Fashion Revue – Constructed
(Casual and Dressy Categories)
District & State O-Rama – Junior & Senior 4-H’ers
Apparel Studies

The activity will be held at the District and State 4-H O-Ramas. Competitors must be present for all Fashion Revue activities. This activity will consist of a short presentation and modeling of garments constructed by the contestant.

OBJECTIVES

Targeted Life Skills:

- Marketable Skills
- Social skills
- Problem Solving
- Self-esteem
- Decision Making
- Wise Use of Resources
- Critical Thinking
- Planning/Organizing
- Cooperation
- Keeping Records
- Cooperation

An opportunity will be provided for faculty to share information about degree programs/career choices in:

- Fashion Merchandising
- Fashion Design
- Fashion Consultant
- Modeling
- Textile Science

To recognize 4-H members who have excelled in clothing projects and exhibit skills in the following:

- Application of knowledge of fibers and fabrics to wardrobe selection.
- Clothing construction.
- Fashion interpretation and understanding of style.
- Good grooming and poise in front of others.
- Modeling and presentation of themselves and their garments.

ELIGIBILITY

District 4-H O-Rama: Up to two junior (1 per category) and two senior (1 per category) 4-H members from each county may enter the Fashion Revue-Constructed Garment activity at the District 4-H O-Rama.

Arkansas 4-H O-Rama: The top seven seniors in both categories at each District 4-H O-Rama will be eligible to enter the state activity. Once a contestant has won first place at State O-Rama in one division, he/she is no longer eligible to compete in that division.

ACTIVITY

The activity consists of informally modeling a garment constructed by the contestant and a short presentation detailing the cost, use and care of the garment. The fiber(s) and fabric(s) from which the garment(s) is/are made should be identified and reasons given for their choice. Presentations should be one to two minutes and delivered without the benefit of notes. Contestants should be prepared to answer judges’ questions about the construction of the competition garment(s).
CATEGORIES

The Fashion Revue -- Constructed Garments has two categories, **Casual** and **Dressy**. Each County may enter **1 junior** and **1 senior** in each category:

1. **Casual**, for school and casual after school activities, such as spectator sports, picnics, and casual dates. **Examples are:** pants, jeans, skirts or shorts and tops, jumpsuit, casual or sporty dresses, skirts or pants with casual/sporty jackets, school coats, and coordinated separates. (No swim wear.)

2. **Dressy**, for ensembles worn to dressy activities such as church, dinner dates, theater, and job/scholarship interviews. **Note: This category does not include garments worn for formal evening events and formal weddings.** (For example, male contestants are not allowed to wear a tux.) Any youth wearing a formal garment will be disqualified immediately upon sign-in at the district or state events and **provided with a copy of the rules. No exceptions to this rule beginning for 2008 and forward.**

Competition garments must be a complete ensemble and must include a top and bottom. (Exception: Full-length coats entered in the construction division may be worn over ready-to-wear garments.) Ready-made shirts, blouses, body suits, sweaters, etc., are **not** allowed in the **Constructed Garment** division of the activity except when worn under a full-length coat (as noted above). **Ensembles must fit into one of the categories as outlined above.**

Accessories such as ties, belts, scarves, shoes, etc., should be used appropriately to enhance the garment and do not have to be home-sewn. No additional garments may be carried with the exception of props (i.e., tennis racket, golf club, corsage, teddy bear).

**Note:** Notes or note cards are not permitted in the Constructed garment division of the activity. If there’s a special need, please contact the 4-H Events Coordinator.

**JUDGING**

Participants will be scored on (1) Knowledge of fiber and fabric characteristics, uses and care (20%), (2) Ability to evaluate garment quality and apply knowledge (60%), and (3) Appearance, fit and fashion ability (20%).

**AWARDS**

First place winners in each category will receive trophies. First through third place winners, in each category, will receive ribbons.

**Note:** Participation in the Fashion Revue at County, District and State O-Ramas may be reported in 4-H Record Book competition for awards in Clothing and/or Fashion Revue.

**Resource Material:**

- Sewing 1 (BU-7179)
- Sewing 2 (BU-7180)
- Sewing 3 (BU-7181)
- Helper’s Guide (BU-7182)