2026 Alabama Cotton Sewing Contest- Cancer Patient Blanket (Not a Quilt) (2 Divisions)

WHO MAY ENTER

1. To be eligible to participate in this event, an individual must be an Alabama Farmers Federation member or their parent/guardian must be a member.
2. First place winners from the previous year's sewing contest are not eligible to compete in the immediate year following his/her win.
3. County winners may be determined by means of a county contest conducted and approved by that county.
4. Employees or family members of employees with the Alabama Farmers Federation and/or the Alfa Companies will not be eligible for this contest.
5. There will be two divisions: Youth (7th-12th Grade) Division and Adult Division.
6. Each participant should be present during the Women's Luncheon at the annual Alabama Farmers Federation's Farm and Land Conference.

HOW TO ENTER

The state event will be open to individuals who are selected from the county contest as the first-place winner.

1. The individual who constructs the cancer patient blanket is the contestant and must be present at the state contest.
2. The enclosed entry form may be used for submitting entries to the county and State contests.
3. Each blanket will need an individual entry form.

CANCER PATIENT BLANKETS

1. Cancer Patient Blankets should be made from a cotton or cotton blend fabric.
2. Cancer Patient Blankets should be 36" to 48" in width and 60" to 72" in length.
3. Cancer Patient Blankets can be embellished with embroidery, cross stitching, crocheting, fringe, ruffles, ribbon, etc. which **do not** have to be made from cotton; pockets are optional.
4. Cancer Patient Blanket should be sewn, not quilted.
5. Cancer Patient Blankets will be judged on overall construction and appearance at the Annual Farm and Land Conference.

Cancer Patient Blanket Scoring Guide

Construction **60 points**

- Cancer Patients Blankets should meet the measurement guidelines
- Fabric cut on grain
- Even straight seams
- Proper finishes for fabrics

Appearance **40 points**

- Decorative stitching, trims and notions
- All notions and trims matched well
- Appropriateness of embellishments and decorations

STATE CONTEST and AWARD

1. The State Contest will be held at the ALFA Farmers Commodity Conference in August.
2. The winners will receive the following cash awards:

1st Place - $150; 2nd Place - $100; 3rd Place - $75

TIMETABLE

1. Entries in the State Cotton Sewing Contest must be received from the county winners no later than **JUNE 10, 2026**. Any forms received after this date will have 10 points deducted from the total score.

2. Entry forms should be mailed to:

   Kim Earwood
   Alabama Farmers Federation
   P.O. Box 11000
   Montgomery, Alabama 36191-0001

2026 ENTRY FORM

Cancer Patient Blanket Contest

Attach any fabric swatches ⇒

Fiber Content _____

(Please Check)

Youth (7th through 12th Grade) Division_____ **Adult Division**_____

NAME _____

ADDRESS_____
(street) (city) (zip)

PHONE ( ) _____ Email_____

COUNTY_____

PATTERN BRAND AND NUMBER (if applicable)_____

Describe Cancer Patient Blanket.

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Return by June 10, 2026 to:

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