

2021 Otoe County 4-H Public Speaking Contest

Sunday, April 11, 2:00 p.m. Fair Center in Syracuse



PURPOSE of 4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST:

- Encourage youth to develop communication skills through public speaking.

GUIDELINES:

- Youth may present both a 4-H Speech and a 4-H PSA.
- Novice Division 4-H members who are using a poem or story should credit the author at the beginning. A simple statement like, "I am presenting a piece from *Where the Wild Things Are* by Maurice Sendak," will work. It will not count in the timing of your speech.
- **For all PSAs:** 1) The 2021 PSA state theme "**Opportunity 4 All**" needs to be used by all. 2) The following state determined tag line needs to be stated within the last ten (10) seconds of your PSA - "Learn more about the Nebraska Extension 4-H Youth Development Program at 4h.unl.edu." This tag line is included in the sixty (60) second time limit. 3) Record your PSA using .wav or MP3 audio format. 4) The few seconds of silence before and after your recording does not count in the 60-second time limit.
- Visual aids for speeches are not allowed. There is a presentations contest in the summer where visual aids are permitted.

DIVISION	4-H AGE by JANUARY 1	TIME GUIDELINES	SPECIAL GUIDELINES	AWARDS
Clover Kids	5, 6 and 7	none	1) Recite the 4-H Pledge; 2) Recite the Pledge of Allegiance; or 3) Recite both pledges.	Ribbons and \$1 coins
Novice Speech	8, 9 and 10	Under 3 minutes	Can be in this division only ONE year. Can read or recite a poem or story.	Ribbons and \$1 coins Champion - \$20.00 Res. Champ - \$10.00
Junior Speech	8, 9 and 10	1 to 3 minutes	Must be an original speech with 4-H as the major component	Ribbons and \$1 coins Champion - \$20.00 Res. Champ - \$10.00
Intermediate Speech	11, 12 and 13	3 to 5 minutes	Must be an original speech with 4-H as the major component	Ribbons and \$1 coins Champion - \$20.00 Res. Champ - \$10.00
Senior Speech	14 and older	5 to 8 minutes	Must be an original speech with 4-H as the major component	Ribbons and \$1 coins Champion - \$20.00 Res. Champ - \$10.00
Radio PSA Junior	8, 9 and 10	60 seconds	PSA MUST promote 4-H. PSA MUST be submitted on flash drive. Sound effects are great! See guidelines above.	Ribbons and \$1 coins Champion - \$20.00 Res. Champ - \$10.00
Radio PSA Intermediate	11, 12 and 13	60 seconds	PSA MUST promote 4-H. PSA MUST be submitted on flash drive. Sound effects are great! See guidelines above.	Ribbons and \$1 coins Champion - \$20.00 Res. Champ - \$10.00
Radio PSA Senior	14 and older	60 seconds	PSA MUST promote 4-H. PSA MUST be submitted on flash drive. Sound effects are great! See guidelines above.	Ribbons and \$1 coins Champion - \$20.00 Res. Champ - \$10.00

To register, call the Nebraska Extension in Otoe County office at 402-269-2301 by Wednesday, April 7.

Resources available at the Extension Office: Score sheets for each division.
4-H Project Manuals: Communications Modules 1, 2, and 3.