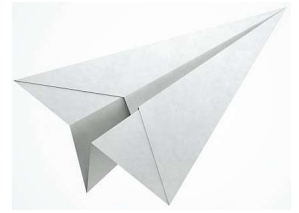


**2020**  
**Department 72**  
**The Big E Paper Airplane Contest**  
**Thursday, October 1, 2020**  
**10:30 am to 4:00 pm**

This is a one-day contest to be held **Thursday, September 26th** at Eastern States Exposition in the New England Center. No pre-registration is required. Entries may be limited by Creative Arts department management.



Participants may bring their own planes made by the individuals launching them that are subject to inspection by the Creative Arts department. Materials will be available the day of the contest to construct your paper airplane for use in the New England Center: 8 ½ x 11-inch paper, tape, scissors, rulers, pencils.

**AGE CLASSES** (age as of 10/1/2020)

- A. 5-8 years      B. 9-13 years      C. 14-18 years      D. Adult

**PREMIUMS WILL BE PAID AS FOLLOWS**

1st place - \$20    2nd place - \$17    3rd place - \$14

Entries left the day of the contest will be discarded at the discretion of Creative Arts Staff.

**RULES**

1. Paper planes must only be constructed out of one piece of paper, no larger than 8 ½ x 11 inches.
2. No metal, ceramics, plastics, composites. Tape and glue are OK.
3. The aircraft must be launched by one person who made the plane, throwing the aircraft unaided from behind a straight line marked on the floor. Throwers may not move beyond the throw line unless instructed to by the organizers of the contest.
4. The top 3 entries in each class will be posted on The Big E website.
5. For Accuracy: The participant must launch their plane, and have it pass through a hoop. The distance from the location of where the plane stops after passing through the hoop will be measured from the nose of the plane to the target marked on the floor. The measurement will be in feet and inches.
6. Spectators will not be allowed in the launching areas.
7. Entries and participants may be photographed – photos may be used by show sponsors for promotional purposes. The photos become the property of The Big E.
8. Work must be that of the individual crafter exhibiting – no team entries.
9. Entries must be submitted with exhibitor's name, address and phone number to be eligible for prizes
10. By participating, you accept all contest rules and agree to be bound by the judges' decision, which will be final.
11. Taxes are the responsibility of the winner.

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**JUDGING**

The judges' decision will be final. The winners will be the 3 contestants in each age class whose airplane's nose stops closest to the center of the target after having passed through the hoop.

If you have any questions, please contact the Creative Arts department at 413-205-5015 or email [Creativearts@thebige.com](mailto:Creativearts@thebige.com).

Premium checks will be mailed in a timely fashion to the 3 contestants with the shortest distance from the target that have completed entry forms. Eastern States Exposition assumes no responsibility for premium checks once they are presented to the exhibitor. All checks must be cashed, and missing checks reported **prior** to December 31, 2020. After January 1, 2020, the show's books are closed, and protests are not valid.