “My Farm, what does it look like?”

- ◆ All pictures must be on 8 1/2” x 11” white paper

3rd – 5th grade: Essay 200 words or less – “If I were a Farmer, what crops would I raise and why?”

6th – 8th grade: Essay 400 words or less - “What crops can be grown in Bedford County and traded with other countries?”

9th – 12th grade: Essay 700 words or less - “How can current trade agreements affect Bedford County farmers?”

- ◆ Posters will be judged on neatness, detail, and appropriate subject.
- ◆ Essay will be judged on content, clarity, and grammar.
- ◆ There will be cash awards for first, second and third place in each division.
- ◆ Prizes – Ribbons plus \$20 1st place, \$15 2nd place and \$10 3rd place in each division.



POSTER/ESSAY CONTEST

ESSAY ENTRY FORM (PRINT AND INCLUDE WITH ENTRY)

Name:

Full Mailing Address:

Grade: _____ Age as of August 1, 2024 : _____

School or Home School currently attending:

Parent's name and phone number

Parent's Signature

SPECIAL COMPETITIONS

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Entry Form Required for all Special Competitions

Entry deadline is August 19, 2024

See special entry form and rules on next pages for Special Competitions

The Largest Watermelon

- ◆ One entry per person. Watermelons are to be delivered on Tuesday August 20 ,2024, between 9 am and 5 pm.
- ◆ Watermelons must be grown within the Town of Bedford or Bedford County by resident who enters it for competition. It is the entrant's responsibility to transport the watermelon to be weighed in.
- ◆ Watermelons will be weighed. Heaviest Watermelon will be awarded the Largest Watermelon Award. Top 5 Watermelons will be displayed throughout the fair.

First place - \$20

Second place - \$15

Third place - \$10

Fourth & Fifth both \$5

Adult (age 18 and over) Youth (ages 9-17)

SCARECROW CONTEST

Help our farmer scare off the crows in their gardens. Create the meanest, scariest, most bewitching “old crow” you can in the Garden Scarecrow contest!

Adult (age 18 and over) Youth (ages 9-17)

RULES:

- ◆ Scarecrow specifications: Height 3’ to 6’. Arm span is not to exceed 4’ including accessories
- ◆ Scarecrow must be secured to a 6’ pointed stake. The fair will provide 5- gallon bucket filled with sand for standing your scarecrow while on display
- ◆ Scarecrow is to be traditional farm or garden variety made of hay, straw, or natural materials
- ◆ A pumpkin, melon, gourd, or traditional head may be used, but must be securely fastened to the scarecrow’s body. If material is used, faces may be painted, sewn, or drawn on burlap, cotton, or muslin mat.
- ◆ Clothing for scarecrow should be traditional with optional hat, gloves, and shoes.
- ◆ All entries are to be delivered on Tuesday, August 20, 2024, between 9 am and 6 pm.



People’s Choice Awards will be available for Photography, Quilt Block, Painted Barn Quilt and Garden Scarecrow*

Winner will receive a Rosette Ribbon.

Special Contest Entry Form

Adult (age 18 and over) Youth (ages 9-17)

Name:

Full Mailing Address:

Contest:

Phone number _____

Email Address _____

Parent's Signature if under 18 years old
