

To: County Extension Agents – ANR, FCH, 4-H

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Contest Superintendents Co-Chair District 4-H Specialist

Subject: District 1 Educational Presentations & Public Speaking Contests

Contest Date: October 29, 2025

Location: TBD

Registration: September 8 – October 6 on 4-HOnline Fee: \$20

Late Registration October 8 – 9 Late Fee: \$50

Age Categories: 3rd - 5th grade – Junior

6th – 8th grade-Intermediate 9th – 12th grade – Senior

ACCOMMODATIONS

- Requests for accommodations must be submitted to the District Office from the <u>County Office</u> at least <u>2 weeks</u> prior to the event.
- This request must be accompanied by official documentation in one of the following options for why the request is being submitted:
 - o A) Official doctor's note from a licensed medical professional
 - o B) School documentation and/or evaluation from a public institution
 - C) Official evaluation from a licensed professional therapist and/or diagnostician
- Note: The documentation and request are required within the appropriate timeline outlined for the event in order for the accommodation to be considered but does not guarantee that the requested accommodation can be made.
- The request will be reviewed by the district office (and when necessary, in consultation with the state office).
- Request and documentation will be kept confidential within the appropriate county/district staff and event administrators.

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Contest Format

Educational Presentations: will consist of individuals or teams of 2. Individuals/Teams shall give an illustrated talk or method demonstration on a selected topic for a max of 12 minutes. Posters, Power Points, and some props are acceptable. Refer to guidelines.

Educational Presentation Categories are:

Agriculture & Natural Resources Open

Animal Science Promote 4-H

Beef Safety & Injury Prevention

Health & Wellness STEM

Horse Sheep & Goat

Family & Consumer Education Swine

Contest Guidelines, Scorecards & Resources can be found at:

https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/educational presentation guidelines.pdf

Public Speaking Contest: individuals have the opportunity to present a 5 to 8-minute talk suitable as a platform speech or radio broadcast. No teams allowed.

- There are no categories for the Public Speaking Contest.
- The presentation should serve to persuade others regarding a particular issue or concern. **Visual aids** and props may not be used.

*Those with UIL conflicts will have the option to submit a video. Video submissions will not be able to place higher than in-person presentations.

Contest Scorecard can be found at: http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/roundup contest public speaking score sheet 2021.pdf

<u>State Qualifiers:</u> the first, second, and third place winners in the senior division of each category will advance to Texas 4-H Roundup. Juniors & Intermediates are not eligible for state competition.

Additional Resources:

https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/public-speaking/