

County Events General Information

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- A team demonstration is one in which two team members in the same 4-H Age Division participate both in speaking and presentation. There may be no more than two members per team.
- No living specimens may be used in person or on video; this includes vertebrates and invertebrates (i.e., insects, crustaceans, amphibians, reptiles, birds, or mammals).
- Competitors are responsible for all aspects of their preparations and set-up of their competitions. This includes providing all equipment and supplies for their presentations.
- Project categories can be found at: <https://sfyl.ifas.ufl.edu/media/sfylifasufledu/brevard/doc/4-h/helpful-documents/Demonstrations-and-Illustrated-Talks-Category-Definitions.pdf>
- Score sheet criteria can be found at: <https://sfyl.ifas.ufl.edu/media/sfylifasufledu/brevard/doc/4-h/helpful-documents/Demonstrations-and-Illustrated-Talks-Scoresheet.pdf>

Public Speaking

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- Speech must be original and specifically related to 4-H in a demonstrable way. The entire speech does not necessarily have to feature 4-H, but every contestant must, at some point in his/her speech, mention 4-H and its relationship to the material being presented. Contestants who break this rule will be subject to penalization by the judges.
- Previous first-place winners in public speaking at the state level are not eligible to compete.
- Individual participation only; no team speeches will be allowed.
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General Public Speaking Guidelines:

- Public speaking times must be between 3-7 minutes for juniors and intermediates and 5-7 minutes for seniors

- The top two winners in each age division may advance from county to district and the top two senior district winners (who earned blue ribbons) advance to state. General State entries must have competed at the county and district levels.

Horse Public Speaking Guidelines:

- Public speaking times must be between 8-10 minutes.
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Share-the-Fun

- The 4-H Share-the-Fun program is designed to help 4-H'ers discover their talents, develop them, and have opportunities to share those gifts with others. It is part of the 4-H Leisure and Performing Arts Project and is conducted at County, District, and State levels. The objective of Share-the-Fun is to enhance the following areas: appreciation of talent, leadership, confidence, interest in special training, and the ability to discover opportunities for wholesome recreation.
- All 4-H Age Divisions may compete at the County Level. 1st place Juniors, Intermediates, and Seniors advance to District Competition.
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Share the Fun Act Classifications: (For county events, all instruments, amps, equipment, props, or other items necessary for the performance are the responsibility of the participant.)

- Instrumental: Musical instruments of all descriptions.
- Vocal: Singing numbers.
- Dance: All dance, baton, and acrobatic routines.
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- General: Acts which include two or more of the above classifications.
- Other: Special talent not represented by the above categories

Act Size and Length:

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Judging

- Awards are scored by the judges and will each be awarded a blue, red, or white quality award ribbon. The top two acts, based on the total score, will be eligible to advance to the district competition.

- District: Each county may submit two acts for the senior competition, two acts for the intermediate competition, and two acts for the junior competition. Junior and intermediate winners may be selected using the Share-the-Fun scorecard; however, there are no provisions for junior or intermediate participation beyond the district level.

COUNTY EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

EVENT DATE: **Tuesday, March 12, 2024** at the Extension Office

Check-in begins at 4:30 PM

Presentations begin *promptly* at 5:00 PM

Registration Form Due: Wednesday, March 6th, 2024, by 5PM

Name: _____ Age: _____ 4-H Club: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Circle Age Division (based on age as of Sept. 1, 2023):

Cloverbud (5-7)

Junior (8-10)

Intermediate (11-13)

Senior (14-18)

If you receive a BLUE Ribbon, do you plan on participating at District Events Day on May 11th?

YES

NO

At the County Level, youth may participate in one Demonstration/Illustrated Talk or Public Speaking AND one Share-the-Fun act.

Cloverbuds

Demonstration/Illustrated Talk:

(2-3 minutes)

Title: _____

Category*: _____

*Leave blank if unknown; Agent will complete

Participants (if team, i.e. two youths in the same age division):

Juniors/Intermediates/Seniors

Demonstration/Illustrated Talk:

(Junior & Intermediate: 3-12 minutes & Senior: 5-12 minutes)

Title: _____

Category*: _____

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Participants (if team, i.e. two youth in the same age division):

Projector Needed? YES NO

**If borrowing a projector from the 4-H office, you MUST supply your own computer and meet before the event to verify computer/projector compatibility.

General Public Speaking: Make sure to include 4-H in your speech

(Junior & Intermediate: 3-7 minutes & Senior: 5-7 minutes)

Title: _____

Horse Public Speaking:

(Junior & Intermediate: 3-7 minutes and Seniors: 8-10 minutes)

Title: _____

*One typed, double-spaced copy of the speech with name, age, date, county, and topic on the front must be submitted prior to the date of the event.

Share The Fun

Name of Act: _____ Type: _____

(Note: No more than 5 youth may compete in one act, no mixed age divisions. Acts may range from 3-5 minutes. Acts should be of appropriate taste for a 4-H event as should costumes.)

Participant(s):

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

County Events will be held at:
UF/IFAS Brevard County Extension Office
3695 Lake Drive

Cocoa, FL 32926
Tuesday, March 12, 2024
5:00 – 7:00 PM

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