Photography Mounting Instructions for the Fair

Matte boards are available in the Extension Office for $2.00 each, which includes the photo display bag. The purchase price for just the display bag will be $.60 each. Photos not mounted correctly will be dropped a ribbon placing! Do not use foam core board! Exhibitors should observe the following rules for mounting photographs: Enlargements must be no larger than 8” x 10” and no smaller than 7” x 9” after trimming. Trim all white borders from enlargements before mounting. Photos are to be mounted across the narrow (11”) dimension of an 11” x 12.5” sheet of white or cream studio matte board (see examples #1 and #2 below). The top edge of the print must be 1” below the top of the matte board, regardless of a horizontal or vertical mount. The photo must then be centered and be an equal distance from the sides of the matte board. A permanent mount must be made using photo adhesive spray. See the diagrams below for examples on how to properly mount pictures. Additional photo guidelines are available in the Fair book or in the Extension Office.

NOTE: Use ONLY adhesives designed for permanent photography mounting. Do not use rubber cement or other household glues (white glue, craft glue, etc.). The Exhibitor’s Information Strip is available in the Extension Office and should be put on the front at the bottom of the matte board and taped on the back (see examples above). Example #3 shows what information is needed on the back of the photo matte board.