

Helvetia Farm Fair – Best Home Grown Garden Basket Contest Rules

1. Eligibility

- Open to all ages.
- Limit **one basket entry per person**.

2. Basket Requirements

- Basket must contain **only items grown by the entrant** in their own garden, orchard, or property.
- Acceptable items include vegetables, fruits, herbs, edible flowers, and tree nuts.
- All produce must be clean and ready for display.
- Basket or container should be sturdy enough to hold items during judging and display.
- No store-bought items or produce grown by someone else allowed.

3. Entry Drop-Off

- Baskets must be delivered to the judging table **by 4:00 PM** on event day.
- Please attach a **card with your name, phone, and a list of the basket contents**.

4. Judging Criteria

Judges will award points in these categories (scale 1–10 for each):

- **Variety** – number and range of different crops included.
- **Quality** – freshness, ripeness, and condition of produce.
- **Presentation** – attractiveness of arrangement and display.
- **Overall Appeal** – creativity and visual impact.

5. Prizes

- **1st Place** – Champion Ribbon & **\$50 prize**
- **2nd Place** – Ribbon
- **3rd Place** – Ribbon

6. General Rules

- Judges' decisions are final.
- By entering, you give permission for the event to display your basket and use photos of it.
- Produce will remain on display until the event ends unless the entrant requests otherwise.