

NEEDLECRAFT & HOME ARTS

DEPARTMENT Q



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ENTERING: Friday, August 28.....11:00 am to 8:00 pm
Saturday, August 29.....11:00 am to 5:00 pm

RELEASED: Sunday, September 13.....10:00 am to 4:00 pm



AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2026						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
August 23 rd	24 th	25 th	26 th	27 th	28 th ENTERING: 11:00 am to 8:00 pm	29 th ENTERING: 11:00 am to 5:00 pm
30 th	31 st	September 1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th EISF BEGINS!	5 th EISF PARADE @ 10:00 am
6 th	7 th LABOR DAY Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm	8 th Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm	9 th Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm	10 th Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm	11 th Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm	12 th EISF ENDS! Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm
13 th Premium Payouts 10 am – 4 pm RELEASED: 10:00 am to 4:00 pm	14 th Premium Payouts 8:30 am – 7 pm <i>In the Photography Dept. Building</i>	15 th Premium Payouts 8:30 am – 4:30 pm @ <i>EISF Main Office</i>				

ENTRY FORMS & INFORMATION: Available online at www.funatthefair.com Select the **EXHIBITORS & COMPETITORS** button on the home page then scroll down to find your specific department. You may also contact the Eastern Idaho State Fair, 97 Park Street, PO Box 250, Blackfoot, ID 83221; email entries@funatthefair.com; or call EISF Office at 208-785-2480.

ENTRY DATES:

- Friday, August 28, 2026, from 11:00 am to 8:00 pm
- Saturday, August 29, 2026, from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm
 - *No exhibits will be received after these hours*

ENTRY FEES:

- ADULT CLASSES – \$1.00 each for the first 4 items or \$5.00 per sheet
- YOUTH CLASSES – \$1.00 each for the first 4 items or \$5.00 per sheet

ENTRY FORM/TAGS:

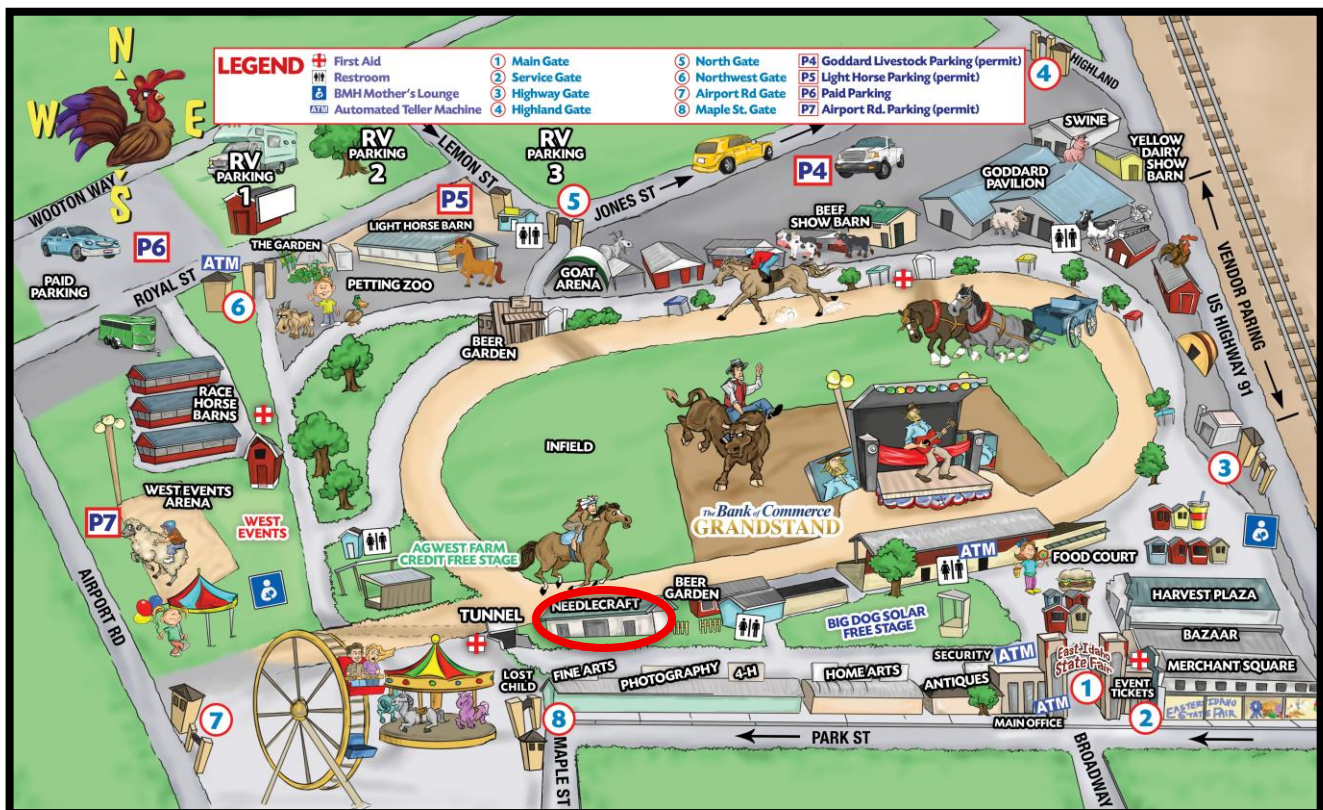
- Entry Forms are available online and/or will be available at time of entering.
- There will NOT be any entry tags given out prior to entry day.
- Entry tags will be printed during entry process.

ENTRY LOCATION: Needlecraft Building #14 - please enter thru the west door –parking in Carnival Lot, enter Fairgrounds thru Maple Street Gate No. 8 only.

- NO PARKING ON ROADWAY IN FRONT OF NEEDLECRAFT BUILDING.
- NO EMPLOYEE PARKING ON FAIRGROUNDS, please park on Park Street or Maple Street.

2026 EASTERN IDAHO STATE FAIR MAP

PLEASE PARK IN CARNIVAL LOT OR ON PARK STREET, DO NOT BLOCK DRIVEWAY IN FRONT OF THE NEEDLECRAFT BUILDING.



RELEASE DATE:

- Sunday, September 13, 2026, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm (**NO EXCEPTIONS**)
 - The Fair will not be responsible for articles left after 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 13, 2026. Items will be relocated to the Photography Building on Monday, September 14 from 8:30 am – 7 pm and again relocated to the Main Office on Tuesday, September 15 and can be picked up during office hours.
 - **ALL ENTRIES** not picked up will be disposed of 60 days after completion of Fair.

CASH PREMIUMS: will be available at Park Street-Payout Window, west of Main Gate No. 1.

- Monday, September 7 through Saturday, September 12, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Sunday, September 13, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Monday, September 14, 2026, from 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. *in the Photography Dept. Bldg.*

- After September 15, 2026, premiums will be given out only during regular office hours and may be picked up at the EISF Main Office, hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with lunch from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. EISF Main Office will also be closed on Friday, September 18, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. and will be closed on Monday, September 21, 2026, all day to observe the Labor Day Holiday for office employees. ***Premiums not claimed by September 30, 2026, will be considered a donation, and will revert back to the EISF General Fund.***

SPECIAL DEPARTMENT RULES:

- Articles winning prizes at the Eastern Idaho State Fair in previous years are not eligible for entry again.
- Only one article in a class will be accepted from any one exhibitor.
- Every article entered must be entirely the work of the exhibitor, except quilts and pictures. Quilts may be hand or machine quilted by another person and pictures may be matted/framed by another. Quilts submitted in appropriate categories may be made by a group or completed by another.
- Doilies or other articles of needlework should NOT be mounted on cardboard or other material.
- Non-Specified classes are only for items which fit in a category, but no individual class exists.
- Articles entered must be completely finished and ready for display.
- Pictures must be framed or mounted and suitable for hanging on pegboard.
- Items submitted by an exhibitor may be placed in a more suitable class or department by the superintendent or a judge.
- No premium will be paid if no competition exists – a competition consists of a minimum of three (3) or more entries in a single department class.
- Awards will be made according to the merits of the entry. If the judge decides an entry is not worthy of 1st place, the judge may disqualify the entry or the judge can choose to award 2nd place, 3rd place, or 4th place premiums, this is at the judge's discretion.
- If there is no competition for an entry, but the judge still deems that the entry would have been worthy of a blue ribbon it can still be considered for any Department Special Awards.
- "Best of Show – Large Quilt" (Double, Queen, King) **cannot** be made from a kit.
- Only one of each placing in any one class will be awarded, unless otherwise specified in Department Special Rules.
- ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS:** See "EASTERN IDAHO STATE FAIR 2026 GENERAL RULES".

DIVISION A - QUILTS

QUILT SIZES (Approximate)

Large Quilts, Double, Queen, King.....	85" x 85" up to 120" x 120"
Small Quilts, Twin, Throw... ..	50" x 60" up to 72" x 90"
Baby Quilts	30" x 40" up to 45" x 60"

Quilts to be considered for Spectator's Choice must be at least 74 inches long

Premium Classes Division A: 1st place \$10.00; 2nd place \$8.00; 3rd place \$6.00

HAND QUILTED – LARGE QUILTS 85" x 85" up to 120" x 120"

- Pieced – Easy
- Pieced – Difficult
- Vintage – *over 50 years old, need not be exhibited by the one who made it*
- Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

MACHINE QUILTED – LARGE QUILTS 85" x 85" up to 120" x 120"

10. Pieced – Easy (basic block patterns, half square triangles)
11. Pieced – Intermediate (flying geese, easy curved piecing)
12. Pieced – Difficult (including Lone Star, Double Wedding Ring, etc.)
13. Hand Appliqué
14. Machine Appliqué
15. Foundation Piecing (paper piecing, etc.)
16. Hand Embroidery
17. Machine Embroidery
18. Combined Pieced and Appliqué
19. Holiday
20. Seasonal (Spring, Summer, Winter, Fall)
21. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered



HAND QUILTED – SMALL QUILTS 50" x 60" up to 72" x 90"

30. Pieced – Easy
31. Pieced – Difficult
32. Appliqué
33. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

MACHINE QUILTED - SMALL QUILTS 50" x 60" up to 72" x 90"

40. Pieced – Easy (basic block patterns, half square triangles)
41. Pieced – Intermediate (flying geese, pinwheels, easy curved piecing)
42. Pieced – Difficult (lone, star, double wedding ring, complex piecing)
43. Hand Appliqué
44. Machine Appliqué
45. Foundation Pieced
46. Hand Embroidery
47. Machine Embroidery
48. Combined Appliqué and Pieced
49. Holiday
50. Seasonal (Spring, Summer, Falls, and Winter)
51. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

SPECIAL CATEGORIES MACHINE QUILTED QUILTS 50" x 60" UP TO 120" x 120"

60. Patriotic
61. Beginner's Very First Full Sized Quilt
62. Panel with Piecing
63. Old top recently quilted (please submit a short story with quilt)
64. Quilt – made by a group (5 or more people)
65. Long Arm Quilted (judged 50 percent on quilting done by exhibitor)
66. Home Machine Quilted (judged 50 percent on quilting done by exhibitor)
67. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

BABY QUILTS – HAND QUILTED 30" X 40" up to 45" x 60"

70. Pieced – Easy

71. Pieced – Intermediate
72. Appliqué
73. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

BABY QUILTS – MACHINE QUILTED 30" X 40" up to 45" x 60"

80. Pieced – Easy
81. Pieced – Intermediate
82. Appliqué
83. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

MINI QUILTS – HAND QUILTED

- **Size must be smaller than other available categories)**
- **(Must be a scaled down version of a bed quilt)**

90. Pieced
91. Foundation Pieced
92. Wool
93. Not Specified – No available class where item would normally be entered

MINI QUILTS – MACHINE QUILTED

- **Size must be smaller than other available categories)**
- **(Must be a scaled down version of a bed quilt)**

100. Pieced
101. Foundation Pieced
102. Wool
103. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

OTHER QUILTS

110. Levi
111. Tied Cotton Pieced
112. Art Quilt
113. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered (including T-Shirt & Rag)

HAND QUILTED WALL HANGINGS

- **Less than 45" x 60"**
120. Pieced
 121. Appliqué
 122. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

MACHINE QUILTED - WALL HANGINGS

- **Less than 45" x 60"**
140. Pieced
 141. Hand Embroidery
 142. Any Holiday
 143. Seasonal
 144. Patriotic
 145. Foundation Pieced



146. Machine Embroidery
147. Art
148. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

HAND QUILTED - HOUSEHOLD ACCESSORIES

160. Table Runner – Pieced
161. Table Runner – Appliqué
162. Table Topper
163. Table Runner – Any Holiday
164. Place Mats (minimum of 2)
165. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

MACHINE QUILTED - HOUSEHOLD ACCESSORIES

170. Table Runner – Pieced
171. Table Runner – Appliqué
172. Table Topper
173. Holiday
174. Place Mats (minimum of 2)
175. Christmas Tree Skirt
176. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

WEARABLE ART AND OTHER ACCESSORIES

180. Quilted Bag or Tote
181. Any Other Bag or Tote
182. Bag with zipper
183. Bag made from recycled materials
184. Items made from recycled materials
185. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

WOOL ITEMS

190. Quilt with Wool
191. Table Mat with Wool
192. Table Runner with Wool
193. Wall Hanging with Wool
194. Seasonal Wool Item
195. Holiday Wool Item
196. Wool with Embroidery
197. Framed Wool Item
198. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

BLOCK CONTEST

Premium Classes: 200 - 202: 1st place \$25.00; 2nd place and 3rd place Special Prize

- **Colors: RED, WHITE & BLUE**
- **12 ½ inch UNFINISHED BLOCK**
- **Pieced or Appliqué**
- **Block will not be returned**
- **\$1.00 entry fee, only one block per person accepted**

- 200. Junior – Ages up to 12
- 201. Intermediate – Ages 13 to 18
- 202. Adult – Ages 19 to 105

DIVISION B - AFGHANS

Premium Classes Division B: 1st place \$8.00, 2nd place \$6.00, 3rd place \$4.00

****ITEMS MUST BE CLEAN****

AFGHANS – KNITTED

- 230. Knitted
- 231. Knitted with Panels
- 232. Knitted with Ripple
- 233. Knitted Cable
- 234. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

AFGHANS – CROCHETED

- 240. Block Pattern
- 241. Ripple Crochet
- 242. Crochet Ripple Variation
- 243. Granny Squares
- 244. Granny Square Variation
- 245. Corner to Corner
- 246. Single Crochet
- 247. Double Crochet
- 248. Afghan Stitch
- 249. Multi Stitch (combination of several different stitches)
- 250. Crochet in strips
- 251. Shell Stitch
- 252. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

BABY AFGHANS – KNITTED

Approximately 36 x 36 inches – Larger size must be obviously for a baby.

- 260. Knitted
- 261. Knitted with Cable Stitch
- 262. Knitted with Panels
- 263. Knitted Ripple
- 264. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

BABY AFGHANS – CROCHET

Approximately 36 x 36 inches - Larger size must be obviously for a baby.

- 270. Crochet Ripple
- 271. Granny Squares
- 272. Single Crochet
- 273. Double Crochet
- 274. Multi Stitch

- 275. Shell Stitch
- 276. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

DIVISION C – KNITTED CLOTHING

Premium Classes Division C: 1st place \$8.00, 2nd place \$6.00, 3rd place \$4.00

- ITEMS MUST BE CLEAN
- KNITTED ITEMS THAT ARE A SET MUST BE ENTERED AS A SET.

BIRTH to 2 YEARS SIZE

- 280. Bonnet or Hat
- 281. Booties
- 282. Baptismal or Blessing Outfit
- 283. Dress
- 284. Knitted Set (2 or 3 pieces)
- 285. Sweater or Jacket
- 286. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

3 YEARS to 14 YEARS OLD SIZE

- 290. Sweater or Jacket
- 291. Hat
- 292. Slippers
- 293. Socks
- 294. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

ADULT SIZE

- 300. Bonnet or Hat
- 301. Fair Isle
- 302. Scarf
- 303. Shawl
- 304. Slippers
- 305. Socks
- 306. Stole or Poncho
- 307. Sweater
- 308. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

DIVISION D – CROCHETED CLOTHING

Premium Classes Division D: 1st place \$8.00, 2nd place \$6.00, 3rd place \$4.00

- ITEMS MUST BE CLEAN
- CROCHETED ITEMS THAT ARE A SET MUST BE ENTERED AS A SET

BIRTH to 2 YEARS OLD SIZE

- 310. Booties
- 311. Baptismal/Blessing Outfit - Boy or Girl
- 312. Dress or Romper
- 313. Set - 2 or 3 items
- 314. Bonnet or Hat
- 315. Receiving Blanket with crocheted edge
- 316. Burp Cloth with crocheted edge
- 317. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

3 YEARS to 14 YEARS OLD SIZE

- 320. Hat
- 321. Scarf
- 322. Sweater or Jacket
- 323. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

ADULT SIZE

- 330. Hat
- 331. Poncho, Stole, or Vest
- 332. Scarf
- 333. Sweater or Jacket
- 334. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

FINE NEEDLE WORK

Including Tatting, hardanger, Bobbin Lace or Similar Skill

- 340. Doily
- 341. Book Marker
- 342. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

DIVISION E - SEWN CLOTHING

Premium Classes Division E: 1st place \$8.00, 2nd place \$6.00, 3rd place \$4.00

- **ITEMS MUST BE CLEAN**
- **MADE FROM KNIT OR WOVEN FABRIC**

BIRTH to 6 YEARS OLD SIZE

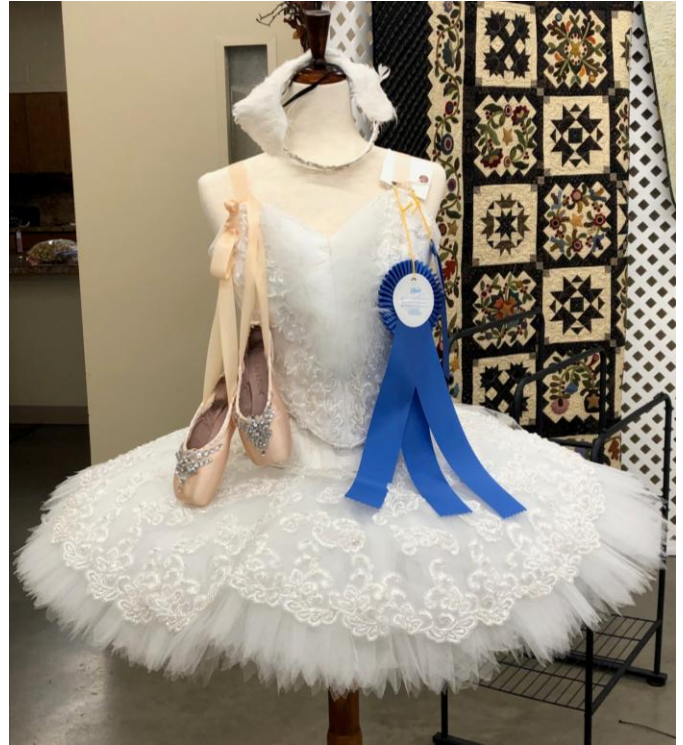
- 350. Bib
- 351. Party Dress or Boy's Dress Outfit
- 352. Casual Dress
- 353. Baptismal / Blessing Dress or Romper
- 354. Skirt
- 355. Shorts/Pants
- 356. T-Shirt
- 357. Pajamas/Sleeper
- 358. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

7 to 14 YEARS OLD SIZE

- 360. T-Shirt
- 361. Dress
- 362. Sleep Wear
- 363. Coat or Jacket
- 364. Skirt
- 365. Shorts or Pants
- 366. Woven Shirt or Top
- 367. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

ADULT SIZE

- 370. Dress
- 371. Formal
- 372. Wedding Dress
- 373. Men's Shirt
- 374. Woman's Top
- 375. Jacket or Coat
- 376. Skirt
- 377. Costume
- 378. Vest
- 379. Apron
- 380. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered



DIVISION F – HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS & TABLE LINENS

Premium Classes Division F: 1st place \$8.00, 2nd place \$6.00, 3rd place \$4.00

PILLOW and PILLOWCASES

- **All Pillowcases need to be entered as a set of 2 (two)**
- 381. Pillowcase set - Hand Embroidery
- 382. Pillowcase set - Machine Embroidery
- 383. Pillowcase set - Crochet Edge
- 384. Pillowcase set - Tatted Edge
- 385. Pillow - Hand Embroidery
- 386. Pillow - Machine Embroidery
- 387. Pillow with Piecing and/or Appliqué
- 388. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

MISCELLANEOUS HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS

- 390. Tea Towels - Hand Embroidery
- 391. Tea Towels - Machine Embroidery
- 392. Knitted or Crocheted Dish Cloth

- 393. Guest Towels - any size
- 394. Pot Holder
- 395. Pin Cushion
- 396. Holiday Object
- 397. Animal/Doll/or Object Knitted, Crocheted or Sewn
- 398. Rug - any technique
- 399. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

TABLE LINENS (Crochet or Knitted)

- 400. Doily, Crochet up to 15 inches
- 401. Doily, Crochet 15 to 30 inches
- 402. Doily, Knitted
- 403. Tablecloth or Bedspread, Crochet
- 404. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered



DIVISION G – COUNTED CROSS STITCH and WALL HANGINGS

Premium Classes Division G: 1st place \$10.00; 2nd place \$8.00; 3rd place \$6.00

WALL HANGINGS

- **Pictures under 100 sq. inches (measured without frame)**
- **All entries must be framed or ready to hang.**
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- 410. Aida - Holiday
- 411. Aida - Animals
- 412. Aida - People
- 413. Aida - Sampler (may include sayings, phrases, alphabet)
- 414. Aida - Nature (flowers, trees, seascapes, landscapes seasons)
- 415. Aida - Fantasy
- 416. Linen - Holiday
- 417. Linen - Animals
- 418. Linen - People
- 419. Linen - Sample (may include sayings, phrase, alphabet)
- 420. Linen - Nature (flowers, trees, seascapes, landscapes, seasons)
- 421. Linen - Fantasy
- 422. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

COUNTED CROSS STITCH PICTURES

- **Over 100 square inches (measured without frame)**
- **All entries must be framed or ready to hang.**
- 430. Aida - Animal
- 431. Aida - People

- 432. Aida - Fantasy
- 433. Aida - Sampler (may include sayings, phrases, alphabet)
- 434. Aida - Holiday
- 435. Aida - Nature (flowers, trees, seascapes, landscapes, seasons)
- 436. Linen - Animal
- 437. Linen - People
- 438. Linen - Fantasy
- 439. Linen - Sampler (may include sayings, phrases, alphabet)
- 440. Linen - Nature (flowers, trees, seascapes, landscapes, seasons)
- 441. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

FRAMED PICTURES AND MISCELLANEOUS CROSS STITCH

- 450. Hand Embroidery Framed Picture
- 451. Crewel Embroidery Framed Picture
- 452. Non-Specified Framed Picture
- 453. Cross Stitch Christmas Stocking
- 454. Cross Stitch Animal or 3-Dimensional Object
- 455. Not Specified Cross Stitch or Other Threadwork- No available class where item would normally be entered

DIVISION H – JUNIOR

BOYS & GIRLS – AGES UP TO 12 YEARS OLD

Premium Classes 480 - 482: 1st place \$10.00; 2nd place \$8.00; 3rd place \$6.00

- **Quilts must be at least 45" x 60"**
- 480. Quilt - Machine Quilted
- 481. Quilt - Tied
- 482. Quilt - Hand Quilted

Premium Classes 483 - 496: 1st place \$5.00; 2nd place \$4.00; 3rd place \$3.00

- 483. Afghan Crochet
- 484. Afghan Knitted
- 485. Crocheted Item other than Afghan
- 486. Knitted Item other than Afghan
- 487. Bag or Tote
- 488. T-shirt
- 489. Sleepwear
- 490. Apron
- 491. Pillow
- 492. Pillowcase (set or single)
- 493. Table Runner
- 494. Shorts, pants, skirt, or sweatpants
- 495. Dress
- 496. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

BOYS & GIRLS – AGES 13 TO 18 YEARS OLD

Premium Classes 500 – 502: 1st place \$10.00; 2nd place \$8.00; 3rd place \$6.00

- **Quilts must be at least 45" x 60"**
- 500. Quilt - Machine Quilted
- 501. Quilt - Tied
- 502. Quilt - Hand Quilted

Premium Classes 506 – 519: 1st place \$5.00; 2nd place \$4.00; 3rd place \$3.00

- 506. Afghan Crochet
- 507. Afghan Knitted
- 508. Crocheted Item other than Afghan
- 509. Knitted Item other than Afghan
- 510. Bag or Tote
- 511. T-shirt
- 512. Sleepwear
- 513. Apron
- 514. Pillow
- 515. Pillowcase (set or single)
- 516. Table Runner
- 517. Shorts, pants, skirt, or sweatpants
- 518. Dress
- 519. Not Specified - No available class where item would normally be entered

BEST OF SHOW – Quilt Large

(Double, Queen, King)

ROSETTE and \$75.00 premium

Donated by: EASTERN IDAHO STATE FAIR

Rosette will be awarded according to the merits determined by the Judges.

BEST OF SHOW

ROSETTE and \$10.00 premium

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Best Twin/Throw

Best Baby Quilt

Best Mini Quilt

Best Item with Wool

Best Afghan – Knitted or Crochet

Best Baby Afghan – Knitted or Crochet

Best Hand Knit Wear

Best Crochet Wear

Best Tatted Item

Best Quilted Wall Hanging

Best Quilted Table Runner

Best Sewn Clothing – Birth to 6 years

Best Sewn Clothing – 7 to 14 years

Best Sewn Clothing – Adult

Best Embroidery Item

Best Picture – Aida

Best Picture – Linen

Best Junior (age under 12 years old)

Best Junior (age over 13 years old)

Rosettes will be awarded according to the merits determined by the Judges.

All rosettes may not be awarded.

SUPERINTENDENT AWARD

ROSETTE & \$5.00 AWARD

- (3) DIVISION A – QUILTS
- (1) DIVISION C/D – KNITTING OR CROCHETING
- (1) DIVISION G – COUNTED CROSS STITCH
- (2) DIVISION H – JUNIORS

SPECIAL AWARD

- MOST BLUE RIBBONS in QUILTS
- MOST BLUE RIBBONS in AFGHANS
- MOST BLUE RIBBONS in CLOTHING
- MOST BLUE RIBBONS in COUNTED CROSS STITCH

Rosette only, no monetary award.

Additional prizes may be donated by local merchants & will be awarded by the Superintendent.

SPECTATORS CHOICE

1st place - ROSETTE and \$10.00 PREMIUM

2nd thru 4th – ROSETTE

6 – HONORABLE MENTION ROSETTES

Voting to occur on Wednesday, September 3, 2026.

The EISF Board of Directors will be choosing a

“Directors Choice Best of Show”

Winners will be awarded a Rosette and a \$20.00 premium

Awards will be placed by Sunday, September 6, 2026