

# 2020 ILLUSTRATED TALK/DEMONSTRATION

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## Speaking Contest Dates

Extension Educator Responsible:  
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**Erie County:** June 30 6:00 p.m. at the Erie County  
Fairgrounds

**State Fair Competition:** August 5 and 6

## GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1. Junior division contestants shall be 4-H members who are eight years old and enrolled in the third grade to 11 years old on January 1<sup>st</sup> of this year. Intermediate division contestants shall be 4-H members who are 12-13 years of age on January 1<sup>st</sup> of this year. Senior division contestants shall be 4-H members who are 14 years of age or over on January 1<sup>st</sup> of this year.
2. Members who participate in the county speaking contest must call the Extension Office by June 25, 2020 to register.
3. All work is to be original work created by the 4-H member(s) for 4-H.

## DEMONSTRATIONS

4. A team presentation consists of two people sharing the speaking and teaching role. When members of a team fall into different age categories, they will participate in the older class.
5. Any small animal (under 20 pounds) may be used in a 4-H presentation provided that the animals do not place the public at risk and provided they meet all of the health requirements established by the Ohio Department of Agriculture Livestock Health Requirements found in the Ohio State Fair Livestock Exhibitor Handbook. Current health and shot records must be carried with the animal. Animals must remain caged or leashed before and after the presentation.
6. All presentations will be timed. Timing begins when the member begins to speak and ends following the conclusion. The time allotted for introductions, questions and answers is not included in the time.
7. **Firearms, bows, arrows, and weapons are not permitted and may not be used in a 4-H demonstration or illustrated talk.** Plastic replicas are permissible, but we urge caution in the use of items that look truly authentic.
8. For the Erie County contest: a laptop, LCD projector, TV with DVD player, and overhead projector can be provided. You must request the equipment you need when you call the Extension Office to register for the contest.

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### **CloverBud 4-H Pledge**

**For youth in grades k – 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Recite the 4-H pledge with hand motions.

### **Beginner Show and Tell**

**For Youth in grades 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>**

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders have the opportunity to share any special toy, collectible or other favorite item with the audience. They will have 2-4 min to showcase their special item followed by a question answer period with the audience. Or they may enter one of the categories below.

### **Shooting Sports**

There are special categories for youth enrolled in the projects 630, 631, 750-756. Contact Angie for details.

**\*\*The following “J” classes are eligible for State Competition\*\***

**(Contact the Extension Office by July 20 for more details on how to participate)**

## **DEMONSTRATIONS**

### **Illustrated Talk or Demonstration---without use of computer technology**

#### **J-1 Junior Individual or J-2 Junior Team (age 8-10)**

1. The presenter uses appropriate props and other visual aides to teach others about a subject or how to do something.
2. May use charts, posters, or pictures to deliver their Illustrated Talk or to stress points within their Demonstration.
3. PowerPoint or computer generated messages are not used in these classes.
4. Presenters are evaluated on their ability to convey information and teach on a particular topic. See score sheet for more information on the areas of evaluation.
5. Presentations should be 6-9 minutes in length.

### **Illustrated Talks or Demonstrations---with or without the use of Computer Technology**

#### **J-3 Intermediate Individual (age 11-13); J-4 Intermediate Team (age 11-13); J-5 Senior Individual (age 14 & up)**

1. The presenter uses appropriate props, posters, and/or computer generated visual aides to teach others about a particular topic, practice, procedure, scientific principle, or phenomenon. Use of computer generated visuals is NOT required. Examples:
  - A demonstration may be delivered in this category. PowerPoint type slides *may be added* in addition to other props to help present their message.
  - An Illustrated Talk may be delivered in this category, with the member(s) using PowerPoint type technology to present all or part of the visual message; *must be* accompanied by live narration.
2. Requires live speech delivered along with any PowerPoint or poster message. (No pre-recorded narration.)
3. Presentations are evaluated on the members' communication skills and their ability to effectively use technology, posters, or other props to enhance their Illustrated Talk or Demonstration.
4. Presentations should be 9-12 minutes in length.

**MARKETING DIVISION CLASSES**

**J-6 Junior Ind. (age 8-10) – Thank You Card *without* use of computer graphics or scrapbooking tools.**

**J-7 Junior Ind. (age 8-10) – Thank You Card *with* the use of computer graphics or scrapbooking tools.**

- Entries in J-6 and J-7 should be an original “thank you” card with artwork on the cover. An inside message is not required, but may be included at the discretion of the designer. Inside messages will not be judged. Use of the 4-H emblem is strongly encouraged, but not required.
- Card should be on 8 ½ x 11 *white* cardstock, folded once.
- Art and message must be the original work of the member.
- Member may use any medium, including crayon, chalk, pen and ink, pencil, markers, etc. No use of computers or scrapbooking tools in creating entries in Class J-6. Designs must be hand-lettered and drawn or cut by hand.
- When using 4-H logo that is downloaded it must go into the graphics division.
- Artwork or lettering created with the aid of scrapbooking tools or computers is permitted in J-7 provided the design is the original work of the member. No commercially designed clipart may be used.
- These designs must be able to be duplicated.
- Member’s name, age, and *county* should be neatly printed in the lower right-hand corner of the back of the card.
- Evaluation will be based on the quality, creativity, and originality of the design.
- By submitting an entry, you give the 4-H Foundation the rights to use the chosen cards as the 4-H Foundation’s official Thank You Cards for 2017. The cards will display the 4-H member’s first initial and last name.

**J-8 Intermediate Individual (age 11- 13) – Holiday Card – *without* the use of computer graphics or scrapbooking tools.**

**J-9 Intermediate Individual (age 11- 13) – Holiday Card – *with* the use of computer graphics or scrapbooking tools.**

- Entries in J-8 and J-7 should be an original “Holiday” card with artwork on the cover. An inside message is not required, but may be included at the discretion of the designer. Inside messages will not be judged. Use of the 4-H emblem is strongly encouraged, but not required.
- Card should be on 8 ½ x 11 *white* cardstock, folded once.
- Art and message must be the original work of the member.
- Member may use any medium, including crayon, chalk, pen and ink, pencil, markers, etc. No use of computers or scrapbooking tools in creating entries in Class J-8. Designs must be hand-lettered and drawn or cut by hand.
- When using 4-H logo that is downloaded it must go into the graphics division.
- Artwork or lettering created with the aid of scrapbooking tools or computers is permitted in J-9 provided the design is the original work of the member. No commercially designed clipart may be used.
- These designs must be able to be duplicated.
- Member’s name, age, and *county* should be neatly printed in the lower right-hand corner of the back of the card.
- Evaluation will be based on the quality, creativity, and originality of the design.
- By submitting an entry, you give the 4-H Foundation the rights to use the chosen cards as the 4-H Foundation’s official Holiday Cards for 2016. The cards will display the 4-H member’s first initial and last name.

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### **J-10 Senior Individual (age 14 and up) – 4-H Infomercial Promoting 4-H**

- This is a video “short” that promotes a the 4-H program
- This must be a fully automated, stand-alone video presentation with sound and narration as appropriate. Think “YouTube.” The video should include recorded visual, sound, and narration to convey a message.
- The video should be the original work of the member making the entry.
- Images in the video should be appropriate for promoting 4-H. Use pictures of youth who are of 4-H age; when possible, show the diversity of membership, projects, and activities; show youth exercising appropriate safety practices (i.e. wearing helmets on horseback).
- The video should be 2-4 minutes long. Penalties may be assessed for videos less than 2 minutes or longer than 4 minutes.
- Videos must be submitted on a DVD and must play using QuickTime Player or Windows Media Player.
- The member’s name, age, and county must be neatly written on the DVD, along with the presentation title.
- Evaluation will be based on the quality and originality of the message, which should persuade the viewer to action, as well as on the creative and professional use of technology.
- By submitting an entry, you agree to allow counties and or the State 4-H office to use the promotional video to promote 4-H throughout Ohio.

\*Junior Fair projects may not be sold on the fairgrounds except through the fair project auctions.  
For sale signs may not be posted on projects.