## 4-H PRESENTATION NIGHT

# Friday, March 4th, 2016 La Gloria School, Gonzales,

Monterey County 4-H Presentation Night provides an opportunity for members to demonstrate a prepared presentation in any subject area relating to their 4-H work. All members can compete in this county-wide contest!

### What are the Presentation categories I can compete in?

All categories are fun, challenging and are intended to be educational. A full description can be found in the 4-H Presentation Manual (2015 version).

**Demonstrations and Illustrated Talks**- a demonstration uses the "show how" method to teach a skill. An Illustrated talk uses models or other visual aids to teach something. **Scientific Demonstrations** This type of demonstration uses scientific steps to solve problems.

**Educational Displays** - An organized visual presentation of a program or concept. (This is not a science fair display, collection or project exhibit)

**Prepared Speech**- the purpose is to persuade, inform or educate the audience on a single topic or issue. Notes may be used if they don't distract from the speech

Impromptu Speech - the topics are pre-announced. At the competition, the topics are randomly drawn and the member has 3 minutes to prepare a 5 minute maximum speech.

**Interpretive reading** - Any published written work that is appropriate may be used. No costumes allowed and the time limit is 5 minutes.

Cultural Arts - Individuals or group performances of dance, costumed dramatic reading, musical, dance or other performing arts.

Share the Fun - This is a group skit or presentation that focuses on health, safety, community pride, recreation, citizenship or other 4-H project or activity. Time limit is 15 minutes. Audio Visual Presentation - Any informational or instructional programs presented with slides, video, or digital representations. This can be a team of 2 or done as an individual. Time is 5-15 minutes.

**Problem Solving Presentations** – Uses a prepared fact pattern as the basis for developing an action plan. Can be one or two people. Time is between 5-10 minutes.



The 4-H Presentation Manual can be found online at http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/2193.pdf

Register your presentation or club skit by contacting the 4-H offices. 831-759-7386

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#### What is a 4-H Presentation event?

Presentation Night is one of the most important learning experiences that a 4-H member can participate in and it's a lot of fun too! It provides an opportunity for members to demonstrate a prepared presentation in any area. Members are strongly encouraged to relate the presentation to their current 4-H project work or 4-H activities.

All members from 5-19 years can participate in Presentation Day. Members from Kindergarten to  $3^{rd}$  grade will receive participation certificates only.

Members for 4<sup>th</sup> grade and up are judged using the Danish System of Judging (Gold, Blue and Red). Everyone participating will receive comment sheets from the judges to help them improve their presentation skills.

Members that are awarded a Gold Medal may elect to continue on to the Sectional Presentation Day. If a Gold is awarded at Sectional you may advance to the State Level which is held in May at the University of California campus in Davis.

(A member does not have to compete in any of these events to fulfill requirements to achieve a Star Rank.)

### Questions

What should I wear? 4-H does not have an official uniform. Your clothing should be neat, clean and appropriate for the presentation being given. Some members may elect to wear their 4-H whites.

Can my parents help me setup my presentation? No. The participant is responsible for setting up and taking down their presentation. The Room Monitor is the only person who can assist you. By practicing numerous times you will be prepared and able to set up your own presentation.

When are applications for Monterey County Presentation Day due? They are due by February 10th, 2015. Your Community Leader will have all the information that you need to sign up or you can download the application from the county website http://cemonterey.ucdavis.edu.

Can I use live animals in my presentation? Yes, but arrangements must be made in advance. The Presentation will be allowed outside only.

I am not giving a presentation can I still help? YES! We need Room Monitors who are  $7^{th}$  grade and up, Junior Judges  $9^{th}$  grade and up and adults to be judges and assist with tabulations. Let your Community Leader know if you would like to help.

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