



# 2024 DISTRICT 5 4-H FALL FOLIAGE ID AND PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

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

## Entry Requirements

- Open to enrolled District 5 Clover Kids, 4-H members, and adults.
- Register to participate through 4HOnline at <https://v2.4honline.com>
- 4-H member and adult Contest Fee – Flat fee of \$10 per contestant (no per photo fee). **NO LATE ENTRIES** accepted.
- Clover Kids – no fee to participate.
- All photographs will be uploaded in a PowerPoint slide show and emailed to the contest chair.

## Clover Kid Participation

- District 5 Clover Kids that have a 4-H profile in 4HOnline can show off their photography skills.
- Same entrance requirements and categories as 4-H youth.
- The Clover Kid photography exhibit will be shown at **Come Alive in D5** on April 26, 2025.
- All registered participants will receive a participation ribbon.

## 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.
- Show off your photography skills for District 5 “bragging rights!”

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## District Deadlines

**Step 1:** Register to participate on 4HOnline between **November 1, 2024 and December 13, 2024.** NO late registration.

**Step 2:** Email photographs in a PowerPoint slide show with the specified format no later than **December 20, 2024.** NO late uploads.

## Awards and Exhibit

- The 2024-2025 Photography Show will be broadcast via PowerPoint during Come Alive in D5 on Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, in the auditorium.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each age division and each category will be presented a ribbon by their County Extension Agent after the show.
  - 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.
  - 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

- Panola College, 1109 W. Panola Street, Carthage, TX 75633

## Special Accommodations

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

## Contest Information

- Individual event
- Identification of tree or shrub based upon leaf and common name.
- Contest based upon categories listed on page 4

## Submission of Photographs

Photos are to be uploaded as part of a PowerPoint presentation. Feel free to express your creativity. You may have one photo submission per slide or combination of photos on slides. See Labeling PowerPoint Slide Show for complete guidelines. Email your slide show to Colton Brown at [colton.brown@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:colton.brown@ag.tamu.edu) by the deadline listed above.

## Judging Rules

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

- Correct identification of tree or shrub (common name) based upon photograph of leaf or berry (point range 0 – 2).

- One point for the correct genus and one point for the correct species name will be awarded (point range 0 – 2)
- Photo entries will be judged based on creativity, quality, originality, and overall expression of Fall (Autumn) season (point range 0 – 6).
- **Up to 10 total points per picture can be awarded.** Entry of 10 photographs will result in a possible grand total of 100 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, 2024 and time of entry.
- b. Photographs may be submitted only one time to the District 5 4-H Fall Foliage contest.

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2. **Number of photographs** - Each participant may submit **one photograph** in each category for a total of 10 photographs. Each photograph may be only entered by one participant (cannot share photographs with another person to enter).

### 3. Formatting Photographs

- Photographs should be taken at the highest resolution possible.
- Photo must be in a .jpeg or .jpg or .gif format
- Photo must be a minimum of 1 MB (1,000 KB) and a maximum of 20 MB.

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### 4. Format of PowerPoint Slide Show

- The first slide in the show should showcase the name of the photographer, age division, and county.
- Each photograph within the slide show will need to be clearly labeled with the category, common name, genus and species of each tree.

### Example slide:

Category: Oak

Common name: Pin Oak

Scientific name: *Quercus palustris*



## 5. Categories

|   |                          |
|---|--------------------------|
| Berries (Holly, Yaupon, American Beautyberry, etc.) | Maple                    |
| Oak   | Gum (sweet, black, etc.) |
| Sumac   | Crepe Myrtle             |
| Dogwood   | Ornamental Pear          |
| Hickory   | Tallow                   |

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

## 7. 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.

## 8. Disqualification

- a. Failure to register in the Fall Foliage event in 4HOnline.
- b. Entries that do not follow the rules, category guidelines, and/or class description will be disqualified.
- c. The judges' decisions are final.