

Cassia County 4-H Jewelry Making Exhibit Requirements

Jewelry is the art of creating personal adornment with materials such as, but not limited to: metals, glass and clay. All Jewelry will be judged on workmanship, appearance, and creativity. **Members must exhibit by their grade.**

ALL Grades MUST display projects on a 15" X 15" board covered in either black or soft gray fabric. Each member MUST fill out a ZSuites Project Record Book which includes a materials list which MUST be filled out completely. All jewelry must be securely fastened to the board with pins.

All necklaces and bracelets must have clasps except for memory wire and knotted items.

Failure to follow the exhibit requirements will result in a reduction in the judges scoring.

BEGINNER - Grades 3 & 4

Members will become familiar with the different types of jewelry making and learn the fundamentals of jewelry making. The skills to learn include: Jewelry making tools, how to compliment colors, adding clasps and closures, choosing appropriate stringing material, knotting, and simple earring construction. The bead loom is not allowed in this division. All jewelry is to be made from pre-made materials - including kits.

EXHIBIT GRADE 3: Members exhibit exactly 3 pieces of jewelry. One piece must include a crimp bead and 1 piece must include a headpin. Jewelry must be displayed on the required board. One pair of earrings counts as one piece of jewelry. Member may exhibit any combination of 3 pieces. Examples: 3 necklaces; bracelet and 2 pairs of earrings; necklace, bracelet, and earrings.

EXHIBIT GRADE 4: Requirements are the same as grade 3 but the member should expand upon techniques learned in Grade 3.

INTERMEDIATE - GRADES 5 & 6 & 7

Members will expand of the basic skills previously learned and create more involved pieces. Members are encouraged to experiment with different types of materials, techniques, and create original pieces.

Members may make the beads. All pieces of jewelry must have a pattern. Please see jewelry manual for guidance on patterns.

EXHIBIT GRADES 5 & 6 & 7: Members must exhibit exactly 3 pieces of jewelry that demonstrates **2 or more** different techniques. A technique may include a skill and/or a type of jewelry. Examples: wire wrapping, fimo (clay), bead looming, knotting, craft jewelry, etc. Variety is stressed at this level. One piece of jewelry must use a published pattern. Suitable patterns can be found online, in books, at craft stores, etc. One piece of jewelry must be an original design. Original jewelry must have an original pattern. (see jewelry manual for instructions). All patterns must be included in an envelope securely attached to the back of the board with your name on it.

ADVANCED - GRADES 8-12:

Members will explore advanced jewelry techniques and are encouraged to design their own jewelry using a variety of materials. All pieces must have a pattern.

EXHIBIT GRADES 8-12: Members must exhibit exactly 4 pieces of jewelry that demonstrate increased difficulty over the previous year. At least 2 pieces of jewelry must be original designs with original patterns. Patterns must be securely attached to the back of the board in an envelope with your name.