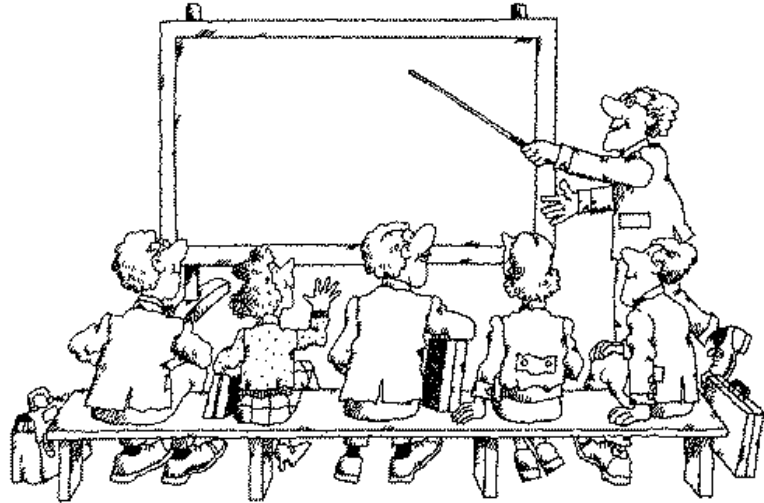


PRESENTATIONS
(Demonstrations &
Illustrated Talks)



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Purposes:

This event is designed:

1. To support the county 4-H youth development program.
2. To broaden the 4-H interaction experiences of youth and adults from across the Commonwealth.
3. To challenge 4-H'ers skills and knowledge of giving demonstrations.
4. To recognize 4-H'ers demonstrated abilities in giving public presentations.
5. To better acquaint 4-H'ers with the faculty, services, and facilities of The Pennsylvania State University.

Objectives:

1. To provide an opportunity for 4-H'ers to develop and use communication skills.
2. To create an environment for competition to select and recognize outstanding demonstrators.
3. To develop self-confidence in the 4-H member.
4. To research and develop a current knowledge base in selected subject matter area.
5. To teach and share current information with others.

Eligibility:

1. Participants must be at least 13 years of age and must not have reached their 19th birthday as of January 1 of the current year.
2. Team members or individuals must be currently enrolled or have previously enrolled in a project or activity which relates to their presentation.
3. Presentations may be given by an individual or two-member team.

4. All presentation teams or individuals must be high-placing teams or individuals in regional or county eliminations. In addition, judges or county staff must recommend the presentation worthy of state competition.
5. Previous medal winners in a category are eligible to compete again in that category, providing they have not represented the state in a national contest in that presentation category. Refer to "General Rules" #4 and #5.
6. The title of the presentation ***must*** accompany the participant's registration.
7. Participants may be eligible to go on to National Competition (Horse, Engineering, Egg Preparation, Plant Science, and Beef) - see General Rules. *Those presenters competing for National individual and team honors must be at least 14 years of age as of January 1.*

Contest Organization and Content:

1. PRESENTATION CATEGORIES are: Animal Science, Plant Science, Clothing and Textiles, Engineering, Foods and Nutrition, Home and Family Management, and General.

ANIMAL SCIENCE	Goat, Beef, Sheep, Swine, Horse, Meats, Dairy, Dog, Poultry, Wildlife, Rabbit, Veterinary Science, Embryology, Pet Care
CLOTHING AND TEXTILES	Clothing Care, Clothing Selection, Clothing Construction, Good Grooming, Knitting, Crocheting
ENGINEERING	Airplanes, Rocketry, Automotive, Bicycle, Electric, Energy, Woodworking/Wood Science, Small Engine, Water Quality/Resources, Tractors, Computers
FOODS AND NUTRITION	Food Preparation, Food Preservation, Food Safety, Nutrition, Food Management, Outdoor Cooking
GENERAL	Career, Geology, Entomology, Photography, Safety, Health, Physical Fitness, Recreation, Shooting Sports, Marketing 4-H, and other
HOME & FAMILY MANAGEMENT	Family Relations & Child Care, Home Management, Home Furnishing, Related Arts and Crafts
PLANT SCIENCE	Meet the plants, Vegetable Gardening, Indoor Gardening (house plants, flower arranging, etc.), Landscape Gardening (outdoor flowers, etc.), Fruits, General Horticulture
2. Pantomime, posters, slide, puppets, role playing, etc., may be used in a presentation to allow for creativity of individuals.
3. No subject matter material will be supplied the day of the event.
4. Easel, table and electrical outlet will be furnished. All other materials used in presentations must be provided by members.

5. Refrigeration storage and range facilities are not available- please encourage simple foods presentations. Transportation of large items will be available from the dormitory to the presentation area. You are encouraged to hand carry posters or fragile equipment. Final instructions for equipment transportation will be provided at the event.
6. No live animals of any type may be used in any 4-H presentation. This is because of Penn State regulations regarding the humane use of animals on campus.
7. The time is 10 to 15 minutes. This time does not include the audience question period.
8. Powerpoint presentations are acceptable. Slides will be judged on same basis as a poster for readability, clearness, neatness, etc. Members should also not use the slides as the total presentation. There should be some type of "demonstration" or an idea in addition to the slides. Members must provide their own computer and projector. Notify Chair of need for computer & projector. Presentation files may need to be emailed in advance.

Scoring:

1. The total possible score for a presentation is 100 points. Criteria for scoring is presented on the Presentation Score Sheet. Points will be deducted at the rate of 2 points for each full minute over or under the allotted time. One point deducted for each partial minute.
2. Some categories may be broken into several sections (rooms) to accommodate the number of participants. Each section (room) will have separate judges and will be scored independent of other participants in the same category.

Awards:

1. The high scoring blue ribbon individual(s) in each category, or section of a category, will receive plaques.
2. Merit award ribbons will be awarded to presentation participants based on the following scoring criteria:

<u>Score</u>	<u>Merit Ribbon</u>
100-90	Blue
89-80	Red
79-70	White

Opportunities:

Several opportunities for participation in National events exist in selected subject matter areas.

Animal Science

Horse:

1. The first place presentation given by an individual at least 14 years of age by January 1 is eligible for competition in the Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup at Louisville, Kentucky in November and the Congress Youth Horse Event at the Quarter Horse Congress, Illinois in September.
2. The first place presentation given by a team of two individuals at least 14 years of age by January 1 is eligible for competition in the Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup at Louisville, Kentucky in November and the Congress Youth Horse Event at the Quarter Horse Congress, Springfield, Illinois in September.

Beef:

The presenter of the highest-scoring illustrated talk dealing with the nutritional value, economic value, cooking principles, and versatile use of beef, role of beef as an agricultural product, and factual information about the beef industry will be eligible to represent Pennsylvania at the National 4-H Beef Ambassador Program. At the national contest only, contestants will answer questions based on information supplied by the National Livestock and Meat Board in addition to giving their presentations. Participants must have passed their 15th birthday by January 1 of the current year to participate.

Engineering

The top scoring presenters of selected categories related to engineering and science may have the opportunity to compete in the National 4-H Engineering, Science, and Leadership Event held in West Lafayette, Indiana, at Purdue University in late September. Participants must be at least 14 years of age by January 1 of the current year to be eligible. The presentation contest is used as the first criteria for selection in the following contest areas: aerospace, automotive, computer and electric/energy. Note that -aerospace entries can be individual or a team of two people. Automotive participants must have a valid driver's license. Each contest at the national level may require extra items such as a written test, parts identification, or other skill activities. Complete contest guidelines are available from the State 4-H Office.

Foods and Nutrition

Egg Preparation Demonstration

The top scoring individual presenter is eligible to compete at the National Poultry and Egg Conference at Louisville, Kentucky in November. Participants must be at least fourteen years of age as of January 1. Contestants must demonstrate preparation of an egg dish, including information about eggs, steps in preparation, and the finished dish. The egg dish must include at least one half (1/2) egg per serving if it is an appetizer, snack, dessert, or beverage or at least one (1) egg per serving if it is a salad or main dish. For more information, check out the national website – <http://ulisse.cas.psu.edu/Nat4Hpoultry/default.html>.

Plant Science

The top scoring individuals or teams are eligible to compete in the National Junior Horticulture Association sponsored demonstration competitions. Presenters must be at least 14 years of age by January 1 of the current year to be eligible. There are 5 categories that youth can compete in:

- 1) Artistic arrangement
- 2) Production
- 3) Marketing
- 4) Use
- 5) Landscaping

References:

4-H Public Speaker's Handbook
Flipcharts for Effective Presentations (1984) by Harry A. Carey (special circular #281)
Posters: Design and Production (1982) by Harry A. Carey (special circular #280)
Exhibits: Design and Production (1981) by Harry A. Carey (special circular #273)
Communications Tool Kit (Available in County Offices)
Communication Helper's Guide
Communication Level 1- Picking Up The Pieces
Communication Level 2- Putting It Together
Communication Level 3- The perfect Fit

4-H PRESENTATIONS SCORE SHEET*

Presenter(s) _____ County _____ Category _____
 Room _____
 Award _____

Age, Jan. 1, current year _____
 Age, Jan. 1, current year _____

Title of Presentation/Illustrated Talk _____

	Potential Score	Judges' Score	Comments
Introduction - interesting, short, complete, original	5		
Topic - practical, related to project or activity	5		
Appearance - appropriate dress, well-groomed, good posture	10		
Voice, grammar, and vocabulary	10		
Presentation - shows poise; uses time and material well; work and speech coordinated; workmanship-skillful and orderly. Shows originality	30		
Subject matter - Information accurate, complete, usable; knows subject; emphasizes important points.	20		
Equipment - suitable - good charts, posters, or models	10		
Summary - stresses important points; shows finished product if possible; has definite closing, questions answers satisfactorily	10		

Total Score _____ 100 _____

Time: _____ minutes Deduction _____ = Final Score _____

NUMERICAL RATING:

90 - 100 - Excellent (Blue)
 80 - 89 - Good (Red)
 70 - 79 - Worthy (White)

* See : "Definition of Terms" Judged by _____

DEFINITIONS OF TERMS USED IN SCORE SHEET

Introduction	This is not an introduction of the person. Rather it is to explain why the topic is important to the person and the audience. Usually a presentation shows knowledge learned in 4-H club project.
Topic	Should be closely related to category entered.
Appearance	Neat, properly dressed for the job. Good posture but at ease.
Voice, Grammar and Vocabulary	Voice should be natural, words distinct, reasonably clear, and correct grammar should have proper choice of words for a clear meaning.
Presentation	Poised, friendly, confident, convincing. Material presented with logical sequence. Originality and creativity shown throughout. Workmanship in presentation: skillful; time and materials well used; work and speech coordinated; table top neat and orderly; easily viewed by audience. Good team work if working as a team.
Subject	Should be sufficient depth to show member's knowledge matter of subject matter field.
Equipment, Charts, Posters Models	<p>Equipment should be well chosen for the job, conveniently arranged, and used in a generally accepted manner. It is not necessary to recite a list of equipment to be used but rather to identify it as used.</p> <p>Charts, posters, and models should be neat, concise, appropriate, and easily seen by audience. They are often a reduced scale model or a cross section and are used to summarize steps in a process or list pertinent information such as formula or recipe.</p> <p>Members need not have made charts or posters themselves.</p>
Summary	A concise review of the main points of the presentation. It should not include new material.
Time	Should be 10-15 minutes. Deduct two points for each full minute over or under allotted time. One point deducted for each partial minute. This time does not include audience question period.