



Regional 4-H Club Day Guidelines

The following are guidelines for Regional 4-H Club Day participation for Ellis, Phillips, Rooks and Trego Counties. These guidelines along with the scoresheets will be used by the judges. Age divisions are Juniors 7-9, Intermediates 10-13, and Seniors 14 & Older, as of January 1st of the current 4-H program year.

*There are several publications available at the Extension Office to help you with presentations and Parliamentary Procedure. Please call or stop by to ask about these. You can also find them online at www.kansas4-h.org.

Public Presentations

Each presentation should be of sufficient length to cover the topic adequately, three minutes minimum and 15 minutes maximum.

Project Talks: Short talk about one of the member's projects. This could include promoting the project, informing listeners about a topic related to the project or sharing project experiences. Questions are not asked for at the end of a project talk.

- ❖ Age: Juniors 7-9; Intermediates 10-13 years
- ❖ Visuals may be used, including PowerPoint, but participants must indicate if they will need to use a projector provided at time of entry. Laptops will not be provided. An easel will be available for posters.
- ❖ Two juniors and two intermediates may be chosen from each county for Regional Competition.

Public Speaking: A speech competition for Senior members

- ❖ For members 14 years and older
- ❖ One or two note cards are suggested. Presentations must be the 4-Her's own original work of any topic of their choosing.
- ❖ An outline must be provided for the judge before the presentation.
- ❖ Visual aids may NOT be used.
- ❖ Questions are not asked for at the end of a speech.
- ❖ Two entries may be chosen from each county for Regional Competition.

Extemporaneous Speaking: This event is designed to help Senior 4-H members develop confidence and skills in organizing their thoughts and presenting them to an audience.

- ❖ Seniors 14 years and older
- ❖ Participants will draw a topic relating to 4-H. For example, a topic could be, "How have your past 4-H experiences prepared you to set and achieve your future goals?"

- ❖ Each participant will have 10 minutes to prepare and speech that should include an introduction, body and summary.
- ❖ One note card can be used.
- ❖ Two entries may be chosen from each county for Regional Competition.

Demonstrations and Illustrated Talks

Each presentation should be of sufficient length to cover the topic adequately, three minutes minimum and 15 minutes maximum.

Demonstrations: Involve doing or making something while giving an explanation using actual items, supplies, equipment, people or animals to show the process. There is usually a finished product to show.

- ❖ Junior 7-9, Intermediate 10-13 and Senior 14-18
- ❖ Visuals may be used, including PowerPoint, but participants must indicate if they will need to use a projector provided at time of entry. Laptops will not be provided. An easel will be available for posters.

Illustrated Talks: MUST use visuals, poster, graphs, charts, PowerPoint presentations, models, etc to emphasize a point or to add interest to talks.

- ❖ Junior 7-9, Intermediate 10-13 and Senior 14-18
- ❖ Either team or individual presentations.
- ❖ All necessary equipment provided by 4-Her. Participants must indicate if they will need a projector provided at time of entry. Laptops will not be provided. An easel will be available for posters.

Two Junior, two Intermediate, and two Senior entries may be chosen in the combined Demonstrations/ Illustrated Talks category for Regional Competition.

Model Meetings

- ❖ **Maximum time allowed is 20 minutes.**
- ❖ Agenda must be given to judge before meeting
- ❖ The secretary will be responsible for turning in a set of notes (NOT actual minutes) to the Extension Office within one week of the conclusion of the Model Meeting. One leader will be allowed to be with the secretary for supervision.
- ❖ Only the business portion of the meeting is presented.
- ❖ Ten minutes before competing, each club will draw for a motion to be presented in their meeting from one of the following: amend a motion; refer to a committee; rise to a point of order; table a motion; division of the house; or call for the previous question.
- ❖ One model meeting may be chosen from each county for Regional Competition.

Music

Vocal Ensemble or Chorus

- ❖ Ensembles are composed of 2-15 members from one or more clubs, not including accompanist. Choruses are composed of 16 or more members, from one or more clubs. If club membership is below 16, a chorus of 12 is acceptable.
- ❖ Groups will each sing one number of their own choosing.
- ❖ Copy of the selection, with numbered measures, must be given to the judge before performing.
- ❖ Director and accompanist need not be 4-Hers, but they cannot sing with the group unless they are 4-H members.
- ❖ Selections do not need to be memorized.
- ❖ Singing may be with or without accompaniment.
- ❖ One vocal ensemble and one chorus may be chosen from each county for Regional Competition.

Instrumental Ensemble or Band/Orchestra

- ❖ Ensembles are composed of 2-15 members from one or more clubs. Bands are composed of 16 or more members from one or more clubs.
- ❖ Groups will each play one number of their own choosing.
- ❖ Copy of selection, with numbered measures, must be given to judges before performing.
- ❖ Directors need not be 4-Hers, but cannot play with the group unless they are 4-Hers.
- ❖ Selections do not need to be memorized.
- ❖ One instrumental ensemble and one band/orchestra entry may be chosen from each county for Regional Competition.

Vocal Solo

- ❖ Junior 7-9, Intermediate 10-13 and Senior 14-18
- ❖ Participants will sing one number.
- ❖ Copy of the selection, with numbered measures must be given to judges before performing.
- ❖ Accompanist need not be a 4-Her
- ❖ Selection does not need to be memorized.
- ❖ **Include 1-2-minute presentation on the song, composer, etc.**
- ❖ One junior, intermediate, and senior vocal solo from each county may be chosen for Regional Competition.

Instrumental Solo

- ❖ Junior 7-9, Intermediate 10-13 and Senior 14-18
- ❖ Participant will play one number.
- ❖ Copy of the selection, with numbered measures must be given to judges before performing.
- ❖ Selection does not need to be memorized.
- ❖ **Include 1-2-minute presentation on the instrument, composer, etc.**
- ❖ One junior, intermediate, and senior instrumental solo from each county may be chosen for Regional Competition.

Dance

Participants limited to one dance or 5 minutes of performing time.

Two dance entries may be chosen from each county for Regional Competition.

Folk Dance – circle dance, polka, schottische, etc., done by one to six couples of any age.

- ❖ All necessary equipment provided by 4-Hers.

Square Dance – composed of one set of four couples of any age.

- ❖ A record or live music may be used, but musicians must be 4-Hers if live music is used.
- ❖ A record with calls or live calling may be used, but the caller must be a 4-Her if done live.

Other Dance – tap, ballet, acrobatic dance, etc.

- ❖ May be done by an individual or group of no more than 12 members of any age.

Talent

Poetry & Prose (Reading): dramatic, interpretive, humorous, or other type of reading.

- ❖ Junior 7-9, Intermediate 10-13 or Senior 14-18
- ❖ **Presentation should be of sufficient length to cover the topic adequately, three minutes minimum and 15 minutes maximum.**
- ❖ Should not be memorized.
- ❖ Two Junior, two Intermediate, and two Senior entries from each county may be chosen for Regional Competition.

Skit/Creative Dramatics- an original skit or drama performed by groups of any number and age.

- ❖ Designed for original skits written by 4-H members or other amateurs.
- ❖ **Time: 5-15 minutes**
- ❖ Skits may be rehearsed or extemporaneous.
- ❖ Skits need to be memorized, except narration.
- ❖ Does not have to be 4-H related.
- ❖ One entry from each county may be chosen for Regional Competition.

Other Talent – Novelty numbers, stunts, pantomime, puppets, and other types of talent not already listed.

- ❖ May be an individual or group of any age
- ❖ **Time: should not exceed 5 minutes**
- ❖ One entry from each county may be chosen for Regional Competition.

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