

2018 Katy ISD Floral Expo

Purpose of the Expo is:

1. To provide an opportunity for Katy ISD FFA members to showcase abilities and skills that have been obtained through classroom instruction.
2. To promote the development of skills in Floral Design/Horticulture through competition.
3. To recognize individual accomplishments in the area of Floral Design/Horticulture.
4. To provide an opportunity for the public to develop an appreciation of this important phase of the FFA Program.

Students are allowed to participate in BOTH categories.

Category 1 - Pre-Made Arrangements

The Divisions

1. Fresh Floral: Any type of fresh flower arrangement that is created by the student.
2. Dish Garden: Terrariums must be exhibited in a covered or closed container for growing plants and its contents must be arranged by the exhibitor. Dish Gardens and Terrariums must be the property of the exhibitor by April 16, 2018.
3. Other: This division may include silk, dried, wreaths, etc. that are created by the student.

Rules:

- Exhibitors may only exhibit one horticulture project in this category. The entry fee will be \$25.00. No personal checks will be accepted.
- Students must be FFA members in good standing of their respective chapters and meet UIL eligibility.
- Students will be required to pre-register their entries prior to the Livestock Show by the April 16, 2018 deadline.
- Exhibits must be checked in at the by 2:00pm by the student, Tuesday, May 8, 2018. Judging will begin at 2:30pm.
- Exhibitors must submit a portfolio containing photos of them creating the project. Portfolio will contain a minimum of 6 photos showing different stages of development with descriptions and must accompany each horticulture entry. Students must also include a bill of materials for the project. If the project does not meet this requirement, it will be disqualified from the show.
- Entries may not be of a size any larger than the exhibitor is able to hand carry into the room. If the project does not meet this requirement, *it will be disqualified from the show.*
- Student must determine which division their project is to be exhibited.
- 1st -10th place ribbons in each Division will be awarded.
- All Projects may be sold in a Silent Auction that will be conducted at the end of the day. The decision to sell or not must be made at the time of check-in on the day of the show

Category 2 - Floral Challenge

The Floral Challenge competition allows teams of 2 exhibitors to compete on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 during the Katy ISD CTE Week. A maximum of 25 teams of two exhibitors may participate in the Floral Challenge. Entries will be accepted on a first received basis.

- The entry fee will be \$30.00 per team. No personal checks will be accepted.
- Students must be FFA members in good standing of their respective chapters and meet UIL eligibility.
- Students will be required to pre-register their entries prior to the Floral Expo by April 16, 2018 deadline.

Competition Format: Each team will compete in the design and execution of a floral arrangement and table design.

1. Teams will have one hour to plan and execute their design.
2. Entries are arrangements of cut materials and table design elements.
3. All cut materials and table design elements will be provided by the Katy ISD AST.
4. **Teams MUST utilize the place setting that is provided.**
5. Each team will be furnished with a box of materials, including fresh flowers, foliage, containers, decorative elements, and supplies.
6. The flowers, foliage, and supplies will be the same for each team.
7. Each team will receive the same type of decorative elements, but the design of each element can be different amongst teams.
8. The team is responsible for determining which materials they will use in the design of their entry.
9. Entries will be displayed on a table with a table covering. The team is responsible for positioning all elements of their design on the table. Teams are required to use the table covering provided by the Show.
10. All elements of the entry should reflect or enhance the theme which will be revealed at the contest.
11. Each team's design will be a sole effort with no assistance from anyone in any manner.
12. No cell phones, iPads, or other communication devices are allowed in the competition area during the competition.
13. Entry should be designed to be VIEWED FROM ALL SIDES.
14. No paints, ribbons, or decorative accessories of any kind may be supplied by the teams.
15. **Only the materials supplied by the Katy ISD AST will be allowed.**

16. Each team must bring their own tools. Tools cannot be shared by exhibitors if they are NOT on the same team.

○ Permissible tools include:

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| ■ Floral knife or shears | ■ Floral glue |
| ■ Hot glue guns | ■ Greening pins |
| ■ Hot glue sticks | ■ Wire cutters |
| ■ Floral tape | ■ Stem strippers |
| ■ Anchor tape | ■ Scissors |
| ■ Wire | ■ Glue dots |

Participants in the Floral Challenge competition must check in on Tuesday, May 9, 2018 between 1:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. A mandatory meeting will be held at 2 p.m., and the competition will begin immediately after the meeting. Any exhibitors arriving during or after the meeting will be allowed to participate if space is available; however, the entry will not be judged or scored.

Judging: Judging will be based on the following four categories:

- Design Aesthetics – Line/form, Color, and Space
 - Design Principles – Balance, Proportion, and Unity
 - Mechanics/Execution – Neatness and cleanliness of design, proper coverage of foam and sturdiness of design.
 - Creativity
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- Each category can earn a maximum of 25 points.
 - Only judges and AST will be allowed inside the competition area while judging is in process.
 - Judges decisions are final.
 - Winning entries will be announced at the dinner on May 9, 2018, and winning exhibitors will be recognized. Buckles and trophies may be picked up at this time. Exhibitors are required to attend the dinner.

Portfolio Rubric

Contestant name/number: _____

Division: _____

****If the portfolio is absent the project is disqualified****

	Excellent 10-9 points	Good 8-7 points	Average 6-5 points	Needs Improvement 5-1 points
Craftsmanship - Appearance - Organization				
Creativity - Uniqueness of design				
Pictures (minimum 6) - Is there accurate descriptions? - Different stages	*must have min 6 pictures	*must have min 6 pictures		
Bill of Materials - Cost - Description - Grand Total	*required	*required	*required	
Comments:				Total Points