

Presentations Contest

Prepared Presentations

Guidelines

The Presentations Contest emphasizes development of verbal communication skills. Presentation delivery may include, but is not limited to, demonstrations, interactive exhibits, skits, drama, public speaking, visual aids and/or multimedia displays.

Eligibility

Contestants can be enrolled in any 4-H project and give a presentation on any topic. Returning contestants are welcome and simply need to present a different topic each year.

Each county can enter any number of contestants of quality for all age divisions. It is highly recommended that contestants compete in a county contest or practice in a public setting before the state contest.

Teams are considered one entry and share any awards.

Contest

Presentations are judged on knowledge of subject matter, presentation manner and impact.

Time Limits:

Juniors ~3-10 minutes

Intermediates ~ 5-10 minutes

Seniors ~ 7-15 minutes

Penalties apply for going over or under time limits. Set-up time and questions asked after the presentation concludes are not included in this time limit.

Easels, tables, a laptop with the PowerPoint program, projector, and screen will be provided. *Contestants are responsible for bringing any electronic presentation materials (i.e. PowerPoint) on a USB drive to be used with the provided supplies at the event.* A different laptop may be used in the event there are problems using those provided.

Contestants may arrive early so they have time to get set up. Proper food handling techniques are the responsibility of the individual.

This contest will be held in the morning and afternoon in order to accommodate additional participants who may be competing in other events at Showcase Showdown. Contestants will be asked to choose a two hour block in which they will complete their presentation.

Awards

The top ten individuals in each age category will be recognized.

The most original presentation in each age category will be recognized.

The top two senior individuals will be award a \$500 scholarship to compete at Western National Roundup or a state sponsored leadership experience.

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Score Sheet

SPEAKER'S NAME _____ Age Division: Jr. Int. Sr.

COUNTY _____

TITLE OF PRESENTATION _____

	Maximum Points	Score	Comments
PRESENTER			
General Appearance <i>Posture, Appropriate Dress, Visible Distractions</i>	5		
Voice Control <i>Clarity, Pitch, Tempo, Articulation, Volume, Enunciation</i>	10		
PRESENTATION			
Organization of Content <i>Attention-Grabbing Introduction, Presentation of Main Points, Sequence, Conclusion with Summary of Main Points</i>	25		
Knowledge of Subject Matter <i>Level of Hands-on Experience or Research Undertaken to Provide Evidence of Expert Level of Understanding</i>	25		
Visual Aids <i>Interesting, Effective, Readable, Grammatically Correct, Used Effectively (If visual aids are not appropriate based on type of speech NO points will be subtracted.)</i>	10		
Audience <i>Eye Contact, Gestures, Captures attention</i>	10		
OVERALL QUALITY			
Impact and Overall Impression <i>Originality, Appropriate Topic, Sincerity, Confidence</i>	15		
Total Possible	100		

Time of Speech: Minutes _____ Seconds _____

Deduction for time _____ *Penalty of 2 points per 30 seconds over or under time.*

Final Score _____

Special Award _____

Trip Winner _____
(name of trip)