

# 4-H DEMONSTRATIONS OR ILLUSTRATED TALKS

REFER TO PRE-FAIR SCHEDULE FOR DATE & TIME

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Demonstrations or Illustrated Talks are an excellent way for young people to develop public speaking skills. This event is designed to give the 4-H member an opportunity to develop self-confidence and the ability to express him or herself in front of a group while presenting educational material.

## **RULES:**

1. Any 4-H member may participate. Topics and materials should be prepared by the 4-H member. Members competing individually cannot share materials.
2. A member may select any topic for his or her demonstration. No large animals (over 20 pounds) may be used. Small animals (under 20 pounds) must meet fair health requirements. Firearms, bows and arrows and weapons are not permitted to be used in demonstrations.
3. Classes are divided as follows:
  - a. Junior Individual (age 13 or under as of January 1).
  - b. Senior Individual (age 14 or over as of January 1).
  - c. Junior Team (2 members ages 13 or under as of Jan. 1).
  - d. Senior Team (2 members ages 14 or over as of Jan. 1).
4. A member who won first place in a Junior class will not be able to participate until they reach the senior division age requirement.
5. When members of a team fall into different age categories, they will participate in the senior age division.
6. Individual or team demonstrations, or illustrated talks, should last between 6 and 12 minutes. Any time to answer questions will not be considered as part of the actual demonstration time.
7. Points of emphasis in judging include: originality, appearance, introduction, information, delivery, materials and conclusion.
8. The ten highest scoring entries will be considered for state fair competition.
9. Participants must enter through the Extension Office by date specified on pre-fair schedule and pre-register in order to be eligible for judging.
10. 4-H members giving home equipment, horse, or photography demonstrations will be judged separately from others during the demonstration contest and may be selected for state fair participation by the judges.

- a. 4-H'ers must be enrolled in these projects and pre-register by the appropriate deadline in order to be judged.
  - b. Home equipment demonstrations must focus on one or more of the following aspects: selection features, proper use and care, and safety of home equipment.
  - c. Home equipment demonstrations will be no more than 15 minutes in length.
  - d. There can be one junior home equipment demonstration (either individual or team) and one senior demonstration (either individual or team) sent to state fair.
  - e. 4-H horse demonstrations must pertain to the horse industry.
  - f. 4-H members must be at least 14 years old as of January 1 to participate as an individual or team for horse demonstration.
  - g. One senior horse individual and one senior horse team can be sent to state fair.
  - h. 4-H'ers participating in photography demonstrations or illustrated talks should convey some skill, knowledge or attitude developed by taking the project.
  - i. There can be one junior photography demonstration (either individual or team) and one senior demonstration (either individual or team) sent to state fair.
11. For further details, participants should read 4-H Circular 909.
  12. All demonstrations, except home equipment, will be judged using the Demonstration or Illustrated Talk scoring process. Refer to score sheets following these rules.

**DEMONSTRATIONS & ILLUSTRATED TALKS  
Evaluation Sheet**

Exhibitor Number \_\_\_\_\_ JR.  SR.

COUNTY: \_\_\_\_\_ YEARS IN 4-H: \_\_\_\_\_ YEARS IN DEMONSTRATIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE (As of Jan. 1): \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF PARTNER (IF TEAM): \_\_\_\_\_ AGE (As of Jan. 1): \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE OF YOUR TALK: \_\_\_\_\_

	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Average	COMMENTS:
<b>APPEARANCE:</b> Posture Clothing Grooming					
<b>TOPIC:</b> Originality Clarity					
<b>DELIVERY:</b> Articulation Tempo Enthusiasm					
<b>CONTENT:</b> Informative Factual					
<b>CONCLUSION:</b> Concise Relevant					
<b>MATERIALS:</b> Relevance Creativity					
<b>INTERVIEW:</b> Knowledge Friendliness Articulation					

**JUDGE'S REMARKS:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**10 points will be deducted if under 6 minutes or over 12 minutes.**

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 4-H DEMONSTRATION CONTEST REGISTRATION  
(YEAR)

CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*\* JUNIOR DIVISION - (9 - 13 as of 1/1/current year) \*\*\*\*\*

**INDIVIDUAL**

Title of Demonstration \_\_\_\_\_

By Whom \_\_\_\_\_

Project Area of Demonstration \_\_\_\_\_

**TEAM**

Title of Demonstration \_\_\_\_\_

By Whom \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

Project Area of Demonstration \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*\* SENIOR DIVISION - (14 thru 18 as of 1/1/current year) \*\*\*\*\*

**INDIVIDUAL**

Title of Demonstration \_\_\_\_\_

By Whom \_\_\_\_\_

Project Area of Demonstration \_\_\_\_\_

**INDIVIDUAL**

Title of Demonstration \_\_\_\_\_

By Whom \_\_\_\_\_

Project Area of Demonstration \_\_\_\_\_

**TEAM**

Title of Demonstration \_\_\_\_\_

By Whom \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

Project Area of Demonstration \_\_\_\_\_

**TEAM**

Title of Demonstration \_\_\_\_\_

By Whom \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

Project Area of Demonstration \_\_\_\_\_