



Date: June 30, 2023
To: 4-H Club Leaders and Independent Volunteers
From: Karen Giles, 4-H Extension Educator
Re: **Skowhegan State Fair 4-H Exhibit Hall Information and Request form**

The Skowhegan State Fair will be held August 10th through the 19th. We invite all clubs and Independent members to display their work in the 4-H Exhibition Hall!

If your club is planning to display a club exhibit or an Educational Display in the 4-H building at the Skowhegan State Fair, the attached form needs to be completed and returned to the Somerset County Extension Office at the email or address below. The information on this form is used to assign space to participating clubs. Display space will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis, so reserve your space soon. Note that the deadline for reservations is **July 21st**.

The Fair Rules are available on the Skowhegan State Fair website, <https://skowheganstatefair.com/>, or can be sent to you upon request. These have the list of valid categories, an exhibit registration form, where all entries will be listed by youth, and a Category Totals form. Exhibit Judging cards and Life Skills Wheels are required and are also available on line or from your Extension Office.

* Anyone receiving premiums from the fair must fill out a W-9, per fair rule book.

The 4-H Exhibit Hall will be open on Monday, August 7th from 4 to 8 p.m. and Tuesday, August 8th from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. for exhibits to be set up. All items to be displayed will be checked for proper paperwork and categories before display set-up can begin. Since this could take some time, it would be helpful if you could fill out the date/time on the form below, or phone or email us to schedule your arrival time so someone will be available to check you in. If you arrive at a time other than the one scheduled for your club, we will accommodate you, but there may be a wait.

Judging will take place on Wednesday, August 9th, 8 am- 8 pm.

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Suggestions for displaying items at the Skowhegan Fair 4-H Exhibit Hall

- Judges need to have access to each item, so have them easily accessible and have a way to attach placement ribbons.
- Use "S" hooks to hang things from the lattice walls. Lattice wood is very hard and thumb tacks don't work well. Bent paper clips work great.
- Use coat hangers for T-shirts and other similar large items.

**Intent to Exhibit
2023 Skowhegan State Fair Request for 4-H Exhibit Space**

Club Exhibit Display Spaces will be assigned based on your estimated number of items to exhibit. We will do our best to provide a display space that will fit your needs. All Independent members will display together in the same space, unless there are extra display spaces available.

I would like to:

- _____ reserve a Club Exhibit Display Space
- _____ approximate number of exhibit items
- _____ need electricity - the outlets are two prongs only.

All **Educational Display Spaces** are **4' deep x 5½' wide**. Independent Family units may also request an Educational Display Space.

Check all that apply:

- _____ reserve an Educational Display space

Please complete:

Club/Independent name _____

Your Name _____

Phone number _____ Email _____

Address _____

I would like to set up my display (date/time) _____

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The form may be emailed to karen.giles@maine.edu (preferred) or mailed to:

UMaine Extension- Somerset County
7 County Drive
Skowhegan, ME 04976

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