**Photography**

- All photographs need to be framed and ready for display. Matting is optional.

- Know your equipment. Member should know what type of camera was used to take the project image (35mm digital, point and shoot, cell phone, etc). They should also know that number of pixels that the camera has and should be aware of the different settings that are available. Learn about equipment and supplies needed. Find out how a camera takes pictures and how to hold and aim a camera.
  - See attached form for more details.
    - Suggested learning: Learn about different types of cameras and which type is the best for you to use.

- Image should take in consideration, composition, lighting, focus and subject. Does your image tell a story, strike up an emotion, or is it pleasing to the eye. Videos, prints and slides should be in focus and have a main subject.
  - Suggested learning: Play with lighting and angle, take several photo of the same subject from different views. See how different angle can change prospective of your photo.

- Take proper care of camera, prints and negatives and then learn mounting techniques.
- Learn about different types of cameras and film.
- See the fair book for the number of prints required.

**Resource:**

Focus on Photography [www.4-hmall.org](http://www.4-hmall.org)
Photo Scorecard

Use this scorecard to rate your own photos. In your opinion is this a great photo? Consider each of the following components and be the judge of your photo. What’s your score? Ask yourself; is this what you want to present to a real judge?

3- Excellent......................2-Okay..........................1-Needs Improvement

Focus
Is the picture focused?
Is anything in the picture blurry?
Can you see all subjects clearly?

Exposure
Are any parts of the image washed out?
Are any parts too murky to see?
Do any of the colors look different than in real life?

Lighting
Is the picture well lit?
Are there any unwanted shadows?
Are any parts too bright or too dark to make out?

Distance
Are subjects too far away to see clearly?
Are subjects too close to provide a full picture?
Are all components within the right distance?

Composition
Are there too many objects in the shot?
Is there too much open space in the shot?
Does your background match your photo?

Appeal
Does the picture appeal to you?
Do you think others would enjoy it?
Is it formatted and framed nicely?

MY SCORE Total