Eastern States Exposition (ESE) Information

IMPORTANT: General questions regarding Eastern States Exposition will be covered at the ESE orientation. This will scheduled later this spring/summer. Stay tuned!

How many exhibits in each category go onto Eastern States?

- Table Top Exhibits – 3 selected & modified to form a short presentation
- Illustrated Talks & Team Demonstrations – The top 6 are selected with 2 alternates
- Photography & Photo Based Design – 8 selected in each of the two categories via a People’s Choice vote
- Posters – Each region sends one poster determined at the region level
- Action Exhibits – The top 8 exhibits will be selected
- Stage Presentations – The top 12 presentations will be selected
- Fashion Review/Smart Shopper – All participants are automatically eligible

Fashion Revue and Smart Shopper Eligibility:

- Participants 8 years old and older are eligible for Eastern States.
- The State 4-H Fashion Revue at Eastern States Exposition will be held Sunday, September 18 and Monday, September 19. Delegates will travel to Eastern States on Saturday, September 17. Delegates will be responsible for their own transportation. They may contact their 4-H Educator or the State Office to find out what other groups are going to Eastern States from their county. The coordinator for the Fashion Revue at Eastern States this year will be Rachel Collett.
- Participants are required to attend 4-H State Day.
- If you wish to chaperone the fashion revue at Eastern States, please contact Allison Smith or Rachel Collett by calling Allison at 1-800-571-0668 or emailing her at allison.smith.2@uvm.edu.

Stage Presentation Eligibility

- Stage programs are evaluated on a point system. This enables us to announce the selections for the New England Center at Eastern States at the State Day final assembly. Vermont has only one set of dates for Eastern States Exposition performances this year, so all groups selected will be attending at the same time. At least 12 stage activities will be selected to participate during Eastern States Exposition, which will be held Sunday, September 18 and Monday, September 19.
- If your group has been selected for participation at Eastern States, you will receive a commitment contract for Eastern States at the orientation. There is a deadline for this form to come back to the State 4-H Office, so please be sure to respond immediately.
• The same number of youth who participate at State Day must be the same number who participate at Eastern States though if necessary, the youth can be different.

Action Exhibit
• You must have at least 4 participants age 8 and older to be eligible for Eastern States Exposition so that two can present and two can take a break.
• A six-foot table is all that is provided for exhibitors.
• All other materials must be brought by the participants. Any products with labels must be covered. This is to ensure that a 4-H action exhibit does not appear to promote specific brands or companies.

Table Tops
• Once selected, 4-H’ers will create a small 1-3 minute oral presentation to go along with their tabletop. Tabletops will be staffed by the 4-H’er during their shift at Eastern States.

Illustrated Talks and Team Demonstrations
• These two categories will present on stage and will be scheduled alongside the other stage presentations.

Photography, Photo Based Design, and Posters
• These items are sent to Eastern States to be exhibited but do not require the 4-H’er to attend or accompany the item at Eastern States.