

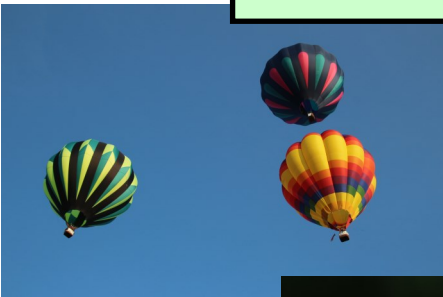
# Winnebago County 4-H—Photography Project

## RULE OF THIRDS

### Photographers:

- ◇ Mentally divide your photo into thirds (both vertically and horizontally)
- ◇ Create an interesting photo by placing the subject of your photo at one of the lines marking one third of the photo
- ◇ Create an interesting photo by placing the focal point of your photo at the intersecting points of the lines dividing your photo into thirds

The **focal point** is the part of the photo that makes your photo unique and interesting; it is where your eye should be drawn to when viewing your photo



### Tips for Mastery:

- ◇ Look for leading lines in your photo that lead directly to an intersecting point of the lines dividing your photo into thirds
- ◇ Take a photo with 2 focal points, each on a line marking one third of the photo
- ◇ Try your horizon line at the top third of the photo and the bottom third of the photo— think about which works better for your subject

Rule of Thirds works because your eyes naturally go to the intersecting points, not the center of a photo!

