Each county may enter any number of 4-H members in either the junior and senior divisions.

The three high individual scores will comprise the county team in each division.

1. **Senior Division** – 4-H members who are 14-19 on the day of the contest.*
2. **Junior Division** – 4-H members who are 8-13 on the day of the contest.*
3. Open Division – adults and any youth 8-19 years of age not eligible for the 4-H divisions.

* 4-H members who were 13 years old on September 1, 2017 may judge in either division.

**General Rules**

1. Contestants in the 4-H divisions must be enrolled as regular 4-H members in 4honline for the county they are representing.
2. Two counties may combine to form a team provided that neither county has more than two participants. Individuals from three counties may combine to form a team.
3. Each division is considered a separate contest.
4. Members of past first place teams (three persons making the team score) in the 4-H senior division are not eligible as part of a team, but may enter as an individual in 4-H or in the open division contest.
5. Participants in the 4-H divisions wear official dress. The 4-H Dress Code is: 4-H members must be dressed neatly and wear a solid white, yellow, gray, or green shirt with 4-H emblem on front. Failure to comply will result in the deduction of 25 points from the individual score or team score. 4-H members are asked to stay in official dress until completion of awards.

**Awards**

1. Awards will be distributed in the Valley City Eagles Club at approximately 1:45 p.m.
2. Senior and junior 4-H division participants are eligible for the following:
   a. Individuals – ribbons for top ten individuals, and ribbons for approximately the top 50% of participants.
   b. Ribbon awards for the members of second and third place teams in each division.
   c. High senior 4-H individual receives plaque sponsored by the Valley City Lion's Club.
   d. Three members and alternate of the first place teams will receive plaques sponsored by the North Dakota Crop Improvement Association.

**Open Crop Judging Contest**

1. Youth age 8-18, not eligible for the 4-H contests and adults may participate in this division. Previous winners in past 4-H contests may participate.
2. FFA members planning to enter the state FFA contest may enter this open contest.
3. Competition is for individuals. However, groups of three to five may enter as a team. Pre-registration of teams is required.
4. Ribbon awards will be presented to at least the top five individuals.

Contest will be operated according to the guidelines on the 4-H web site.  
https://www.ndsu.edu/4h/programs_events/state_4_h_contests/crop_judging/

**Other Information**

There is no admission to the North Dakota Winter Show.

The North Dakota Winter Show may offer discounted tickets to the PRCA rodeo and concert. Refer to the general winter show activities information regarding special offers and information.
State 4-H Crop Judging Contest  
Saturday, March 10, 2018 - Valley City, North Dakota

Please email dean.aakre@ndsu.edu by March 6 with the number of participants in each division you expect to participate. Bring this form with you to registration, 9:30-10:00 a.m. on the day of the contest. Senior division contest will begin at 10:00 and Junior Division contest will start approximately 10:30 a.m.

__________________________________County(s) for 4-H divisions, list county or city for open division

1. Participants in 4-H divisions must be enrolled (active) in 4honline as regular 4-H members.
2. **Multi-county teams pre-register together.** (Two counties may combine to make a team provided that neither county has more than two members on the team. Individuals from three counties may also combine to form a team.)
3. Combining of teams must be done by the coaches. Inform registration staff of combinations.
4. Substitutions may be made at the contest.

**Contestant Information:**

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I hereby certify that these are enrolled 4-H members, in dress code, and eligible to participate in the State 4-H Crop Judging Contest.

_______________________________ County Extension Agent  
Date

_______________________________ Coach(s) Name(s)  
Date

Help is requested from coaches and other adults with scoring or monitoring contest. Please list other volunteers here:  
Please list volunteer’s email here:

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