Knox-Lincoln 4-H Photo Contest
Sponsored by the Knox-Lincoln 4-H Leaders’ Association

Age Divisions: (by December 31, 2016)
9-11 years, 12-14 years, 15-19 years

The top four scorers in each age division will have their photo displayed in the KL 4-H Photo Gallery! The 2017 Gallery will have its premier at the 2017 Achievement Awards Banquet in October, then be displayed for a year at the Knox-Lincoln Cooperative Extension office. Each winning photo will also be featured in 1-month rotation at the top of the Knox-Lincoln 4-H Facebook timeline. Deadline to submit photos to the Knox-Lincoln Extension Office: September 30, 2017.

Definitions and Rules
There will be no assigned subject categories for the contest.

Up to 4 entries per person are permitted. A separate Entry Form must be submitted with each entry.

Photos must be 8”x10” or 5”x7” prints on photographic paper (no prints on copy paper please). Black/white or color photos will be accepted. No photo collages are allowed for this contest.

All entries must be submitted by an active 4-H member in Knox or Lincoln Counties 4-H age 9-19.

Photos must have been taken by the 4-H member in the current 4-H year (October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017).

Mounting your photo:
Photos DO NOT need to be framed or matted. However, delivering them in an envelope or protective sleeve is a good idea.

Judging:
Judges will be selected from qualified individuals in the field of photography, graphic art or fine arts. Photography will be judged based on the Criteria/Standards sheet. The decision of the judges is final and not subject to change.

Objectives:
To encourage 4-H members to use photography as a meaningful communication tool. To develop life skills in communication and expressive arts. To provide photography showcase opportunity for 4-H members.
Knox-Lincoln Photo Contest Entry Form

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4-H Members Signature ________________________________ 4-H Parent/Guardian Signature ________________________________

Photo Title: __________________________________________

Name: __________________________________________ Age: __________ (by Dec. 31, 2016)
Club: __________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________

Phone: __________ Email: __________

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CRITERIA/STANDARDS SHEET

FOCUS
Definition: *Adjustment of the distance setting on a lens to appropriately define the subject.*
Standard: Main subject in focus, unless blurriness is obviously intentional (ie to show motion).

EXPOSURE
Definition: *The overall brightness and amount of contrast in the photo.*
Standard: A range of light-to-dark contrast, not "washed-out", flat or dark.

PRINT QUALITY
Definition: *The photo exhibits quality consistent with contest requirements.*
Standard: The absence of blemishes, scratches, overly enlarged (graininess), and pixilation. Print is correct size (5x7 or 8x10) and on photo paper.

SUBJECT
Definition: *The photo uses the subject to deliver a message in a creative way.*
Standard: The photo clearly communicates the subject.

COMPOSITION
Definition: *Placement of the subject in the photo demonstrating artistic ability.*
Standard: A pleasing balance exists among all components of the composition.

IMPACT
Definition: *The photo clearly captures the attention of the viewer.*
Standard: The composition conveys a strong message.

UNIQUENESS
Definition: *Use of originality, camera angle, lighting, character studies, and/or creativity.*
Standard: The photographer exhibits creativity through the photo.

LIGHTING
Definition: *The illumination of a subject.*
Standard: Use of light to produce the desired mood or effect.
# 4-H Photo Contest Judging Form

**Photo Title**

**Age Division**

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**Judges, please circle one:**

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**Column Totals**

**Grand Points Total**

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**JUDGES FEEDBACK/COMMENTS**

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Note to participant: Your entry has been judged according to the criteria/standards sheet provided to you at the beginning of the contest.