All through your life, you will need to speak in front of others. Whether it is at school, at work, or at home, learning how to explain things and speak persuasively are important parts of life. Speaking skills will help you in job interviews and allow you to give effective presentations.

This contest is open to all 4-H members no matter what project area and will be held at the Benton County Fairgrounds Auditorium Conference Room. Please visit our website for all of the details.

MONDAY – TUESDAY
FEBRUARY 25-26, 2019
3PM-9PM

Call to register 541-766-6750

http://extension.oregonstate.edu/benton/4h

Benton County Fairgrounds | Conference Room
110 SW 53rd St, Corvallis, OR 97333
4-H Presentation Contest | Benton County

The 4-H Presentation Contest will be held on Monday, February 25 and Tuesday, February 26, 2019, from 3pm-9pm, at the Benton County Fairgrounds Conference Room. All enrolled 4-H members can give a presentation to a friendly judge, get feedback, and receive a ribbon.

This county contest is the qualifying event for State Fair presentations for the intermediate and senior members. It is also the qualifying contest for intermediate and senior horse project members for the Spring Classic.

No topic of similar content may be entered in more than one category. The content must consist of new material not used by members in other presentations that same year. Also, the same presentation cannot be given from year to year.

Youth may choose to deliver any of these types of presentations for the contest:

1. Demonstration *(show how to do something – great for new presenters)*
2. Illustrated Talk *(use visuals/equipment; use if helpful to topic)*
3. Speech *(no visuals or equipment – great for experienced presenters)*
4. Impromptu *(on-the-spot presentation – topic provided by judge)*

There are different time requirements for each of the 4 different types of 4-H presentations in each level *(Jr, Int, Sr)*. See chart for details:

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GENERAL INFORMATION
• Please arrive 15 minutes ahead of scheduled time.
• Wear neat and clean clothing; wear clothing that is appropriate for your topic.
• Practice handling and using equipment & visuals beforehand.
• Select a topic that fits your age, experience & interests (something you like!).
• Have strong voice volume, eye contact, & a medium voice speed.
• Practice in front of a mirror or in front of friends or parents.
• Team presentations – members should interact with each other and have equal time for both people to speak.

4-H HORSE PROJECT MEMBERS
All participating horse project members can earn points towards the “All Around Award” given at the Benton County Horse Fair.

1. In order to receive points for the “All Around Award” you must provide a presentation on a horse-related topic.

2. Any of the three types of presentations may be given: demonstration, illustrated talk, and public speech. Members may give more than one type of presentation. Your highest horse presentation score will be used. Impromptu speeches do NOT count towards the “All Around Award.”

3. Demonstrations and illustrated talks may be done individually or as a team. Team members must be in the same age division to be eligible for Spring Classic or State Fair.

4. Top presenters may be selected to compete at Spring Classic and/or State Fair. Selected members will be notified.

REGISTER
You must pre-register for a time slot by calling the Extension office (541-766-6750) by Friday, February 22. First come, first served. When you call please provide the name of 4-H member, birthdate, age division (Jr, Int, Sr), phone number and type of presentation (see chart above).

Presentation resources can be found on the Oregon 4-H website at http://oregon.4h.oregonstate.edu/projects/communication/Presentations

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