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2019 ATHENS COUNTY 4-H CAKE DECORATING JUDGING

Dear 4-H Member:

We are looking forward to seeing the results of your cake decorating project at judging next week! **In the past few years, judging of cake decorating projects has changed to reflect state guidelines.** You will have an interview with a judge and bring a cake that represents the skill level listed in your book for the beginner, intermediate, or advanced level.

There will be a separate competition in which judges will examine the displayed cakes, and pick the best representation of each of the classes listed below (i.e. formal, first year, ornate, etc.). You may make one cake that serves both purposes or two cakes (one for the interview and one for the category you wish to enter). You do not have to compete in the separate categories to complete your project; you only need to complete the interview portion of the day. The awards given on Cake Decorating Day will be:

- A State Fair Representative in Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced categories
- A State Fair Alternate in Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced categories
- One winner in each Decorating Competition Category
 - First Year
 - Formal
 - Ornate
 - Decorator's Choice
 - General
- One Best of Show Cake

Cake decorating project judging will be **Thursday, July 11, 2019** at the Athens County Extension Office. Please see the judging schedule for exact times to arrive—you should bring the following:

- Your book
- A cake that ***represents the beginner, intermediate, or senior level in your book.*** You should look at the skills you have learned in your project this year and decorate a cake based on those guidelines. **YOU CANNOT USE SKILLS ABOVE THE LEVEL IN WHICH YOU ARE COMPETING.**
- Your cake for judging should also match the decorating competition area you signed up for (i.e. formal, first year, ornate, etc.) and be on a flat surface that is no more than 3 inches bigger than your cake, if you wish to use the same cake for both. **IF NOT: You may make a separate cake to be eligible for this separate competition.**
- Icing and tips

To prepare for this judging, please study and complete your project book. You also must prepare and decorate a cake. You may also bring a display item, such as a scrapbook or poster that demonstrates your journey through your project.

Judging will include a judge examining your cake and asking you questions about your project, based on information found in the Cake Decorating Resource Handbook.

Please email (moore.3317@osu.edu) or call Bridget at 740.593.8555 if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you and your cake on the 11th!

Sincerely,



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