DATE: January 8, 2015

TO: All CEA’s, 4-H Agents & Coordinators

FROM: Montza Williams
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RE: 2015 East District 5 Fashion Showcase
Saturday – April 25, 2015

District Registration Deadlines and Fee Schedule

- Register via 4-H Connect between February 23 - March 27, 2015 for the fees shown below
  Late registration period March 28 – April 1, 2015; fee will include a $25 late charge

- Entry Fee per contest
  ► Fashion Show – $8.00
  ► Fashion Storyboard – $8.00
  ► Trashion Fashion – $8.00
  ► Duds to Dazzle – $10.00
  ► Window WOWed – $8.00
  ► Duct Tape Designs – no entry fee

- Paid to: Texas 4-H Foundation
  P.O. Box 11020
  College Station, Texas  77842-1020
  memo line – D5 Fashion Show

- Forms due April 10, 2015
  ► Judge Information form to Cindy Van Devender. Two judges per county.
  ► Scoresheets to District Office.

- Required forms are available on line at http://fcs.tamu.edu/clothing/4h/packet/index.php .
  Be sure to use appropriate forms for specific contests!
  Forms are also available on the District 5 website.

- Construction and Buying Fashion Show worksheets WILL be judged at the district level in 2015. Fashion Show Buying/Construction paperwork will be judged on April 6, 2015 at the Nacogdoches County Extension Office.

- Construction and Buying Fashion Show worksheets should be submitted to the county office by March 27, 2015 to be processed for District judging.
AGE DIVISIONS:  (Division is determined by age on August 31, 2014)
Junior – 3rd grade to age 10
Intermediate – ages 11-13
Senior – ages 14 and older

COMPETITION CATEGORIES:  (Category descriptions can be located in the state guidelines.)

**Buying**
- Business/Interview Attire
- Fantastic Fashion under $25
- Semi-Formal to Formal
- Special Interest

**Construction**
- Everyday Living
- ReFashion
- Semi-Formal to Formal
- Theatre/Costume

**Natural Fibers (Sr. Only)**
- Cotton
- Wool/Mohair

**Fashion Storyboard**
- Wearable
- Accessory
- Jewelry
- Non-Wearable
- Pet Clothing

Each county may enter one contestant in each category for a total of thirteen (13) Juniors, thirteen (13) Intermediates, and fifteen (15) Seniors in the District Show.

Agents are responsible for policing qualifying entries at the county level in all categories based on category descriptions. However, if the District Office or the Fashion Show Judges find reason to question an entry and these reasons are validated, entry may be disqualified.

**Fashion Show**
No one may change categories between District and State contests. However, participants competing at the County level may change categories between County and District as space and agent permits. Only one county entry per category per division is allowed at the District contest.

- Three minutes allowed for judging.
- Presentations will not be permitted during interview judging.
- No additional garments may be carried. All garments must be worn during the competition. However, props can be carried for the Fashion Show only (i.e. show stick, tennis racket, golf club, corsage, teddy bear). No props will be allowed during the judging process.
- All garments to be judged must have been purchased or constructed during participation in the current year’s 4-H clothing project.
- Garments not fitting category description will be judged accordingly.
- There is one fashion show rehearsal for all contestants. They must be present.
- Natural Fibers is now a class just like construction or buying. A member may choose to only enter the Natural Fibers Contest or both the Natural Fibers Contest and the appropriate Construction or Buying division. A Natural Fiber contestant may be judged twice.
- **Junior contestants are allowed to construct one complete outfit or one piece of an outfit.** Judges will ask Junior contestants what part of their outfit they made.
- **Intermediate and Senior contestants must construct all parts of their outfit.** Entries not meeting these requirements will be judged accordingly.
- A 4-Her no longer has to be present for the awards ceremony to receive their award. However, it is **STRONGLY** recommended that the 4-Hers be present throughout the program.

**TIES:**
If ties occur, a judging team will break the tie before the fashion show begins.
ALTERNATES:
Alternates will be accepted until 9:00 a.m. on April 23rd, in the District Office. Entry materials must be submitted to the tabulation committee before the judging begins.

Trashion Fashion
- See State Trashion Fashion materials for specific entry/judging criteria.
- There will not be a video entry for District competition.
- All entries will interview and show at the District Fashion Show.
- This is an event for individuals or teams composed of 2 to 4 people of any age. However, only intermediates and senior members can compete at the state level.

Fashion Storyboard
Participants may enter only one storyboard. Entering on Connect and submitting the Fashion Storyboard the day of the contest constitutes the entry; there will not be an interview. The Fashion Storyboard Label must be securely affixed to the back of the storyboard. The label MUST be legibly printed or typed and MUST be complete, including the answer to the Originality of Design question. The 4-H member should not put his/her name on the front. Label can be found at the following:
http://fcs.tamu.edu/clothing/4h/packet/index.php
- Theme: Inspired by Art

Window WOWed
Teams of up to five (5) members of any age will design a window display using merchandizing and marketing techniques to “market” fashion merchandise and products. Guidelines follow.
- Display area is 8 feet long, 8 feet high, and 30 inches wide. One 8 foot table will be provided. Two 8 foot lattice panels may be available for use (depending on number of entries).
- Display can start from the table or from the floor.
- Creativity is encouraged but display should coordinate with the theme. Teams must provide everything they use in the display.
- 4-H must be incorporated into the display.
- Participants will have 1 hour to complete the display.
- All teams will start and stop simultaneously.
- Theme: Inspired by Art

Duds to Dazzle
- See State Duds to Dazzle materials for specific entry/judging criteria.
- D5 will have three age divisions: Junior/Intermediate, Senior, and Mixed.
The Mixed division would be a team that could not fit into one of the other divisions.
- Design categories will be designated the day of the contest.
- Each team will have 60 minutes to construct an item, plan a presentation, and clean up the construction area.
- This is a team event where teams consist of at least three but no more than five members.

Duct Tape Designs
Be creative with duct tape and show it for everyone to see. Two categories available: Clothing and non-clothing. Non-clothing would include items such as wallets, accessories, wall art, flowers, etc. If you use a pattern or a form, it must be covered. **Only** the duct tape should show.

- Individual Entry

**REMINDERS**

- It is each agent’s responsibility to read the State Guidelines for Fashion Show and Fashion Storyboard contests. These are available at the FCS website [http://fcs.tamu.edu](http://fcs.tamu.edu).
- Each contestant is responsible for reading the Texas 4-H Fashion Show Guide and complying with the requirements. The contestant’s entry on 4-H Connect signifies that she/he has read the guidelines and the entry complies.

**JUDGES:**

*Submission of the Judges Information Sheet is a mandatory requirement.* This information is due April 10, 2015. Each county should submit these forms providing the names, addresses, e-mail addresses and phone numbers of two qualified people who have agreed to judge this event to Cindy VanDevender at cvandeve@ag.tamu.edu. Also, please remember….*if your judges cancel, you are responsible for replacing them.*

Remind your members of the following State opportunities.

- 4-H Clothing and Textiles Advisory Board
- Quilt Challenge and Community Service Project
- 4-H Alpaca Wool Challenge and Community Service Project
- Quilts of Valor
- 1 Million Pillowcase Challenge

Specific job assignments will be forthcoming. Any questions regarding the Fashion Show should be directed to the chair of the specific contest or the District Office.

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Fashion Storyboard: Katelyn Smith
Window WOWed: Ashley Pellerin
Duds to Dazzle/Trashion: Emily Rice
Duct Tape Designs: Carolyn Tyler

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