

# 4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING

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Tell us all about your 4-H experience! Through the 4-H Public Speaking Contest, youth can write speeches or a PSA and deliver them to an audience. Clover Kids and beginners can say the 4-H pledge, read a poem or share a short story.

Following are the categories:

## Speech

Write and deliver a speech with 4-H as a major part of it.

- Clover Kids (5-7) - May recite a poem, chant, read or tell a story
- Beginner/Novice (8-11 First Time) - Never competed in a contest before (except for Clover Kid). May recite a poem, read or tell a story,
- Junior - 10 and under (under 3 minutes)
- Intermediate - 11 - 13 years ( 3-5 minutes)
- Senior - 14 - 18 (5-8 minutes)

PSA - a PSA is a Public Service Announcement. It's like an advertisement for 4-H. The scoring is based on the content and the delivery, but not on appearance or gestures. In fact, you get to deliver the PSA "behind the scenes."

PSA's must promote 4-H. This year, the tagline Opportunity 4 All must be included. PSA's are 60 seconds long and you may use sound effects. PSA's follow the same age divisions.

## Additional Information:

- You can do BOTH a PSA and speech.
- Youth 10 and older 4-H age are eligible to compete at the State Contest in June.

Excellent resources are available on the Cedar County 4-H website at: [go.unl.edu/yi69](http://go.unl.edu/yi69)

**The Butler/Seward 4-H Public Speaking Contest and Performing Arts Contest are on May 1, 2022.**

**Register at: [go.unl.edu/publicspeaking22](http://go.unl.edu/publicspeaking22)  
[go.unl.edu/performingarts22](http://go.unl.edu/performingarts22)**