



4-H SCORECARD FOR JUDGING GARDENS



RULES:

- 1. Garden must be worked primarily by 4-H'er. Adults may assist the 4-H'er in spading, tilling and pesticide spraying.
2. Garden must include at least 32 square feet. A 4 foot by 8 foot garden is 32 square feet.
3. Each 4-H member's garden must be an individual plot, marked off by rows or ditches from other plants, or from the main family garden. Family plots cannot be judged.
4. Point system is as follows:
A. Garden Display-- The 4-H'er should have a small display of vegetables that they have harvested recently from the garden. This display can be set in a box or tray. Quality, quantity, and uniformity of vegetable will be judged. ( 8pts; plus 2 pts for extra effort) 10 points
B. Harvest Record -- The harvest record of vegetables that have been picked from the garden should be presented along with the garden display. (Harvest Record in folder 8 pts, extra effort 2 pts., on sheet of paper 5 pts.) 10 points
C. Variety of Vegetables (3 types or less - 5pts.; 4-5 types - 10 pts; 6-8 types - 15 pts; 9 or more-20 pts) 20 points
D. Insect Control & Disease Control-- Physical presence of insects Yes or No What types of insect controls are you familiar with? What type of control would you use? Answer: Good 10 pts. Fair 6 pts Poor 3pts 10 points
E. Disease Control-Physical presence of disease - yes or no What types of disease controls are you familiar with? Have you used any? Answer: Good 10 pts. Fair 6 pts. Poor 3 pts 10 points
F. Weed Control - How can you control weeds in your garden? What method do you use? Answer: Good 10 pts. Fair 6pts. Poor 3 pts. 10 points
G. Presence of weeds in garden. (Heavy 3 pts, Medium 6pts, Light 8 pts, No weeds 2 pts extra) 10 points
H. Neatness-(Good 10 pts, Fair 6pts, Poor 3pts) 10 points Sunny location 5 pts Good Drainage 5 pts Signs 5pts Special and/or creative features(borders, flowers, etc.) 2pts 17 points
I. General knowledge of gardening.
J. Tell us how your garden came to be from soil preparation to harvest. {Preparing land(tilling), making rows, planting, fertilizing(how often?), watering(how often?), weeding (how often?)}(25pts) 25 points
K. Check areas in which student had parental help. More help-less help(5-18 pts) Tilling planting plot development making rows weeding watering fertilizing chemical applications organic addition to soil 18 points

AWARDS:

POSSIBLE TOTAL: 150 points

YOUR SCORE \_\_\_\_\_

- 1st through 5th place certificates in Elementary, Junior High and Senior High Divisions.
• Prize money of \$20.00 for 1st; \$15.00 for 2nd; \$12.00 for 3rd; \$10.00 for 4th; and \$8.00 for 5th in each division.
• Awards for Overall Best Garden in Show and a Reserve Best Garden in Show. Winners in both categories will receive a monetary award. Winners announced at the Daylily Festival in Magdalen Square on May 30, 2009 at 12 noon.

CLINIC & JUDGING

A Gardening Clinic will be held on Thursday, April 2, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the Cecil McCrory Exhibit Building in Abbeville. The Garden Contest Judging has been tentatively scheduled for Saturday, May 23rd and Monday, May 25th.

CUT ALONG LINE AND RETURN TO: Stuart Gauthier, 1105 W. Port St., Abbeville, LA 70510

BY: Monday, April 13, 2009

I would like to enter the 4-H Home Garden Contest. It is understood that I did the majority of the work in my garden.

4-H Member's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE(daytime) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (cell or work) \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE \_\_\_\_\_

Draw a map on the bottom back side of this letter, starting from your school, of how to get to your home. (Incomplete maps will be returned.) Please return by Monday, April 13th. Your parents can draw this map. Use street names and road numbers.