

ILLINOIS 4-H CAKE IT TIL YOU MAKE IT – CAKE DECORATING COMPETITION

Contestant Name: _____ County: _____

Category	Total Value	Comments	Actual Score
Creativity and Originality <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design shows strong originality and personal expression Use of color, shapes, and elements enhances visual interest Creative interpretation of the theme 	15		
Neatness and Cleanliness <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Smooth icing and clean edges Minimal smudging, fingerprints, or unintended marks Workstation was cleaned prior to judging 	15		
Technique & Skill <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Techniques are well executed (e.g., borders, piping, fondant, texture) Skill level is appropriate or exceeds expectations for the division Demonstrates control, consistency, and craftsmanship Required techniques met: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beginner: Minimum 4 techniques Intermediate/Advanced: Minimum 5 techniques 	25		
Use of Theme <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Theme is immediately recognizable Design elements strongly support the theme Creative interpretation remains on-theme 	15		
Overall Presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cake is visually appealing and well-balanced Elements are thoroughly arranged Strong first impression and finished appearance 	30		
	100	Total Score	

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