



Angelina County Fair Floral Fair Cup Competition

Who can participate - 4-H & FFA members

Contest Date - TUESDAY, March 24, 2026

Location: TBA - Lufkin, TX

Age Groups - Junior (3rd-8th grade) or Senior (9-12th) - MAX of 50 entries in each age group

Registration - Deadline to register - February 27th at www.judgingcard.com or www.angelinacountyfair.com

Cost - \$60.00

Schedule:

Check In	7:30 AM - 8:00 AM
Morning Pre-Meeting	8:15 AM
Contest	Junior Fair Pairs 8:15 AM - 9:15 AM Senior Fair Cup 8:15 AM - 9:15 AM
Afternoon Check In	10:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Afternoon Pre-Meeting	11:00 AM
Contest	Junior Fair Cup 11:15 AM - 12:15 PM Senior Fair Pairs 11:15 AM - 12:15 PM
Results	2:00 PM

The Fair Cup competition is an individual exhibitor competition and is subject to the ACF General Rules.

Questions regarding registration contact Kody Jenkins at angelinacountyfair@gmail.com. Questions concerning the contest format or rules contact the Division Superintendent, Ashlyn Childress, ashlynpigg-childress@hudsonisd.org

Competition Format: Each exhibitor will complete, design, and execute a floral arrangement utilizing surprise packaged materials provided by Angelina County Fair.

Design Guidelines: Each individual should review the design guidelines prior to the Fair Cup competition. Exhibitors will also have an opportunity to ask questions at the mandatory pre-event meeting.

- Exhibitors will have **one hour** to execute their design, which includes placing finished arrangements on the judging table.
- The exhibitor is responsible for positioning their design in the required location designated for judging.
- **No extra embellishments on the judging table. Arrangements only.**
- Exhibitors are not allowed to design on the judging table. Once the arrangement has touched the table, the exhibitor is not permitted to touch the arrangement from that point on. If design is touched after placing it on the judging table, the exhibitor will result in disqualification.
- All materials will be provided by the Fair.

- Exhibitors **MUST** utilize items provided. Each exhibitor will be furnished with materials, including fresh flowers, foliage, container, and decorative elements. The flowers, foliage, and supplies will be the same for each exhibitor.
- Each exhibitor will receive the same type of decorative elements, but the design of each element can be different amongst exhibitors. The exhibitor is responsible for determining which materials they will use in the design of their entry.
- No outside adornments are allowed.
- All elements of the entry should reflect or enhance the theme which will be revealed prior to the fair. Each exhibitor's design will be a sole effort with no assistance from anyone in any manner.

Exhibitors must provide their own floral tools. Permissible tools include:

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| • Floral Glue(s) | • Floral cutters |
| • Scissors | • Wrapped Wires |
| • Wire cutters | • Wired Wood Picks |
| • Knife | • Floral Wire |
| • Floral Tape(s) | • Decorative Wire |
| • Measuring stick | |

JUDGING: The show will select qualified judges for each competitive event. Any questions about the judging criteria may be directed to a committee member. Judging will be based on the following seven categories (the score rubric is located on page 4):

- Design Elements – Line, Form, Color, Texture, Size, and Space
- Design Principles – Balance, Proportion, Scale, Rhythm, Contrast, Harmony, and Unity
- Mechanics – Neatness and Cleanliness of overall Design, Proper Coverage of Foam, and Sturdiness of Design
- Execution – Adequate use of provide materials and overall expression of the principles and elements of design.
- Creativity – Uniqueness of Design and Techniques

Only judges and Committee members will be allowed inside the competition area while judging is in progress.

No cell phones, watches, earbuds/headphones or any type of communication devices are permitted during the competition. Any exhibitor found communicating with anyone outside of the competition could result in immediate disqualification. Talking or gestures from outside the barrier will not be tolerated and result in immediate disqualification. The judges' decisions will be considered final.

Winning entries will be announced after the competition/judging is complete. Approximate times will be given at the contest. **Grand and Reserved are REQUIRED to display arrangements in the VIP Section of ACF Expo (Same location as art exhibits).** *Floral Design entries will not be eligible for the ACF Auction.*

PRIZES INCLUDE:

- Overall Senior & Junior Champions - Banner
- Overall Senior & Junior Reserve Champions - Banner
- Senior & Junior Placing Ribbons – 3rd thru 10th

COUNTY PARTICIPANT PRIZES ONLY:

- Senior & Junior Division Grand Champion – Buckle
- Senior & Junior Division Reserve Champion – Banner

ACF Fair Cup Scoring Rubric

Judging Criteria	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Points
Creativity/ Techniques	The student displayed advanced techniques and executed them well. Superior creativity.			The student displayed techniques but could modify them for better execution. Average creativity.			The exhibitor displayed little to no interesting techniques and very below average on creativity.			/10	
Mechanics	Excellent, no mechanical errors and no visibility. Needs no to little improvement.			Student attempted, but has 2-5 mechanical errors and needs improvement			Poor, 6 or more major mechanical errors and visibility. Needs extreme improvement			/10	
Effective/ Efficient Use of Materials	Student did an excellent job at utilizing the materials given. Needs no to little improvement.			Student attempted to utilize the materials, but needs some improvement			The student did not utilize the materials well and needs much improvement.			/10	
Balance	Shows visual and physical balance. Needs little to no improvement.			Shows attempt at balance but needs improvement.			Shows lack of visual or physical balance. Needs much improvement.			/10	
Proportion	Container and product are in good proportion. Needs little or no improvement.			Shows attempt at proper proportion but needs improvement.			Shows lack of proportion. Needs much improvement.			/10	
Dominance/Focal	Has a distinctive area of dominance or a focal. Needs no to little improvement.			Shows an attempt of an area with dominance but needs some improvement.			Shows no attempt of an area with dominance and needs much improvement.			/10	
Skeletal Design	Shows high quality of design. Has a distinctive form. Needs no to little improvement.			Shows an attempt of a distinctive form but needs some improvement.			Shoes no attempt of a distinctive form and needs much improvement.			/10	
Depth/Space	Appropriate use of depth and space is well defined. Needs little to no improvement.			Shows an attempt at depth and spacing but needs some improvement.			Poor depth and spacing. Needs much improvement.			/10	
Rhythm	Shows great use of rhythm. Eye moves smoothly Through. Shows great use of rhythm. Eye moves smoothly Through.			Shows some use of rhythm but needs improvement.			Shows no use of rhythm. Nseed much improvement.			/10	
Foliage/Filler	Foliage/Filler follows the shape of design. Correct size and supports skeletal flowers. Needs no to little improvement.			Placement needs improvement. Inappropriate amount of foliage/filler. Needs some improvement.			Incomplete placement and inadequate amount of foliate/filler. Needs much improvement.			/10	
Total Points											/100

Rules revised on 9/11/2025