

4-H Pre-Fair Contests

Public Speaking

A 4-Her in divisions can enter one speech and / or one PSA in the contest. With the exception of the Clover Kids and Novice class, all speeches must be an original speech relating to 4-H.

Speech & PSA registration form must be completed at least two (2) weeks prior to the contest.

Speech Contest

Pay Code 170

Speeches vary in time length by age and experience of the contestant.

Senior Division (14 - 18 years old), speeches are original speeches relating to some aspect of 4-H, written by the member and 5-8 minutes long. Use of notecards is allowed, but not encouraged. Eligible for regional and state contest.

Intermediate Division (11 - 13 year olds), speeches are original speeches relating to some aspect of 4-H, and 3-5 minutes long. Use of notecards is allowed, but not encouraged. Eligible for regional contest.

Junior Division (8-10 year olds), speeches are original speeches relating to some aspect of 4-H, and 1-3 minutes long. Use of notecards is allowed, but shouldn't be a crutch. Eligible for regional contest.

Novice Division (8-10 year olds who have not competed in the contest before). Participants can read or recite a poem or story, talk about a place, item or event, and under 3 minutes long. Notecards are allowed.

Clover Kid (5-7 year olds): Time limit is under 2 minutes. Can be a speech, poem or story. Does not have to be about 4-H.

B100901 - Senior Division 14-18 yrs ofl

B100902 - Intermediate Division 11-13 yrs old
B100903 - Junior Division 8-10 yrs old
B100904 - Novice Division (first-time in contest)
B100905 - Clover Kid Speech Division 5-7 yrs old

PSA Contest

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Radio PSA's will be submitted on CD along with the PSA text and registration form two (2) weeks prior to the County Contest.

Radio PSA'S must promote 4-H. They must be submitted on cd at least 2 weeks prior to the contest, in an acceptable format.

- All PSA's are 60 seconds in length.
- The state theme for the 2018 Public Service Announcement is **4-H Grows True Leaders** and should be incorporated in the PSA.
- All radio PSA's must promote 4-H and be general enough to be used anywhere in Nebraska at any time of the year.
- All 4-H PSA's must include the following tag line within the last ten seconds of the PSA: "Learn more about Nebraska Extension 4-H Youth Development Program at 4h.unl.edu." The tag line is included in the 60 second time limit.
- Sound effects and public domain music may be used. Copyrighted material may not be used.
- All PSA's must be the original work of the presenter. Contestants may not use PSA's written and provided by the state or national staff.
- No team PSA's are allowed.

B101901 - Senior Division 14-18 yrs old
B101902 - Intermediate Division 11-13 yrs old
B101903 - Junior Division 8-10 yrs old

Presentation Contest
4-H Illustrated Presentations Contest

Pay Code 170

All entries must be pre-entered on the General Entry Form by the first Friday of July at the Extension Office.

A 4-H Presentation, given by one (1) individual or a team of two (2) individuals, is a live presentation with a formal talk where youth will use visual aids (such as props, posters, computer-based visuals, handouts, video, etc.) to show and tell others how to do something. Presentations are given on a stage. Judge views the entire presentation and engages in a question and answer session following presentation. Educational resources for youth participating in the 4-H Presentations Contest can be found in the 2018 4-H Project Resource Central found at <http://4h.unl.edu/resources>.

Rules for Participant Requirements:

- Youth may only participate in one class within Division 151.
- All classes require the presence of the contestant (s).
- A team presentation, consisting of two (2) individuals, may be given for any class; there is no separate class for team presentations.
- Time limit is 6-8 minutes for a presentation given by an individual, and 8-10 minutes for a presentation given by a team. Participants may be penalized if their presentation exceeds the time limits.
- Each participant is required to wear one of following: the 4-H t-shirt provided to them, or the 4-H chevron.

Presentation Topic:

- All 4-H Presentations topics should be related to how the 4-H youth is learning about science, healthy living, citizenship, and agricultural literacy.
- Enrollment in the project area in which the participant is making a presentation is not required.

- 4-H Presentations should include an introduction (the “why” portion of the topic), a body (the “show and tell” portion of the topic), and a conclusion/summary (the “what” portion of the topic).

Contest Information:

- Equipment provided includes two (2) tables, one (1) easel, PC Compatible Computer (including the following software: Apple QuickTime Player, Microsoft Windows Media Player, and Microsoft PowerPoint 2013) with Wi-Fi internet connectivity, large television screen, and hands-free microphone.
- Presenters using computer-based visuals may bring files on a CD-ROM or a USB drive that is PC formatted. Participants may also provide their own computer or other equipment as needed; however, participants must be able to connect their computer to a HDMI plug on the television.
- Live animals may be used in the presentation. All State Fair Livestock Health Requirements must be followed. Presenters are responsible for all stalling arrangements, care and handling of animals. Animals can only remain in the presentation area while the owner is present.

B151113 - Illustrated Presentation, any topic

B151114 - Illustrated Presentation Special Topic:
Nebraska Agriculture (SF65)

B151115 - Illustrated Presentation Special Topic:
Nebraska Agriculture, Food Preparation (SF65)

Clover Kid Show & Tell

Pay Code 240

All entries must be pre-entered on the General Entry Form by the first Friday of July at the Extension Office.

The purpose of this contest is to give Clover Kids an opportunity to show and tell about an item they have made during the current year. The

participant will bring the item and give a 1 - 3 minute talk.

B151901 - Clover Kid Show & Tell

Culinary Challenge Contest

Pay Code 170

All entries must be pre-entered on the General Entry Form by the first Friday of July at the Extension Office.

Challenge Ingredient / Item

A challenge ingredient will be selected each year, highlighting a Nebraska commodity food product. The 2018 challenge ingredient is beef. Please keep food safety in mind when selecting the recipe used for the Challenge. Foods must be able to be kept chilled during transport to the contest, then be able to be re-heated in a slow cooker or microwave. Each participant must incorporate the challenge ingredient into their food item they will be presenting during the contest. The challenge ingredient must also be included in the interview presentation, demonstrating youth knowledge of the ingredient, such as nutritional value, a farm-to-fork concept, or how to adapt a recipe to include the ingredient.

Judges Interview

Exhibitors should view themselves as the hosts, welcoming the judge, cooperatively presenting the table to the judge, incorporating multi-media resources, and answering any questions from the judge. Participants must be prepared to present to the judge utilizing technology. (PowerPoint, picture story, or other multi-media resource. Presentations may include photos, clip art, animation, video or audio sound.) The 4-H member should present a verbal presentation to the judge that is highlighted by their multi-media presentation via computer or iPad. Participants must provide their own computer or other equipment needed for their 4-H Foods Event judging interview. Presentations will occur at participants' tables. Please do not bring projectors or other equipment which will require extra space.

Considerations should be given to creatively include the following items through the multi-media presentation:

- nutritional facts of their menu
- food safety
- time management
- choice of menu
- food preparation
- cost of item/per serving
- food handling techniques
- recipe of the food item shared with the judge challenge ingredient (nutritional value, farm-to-fork, recipe revision, etc.)

General Rules / Guidelines

1. All participants must be enrolled in a 4-H foods and nutrition project during the current 4-H year.
2. Judging interviews will be approximately 12 to 15 minutes. This time includes a short presentation by the teams, as well as questions from the judge.
3. Participants should arrive at least 15 minutes prior to your assigned time to set up their table.
4. Participants must provide their own card table for the display.
5. Upon arriving, check-in at the registration table. Participants will be assigned a specific area to set up.
6. Check-in area will contain a refrigerator, a microwave and *limited* temporary storage for table settings.
7. Only contestants will be allowed to set up or arrange table settings.
8. Participants must have their table setting ready by the assigned time. Once tables are set, contestants should stay with their tables, as they are responsible for items placed on tables. Chairs will be available for contestants.

9. During judging, 4-H members may choose to dress in appropriate clothing, costume, or accessories relevant to the theme. A 4-H chevron or 4-H emblem must be visible on clothing.

All tables will be removed following a designated time. Tables will be available for judging and public viewing for a maximum of 2 hours.

F500098 - Senior Division 14-18

F500097 - Intermediate Division 10-13

F500996 - Junior Division 8-9

F500997 - Clover Kid Division 5-7

FilmFest

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The 4-H FilmFest is the display of digital videos that show the recording, reproducing, and broadcasting of moving visual images; digital videos may be created by one (1) individual or a team of two (2) individuals. During the contest, youth will provide a 1-minute oral introduction (name, background/goal of presentation, intended audience, where presentation could be shared, etc.) followed by the showing of their digital video. The following digital videos may be entered in the 4-H FilmFest:

- Video Public Service Announcement: A short video that communicates an educational message focused on a cause, activity, or event (Length: 60 seconds).
- Narrative: A video that tells a fact or fiction story (Length: 3-5 minutes).
- Documentary: A video that presents factual information about a person, event, or process (Length: 3-5 minutes).
- Animation: A video created by techniques that simulate movement from individual images (Length: 3-5 minutes).
- Digital videos submitted will be judged live at the 4-H Presentation Contest. The judge will view the videos live and engage in a question and answer session with the video producer(s).

- The 4-H participant will be on the stage for a formal introduction and then seated in the audience for viewing of video. Educational resources for youth participating in the 4-H FilmFest (Digital Video) Contest can be found in the 2016 4-H Project Resource Central found at <http://4h.unl.edu/4hcurriculum/communication>.

Participant Requirements:

- The class requires the presence of the contestant (s)

Film Topic:

- 4-H FilmFest digital videos should engage the audience and teach them about something the 4-H youth is learning about science, healthy living, citizenship, and agricultural literacy.
- Enrollment in the project area in which the participant is making a presentation is not required.

B153001 - 4-H FilmFest (Digital Video) Contest

Identification Contest

Pay Code 180

Age Divisions

Senior Div 14-18 years old - Eligible for State
 Intermediate Div 11-13 years old Eligible for State
 Junior Div 8-10 years old County Only

Participants do not need to be enrolled in the project to be judged in the respective contest. Placing high in the senior and intermediate division will qualify the 4-Her to represent York County at the State Fair.

Grass, Forb, Crop, & Weed Identification Contest

F500015 - Senior Division

F500016 - Intermediate Division

F500917 - Junior Division

Tree Identification Contest

F500045 - Senior Division

F500046 - Intermediate Division

F500947 - Junior Division

Horticulture Identification Contest

F500020 - Senior Division

F500021 - Intermediate Division

F500922 - Junior Division

Insect Identification Contest

F500030 - Senior Division

F500031 - Intermediate Division

F500932 - Junior Division

Notes