

Tips for County Fair Exhibitors - Knitting

The county fair . . . what a great time it is! Every summer, families flock to county fairs to see the latest 4-H project exhibits. Exhibiting is a fun way for you to showcase your project work. When you enter a knitting exhibit at the county fair, you'll be showing the public, and the judge, what you've learned in the project. Make your exhibit the best it can be. Here are some tips:

1. Craftsmanship

- a. Uniform tension should be evident through the project.
- b. You should achieve gauge and be able to understand and control the technique used to make the project.
- c. An appropriate method of joining sections should be used and all yarn ends should be properly finished.
- d. The project should be clean.
- e. If used, the ribbing should be even, firm and elastic.

2. Materials

- a. The weight and texture of yarn should be appropriate to project appearance and function.
- b. The fiber content should be appropriate for the type of project.

3. Design

- a. Color should enhance the stitch technique used and the type of project.
- b. Texture of the yarn or stitch should be appropriate and complement the project.