

Self Determined - Canoeing for the Beginner - 365.09

Project Description

Self-determined Idea Starters are designed to give you suggestions of Areas of Interest & Activities for this topic. You may complete this project in one of three ways: 1. By completing these suggestions only; 2. By completing these suggestions plus additional Areas of Interest & Activities that interest you; or 3. By choosing & completing other Areas of Interest & Activities & none of those in this Idea Starter.

In this project, you may learn about the sport of canoeing. It's important to study some basics about safety as well as equipment & techniques before going on an outing. **This project is meant for a child learning to paddle on calm inland bodies of water.** You may choose other aspects of canoeing that are of interest to you also.

To Complete this Project

Use the Project Idea Starter - Canoeing to begin planning your project guidelines. Using your **Self Determined Project Guide**, identify at least 3 areas of interest with at least 3 activities per area to explore. This is your guide for completing your project. Take part in at least 2 learning experience & at least 2 citizenship/leadership activities. If you choose not to participate in judging at the fair, make arrangements to discuss and review completion of your project with your advisor.

Judging of this project

This project will be judged as part of Special Interest Judging;

at the Richwood Fair Wednesday, August 27, 10:30 a.m.

Or at the Union County Fair on Monday, July 21, 9:00-3:30 p.m.

Your advisor will tell you a more specific judging time later in the summer. At the specific judging time assigned to you, **bring your completed Self Determined Project Guide with the "conducting your adventure" section fill out and your project display. Your project can not be judged without the completed Self Determined Project Guide.** You will participate in an interview judging and then leave your exhibit (a display of your project) on display the entire week of the fair.

Project display

Prepare a display that shows the judge and fair visitors what you learned and accomplished in your project. Your display could be a scrapbook, poster, item you created, or any method of showing what you have done. **If you choose to make a poster, the maximum size is 22"x28". Use regular poster paper, not foam board or a tri-fold board.** You may need to walk a distance from your parked vehicle to judging, plan accordingly. You may choose to bring additional items to show the judge your project work, that you do not leave on display. This is acceptable. You must however, leave something on display the entire week. **Your project book cannot serve as your project display.** Plan your display item carefully: fragile, valuable, or items that will be damaged by dust are not a good idea.

At the Union County Fair Special interest projects will be displayed in the Armory. At the Richwood Fair these projects will be displayed in the Booth Building.

Project Pick-Up

You must pick up your project display at the end of the fair, or arrange for someone to get it for you.

At Union County Fair Special interest project will be released on Sunday, July 27 at 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Projects not picked up by 4:00 p.m. will be disposed of or donated to charities.

At the Richwood Fair all Special Interest project will be released at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, September 1, and should be removed by 9:00 p.m.

Award Presentation

Union County Fair special interest project awards will be presented at the Jr. Fair Awards program on Saturday morning, July 26, 9:00 a.m. in front of the Grandstand. Richwood Fair Special Interest Project Awards will be presented at the Jr. Fair Awards program during the fair. Check the fair paper for the day, time, and location of this program.

Ohio State Fair Opportunity

This project **Does** Have the opportunity to be displayed at the Ohio State fair in 2008. Any 4-er's who wished to compete for an opportunity to display this project at the State Fair must participate in judging at the Union County Fair, as described above. Union County representative to state fair will be chosen as part of Union County Fair judging.