



# Plywood Pals: A Creative Cut Out Contest at The Oconto County Youth Fair!

**Calling all creative minds!** We're inviting groups to participate in the Plywood Pals Contest, a fun and educational competition showcasing your artistic talents and celebrating agriculture at the Oconto County Youth Fair!

**Theme:** This year's theme is "**Sew It, Grow It, and Show It**". Your cutout should represent something related to agriculture, highlighting the importance of farming and food production.

**Eligibility:** The contest is open to all groups within Oconto County.

## Materials:

- Design and paint a fun and colorful cutout one sheet of pre-cut, ½ inch thick plywood. (does not need to keep the square shape)
- Paints, stains, and other non-toxic decorative materials.
- **Safety First!** All tools used for cutting or shaping the plywood must be used by adults only.

## Cutout Specifications:

- The cutout must be related to agriculture and include an Ag related fact/statistic for fairgoers to learn something new. *This could be a farm animal, a piece of farm equipment, a crop, or a scene depicting a facet of agriculture.*
- **Photo Opportunity:** It must incorporate an element into your design that allows fairgoers to have a fun photo opportunity (e.g., a giant ear of corn with a cutout face in the middle, a tractor with a space for someone to sit in the driver's seat).
- The design should be family-friendly and appropriate for all ages.
- Consider incorporating an open space or frame where people can comfortably stand behind the cutout for pictures.
- **Sturdy Structure:** Ensure the cutout is stable and freestanding.
- No offensive content or language is allowed.
- All groups are responsible for transporting their completed artwork to and from the designated drop-off/pick-up location at the fairgrounds.
- Power outlets will not be available at the display location.

## Entry Process:

- Fill out the online entry form by June 30, 2024, by clicking this [LINK](#) and completing the online form.
- **Delivery:** Have you completed the cutout set up on the Fairgrounds between August 20 and August 21, 2024.
- **Removal:** All cutouts need to be removed by noon on Monday, August 26, 2024.

## Judging:

- Entries will be judged on creativity, originality, adherence to the agriculture theme, and the effectiveness of the photo opportunity element.

**Prizes:**

- First Place: \$300.00
- Second Place: \$200.00
- Third Place: \$100.00
- All other entries will receive \$50.00
- \*\*\*The winners will be announced and awarded at the Buyer's Banquet\*\*\*

**Display and Photo Opportunity:**

- All entries will be displayed throughout the Fair at a designated location.
- Encourage fairgoers to take photos with your cutout and share them on social media using the hashtag #PlywoodPalsContest.

**Let's celebrate agriculture and have some creative fun at the Fair!**

