

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION CONTEST

OBJECTIVE

The objective of the PowerPoint presentation contest is for 4-H members to demonstrate the skills necessary to develop and present a PowerPoint presentation in a professional manner.

4-H members who participate in this contest should develop and demonstrate public speaking skills using a PowerPoint presentation as an illustration to add emphasis to their presentation. The PowerPoint program is not meant to be the members' presentation; it is designed to add dimension and illustration to the members' public speaking presentation. 4-H members are expected to design and create their own PowerPoint presentation.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Participants must pre-register on the Communication Rally Entry Form/Score Sheet. Complete one Entry Form/Score Sheet for each presentation entered. Identify the respective subject matter category, age, and presentation type for the presentation on the form. Participants may enter each of the four (4) presentation types: Speech, Illustrated Presentation, Extemporaneous, and PowerPoint. **Participants may enter only one presentation per presentation type. (Example: They may enter only one speech, one illustrated presentation, one extemporaneous, or one PowerPoint.)**
2. There are three age divisions: Senior -- at least 15 years of age by January 1; Intermediate—12-14 years of age; and Junior – 9-11 years of age.
3. Presentations entered in the PowerPoint categories will be judged against other PowerPoint presentations on similar topics.
4. Presentations using PowerPoint as a medium for illustration can only be presented in the PowerPoint categories.
5. Participants should not use material they have used previously for a Communication Rally PowerPoint presentation. A new presentation must be developed each year for competition.

REQUIREMENTS

1. **Presentation must be on a 3 ½" diskette, memory stick or CD. No Zip™ disk or zipped files should be used as it may not be compatible with the equipment. (We highly recommend all contestants bring a back-up copy of their program.)**
2. **Participants will be expected to bring two copies of their presentation as a handout with six slides per page. These handouts will be for the contest judge's benefit (especially, in case of equipment compatibility problems).**
3. Time limit: Junior: 3-5 minutes; Intermediate & Senior: 5-7 minutes
4. Participants will be expected to load and run their own disk.
5. No teams. Individual presentations only.

JUDGING CRITERIA

1. The speech/illustrated presentation score sheet will be used in evaluating PowerPoint Presentation contest.
2. The judges may assess a penalty for speaking over or under time.

EQUIPMENT PROVIDED

A laptop computer and LCD projector will be provided for this contest. However, participants may bring their own equipment.