2021 GUIDELINES FOR 4-H DAY PRESENTATIONS

The events listed below are consistent with guidelines that will be used for Regional 4-H Day. **Cloverbuds may only participate in the Show & Share Division (not offered at Regional 4-H Day).** All presentations must be videotaped and uploaded to YouTube.

**PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

**Show & Share - Non-competitive**
A. Cloverbuds and 4-H members 7-9 years old
B. Time: recommend 2-3 minutes, 5 minutes maximum
C. Visuals may be used

**PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

**Project Talks - Junior**
A. For 4-H members 7 to 12 years old.
B. Time: recommend 3 to 4 minutes, 7 minutes maximum.
C. Visuals encouraged but not required.
D. Individual presentations only.
E. Topic may be on 4-H project or aspect of project 4-H member is currently enrolled in.
F. PowerPoint is **allowed** for this category and age division. Contestant is responsible for providing necessary equipment.
G. Questions are not asked.

**Demonstrations - Illustrated Talks - Junior**
A. A demonstration shows how, an **illustrated talk tells how** rather than shows how. There should be an end product.
B. For 4-H members 7 to 12 years old.
C. Time: recommend 4 to 7 minutes, 10 minutes maximum.
D. Either individual or team presentations. (Please be aware of covid best practices.)
E. All necessary equipment provided by 4-H member, i.e. computer, poster, etc.
F. Topic may be related to 4-H project currently enrolled.
G. The endorsement of brand names is discouraged.
H. **PowerPoint is allowed** for this category and age division. Contestant is responsible for providing necessary equipment.
I. Questions asked.
J. Summary is required.

**Demonstrations - Illustrated Talks - Senior**
A. A demonstration shows how, an illustrated talk tells how rather than shows how. There should be an end product.
B. For 4-H members 13 years old or older.
C. Time: recommend 5 to 10 minutes, 10 minutes maximum. **For 2021 only, 10 minutes maximum.**
D. Either individual or team presentations. (Please be aware of covid best practices.)
E. All necessary equipment provided by 4-H member, i.e., computer, posters, etc.
F. Topic may be related to 4-H project currently enrolled.
G. The endorsement of brand names is discouraged.
H. **PowerPoint is allowed** for this category and age division. Contestant is responsible for providing necessary equipment.
I. Questions asked.
J. Summary is required.

**Public Speaking - Senior**
A. For 4-H members 13 years and older.
B. Time: recommend 5 to 7 minutes, 10 minutes maximum. **For 2021 only, 10 minutes maximum.**
C. Visuals may or may not be used. They should enhance the talk- not distract. No posters or PowerPoint presentations allowed.
D. Individual presentations only.
E. Topic unlimited, persuasive, informative, etc.
F. **Outline required for judge** (Judge will deduct one ribbon if outline not available). This should be emailed to martinso@ksu.edu by February 13.

**TALENT**

**Music**

B. Vocal Ensemble
1. Group may be composed of 2 to 15 4-H members, not including accompanist.
2. Each group will sing two numbers of their own choosing.
3. Copies of selections will be given to judges before performing* with measures numbered. If not available, one ribbon deducted.
4. Accompanist need not be a 4-H member.
5. Selections must be memorized or may influence the rating.

C. Vocal Solo
1. Participant will sing one number.
2. 4-H member judged on vocal presentation.
3. Copy of selection will be emailed by February 13* with measures numbered. If not available, one ribbon deducted.
4. Accompanist need not be a 4-H member.
5. Memorization required. Ribbon rating deducted if not memorized.

D. Orchestra – Band –
Must be able to provide own instrument, with the exception of a piano
1. Groups may be composed of 16 or more 4-H members (may be from different clubs).
2. Each group will play one number of their own choosing.
3. Copy of the conductor's score is to be given to the judge before playing* with measures numbered.
4. Memorization of number is not required.
5. The director is not required to be a 4-H member; an individual may not play with the group unless he or she is a 4-H member.

E. Instrumental Ensemble –
Must be able to provide own instrument, with the exception of a piano
1. Group may be composed of 2 to 15 4-H members, (may be from different clubs) not including the accompanist.
2. Each group will play one selection of their own choosing.
3. Copies of selection will be given to judges before performing* with measures numbered.
4. Memorization of numbers is not required.
5. The director is not required to be a 4-H member; an individual may not play with the group unless he or she is a 4-H member.

F. Instrumental Solo –
Must be able to provide own instrument, with the exception of a piano
1. Participant will play a composed solo number.
2. Copy of selection will be emailed by February 13* with measures numbered.
3. Accompanist need not be a 4-H member.
4. Memorization is not required.

Dance – (Country dance, folk, choreographed, other) Maximum 5 minutes. – Must provide own equipment to play music (i.e., CD player, speaker).
A. Junior Solo
B. Senior Solo

Drama
A. Plays
1. Limited strictly to one-act plays. One set. No set changes allowed.
2. Minimum 30 minutes maximum 45 minutes.
3. Clubs responsible for all scenery.
4. No copy of play required.

B. Skits
1. Designed as original plays or skits.
2. No number limitations.
3. Performance set-up 5 minutes. Each group will be responsible for all scenery, property, and props.
4. Maximum 15 minutes.
5. No copy of skit required.

C. Reading - Poetry Interp or Prose Interp
1. Dramatic or Interpretive, humorous, or other type of reading.
2. Individual presentation.
3. A 10 minute maximum time limit. No minimum time limit.
4. Students are expected to have an attention getting intro that includes description of performance which should include the title, author, and setting, and the name of the participant and 4-H club). The intro also sets the scene for the cutting.
5. No props beyond a folder or book may be used in Readings. Props may be used in Solo Acting.
6. No extra points will be awarded for memorized work. While this may be memorized, but needs to look as though it were a reading.

D. Solo Acting
1. The material is generally something that was published as a script, but can be done from a story. The pieces may be single or multiple characters (one person does all the parts).
2. Individual Presentation.
3. The time limit is maximum 10 minutes. No minimum time limit.
4. Students may move around and may even use a chair as a prop.
5. The piece must be memorized.
6. Students are expected to have an attention getting intro that includes title and author. The intro also sets the scene for cutting.

E. Other
1. Miscellaneous grouping: novelty, stunts, pantomime, puppets, marionettes, ventriloquist acts, etc.
2. Individual
3. Maximum 5 minutes.

* Revised 12/2020
Notes for Virtual 2021 4-H Day

For all entries

- Video must be continuous with no editing whatsoever. Your presentation must be shot in one continuous take. Please do not use any kind of title screens, credits, special effects, or captioning. The idea is to create a video of your presentation as it would be seen at an in-person 4-H Club Day. Failure to adhere to this rule for the virtual presentations will result in the lowering of your ribbon placing.
- Presenter/performer must be in front of the camera throughout the presentation/performance. Do not move “off-camera.”
- When introducing yourself, please use your first name only. The rest of your introduction can proceed as you normally would.
- If you need an easel or projector, please contact the Extension Office to make arrangements.

Example videos at: https://www.centrkansas.k-state.edu/4-h/4-hclubday/
Registration DUE January 15 at: https://tinyurl.com/dkco4hday

YouTube links DUE BY February 13th, 11:59 PM (instructions will be emailed to those registered)

Demonstrations & Illustrated Talks – Junior & Senior

- As questions would normally be asked in an in-person environment, presenters are encouraged to ask for questions and have a family member ask questions from off-camera.
- Please try to avoid asking known or “scripted” questions as the goal is to have the 4-H member field the question on the spot as they would in an in-person setting.

Team Demonstrations/Illustrated Talks

- The preferred method for a team demonstration/illustrated talk with team members from separate households would be to utilize Zoom and record the presentation.
- If you would like to do a team presentation and are unable to utilize Zoom, you must make sure both participants are masked and socially distanced throughout the presentation (and practices).
- Failure to observe mask wearing and social distancing protocols may result in disqualification.

Musical Solos and Accompanists

- Please approach your solo with the utmost regard for safety considerations, especially for winds, brass, and vocal musicians.
- Consider performing unaccompanied or with a recording.
- If you perform with an accompanist not from within your own household, all participants must be masked (including the musician), and socially distanced throughout the performance (and rehearsals).
- Please utilize the same safety protocols as you would use in your private lesson and/or music classes. If you use a bell cover and a mask with a slit for playing your wind or brass instrument at school or lesson, use them during your recording. If you use a singer’s mask at school or in your lesson, please use it in your video as well.
- Failure to observe mask wearing and social distancing protocols may result in disqualification.

Resources on how to upload videos to YouTube and tips for recording 4-H presentations
https://extension.unh.edu/resource/how-submit-your-nh-4-h-presents-video-uploading-youtube