4-H Southeast District Public Presentations

2022 4-H Presenter's Guide



Saturday April 23rd, 2022, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Dutchess Community College@Fishkill 461 Rt. 9 Fishkill, NY 12524 Click Here for Map/Directions

Register YOURSELF online by clicking below: https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/2022SEDAdistrictregistration 251



District 4-H Public Presentations General Guidelines

AGE RESTRICTIONS: All District Presenters must be at least 8 years old and have completed at least (1) prior county level presentation. Only youth 13 and over are eligible to advance from the District Level to qualifying state or regional events.

PRESENTATION TOPIC/ CATEGORY: Presenters selected to advance to District (and State) must present the SAME topic/category they gave at the County event. Use tips and suggestions from your County or District Evaluators to integrate Evaluator feedback to enhance and strengthen their presentation skills for the advancement round.

LIVE ANIMALS: Animals must be caged, leashed, or contained properly and safely during the event. Please do not remove animals from confinements until the presentation calls for it. The safety and well-being of all animals and the audience is of paramount importance, Reminder: All NYS Agriculture and Markets vaccinations and paperwork laws apply and should accompany the animal(s) if required. (i.e.: dogs should be wearing their rabies tags on their collars)

COOKING DEMONSTRATIONS: Youth presenters with cooking demos must indicate the need for electricity should it be required for the use of electric grills, hot plates, woks, etc. (Please refer to the **Food Demonstration Guidelines** for additional information). Samples may NOT be offered, but may be distributed to the Evaluators ONLY (not audience) if requested.

POSTERS: Posters/Handouts may be computer generated or handmade (See Tips for Poster Preparation). **Research-based recommendations for projected slides are a minimum of 30 Font and 6 words per slide.**

CLOTHING: All presenters should dress in a "neat and clean" manner: jeans and a nice shirt, khakis and a polo, skirt and a blouse, etc. "Outstanding" ratings can be given when the dress enhances and/or compliments the presentation. If your dress enhances your presentation, make sure to describe the correlation in your presentation (i.e.: skater clothing for a presentation on Tony Hawk etc). A suit, tie, or dress does not automatically merit an "Outstanding" rating.

TIME LIMITS: Presentations should not exceed 15 mins and will receive a "needs improvement" for running over. The citing of sources and fielding questions at the conclusion of your presentation will not be included in the 15 minute limitation. Also longer is not always better!

CITING SOURCES: MANDATORY REQUIREMENT.

Presenters are required to cite sources. Presenter may SAY IT, BRING IT or SHOW IT. If written and distributed to evaluators/audience, the APA style of referencing sources should be followed. Verbal citing of sources should be done at the conclusion of presentation and is not included within the time limit. Presenter may also show their sources by displaying them on the table and directing the evaluators and audiences' attention to them. An automatic "Needs Improvement" will be given if sources are not cited, or if the minimum number of sources is not provided. A "Met Expectation" rating will be given for following the guideline.

8-12 yr old - minimum of (2) sources 13 + - minimum of (3+) sources

Be mindful that not everything found online is true or factual. We are part of a research-based educational institution and should do our best to maintain the integrity of our program. DO NOT PLAGIARIZE!

TECHNOLOGY: Be prepared for technology NOT to work as we cannot guarantee a flawless technological system. Do not assume that WiFi will be available, and be prepare to deliver your presentation by downloading your slides from web-based servers, printing a copy of slides etc. Speak directly with your county educator regarding the use of equipment as the venues and District and State Level events vary.

REMINDERS: Remember to deliver your presentation to the Evaluators and Audience based on the assumption they have **no** knowledge of your topic.

VISUALS/USE OF NOTES: Over-reliance on visuals is discouraged. Presenters should limit their reliance on notecards and posters, especially as it relates to their age and experience.

REGISTRATION FEE: The District was able to raise funds to support this event and will not be charging a fee this year.

RESOURCES: Recordings of workshops and resources offered by the District are <u>available here</u> and can help you improve your presentation

EVALUATION FORMS: Please note that evaluation forms can be found here. They have rubrics to give more objective and clear feedback to youth presenters. Check in with your 4-H County Educator if you aren't familiar with these forms.