



2026 - 2027 FAIRCHILD CHALLENGE Middle School Challenge 1: “Flowers to Fruits”



Maximum points for challenge: 200 points

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:

- One set of three to ten sculptures of animals made from “found objects,” litter or recycled materials
- Completed Challenge Response Sheet

Criteria	Max. Points	Judge 1 Initials:	Judge 2 Initials:	Judge 3 Initials:	Judge 4: Initials:
Relevance to Theme • Project & response sheet is focused on a specific flowering plant • Sculptures are made from “found objects,” litter or recycled materials	40				
Artistry / Technique • Sculptures display originality and creativity in design • Resourcefulness in use of materials • Sculptures replicate the “full bloom” stage of a flowering plant with biologic accuracy • Sculptures demonstrate neatness and attention to detail.	80				
Research • Response Sheet is completed thoughtfully (about 2-3 sentences per open ended question (either handwritten or typed) • Response Sheet is free from grammatical errors • Response Sheet cites 2 relevant sources • No AI	60				
TOTAL	180				

Comments: _____

School: _____	Student(s): _____
Requirements (20 points)	
Each sculpture is clearly labeled with school name (no acronyms, please) and student(s) names	6 points _____
Each sculpture is no larger than 5" x 5" x 5" and 2 lbs.	5 points _____
Challenge 1 Response Sheet is submitted	6 points _____
Bibliography citing at least 2 sources following MLA or APA format is included	2 points _____
Submitted on time (late entries may not receive points)	1 points _____
Meets Requirements (circle one): Y / N	_____ points 20 points

1. **AVERAGE: JUDGES' SCORES FROM SUBTOTALS** _____

2. **TOTAL SCORE: ADD REQUIREMENTS TO AVERAGE** _____

Award Placement: Please specify that rationale for awarding this entry.