

4-H Presentation Basics

2016 - 2017

PRESENTATION TYPES:

- Demonstration
- Illustrated Talk
- Science or Engineering Presentation
- Educational Display/Talk
- Informative Prepared Speech
- Persuasive Prepared Speech
- Impromptu Speech
- Interpretive Reading
- Cultural Arts
- Share the 4-H Fun Skits

PRESENTATION COMPETITIONS:

- County: February 25, 2017, Butte Valley
- Sectional: March 18, 2017, Shasta County
- State: May 27, 2017, Davis, CA

What is a presentation

A presentation is a method used to communicate an idea or topic by showing, telling, or expressing your opinion. A presentation may be a demonstration, a talk, a speech, a reading or a skit.

A 4-H Presentation helps you learn to:

- Research a subject
- Organize ideas in a logical order
- Share your spark or your passion
- Practice public speaking skills

Where to Get Started:

You can get ideas for presentations from many different sources. The first place to start is with your projects or developing a presentation around your spark. Your project leader, parents, and other adults also can be a source of ideas. Sources for presentation ideas are project manuals, books, magazines, websites, and brochures from various organizations.

Presentation Type and Style:

Presentations are not just demonstrations. You have

many options ranging from traditional demonstrations for beginning members to persuasive speeches for more experienced members. All of the various presentation styles require similar skills, and are designed to meet the interests, and age-appropriate levels of the member. No style of presentation is better than any other. Choose the style that best fits you for your presentation and then try other styles as you advance in 4-H.

Where are presentations given?

Presentations can be given to many audiences. You may choose to give a presentation to your project or club. You may also present to another organization. 4-H also includes op-

portunities to present at county, sectional and state events with evaluation being provided as to the member's presentation skills. Evaluation is used to help members expand skills for planning,

preparing and presenting in the future, as well as helping members increase self-esteem, self confidence and gain the ability to accept feedback as a tool for improvement.

Presentation Types

The 4-H Presentation Manual has a full listing of presentation basics and can easily answer your questions.

Page 10 of the manual has a quick matrix that will answer these questions:

- Can I give a team presentation?
- How many posters or slides do I need?
- Can I use visual aids?
- How long does the presentation need to be?
- Will I be asked questions?
- Can I use note cards?
- Can I wear a costume?
- Do I need to use references or sources of my material?

Demonstration

- Is doing.
- Is showing how. As you show how, you tell how.
- Is where you make something or do something. There is a final product.

Illustrated Talk

- Is telling.
- Is telling how with the aid of visuals.
- Is where you use charts, posters, photos, computer programs, slides, pictures, models, or cut outs.

Science/Engineering Presentation

A science presentation emphasizes the core process of inquiry to describe, explain, and predict through observation, experimentation, modeling and other scientific techniques. Science methods may rely on qualitative data (descriptions or quantitative data (numbers), or both.

Educational Display Talk

An educational display talk is an organized visual presentation of a program or concept. A display should be designed to convey a message in a limited amount of time.

Interpretive Reading

Speakers may read any published written work that is age appropriate and acceptable for use in a public school classroom. The speaker provides their own introduction of the title, author, characters, the purpose or setting of the writing and more.

Share the Fun Skit

Groups perform acts as skits and other presentations that focus on health, safety, community pride, citizenship, science, engineering, or technology, or other 4-H projects. The topic must include a topic surrounding 4-H.

Persuasive Prepared Speech

The purpose of a persuasive prepared speech is to sway, convince, and influence, not simply to argue.

Impromptu Speech

Impromptu speaking involves speeches that the speaker has developed themselves at the Presentation event within three-minutes of preparation. Speakers draw topics and the speech is developed to be presented immediately.

Cultural Arts

Individual participants or groups, projects and clubs, perform a customized dramatic reading, musical, dance or other performing arts activity.

Informative Prepared Speech

This format requires the speaker to write and deliver their own speech. The speaker will inform or educate the audience on a single issue or topic.

Pre announced categories are provided each year:

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/249820.pdf>

Full category descriptions can be found in the 4-H Presentation Manual.

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/2193.pdf>

