

## 4-H CROPS

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1. All rules (pages 10-11) apply.
2. All exhibits must have been grown and cared for by the exhibitor as a part of their current 4-H crops project.
3. Crop plants should be shown in top condition – roots should be **well washed** and displayed in clear plastic bags-not buckets.
4. Crop plants will be judged upon size, maturity, variety, freedom from pests and damage, and structural correctness.
5. All entries not exhibited according to class requirements and show rules can be dropped a letter grade at the discretion of the judge.
6. Exhibitors should participate in conference judging. If not available for conference judging, please complete answers on page 11 as to information on project.
7. One entry per class only.

### **STATE FAIR DELEGATES MAY BE SELECTED FROM (\*) CLASSES**

Two State Fair Exhibits may be selected from this department.

#### Class Name

**\*Soybeans** – Exhibit five fresh soybean plants (include root system that is washed) that are representative of member's 4-H project field. List variety, date of planting and whether drilled or row beans on a 3" x 5" card.

**\*Corn** – Exhibit two fresh plants of field corn (include root system that is washed) that are representative of member's 4-H project field. List variety and date of planting on 3" x 5" card.

**\*Small Grains** – Exhibit one gallon of the current year's crop of oat, wheat, rye or barley that is representative of the member's 4-H project field. List variety and date of planting on a 3" x 5" card.

**\*Crop Display** – Experimental or educational project related to one experience from your project. Include explanation for public understanding. Tabletop display should be limited to 2' wide and 15" deep and maximum poster size 22" x 30". Exhibits over 4" tall will be placed on the floor.

**Alfalfa/Hay** – Exhibit one flake of hay/alfalfa (current year) approximately 2 ½ lbs. bagged or boxed OR sample of haylage approximately 5 lbs.; in closed container that is representative of the member's 4-H project field. List variety, date of planting, and which cutting the alfalfa is on a 3" x 5" card.

**\*Clover Challenge** – This class is limited to 15-18 year olds who are enrolled in Clover Challenge for this project area. Exhibit a display illustrating the Clover Challenge area explored. This could include anything NOT covered in this project books, including but not limited to career exploration, integrated pest management, global positioning systems, etc. The completed Illinois 4-H Clover Challenge Agreement must be presented with the exhibit.

Ribbons will be presented to:

Champion Soybeans      Champion Corn      Champion Small Grains  
Champion Alfalfa/Hay      Champion Crop Display

Trophies will be presented to:

Champion Corn  
Champion Soybeans  
Champion Grains/Alfalfa