

# Public Speaking Contest

## ~ Speeches ~

### General Description:

The speech contest is an opportunity to display and improve public speaking skills.

### General Rules:

1.No individual may give more than one talk.

2.The contest will be divided into three age groups:

(Age as of January 1st of the current 4-H year)

A. Beginner Division—9, 10, & 11

B. Intermediate Division—12, 13, & 14

C. Advanced—15, 16, 17, & 18

3.The type of speech that may be presented is a regular talk. *Resources for ideas include 4-H manuals, magazines, books, fact sheets, etc.*

4.Length of talk:

Times: Beginner—One to three minutes

Intermediate—Five to seven minutes

Advanced—Five to seven minutes

5.Talks may be given in any area of special interest.

Special awards are available and/or presented at the Banquet in the following areas:

Breads

Conservation

Peanuts

Dairy Foods

Safety

Horticulture

### Scoring:

#### Speaker Subject Matter

Appearance—neat, appropriate Topic—specific and suitable

Voice—clear, fluent Information—accurate

Posture Subject matter—understood

Poise Originality

### Presentation:

Introduction—short, complete, interesting.

Projection to audience.

Organization of material.

Language—simple words, meaning clear.

Delivery: control of voice, fluent pronunciation, and articulation.

Conclusion—adequate and effective.

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## ~ Illustrated Presentations ~

### General Description:

The Illustrated Presentation is an opportunity to display and improve public speaking talents.

### General Rules:

1. No individual may give more than one illustrated presentation.
2. The contest will be divided into three age groups: (Age as of January 1st of the current 4-H year)
  - A. Beginner Division—9, 10, & 11
  - B. Intermediate Division—12, 13, & 14
  - C. Advanced—15, 16, 17, & 18
3. *The types of presentations are:*
  - ☐ Individual
  - ☐ Team—Two 4-H'ers
4. Suggested times for presentations are:
  - Times: Beginner—One to three minutes
  - Intermediate—Five to seven minutes
  - Advanced—Five to twelve minutes
5. If teammates of two age divisions present a demonstration, they must compete in the division of the **older** teammate.
6. Presentations may be given in any area of special interest.
  - Special awards are available in the following areas:
  - Breads, Dairy, Peanuts, Conservation, Safety, and Horticulture.
7. PowerPoint may be used with prior approval from Educator.

### Scoring:

#### Speaker Subject Matter

Appearance—neat, appropriate Topic—specific and suitable

Voice—clear, fluent Information—accurate

Posture Subject matter—understood

Poise Originality

#### Presentation:

Introduction—short, complete, interesting.

Projection to audience.

Organization of material.

Language—simple words, meaning clear.

Delivery—control of voice, fluent pronunciation, and articulation.

Conclusion—adequate and effective.

# Job Readiness

**~Top 2 Intermediate and Senior have opportunity to compete at State level.~**

Job Readiness is an individual event which recognizes members who communicate a personal understanding of and ability to perform specific job requirements. Advanced members will do this through written materials and a job interview, while intermediates will be evaluated on written materials only.

## **Event Categories**

***(Each county may submit three individuals in the Intermediate Category and two individuals in the Advanced Category.)***

## **Age Categories:**

**Intermediate:** age 13-14

**Advanced:** age 15 & over

**Job Categories:** *(individuals may choose one of the four categories below):*

**Services:** Could include full service restaurants, fast food stores, employment at a day care center, automotive service/repair, farm/ranch workers, contractor/construction worker, photography, cosmetologists, etc.

**Home Based Business:** Could include babysitting (for an individual), housekeeping, catering services, lawn care and maintenance, home repair/maintenance, custom sewing, pet care, word processing, special occasion photography, etc.

**Retail/Office:** Could include any retail store (discount, department, specialty, farm supply, garden/nursery, book store) or office-type work (including clerical, filing, and receptionist).

**Other:** Please specify job type. It should be a job that does not fit into one of the other categories. If you have questions, please contact the Extension Educator in your county.

## **Criteria for Evaluation:**

### **Advanced participants will be evaluated on:**

An information folder, which includes a resume, a job description sheet, a letter of application OR home based business flyer and a completed job application form. All materials will be completed by the participant prior to the event. The information folder will be turned in during Roundup registration.

A follow-up letter completed immediately after the interview.

### **Intermediate participants will be evaluated on:**

An application folder which includes a resume, a job description sheet, a letter of application OR home based business advertisement flyer and a completed job application form. All materials will be completed by the participant prior to Round-up. The folders should be turned in at registration during Roundup. All folders will be returned and ribbons awarded.

***For a detailed list of the guidelines, sample forms, etc. contact the office.***

# Appropriate Dress Contest

## General Description:

The Appropriate Dress contest is an opportunity for 4-H'ers to display their talents in clothing selection, fit, accessories, and interviewing.

## General Rules:

1. The contest will be divided into age groups: (Ages are as of January 1st of the current 4-H year.)
  - A. Junior—8 (and in 3rd grade) to 13 years old
  - B. Senior—14 years old and above
2. Judging will be based on the fit and coordination of the outfits.
3. Participants will also be asked questions about their outfit. Questions will be asked over care, fit, and selection of garment.
4. All participants will receive a blue, red, or white award.

## Category 1 (*Participant will only be allowed to enter 2 classes*)

**Casual Wear:** Garments worn to school, fair, rodeo, dates, movies, shopping, etc.

**Active Sportswear:** Garments worn playing tennis, skiing, jogging, etc.

**Dress Wear:** Garments worn to weddings, church, special occasions.

## Category 2 (*open to all participants*)

### Shopping Cents:

Participants will coordinate and style an outfit to fit into the **Casual** category.

The cost of the outfit shall not exceed:

\$45 for youth sizes

\$60 for adult/teen sizes

Cost will include the entire outfit excluding shoes, accessories, and undergarments. Participants will be judged on fit, coordination, appropriateness to class, and best utilization of money.

**Receipts or price tags for the clothing articles will be required. Bring them with you to the contest.**

# Dress Revue

*Top 2 Intermediate and Senior have opportunity to compete at State level*

## General Description:

The Dress Revue is an opportunity for 4-H'ers to display their talents in the area of clothing construction.

## General Rules:

1. 4-H'ers may enter all classes for their age group.
2. The contest will be divided into levels based on ages:  
(Ages are as of January 1st of the current 4-H year)  
Level 1 (Ages 9-10) Level 3 (Ages 13-14)  
Level 2 (Ages 11-12) Level 4 (Ages 15 & up)
3. Each piece of project work must include a completed "Skill Mastery Sheet" signed by the exhibitor & securely attached with a safety pin.

## Apparel Design & Construction – (ADC)

### Level 1 (Ages 9-10)- 2 skills off "ADC Level 1 Skill Mastery Sheet"

**Simple Tops** (shirt, tank top, t-shirt, vest, poncho, any other similar item)

**Simple Bottoms** (shorts, capris, pants, skirts, any other similar item not stated)

**Sewn Fashion Accessory** (hats, scarves, bag, or textile based jewelry, similar items)

**Yarn/Thread Fashion Accessory:** knitted/crocheted hat, scarves, bag, or other items

**Costume** (Halloween, holiday, costumes for human & non-humans, other similar item)

### Level 2 (Ages 11-12) - 2 skills off "ADC Level 2 Skill Mastery Sheet"

**One piece garment w/ facing:** robe, jacket, dress, shooting vest, other similar items

**Simple Bottom w/ pocket &/or waistband or facing:** shorts, pants, skirt, other items

**Two piece garment:** top/bottom, jacket/vest w/ bottom/dress, PJ's, similar set of items

**Sewn Fashion Accessory:** hat, scarves, bag, string-pack, or other similar items

**Yarn/Thread Fashion Accessory:** knitted/crocheted hat, scarf, bag, or similar items

**Costumes** (Halloween & holiday; including human & non-human items, similar items)

### Level 3 (Ages 13-14)- 2 skills off "ADC Level 3 Skill Mastery Sheet"

**Blouse/Shirt w/ sleeves & closure:** set-in, flat inset, cap, or kimono, items not stated

**Bottom w/ zipper &/or pocket** (shorts, capris, pants, skirts, other similar items)

**2 piece garment:** coordinating top/bottom, jacket/vest w/ bottom, PJ's, other items

**Garment w/ buttonholes &/or zipper:** shirt, blouse, robe, jacket, dress, similar item

**Sewn Fashion Accessory** w/ closure/fastener & seams.

**Costume human:** dance, pageant, holiday, theatrical, reenactment/period/living history garments, or other similar item

### Level 4 (Ages 15 & up)- 2 skills off "ADC Level 4 Skill Mastery Sheet"

**1 piece lined or unlined, garment:** pants, skirt, coat, jacket, dress, other item

**Unlined two piece ensemble/coordinate**

**Lined 2 piece ensemble/coordinate** (coat/jacket/vest, dress, suit, other similar items)

**Costume human:-** Dance, theatrical, holiday, period or reenactment design

## **INTERIOR DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION - (IDC)**

### **Level 1 (Ages 9-10) - 2 skills off “ IDC Level 1 Skill Mastery Sheet”**

**Home Accent Bedroom:** pillow case, pillow, simple blanket, rug, similar items

**Bags:** laundry, jewelry, cosmetic, book/electronic cover, any other similar item

### **Level 2 (Ages 11-12)- 2 skills off “ IDC Level 2 Skill Mastery Sheet”**

**Home Accent Kitchen** food caddy/warmer, simple curtains, table cloth, simple table runner, hand/dish towel, potholders, hot pad, apron, lunch bag, other similar items

**Home Accent Bedroom:** 2 pillow cases, 2 coordinating pillows, 2 decorated towels or combination of: wash-cloth, hand towel & bath towel, similar item

**Bags:** laundry, jewelry, cosmetic, book/electronic cover, garment bag, any similar item

### **Level 3 (Ages 13-14)- 2 skills off “ IDC Level 3 Skill Mastery Sheet”**

**Home Accent Living room-** slipcovers, lined curtain/drape, pillows, lap throw, similar items

**Home Accent Bedroom:** any combo of 2 coordinating items - bedspread, dust ruffle, pillow sham(s), lined curtains/drapes/shades, garment bag, similar items

### **Level 4 (Ages 15 & up)-2 skills off “ IDC Level 4 Skill Mastery Sheet”**

**Home Accent Outdoors –** picnic accessories, curtains, cushions, shades, placemat & napkins, utensil/condiment caddy, insulated carrier, other similar items

**Seasonal Décor:** table runner, wall hanging, centerpiece, decoration, any other similar item (**Do not include any item which would fit under HTDC**)

## **HOBBIES/TEXTILE DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION - (HTDC)**

### **Level 1 (Ages 9-10)-2 skills off “HTDC Level 1 Skill Mastery Sheet”**

**Decorative Textile Technique:** T-shirt, apron, accessory, wall-hanging or pillow decorated w/ paint &/or dye. The foundation piece can be ready-made. Focus is on creativity & use/mastery of the decorative textile technique.

**Needle Art by Hand: Simple** stamped cross-stitch or embroidery, counted cross-stitch, needlepoint or crewel embroidery applied to towel, pillowcase, or small decorative item.

**Needle Art by Machine: Simple** embroidery, cross stitch/decorative stitches, or applique applied to towel, pillowcase, or small decorative item.

### **Level 2 (Ages 11-12)-2 skills off “HTDC Level 2 Skill Mastery Sheet”**

**Decorative Textile Technique:** Clothing, accessory, wall-hanging, or pillow decorated w/ paint, dye &/or printing. The foundation piece can be ready-made. Focus is on the mastery of a decorative technique. Judged on the creativity & use of the decorative technique.

**Textile Fabric Creation:** Weaving (beading or textile), latch-hook, braiding, macramé, knit-ting, crochet, felting, needle punch, basket weaving, &/or a combination of these techniques to create a textile. Judged on the creativity & finished textile fabric produced. Edge should be appropriately finished or the piece can be mounted/framed.

**Needle Art by Hand:** Hand embroidery, cross-stitch, counted cross-stitch, needlepoint ,or crewel embroidery, needle punch or smocking applied to garment, home accessory or as a finished picture.

**Needle Art by Machine:** embroidery, cross stitch/decorative stitches, or applique applied to garment, home accessory or picture.

**Machine Pieced or Appliquéd Item –** No quilting on the finished piece.

### **Level 3 (Ages 13-14) - 2 skills off "HTDC Level 3 Skill Mastery Sheet"**

**Decorative Textile Technique:** Fashion or home accessory, clothing using 2 or more decorative textile techniques. Judged on creativity & mastery of decorative textile technique.

**Textile Fabric Creation:** Weaving, braiding, knitting, crochet, felting, hand spinning, cotton linter, tatting, any other similar item not stated &/or a combination of these techniques to make an original fabric/trim. Fabric &/or trim must be made into a finished product. Judged on creativity & finished product.

**Needle Art by Hand:** Hand embroidery: floss, yarn (crewel) or ribbon, counted cross-stitch, needlepoint, needle punch, smocking, Trapunto quilting applied to garment/accessory, home accessory, picture, wall hanging or blanket/quilt.

**Hand Pieced &/or Appliquéd Item finished w/ Hand quilting.**

**Needle Art by Machine:** Original free motion or modified commercial embroidery design, cross stitch/decorative stitches, Trapunto quilting or applique applied to garment/accessory, home accessory, picture, wall hanging or blanket/quilt.

**Machine Pieced &/or Appliquéd Item finished w/ Machine Quilting.** Quilting must be done by the exhibitor.

### **Level 4 (Ages 15 & up) - 2 skills off "HTDC Level 4 Skill Mastery Sheet"**

**Decorative Textile Technique:** Fashion or home accessory, clothing or wall décor using 2 or more decorative textile techniques. Judged on creativity & mastery of textile technique.

**Needle Art by Hand:** Hand embroidery: floss, yarn (crewel) or ribbon, counted cross-stitch, needlepoint needle punch or unspecified hand technique applied to garment/accessory, home accessory, picture, wall hanging or blanket/quilt.

**Needle Art by Machine:** Free motion embroidery &/or original cross stitch/decorative stitches or applique applied to garment/accessory, home accessory, picture, wall hanging, blanket/quilt or any other similar item not stated