



SEWING

Department 123— Junior Open Show

Amount Offered: \$633.00

Entry Fee: \$1.00 per entry (2 entries per Class maximum)

Late Registration Fee – Approval Required: \$25.00 per Entry

Judging Time: Monday, August 3rd, 2026, at 6:00 pm

Location: Building F

Superintendent: Fay Wilson.....(815)388-2945

Assistant Superintendents: Judy Corson.....(815)289-6005

Dee Pedersen.....(815)276-4421

Rules and Regulations

NEW THIS YEAR: Curfew Enforced – Quiet time and curfew is 12:00am midnight – 5:00am.

All exhibits are closed. This includes grandstands, midway, barns and campgrounds. Anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult during these times.

1. Entries must be filed with the fair office by 2:00 pm on July 19, 2026, **online entries are due at midnight. LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU REGISTER ONLINE!**
2. All exhibitors are required to purchase a week long exhibitor pass.
3. Home Arts General Rules apply.
4. Bring entries to **Building F** on **Monday, August 3rd, 2026**, between **12:00 pm and 6:00 pm**.
5. Home and Creative Arts Committee exhibits will be released on the **SUNDAY** of fair week between **6 pm and 7 pm OR MONDAY AFTER FAIR (AUGUST 10th) from 8 am-10 am**, exhibits may not be removed before then. Premium checks, ribbons and exhibits will be available for pick up at these time Class only. Any exhibits that remain unclaimed after 4 pm on the Friday following the Fair will be donated or discarded.
6. Each entry must be on a **swivel hanger**. Quilters, please call a Superintendent if you have any questions about display.
7. Exhibits must be the sole creation of the exhibitor unless otherwise stated.
8. Garments must be **NEW or LIKE NEW**, not noticeably worn. All entries must be clean and pressed. Soiled, stained or worn items **will be disqualified** prior to judging.
9. If not previously exhibited, your 4-H sewing project can be entered this year.
10. Home sewing machines are to be used.
11. All identifying labels must be covered.
12. First place items are automatically entered in the appropriate Best of Show. Best of Show receives a ribbon.
13. **Division A and B Class 20: Any Recycled Clothing “Upcycling”**: Use any previously used clothing to create a new article of Clothing.
14. Exhibitors may provide a “3X5” card with their name neatly printed to be attached to exhibit after judging so that people are able to read it from a distance. Attach face (name) down when entering the item.
15. **Quilted is defined** as the layering of batting between the backing and the quilt top. Finish with desired technique. Many quilt projects combine techniques. Classify your entry by the technique you wish to be judged.
16. The McHenry County Fair Association, for the safety of those attending the Fair (including the rider), prohibits the use of bicycles, scooters, skateboards, hoverboards, and similar wheeled riding items of the Fairgrounds, during the Annual Fair, including set-up and take-down.

Sewing Division Premiums First-\$4; Second-\$3; Third-\$2; Ribbons only for Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Place

Best of Show Sewing Clothing (Age 8-13): Rosette

Best of Show Sewing Clothing (Age 14-18): Rosette

Quilting Division Premiums First-\$7; Second-\$5; Third-\$3

Best of Show (Age 8-13): Rosette

Best of Show (Age 14-18): Rosette

Division	Class	
A Clothing (ages 8-13)	1 Skirt 2 Jacket 3 Blouse/top/shirt 4 T-Shirt or sweatshirt 5 Jumper or overalls 6 Dress 7 Party Dress (formal or semi-formal) 8 Slack, short or divided skirt 9 Swim wear or cover up 10 Vest 11 Night wear 12 Costume	13 Clothes accessories (scarf, belt, etc.) 14 Household Accessories (apron, napkins, etc. NOT QUILTED) 15 Pillows 16 Pillowcases 17 Purse or tote - sewn 18 Any recycled clothing (include explanation) 19 Doll clothing and accessories 20 Toys - stuffed 21 Fleece - throw square knot/pillows
B Clothing (ages 14-18)	1 Skirt 2 Jacket 3 Blouse/top 4 T-Shirt or sweatshirt 5 Jumper or overalls 6 Dress 7 Party dress (formal or semi-formal) 8 Slack, short or divided skirt 9 Swim wear or cover up 10 Vest 11 Night wear 12 Costume	13 Clothes Accessories (scarf, belt, etc.) 14 Household accessories (apron, napkins, etc. NOT QUILTED) 15 Pillows 16 Pillowcases 17 Purse or tote - sewn 18 Any recycled clothing (include explanation) 19 Doll clothing and accessories 20 Toys - stuffed 21 Fleece - throw square knot/pillows
C Quilts (ages 8-13)	1 First quilt (crib or larger) 2 Wall hanging (any size) 3 Applique quilt (any size) 4 Pieced quilt (crib or larger) 5 Garment (all or partially quilted)	6 Tied quilt (crib or larger) 7 Quilted household accessory (pillow, runner, etc.) 8 Purse or tote (quilted)
D Quilts (ages 14-18)	1 First quilt (crib or larger) 2 Wall hanging (any size) 3 Applique quilt (any size) 4 Pieced quilt (crib or larger) 5 Garment (all or partially quilted)	6 Tied quilt (crib or larger) 7 Quilted household accessory (pillow, runner, etc.) 8 Purse or tote (quilted) 9 Group quilt (see rules)
E Mommy and Me	1 Simple Item-Exhibitor 7 years old and younger with the help of Mom, Dad, Grandma, etc. Sew a simple item-pillow, tote bag, etc.	

Sewing Junior Entry Form

Use a separate form for each show.

- Register online at www.mchenrycountyfair.com or in the office at 11900 Country Club Road, Woodstock, IL 60098 on Monday – Tuesday from 9 am – 2 pm. In person registration dates: Tuesday June 2nd, Tuesday July 7th 2-7pm and July 19th 11 am-2pm ONLY.
- Entries must be filed with the fair office by 2:00 pm on July 19, 2026, online entries are due at midnight. **LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU REGISTER ONLINE!**
- Entries will NOT be taken by phone, fax, or email. NO REFUNDS!
- One entry per line. Note changes in Division and Class numbers!

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

	Dept. Number	Division Letter	Class Number	Description of Entry
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I have read and understand, and in consideration for being permitted to exhibit at the 2026 McHenry County Fair, agree and consent to abide by the rules of the competition. This includes the McHenry County Rules and Regulations and the Home Arts Department Rules as stated in the Rule section in the McHenry County Fair Book and on the Website: mchenrycountyfair.com

Exhibitor (Owner/Exhibitor) Date

Guardian/Parent of Exhibitor (if under 18 years of age) Date

#	Fee	Total
	\$1.00 per Junior Open entry	
	\$25.00 Late Registration Fee Per Entry	
	\$15 Exhibitor Pass (one required per Exhibitor)	
	Total	\$