



4-H SPEECH ARTS
April 22, 2017 9:00 a.m.
REGISTRATION DEADLINE, April 14

Weld County Extension Office, Island Grove Regional Park, Greeley

Contestants must sign up for desired time frame to present their speech. Time slots will be from 9am to 1pm, Awards at 1:30 (time slots and award time may vary due to number of entries). Please email Teresa Johnson at the Extension Office-tjohnson@co.weld.co.us to select your time frame--a time will be assigned if a time request is not made with your registration. Time slots available on first come first served basis. Impromptu Speakers need to be at the Contest ½ hour before their allotted presentation time. Competitors must be ready to present at their allotted time, competitors arriving late may be moved to end of contest at discretion of judges.

DEMONSTRATIONS & ILLUSTRATED TALKS
HORSE DEMONSTRATIONS & ILLUSTRATED TALKS

The Demonstration and Illustrated Talks Contest is a "show and tell" opportunity for 4-H members. A demonstration is described as "showing" how to do something, using props and materials in a step-by-step, clear and practical manner. An illustrated talk "explains" how to do something by using charts, pictures or models. The method used depends on the speaker's preference in deciding the best way to teach a specific subject. Presentations must be directly related to 4-H projects or activities. **The Horse Demonstrations & Illustrated Talks must be related to the horse industry.**

When charts, posters, and illustrative materials are used, they should be large enough to be read 30 feet away. Each one should cover only one main idea. Lettering does not need to be perfect but it does need to be easy to read. Letters should be at least 1 ½ to 2 inches high, with title letters up to 4 inches high. Use contrasting colors for the poster and lettering, such as black, green, or blue on white or on other light-colored backgrounds.

Demonstrations and Illustrated Talks are to include: an introduction, a body and a conclusion. Consider a "catchy" introduction to gain the attention of the audience. Present your information in a logical order, ending with a brief summary during the conclusion. Practice over and over until you feel you cannot stand to do it one more time! **One point will be deducted from the total score for each minute or fraction of a minute under or over 10 minutes.** Contestants should cite their major reference materials at the end of the competition. Time for questions and answers is not included in this time limit, but are considered to be important parts of the presentation. **In the Horse Demonstration & Illustrated Talk presentation should be 10 to 15 minutes long.**

With the approval of the speech arts judges, the three high-scoring individuals and teams in all age divisions of the **Demonstration & Illustrated Talk contest** will have the opportunity to enter the State Contest to be held during State Fair at Pueblo in August. More details on the state contest will be sent to those qualifying for the event. ***The judges may make it mandatory that contestants receive coaching before entering the State Contest.***

For the **Horse Demonstration & Illustrated Talks**, the top senior individual & top senior team (team may not be combined aged groups) will advance to the State Competition at State 4-H Conference held at CSU June 21st, 22nd & 23rd; (not the State Fair).

Age divisions for Demonstrations and Illustrated Talks are Junior (8-10), Intermediate (11-13), and Senior (14 and older), as of 1/1/15. Members may enter as individuals or as teams of two. **If two members of a team are from different age groups, the age of the older member will determine the division of competition.** For example, a junior and a senior forming a team will be placed in the senior division.

Tables and easels will be furnished for the contest. Participants will furnish all other equipment for their presentations, such as props, posters, etc. If a laptop or projector is needed it **MUST** be requested with registration.

Appearance of the participant is an important factor of the judging criteria. Members are encouraged to be neat and clean and to dress appropriately for their presentations.

Two resources on Demonstrations and Illustrated Talks are available at the Weld County Extension Office, called "4-H Club Demonstrations and Illustrated Talks," and "Give a Blue Ribbon Demonstration". A score sheet to be used by the judges is attached for assistance in planning your presentation.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Age divisions for this contest will be Junior (8-10), Intermediate (11-13), and Senior (14 and older).



Public Speaking will include two opportunities this year, which are the (1) prepared speech and (2) impromptu speaking. At the discretion of the judges, the top two senior contestants in each section will be eligible to compete in the State Competition at State 4-H Conference held at CSU June 20th, 21st & 22nd (not the State Fair). ***The judges may make it mandatory that contestants receive coaching before entering the State Contest.***

Prepared speeches The time limit for speeches by juniors and intermediates will be 3 to 5 minutes, and for seniors 6 to 8 minutes. **Props or visual aids may not be used.** The judging criteria includes: Content - 50 percent; delivery - 30 percent; and language - 20 percent. Speeches should include an introduction, the body and a conclusion. A score sheet to be used by the judges is attached for assistance in preparing the presentation.

Impromptu speaking will offer participants the opportunity to draw on personal experiences and resources in organizing thoughts into a spontaneous presentation. Participants will select a topic from a prepared list and then be given ten minutes to prepare their speeches. A note card and a pencil will be provided for each member to prepare notes. The card may be used for reference during the speech, but no other visuals, props, or notes may be used. The time limit for speeches by juniors and intermediates will be 2 to 3 minutes, and for seniors 3 to 5 minutes. Topics will be 4-H related and may include personal concepts, leadership ideas and current events. A score sheet to be used by the judges is attached for reference. ***Impromptu Speakers need to be at the Contest ½ hour before their allotted presentation time.***

As in all speech arts events, appearance of the participants is a factor in judging. Members should be neat, clean and dress appropriately for the presentation.

PREPARED SPEECH INSTRUCTIONS **HORSE PREPARED SPEECH**

- 1. Prepared Speech:** All speeches will be timed and must be in the time frame for the given age group. A five point penalty will be assessed on judges score sheets for speeches going 30 seconds over and each 30 seconds thereafter. There will be no penalty for speeches up to :29 over given time limit. Seniors: 6-8 minutes; Intermediates & Juniors 3-5 minutes. With the approval of the speech art judges, the top two senior contestants will be eligible to compete in the State Competition at State 4-H Conference held at CSU June 20th-23rd (not the State Fair) *Juniors and Intermediates can compete at the county level only.* ***The judges may make it mandatory that contestants receive coaching before entering the State Contest.***
2. Speeches must be on a 4-H subject. For Horse prepared speech, topic must be horse related. Any ideas presented should relate to 4-H participation and/or organization in Colorado as appropriate.
3. Props or visual aids may not be used.
4. Judging will be done by adult judges.
5. A score sheet to be used by the judges is attached for reference.

For Horse prepared speeches the time is a little different. Speeches for Senior participants should be 7 to 10 minutes in length. One point will be deducted from the total score for each minute or fraction of a minute under 7 minutes or over 10 minutes. Junior speeches should be 4 to 6 minutes in length, and Intermediate speeches should be 6 to 8 minutes in length. ***With the approval of the speech arts judges, the winning Senior contestant will be eligible to compete in the State Competition at State 4-H Conference held at CSU mid-June, March 26; (not the State Fair).*** ***The judges may make it mandatory that contestants receive coaching before entering the State Contest.***

IMPROMPTU SPEAKING ACTIVITY

Objectives:

- ❖ To have 4-Hers draw on personal experiences and resources.
 - ❖ To have 4-Hers organize thoughts and presentation in a logical manner.
 - ❖ To help 4-Hers gain confidence and be able to deliver a speech spontaneously.
 - ❖ To provide an additional opportunity for members to develop public speaking skills.
2. The activity will have three divisions. Junior (8-10), Intermediate (11-13), and Senior (14 and older). The junior time frame is two to three minutes. Senior time frame is three to five minutes. Participants will be given a 30 second warning before the end of the time frame. A penalty of two points will be deducted from the score for each 30 second interval over or under the time.
 3. Members will select a topic and then be given ten minutes to prepare their speech. A note card and pencil will be provided so that the member may prepare notes. The note card may be used for reference during the speech. No other visuals, props, or notes may be used.
 4. General topic areas for impromptu speeches will include the following:
 - Personal issues/values
 - 4-H promotion/persuasive
 - Leadership
 - Current events
- In general, senior questions will be more difficult and thought provoking.
5. Two or more judges will score each presentation with their scores averaged for the final score.
 6. General comments: Members will probably not have time to write out the whole speech. It is better to consider several major points and write them on the card. Members are never unprepared – they have their lifetime and their 4-H experience as a resource. Members should be themselves.
 7. *With the approval of the speech arts judges, the top two senior contestants will be eligible to compete in the State Competition at State 4-H Conference held at CSU June 20-22, (not the State Fair). The judges may make it mandatory that contestants receive coaching before entering the State Contest.*

POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR IMPROMPTU SPEECHES

- I admire my 4-H leader because...
- Leadership is a large part of 4-H. I have learned about leadership by...
- A major problem facing teenagers is...
- What does integrity mean to you?

April 22, 2017 Speech Arts Contest Registration

Saturday, April 22, 9am to 1:30pm

Entry numbers may warrant contest having later times available

REGISTRATION DEADLINE April 14, 2017

Overall Champions and Reserve Overall Champions will be chosen from each age group.

Overall Senior will receive \$50, Overall Intermediate will receive \$30, Overall Junior will receive \$20

When Registering, Contestants must sign up for desired time frame to present their speech. Time slots will be from 9am to 1pm, Awards at 1:30 (time slots and award time may vary due to number of entries). Please email Teresa Johnson at the Extension Office-tjohnson@co.weld.co.us to request your time frame. Time slots available on first come first served basis. Impromptu Speakers need to be at the Contest 1/2 hour before their allotted presentation time. Competitors must be ready to present at their allotted time, competitors arriving late may be moved to end of contest at discretion of judges.

Registration Deadline: April 14, 2017

Please call Teresa Johnson (970-400-2070) or email tjohnson@co.weld.co.us to setup presentation time no later than April 18

Please mark which contests you wish to enter & The title of your presentation (may be updated at event if necessary):

<input type="checkbox"/> Prepared Speech	Title: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Impromptu Speech	
<input type="checkbox"/> Demonstration – Individual	Title: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Demonstration – Team	Title: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Illustrated Talk – Individual	Title: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Illustrated Talk – Team	Title: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Horse Demo. Individual	Title: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Horse Demo. – Team	Title: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Horse Prepared Speech	Title: _____

TIME SLOT YOU PREFER

EARLY MORNING _____

MID MORNING _____

AFTER LUNCH _____

Age Division: Junior (8-10) Intermediate (11-13) Senior (14-18)

Name: _____ Email: _____ Telephone: _____

Address/Town/ZIP: _____

Club: _____ Age as of 1/1/16 _____ Date of Birth: _____

**Audiovisual equipment requested: _____

If team entry, other member (Enter in age division of oldest team member):

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address/Town/ZIP: _____

Club: _____ Age as of 1/1/16 _____ Date of Birth: _____

Deliver, mail, email or fax the registration by the deadline stated above to:

tjohnson@co.weld.co.us

FAX: 970-351-0415

Weld County Extension Office, 525 N. 15th Ave. Greeley, CO 80631

** Be sure to read the contest packet for the rules about your contest. **

The contest will be held at the Extension Office, Island Grove Regional Park, Greeley.