

Idaho FFA Agriscience Fair Handbook

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IDAHO AGRISCIENCE FAIR

Idaho will use the National FFA Agriscience Fair Handbook for its guiding rules. The exceptions from the National Handbook that Idaho will use are outlined here:

- 1. Written reports and displays are due to the superintendent via email on March 15.
- Interviews will be held the week prior to State Leadership Conference (SLC) and will be scheduled using video conferencing software like Zoom, Skype, Google Hangouts or Facetime.
- 3. The display will be a poster and it will be used by students to present their research. Judges will have a copy of the poster and we recommend that students also have a copy of their display during the interview. Posters must also be printed and displayed at SLC.

Display Requirements

Each poster should include information relevant to the study. The following information must also be present on the poster:

- Name of Agriscience Fair participant(s) responsible for developing the project
- Chapter name, state
- Title of category
- Division (1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6)

Idaho Agriscience Fair posters will have the dimensions of:

- 36 inches high
- 48 inches wide

No additional props, handouts or electronics are permitted. No tablets, iPads, cell phones or other electronic devices will be permitted. Internet access will not be provided.

Posters can be created utilizing Microsoft PowerPoint slide format, however this is not required. Templates for science fair posters can be found at https://www.postersession.com/

Interview

All Idaho Agriscience Fair participants are required to interview with the judges to explain their projects. The interview will be scheduled after the reports are submitted. All interviews will occur using video conferencing software. Explanation and questioning may not exceed 12 minutes. The interview is an opportunity for judges to ask questions about the project. Interview and questions for Agriscience Fair participants will normally be 5-10 minutes. A team project must be presented by a team of two. If only one team member is present, the team cannot rank higher than 4th overall and will not be eligible to be forwarded to the National FFA. Substitutions are not permitted and will cause disqualification. Judges will ask questions to determine the extent of the knowledge gained, your understanding of your project.

Student researcher(s) can compete in the agriscience fair in one of six categories:

- Animal Systems
- Environmental Services/Natural Resource Systems
- Food Products and Processing Systems
- Plant Systems
- Power, Structural and Technical Systems
- Social Science

- **Division 1** individual member in grades 7 and 8.
- **Division 2** team of two members in grades 7 and 8.
- **Division 3** individual member in grades 9 and 10.
- **Division 4** team of two members in grades 9 and 10.
- **Division 5** individual member in grades 11 and 12.
- **Division 6** team of two members in grades 11 and 12.