The Kansas State Pesticide Safety and IPM program is hosting an insect-themed art contest for Kansas 4-Her’s and art students. Selected artwork will be used to create an “Old Maid” style card game and distributed to Kansas schools. Artists that have art selected will receive a deck of of cards to share with friends/family and a prize. The goal is to try to obtain art that represents these different orders of insects. We will select a winner from each the outlined categories and one overall winner will be selected from those entries. Specifically we are looking for art that represents:

1. Beetles (Coleoptera) 9. Termites (Isoptera)

2. Bees and wasps (Hymenoptera) 10. Cockroaches (Blattodea)

3. Butterflies and moths (Lepidoptera) 11. Praying mantis (Mantodea)

4. Dragonflies (Odonata) 12. Walkingstick (Phasmida)

5. Grasshoppers (Orthoptera) 13. Silverfish (Zygentoma)

6. True bugs (Hemiptera) 14. Mayfly (Ephemeroptera)

7. Flies (Diptera) 15. Fleas (Siphonaptera)

8. Lacewings and antlions (Neuroptera)

**Rules:**

\*Only one artwork per student per category.

\*A COMPLETED entry form must accompany all entries.

\*Drawing must be on flat paper. It’s not that we want to limit the creativity, but protruding parts will create challenges to get the artwork on the intended media.

\*Entries must be the original work of the entrant – no traced or copyright protected images.

\*Individual drawings and paintings must not be larger than “8.5 x 11”. Original entries will not be returned.

\*Entries must feature an insect as the central point of focus that fits into one of categories above.

\*The title, artist’s name, 4-H club or school, grade and county must appear on the back lower right corner of the art. (You can cut out and use the label provided on the entry form.)

**Submission deadlines:**

Entries should be postmarked by April 3, 2020.

Mail entries to: Frannie Miller

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**Scoring guidelines:**

All entries will be judged according to their adherence to the contest theme and overall visual impact, originality, artistic skill, and effort level. We are looking for colorful and creative art to feature in our “Old Maid” style card deck. Have fun!