



Public Presentation Exhibition

Tuesday, April 2

6:00 pm

Winnebago County Extension Office, 1040 N. Second St, Rockford

Register by: **March 15** at <https://faireentry.com/Fair/SignIn/19687>

COMMUNICATIONS: PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Enrollment in the Public Presentations project is required to participate in this section. No live animals are allowed in speeches. Counties may advance a total of 3 entries from any category to the state contest. A 4-H member may advance in one individual category and one team category. **Participating** Youth **must** be 8 years of **age** on or before **September 1, 2023**. **Participating** youth turning 14 years of age on or before **September 1, 2023 must** enroll as advanced. **Deadline to advance youth to Public Speaking State Contest: April 5, 2024.**

The Illinois 4-H State Public Speaking Contest will be held April 27, 2024 at Parkland Community College in Champaign, Illinois.

Notes to keep in mind:

- Deductions- There will be 1 point deducted for every 30 seconds over/under 4-6 minutes. (Advanced)
- Deductions- There will be 1 point deducted for every 30 seconds over/under 4-5 minutes. (Beginner)
- Members can advance in an individual and a team category.

Formal Speech – BEGINNER – (ages 8-13)

Self-written | Notes Allowed | No props | Individual | 4-5 minutes

Formal Speeches share the presenter's own unique view and are intended to motivate, persuade, or inform an audience and may include a call to action. Youth deliver a speech on any topic they wish.

Formal Speech – ADVANCED– (ages 14-18) - Participating youth turning 14 years of age on or before April 30, 2022

Self-written | Notes Allowed | No props | Individual | 5-6 minutes

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Illustrated Speech – BEGINNER – (ages 8-13)

Self-written | Notes allowed | Illustrations Required | Individual | 4-5 minutes

Illustrated Speeches may be used to inform, persuade, or motivate the audience while using a visual aid. Visual aids may be two dimensional, three-dimensional, or digital. Youth may include audience participation. Digital visual aids must be stored on a USB flash drive. Illustrated speeches may be:

- How-to demonstrations which show the audience how to do something.
- Object lessons which use objects as metaphors to share a message.
- Educational models where drawings or diagrams help explain a topic.

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Original Works

Self-written | Notecards allowed | Props and Costumes Allowed | Individual or 2-Person Team | Youth must provide manuscripts to judge | 4-6 minutes

Original works must be written entirely by the presenter. It may be presented as an individual or a two-person team entry. Manuscripts must be sent in advance to the contest. Presentations may be designed for TV, radio, or online media and must be presented live. The types of entries could include:

- Prose and Short Stories
- Poetry
- Broadcast Media Program
- Theatrical
- Combined Program: Combine any number of the above elements along with other creative presentation forms

Oral Interpretation

Published work | Props and Costumes Allowed | Individual or 2-Person Team | | Youth must provide manuscripts to judge | 4-6 minutes

Presentations in Oral Interpretation must be published works, and manuscripts or transcripts must be submitted prior to the event. They may be presented as an individual or a two-person team entry. The types of entries could include:

- Prose and Short Stories
- Poetry
- Theatrical Interpretation
- Published Speech Recitation: Excerpt from a spoken presentation delivered by a public figure, such as Winston Churchill, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., or Maya Angelou
- Combined Program: Combine any number of the above elements along with other creative presentation forms

GENERAL 4-H RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Any person, regardless of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, ancestry, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation, or disability may participate in 4-H programs. Youth who are 8 years of age or in third grade and have not reached their 19th birthday on or before September 1 of the current 4-H year may enroll in a 4-H club.
2. Eligibility to show is limited to boys and girls officially enrolled in a 4-H project in a 4-H club in Winnebago County. 4-H members must also attend 1/3 of one's club meetings after enrollment in order to be eligible to show.
3. Attendance Policy to Exhibit for the traditional 4-H Club -- To be eligible to exhibit at any of the Winnebago County 4-H Shows, 4-H'ers must attend 1/3 of one's club meetings after enrollment, with exceptions of excused absences of illness, school or church activity. 4-H'er must call their leader prior to the 4-H meeting to receive an excused absence. No 4-H'er may transfer to another Winnebago County 4-H Club from April 1 to August 31 of any given year. Leaders must inform the Extension Office of member's status by May 1.
4. Advance entries are required for ALL 4-H exhibits. 4-H'ers may exhibit only in project areas in which they are enrolled. Enrollment is a matter of record in the Extension office. 4-H age is calculated as of September 1 of the calendar year.
5. 4-H'ers may enter and exhibit only 1 entry per class.
6. Entries will be judged on the dual-merit system. Exhibits in each class will be rated and placed in one of three groups:

Blue award – presented to exhibits that meet the standards

Red award – presented to exhibits that need some improvements

White award – presented to exhibits that need much improvement

*If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in any of the 4-H Shows, please contact the Extension Youth Development Program Coordinator at University of Illinois Extension, **Winnebago County, 1040 N. Second St., Rockford, IL 61107, (815) 986-4357** at least 2 weeks prior to the event.*

University of Illinois Extension personnel do not assume liability for loss, theft, or damage to any exhibit.

PREMIUM DISTRIBUTION

1. 4-H members are limited to receive one premium per class exhibited in premium eligible projects. This will include livestock classes.
2. 4-H premiums will be awarded to 4-H youth ages 8-18 exhibiting in premium eligible classes. Premiums will be paid using an "X" factor based on the amount of premium money available from the state. Premium values will be based on the following "X" factors:

All Exhibits:

Blue	Red	White
7X	5X	3X

3. *"The Department of Agriculture shall use its best efforts to secure sufficient appropriations to fund premiums. In any year for which the General Assembly of the State of Illinois fails to make an appropriation sufficient to pay such premiums, premium amounts may not be accurately reflected in this Premium Book."*
4. **Tax Implications for Prizes, Gifts or Awards** – Program Participants (including minors) will be required to provide their social security number or foreign national tax ID number prior to receiving a prize, gift or award (including premiums) to ensure proper IRS reporting as required by law. This sensitive information is kept confidential and handled through security protected software (PEAR). Participants will not be eligible for prize, gift or award if social security or foreign national tax ID information is not provided.
5. 4-H premiums will be distributed by the Winnebago County Extension via US Postal Service.
6. Cloverbud members (ages 5-7) do not receive premiums.

