2017 4-H SPEAKING, DEMONSTATION AND ILLUSTRATED TALK CONTEST

Members will have the opportunity to enter through paper registrations until April 10. For a complete list of rules and entry forms check the website at http://grant.uwex.edu or contact the Grant County UW-Extension Office at 723-2125. Members will have the opportunity to schedule your own time slots from April 11 - April 17 by calling the UW-Extension Office at 723-2125.

1. Contests will be held in conjunction with the Music and Drawing & Painting Contest on Sunday, April 30, at 2:00 pm, in the Youth & Ag Center, Lancaster.
2. The Contests are open to all 4-H members in grades 3 and over.
3. Entry fee is $3. This fee is only paid once, so when you enter other Grant County Fair contests your entries have been paid. Make check payable to Grant County Fair and mail to the Grant County UW-Extension Office, 916 East Elm St, Suite A, Lancaster, WI 53813 **on or before Monday, April 10.**
4. 4-H members will receive a fair premium for their speech, demonstration or illustrated talk.

DEMONSTRATION & ILLUSTRATED TALK INFORMATION

In a 4-H Demonstration Contest or Illustrated Talks, 4-H youth members demonstrate individually or with another member as a team. A successful demonstration will show the audience and judges several steps in a process, such as preparing a cooked dish, grooming an animal, etc. Demonstrations are followed by a question and answer period with the judges.

1. Entries may be individual or a team of two 4-H members. Each team members must pay an entry fee.
2. Junior demonstrations and illustrated talks are grades 3-7, Seniors are grades 8 and over. If one member of a team demonstration or illustrated talk is in the 8th grade, the entry must go in the Senior Division. Top senior division contestants will be recommended by the judges for possible State Fair participation.
3. Live animals may be brought in to use if a member wishes.
4. Members wishing to use a power point presentation as part of their Illustrated Talk may do so. We will have a laptop and projector for members to use. Contact the UW-Extension Office prior to the contest if you need equipment.
5. Fair premiums will be paid.
6. Some Grant County 4-H clubs require members to present a demonstration on a club level in order to compete on the county level. Members need to check with their main leader before entering.
7. There are no time limits on the Demonstrations and Illustrated Talks.

Classes are:

11. Demonstrations – Grade 3-7
    - Lot 1. Agriculture – Individual
    - Lot 2. Home Economics – Individual
    - Lot 3. General – Individual
    - Lot 4. Agriculture – Team
    - Lot 5. Home Economics – Team
    - Lot 6. General – Team

12. Demonstrations – Grade 8 & Over
    - Lot 7. Agriculture – Individual
    - Lot 8. Home Economics – Individual
    - Lot 9. General – Individual
    - Lot 10. Agriculture – Team
    - Lot 11. Home Economics – Team
    - Lot 12. General – Team

13. Illustrated Talk – Grade 3-7
    - Lot 13. Agriculture – Individual
    - Lot 14. Home Economics – Individual
    - Lot 15. General – Individual
    - Lot 16. Agriculture – Team
    - Lot 17. Home Economics – Team
    - Lot 18. General – Team

14. Illustrated Talk – Grade 8 & over
    - Lot 19. Agriculture – Individual
    - Lot 20. Home Economics – Individual
    - Lot 21. General – Individual
    - Lot 22. Agriculture – Team
    - Lot 23. Home Economics – Team
    - Lot 24. General – Team

SPEAKING INFORMATION

The 4-H Public Speaking Contest helps youth develop skills for communicating about current issues to real audiences, learn how to organize and prepare a speech, develop speech delivery skills, learn how to present themselves to others, and develop self-confidence.

Members may select one of the following categories for the Speaking Contest:

Interpretive Reading of Prose & Poetry
Participant selects written prose or poetry. It can include stories, narrative, or anything not written as a poem. The material is read with personal interpretation being presented.

Original Speech
Participant writes Original Speech. The material is presented with personal interpretation. Notes may be used.

Agricultural or Environmental Speech
Original speeches must address an agricultural or environmental issue or need. Authenticity and accuracy of information is important. You may be asked to provide the sources you used to gather information. Notes may be used with discretion.

Memorized Declamation
Participant selects a written Prose or Poetry. The material is then memorized and presented without notes in an interpretive fashion.

Classes are:

Class 15. Speaking – Grades 3-7 Recommended time limit is 2-5 minutes.

Lot 1. Interpretive Reading of Prose or Poetry
Lot 2. Original Speech
Lot 3. Agricultural or Environmental Speech
Lot 4. Memorized Declamation

Class 16. Speaking – Grades 8 & Over Recommended time limit is 5-8.

Lot 5. Interpretive Reading of Prose or Poetry
Lot 6. Original Speech
Lot 7. Agricultural or Environmental Speech
Lot 8. Memorized Declamation