

Gift Wrapping Guidelines

Age Groups:

Beginner: Ages 7-11

Junior: Ages 12-15

Senior: 16-19

Notes:

- Learn to wrap with neat corners and folds.
- Learn how to shape on curves and cylinder packages and how to wrap them.
- Learn how to select appropriate packages for the item to be wrapped.
- Learn where to obtain ideas for wrapping and start a collection of these ideas (magazines, party planning books, u-tube, etc.)
- Learn to make “boxes” when they are available using jars, cans with lids, paper towel or toilet paper cores, Legg’s eggs, etc.
- Learn how to use household supplies attractively as wrapping paper (tin foil, shelf paper, wallpaper, newspaper, fabrics, etc.).
- Learn how to line a box properly with tissue paper.
- An exhibitor can only enter one project each year.
- Exhibitor must show advancing skill levels as they progress through the years.

Beginner:

- Learn to make simple bows.
 - Curling ribbon, tailored, circle, fishtail, sunburst, yarn.
 - Use a bowmaker for looped bows, etc.
- Learn different ways to wrap ribbon around a package.
- Learn more wrapping techniques.

Junior:

- Learn more ideas for decoration without using bows and ribbons.
 - Cutouts, crepe paper, construction paper, yarn, tissue paper, pompons, flowers, etc.
- Learn to use backing for ribbons.
 - Lace, net greens, contrasting ribbon, burlap, etc.
- Learn to wrap lid and box separately.
- Learn to combine colors or kinds of ribbons in a bow of any style.
- Learn special treatments.
 - Trimmed with accents, feathering, glitter, etc.
- Learn to wrap packages in materials other than purchased wrapping paper.
- Learn to print your own design on paper to be used.

Senior:

- Use above techniques with more difficult materials and ideas.
- Advanced skills in making the “gift” look like something else.