

Participants may enter as an individual and as members of a team. A team consists of 3 to 4 individuals with the total scores of the three high individuals making the team score. Membership of the team must be designated if team competition is intended. There are three team/individual divisions – Intermediate (12-14 years old), Senior (15-18), and Honors (those participants that have participated in the national contest).

Contestants will be required to identify plant specimens from two categories – landscape ornamentals and vegetables, fruits, nuts and herbs. A plant list can be found at: <http://www.agronomy.unl.edu/newoutreach/youthprograms/4Hplantlist2008.pdf>. Study guides can also be found at this site. Specimens will consist of the most common plant parts typically used to identify that plant when brought into a nursery or garden center. Most samples will include leaves and stem, but some may only have flowers, seed, or roots structures. Participants will be given a plant list during the contest.

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