



2023 DISTRICT 5 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST INFORMATION

District Photography Contests

- General Photography
- Fall Foliage
- Spring Flowers
- Entomology

Photographs that meet the category criteria can be entered in more than one contest. Example: a photo of a rose could be entered into the Spring Flowers contest and General Photography contest under Plant/Flora category.

State Photography Contests

- General Photography
- Natural Resources

State entry information and rules of play are available at https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/photography_state_rules_2022_2023.pdf

Participation at the District level is NOT required to participate at the State level. Senior age-division youth (grades 9-12) are welcome to participate.

General Information for all District 5 Photography Contests

Entry Requirements

- Open to enrolled District 5 4-H members and adults; Clover Kids may participate in Fall Foliage, Entomology and Spring Flowers contests
- Register to participate through 4HOnline at <https://v2.4honline.com>
- 4-H member and adult Contest Fee – Flat fee of \$15 per contestant per photography contest (no per photo fee). NO LATE ENTRIES accepted
- Clover Kids – no fee to participate (Fall Foliage, Entomology, and Spring Flowers contests)
- All photographs will be uploaded via Submittable (see due dates for each contest)

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Adult Contest Participation

- District 5 adults (parents, volunteers, and agents) that have a 4-H profile in 4HOnline can show off their photography skills.
- Same entrance requirements and categories as 4-H youth (see above).
- Show off your photography skills for District 5 “bragging rights!”

Awards

- Presentation of awards and prizes will be held during Come Alive in D5 on Saturday, April 15th, in the church auditorium.
 - 1st – 3rd place in each age division and each category will be presented a rosette and will be eligible to select a prize.
 - Ribbons will be awarded based upon numerical score (blue 81-100, red 51-80, white 31-50, green 30 and below).
 - A Best of Age Division award will be selected from photographs in each age division (one per Junior, Intermediate, and Senior).
 - A Best of Overall Show will be selected from all photographs submitted.
 - Best of Age Division and Overall Show photographs will be on display during Come Alive in D5.
 - All photographs will be displayed in a running PowerPoint show between contests in the church auditorium.
 - Clover Kids will receive participation ribbons.
- Entry via 4HOnline gives permission to the District office to use the participant’s name and photograph for marketing and promotion purposes.

Come Alive in D5 Location

- Cross Brand Cowboy Church, 11915 FM 2015, Tyler, Texas 75708

Special Accommodations

- Any competitor who requires auxiliary aids or special accommodations must contact the District office at least 2 weeks before the competition or note such needs when registering on 4HOnline.

General Information

- See following pages for contest specific information, categories, and photograph requirements.

2022 FALL FOLIAGE PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

General Information

- Open to 4-H members, adults, and Clover Kids in District 5
- Individual event
- Identification of tree based upon leaf and common name.
- Photography skills implemented to capture colorful fall leaves.

Colorful Foliage Category

Photos of interesting, unique, and colorful tree leaves that depict Fall or Autumn. Photo subject should include a clear picture of the tree leaf so that identification can be verified.

District Deadlines

Step 1: Register to participate on 4HOnline between **October 11 and December 10, 2022.** NO late registration.

Step 2: Upload photographs in Submittable with the specified format between **November 15 and December 15, 2022.** NO late uploads. A Submittable link to upload photographs will be emailed to registered participants once approved in 4HOnline.

Results and Placings

Photographs are judged as submitted after December 15, 2022. Results will be announced at Come Alive in D5 on Saturday, April 15, 2023.

Submission of Photographs

Photos are to be uploaded as a .jpeg, .jpg, or .gif file into Submittable via link emailed to you after registration on 4HOnline. If you do not have a Submittable account, you will need to set up a profile, at no charge, using this link: <https://texas4-hyouthdevelopment.submittable.com/signup>

Judging Rules

Judging will be based upon age division and the following components:

- Correct identification of tree (common name) based upon photograph of leaf (point range 0 – 3).



- Photo entries will be judged based on creativity, quality, originality, and overall expression of Fall (Autumn) season (point range 0 – 10).
- **EARN bonus points:** One point for the correct genus and one point for the correct species name will be awarded (point range 0 – 2)
- **Up to 15 total points per picture can be awarded.** Entry of 10 photographs will result in a possible grand total of 150 points awarded per participant. Be sure to submit 10 pictures to earn maximum points!

1. Photograph Timeline

- a. Photographs must have been taken by the 4-H member between January 1, 2022 and time of entry.
- b. Photographs may be submitted only one time to the District 5 4-H Fall Foliage contest.

2. Number of entries

- a. Each 4-H member may submit a total of 10 entries of 10 different tree species identified by their unique leaf and common name.

3. Formatting Photographs

- a. Photographs should be taken at the highest resolution possible.
- b. Photo must be in a .jpeg or .jpg or .gif format

4. Labeling Photographs for Uploading into Submittable

- a. Each photograph will need to be clearly labeled with the age division, county, picture number, last name, and first name.
- b. File name should include an “_” between each of the words
 - i. Example: age_county_pic number_last_first.jpg
 - ii. Example: John Smith is in 7th grade from Clover County and entering his 3rd picture. He would upload a file labeled: Intermediate_Clover_3_Smith_John.jpg

5. Permission

- a. By submitting an entry to this contest, the 4-H member grants permission to D5 4-H Youth Development Program, and any other public or private agency authorized by the Program, the use and rights associated to the use of the photographic likeness in promotional publications and other media without compensation.

6. Disqualification

- a. Entries that do not follow the rules or not uploaded into Submittable by the close date will be disqualified.

Example submission:

Common name: Pin Oak

Scientific name: *Quercus palustris*



Can be submitted as a single leaf image with a solid background.



Can be submitted as a single leaf image in a natural background.

So, let's get outside, breathe some crisp fall air, and show off the most beautiful season of the year!



2023 GENERAL PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

General Information

- Open to 4-H members and adults in District 5
- Individual event
- Contest based upon categories listed on pages 8 & 9

District Deadlines

Step 1: Register to participate on 4HOnline between **October 11, 2022 and February 3, 2023**. NO late registration.

Step 2: Upload photographs in Submittable with the specified format between **February 3 and March 3, 2023**. NO late uploads. A Submittable link to upload photographs will be emailed to registered participants when approved in 4HOnline.

Results and Placings

Photographs are judged as submitted after March 4, 2023. Results will be announced at Come Alive in D5 on Saturday, April 15, 2023.

Submission of Photographs

Photos are to be uploaded as a .jpeg, .jpg, or .gif file into Submittable via link emailed to you after registration on 4HOnline. If you do not have a Submittable account, you will need to set up a profile, at no charge, using this link: <https://texas4-hyouthdevelopment.submittable.com/signup>

1. Photograph Timeline

- Photographs must have been taken by the 4-H member between January 1, 2022 and time of entry.
- Photographs may be submitted only one time to the District 5 4-H Photography contest.
- A single photograph may not be entered in multiple categories of this contest, but CAN be entered into other photography contests.

2. Number of entries

- Each 4-H member may submit one entry in each category for a total of 15 entries.

3. Formatting Photographs

- Photographs should be taken at the highest resolution possible.



District 5 4-H Photography Contest

OPEN TO ENROLLED DISTRICT 5 4-H MEMBERS AND ADULTS

Register at v2.4honline.com
\$15 entry fee
October 11, 2022 - February 3, 2023

UPLOAD PHOTOGRAPHS
FEBRUARY 3 - MARCH 3, 2023 VIA
SUBMITTABLE (LINK TO BE EMAILED)

Complete District Contest Rules
and photography categories at
D54h.tamu.edu

2023 THEME: REFLECTIONS
PLACINGS ANNOUNCED AT COME ALIVE IN D5
ON APRIL 15, 2023

Reminder: Entry into District Photography contest is
NOT a state qualifying event
Check this [link](https://texas4-hyouthdevelopment.submittable.com/uploads/photography_state_rules_2023_2023.pdf) for state information: https://texas4-hyouthdevelopment.submittable.com/uploads/photography_state_rules_2023_2023.pdf

Contact your local
County Extension
office for more
information

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- Photo must be in a .jpeg or .jpg or .gif format

4. Labeling Photographs for Uploading into Submittable

- Each photograph will need to be clearly labeled with the age division, category, county, last name, and first name.
- File name should include an “_” between each of the words.
 - Example: age_category_county_last_first.jpg
 - Example: John Smith is in 7th grade from Clover County entering the Food category. He would upload a file labeled: Intermediate_Food_Clover_Smith_John.jpg

5. Permission

- By submitting an entry to this contest, the 4-H member grants permission to D5 4-H Youth Development Program, and any other public or private agency authorized by the Program, the use and rights associated to the use of the photographic likeness in promotional publications and other media without compensation.

6. Categories (see full description on pages 5 and 6)

CATEGORY	FILE LABEL NAME	CATEGORY	FILE LABEL NAME
Animals – Domestic	Domestic	Leading Line	Leading
Animals – Wildlife	Wildlife	Long Exposure	Long
Catch-All	All	Motion/Action	Motion
Details & Macros	Details	People	People
Elements of Design	Elements	Plant/Flora	Plant
Enhanced	Enhanced	Shadow/Silhouette	Shadow
Food	Food	Theme: Reflections	Theme
Landscape & Nature	Nature		

- Black and white pictures and color pictures will be judged together.

7. Disqualification

- Entries that do not follow the rules, category guidelines, and/or class description will be disqualified.
- The judges’ decisions are final.

8. State Photography Roundup

- Senior age division contestants (grades 9-12) may submit photographs to be judged at Texas State Roundup.
- The Texas 4-H Photography contestant paperwork is available online at https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/photography_state_rules_2022_2023.pdf

Category Descriptions

ANIMALS – DOMESTIC - Photos focusing on the various animals that have been tamed and made fit for a human environment. To be considered domesticated, the animal must have their behavior, life cycle, or physiology systemically altered as a result of being under human control for many generations.

- *Examples: Chickens, cows, dogs, cats, hamsters, horses, pigs, sheep, goats, etc. All waterfowl (ducks and geese) should be entered in Animals – Wildlife.*

ANIMALS – WILDLIFE - Category focuses on animals not tamed or domesticated and commonly found in the wilderness or the bodies of water throughout the country and world. Photos can be of wildlife in nature, zoos, and/or petting zoos.

- *Examples: Birds, deer, elephants, snakes, whales, etc.*

CATCH-ALL - Photos that do not fit into one of the other categories.

- *Examples: Long exposure zoomed images, painting with light, polaroid image & emulsion transfers, still-life, etc.*
- Not allowed: County's use of this category to eliminate duplicate photos from multiple 4-H members.

DETAILS & MACRO - Getting in close is the name of the game for this category. The goal is to zoom in close on an object to see its finer details or to make small objects appear life-sized or larger than we do not normally get to see with the naked eye.

- *Examples: Insect eyes, veins on a leaf, a reflection in a water droplet, etc.*

ELEMENTS OF DESIGN - Images use of graphic elements of design. Photos that showcase line, shape, pattern, form, texture, perspective, etc. Photo can consist of any subject matter.

- *Examples: Line, pattern, perspective, shape, etc.*
- Not allowed: Digital creations or graphic designs made in software such as Photoshop, InDesign or Illustrator.

ENHANCED - A single photo that has been technically manipulated to be an abstract, panoramic, stitched, or composite image. Other variations are allowed as well.

- *Examples: Software edited composites and creations, images greatly manipulated with a variety of filters, photos with artistic borders, photos stitched into a panoramic, etc.*

FOOD - A still life specialization of photography, aimed at producing attractive photographs of food for use in such items of advertisements, packaging, menus and/or cookbooks.

- *Examples: Cakes/pies, Easter eggs, fruits and place settings, ingredients, sandwiches, Thanksgiving dinner, etc.*
- Not allowed: A photo of alcoholic beverages.

LANDSCAPE & NATURE (NON-ANIMAL) - The focus of this category includes landscapes, outdoor scenes, nature images, sunsets, urban landscapes, seascapes, cityscapes, and farms. Images focus on the beauty of the outdoors.

- *Examples: Gardens/landscapes, outdoors, scenes, etc.*
- Not allowed: Primary subject is a person or wildlife.

LEADING LINE - This image composition technique features lines that draw the viewer's eye from point A to point B, which is the primary subject.

- *Example: A river that begins in the foreground and draws your attention to a photogenic bridge in the background.*

LONG EXPOSURE - Also known as time-exposure or slow-shutter, this technique involves using a long-duration shutter speed. It can be used to sharply capture stationary elements of an image while blurring, smearing, or obscuring the moving elements. It is also used in low-light conditions.

- *Examples: fireworks, moving water, light trails, Milky Way, light painting, night or low-light conditions, etc.*

MOTION/ACTION - The capture of movement within a single photo. The subject appears stopped or "frozen."

- *Examples: Ferris wheel spinning, sporting events, horse running across field, etc.*

PEOPLE - Photos focus from all walks of life, parenting and family, children, babies, models/fashion, sports, and couples. All individuals in the photos must have provided consent and permission as a subject. If requested, a release will be needed from the photographer and subject.

- *Examples: Babies, families, kids, portraits, models/fashion, etc.*

PLANT/FLORA - Photos of interesting, unique, and beautiful flowers and flora. Photography can occur outdoors or indoors. Photo subject should be that of a **single** flower, plant, bush, tree, etc. Large collections of plant/flora should be considered for entry into the Landscape & Nature category.

- *Examples: A rose, an upward shot of a tree, etc.*

SHADOW/SILHOUETTE - A silhouette is an outline that appears dark (typically a single color) with little or no details/features against a brighter background. Recording patterns of light and shade for a desired effect or emphasis is the definition of a shadow. The silhouette or shadow must be the primary subject and focus of the image.

- *Examples: shadows/silhouettes of people, plants, animals, structures, architectures, or natural structures.*
- Not allowed: reflections



THEME - The 2022-2023 theme is "Reflections". Reflection photography uses reflective surfaces to create an artistic "echo" of a scene. It includes photos that are creatively composed to capture an image from a reflective surface. The reflection should play a significant part of the image's composition.

- *Examples: reflections on polished metal, glass, mirror, and water.*

2023 SPRING FLOWERS PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

General Information

- Open to 4-H members, adults, and Clover Kids in District 5
- Individual event
- Identification of plant or tree by common name based upon “showy” flower.
- Photography skills implemented to capture those colorful spring flowers.

Colorful Texas Spring Flowers

Take and submit photos of interesting, unique, colorful, bold, and beautiful spring flowers that depict the season. Photo subject should include a clear picture of the flower so that identification can be verified.

District Deadlines

Step 1: Register to participate on 4HOnline between **October 11 and March 26, 2023**. NO late registration.

Step 2: Upload photographs in Submittable with the specified format between **March 1 and April 1, 2023**. NO late uploads. A Submittable link to upload photographs will be emailed to registered participants once approved in 4HOnline.

Results and Placings

Photographs are judged as submitted after April 1, 2023. Results will be announced at Come Alive in D5 on Saturday, April 15, 2023.

Submission of Photographs

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Judging Rules

- Submit up to 10 photographs of 10 different species of plants or trees identified by their unique flower and common name.
- Judging will be based upon age division and the following components:
 - Correct identification of plant or tree (common name) based upon photograph of flower (point range 0 – 3).
 - Photo entries will be judged based on creativity, quality, originality, and overall expression of Spring season (point range 0 – 10).
- **EARN bonus points:** One point for the correct genus and one point for the correct species name will be awarded (point range 0 – 2).
- **Up to 15 total points per picture can be awarded.** Entry of 10 photographs will result in a possible grand total of 150 points awarded per participant. Be sure to submit 10 pictures to earn maximum points!

1. Photograph Timeline

- Photographs must have been taken by the 4-H member between January 1, 2022 and time of entry.
- Photographs may be submitted only one time to the District 5 4-H Spring Flowers contest.

2. Number of entries

- a. Each 4-H member may submit a total of 10 entries of 10 different plant or tree species identified by their unique flower and common name.

3. Formatting Photographs

- a. Photographs should be taken at the highest resolution possible.
- b. Photo must be in a .jpeg or .jpg or .gif format

4. Labeling Photographs for Uploading into Submittable

- a. Each photograph will need to be clearly labeled with the age division, county, picture number, last name, and first name.
- b. File name should include an “_” between each of the words
 - i. Example: age_county_pic number_last_first.jpg
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5. Permission

- a. By submitting an entry to this contest, the 4-H member grants permission to D5 4-H Youth Development Program, and any other public or private agency authorized by the Program, the use and rights associated to the use of the photographic likeness in promotional publications and other media without compensation.

6. Disqualification

- a. Entries that do not follow the rules or not uploaded into Submittable by the close date will be disqualified.

Example submission:

Common name: Daffodil

Scientific name: *Narcissus pseudonarcissus*



Can be submitted as a single flower image with a solid background.



Can be submitted as a group of flowers in a natural background.

*So, let's get outside,
breathe some fresh spring air, and show off the
most beautiful season of the year!*



2023 ENTOMOLOGY PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

General Information

- Open to 4-H members, adults, and Clover Kids in District 5
- Individual event
- Identification of adult insect by common name in the natural habitat of insect.
- Photography skills implemented to capture Texas insects.

Texas Insects

Take and submit photos of interesting, unique, colorful, bold, and interesting Texas insects that depict their natural habitat. Photo subject should include a clear picture of the insect so that identification can be verified.

District Deadlines

Step 1: Register to participate on 4HOnline between **October 11 and March 5, 2023**. NO late registration.

Step 2: Upload photographs in Submittable with the specified format between **February 10 and March 10, 2023**. NO late uploads. A Submittable link to upload photographs will be emailed to registered participants once approved in 4HOnline.

Results and Placings

Photographs are judged as submitted after March 10, 2023. Results will be announced at Come Alive in D5 on Saturday, April 15, 2023.

Submission of Photographs

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TEXAS 4-H AGRILIFE EXTENSION

DISTRICT 5 ENTOMOLOGY ID & Photography Contest

OPEN TO ENROLLED DISTRICT 5 4-H MEMBERS, CLOVER KIDS AND ADULTS

Register at v2.4honline.com
\$15 entry fee
Clover Kids are free

October 11, 2022 - March 5, 2023

UPLOAD TEXAS INSECT PHOTOS
FEBRUARY 10 - MARCH 10, 2023 VIA
SUBMITTABLE

Complete District Contest Rules at
DS4h.tamu.edu

How Entomology ID & Photography Contest Works

- Take and submit photos of different adult insects found in Texas
 - Clover Kids - max 3 photos
 - Junior - max 5 photos
 - Intermediate - max 10 photos
 - Senior and Adults - max 20 photos
- Earn points by correctly identifying insect by common name and ORDER
- Photos judged on quality, originality, and insect in its habitat
- BONUS points for scientific name
- Prizes awarded top three youth in each age division
- Results announced at **Come Alive in D5** on April 15, 2023

CONTACT YOUR LOCAL COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT FOR INFORMATION

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Judging Rules

- Submit photographs of different species of insects in their natural habitat (see number of entries below).
- Judging will be based upon age division and the following components:
 - Correct identification of insect (common name) based upon photograph of insect (1 point).
 - Correct identification of insect (Order name) (2 points).
 - Photo entries will be judged based on creativity, quality, originality, and overall expression of insect in its natural habitat (point range 0 – 10).
- **EARN bonus points:** One point for the correct genus and one point for the correct species name will be awarded (point range 0 – 2).
- **Up to 15 total points per picture can be awarded.** Maximum points awarded will vary based upon age division (see number of entries below).

1. Photograph Timeline

- a. Photographs must have been taken by the 4-H member between January 1, 2022 and time of entry.
- b. Photographs may be submitted only one time to the District 5 4-H Entomology Photography contest.

2. Number of entries

- a. Clover Kid age division – maximum of 3 photographs
- b. Junior age division – maximum of 5 photographs
- c. Intermediate age division - maximum of 10 photographs
- d. Senior age division - maximum of 20 photographs
- e. Adult age division - maximum of 20 photographs

3. Formatting Photographs

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6. Disqualification

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Example submission:

Common name: Monarch Butterfly

Order: Lepidoptera

Scientific name: *Danaus plexippus*

