

The Visual Presentation Program culminates with State Visual Presentation (VP) Day. Members are selected at one of the many county VP Days to present at State VP Day.

1. You should determine how long it will take you to travel to the Bedford Middle School at 99 McMahan Rd. in Bedford and plan accordingly. Directions are on the 4-H website.
2. VP's start at 10:00 sharp! Arrive between 9:15 and 9:45 a.m. to find your room and get settled. Plan on a long day. You may wish to bring things to stay occupied while you wait for the awards program to start at 1:30 p.m., especially if you have young children. Close to 300 4-H members will be competing and it is a long and busy day.
3. When you arrive you will be directed to the room your category is presenting in. You will sign in on the sheet by the door to show that you are there and to indicate your preference in order of presenting within your category. If there is more than one category presenting in your room the order of categories is pre-determined and posted. You are asked to remain in your room and watch all of the other VP's presented even after you have finished yours. There will be an area coordinator circulating to answer any questions you have since the judges will not arrive until 10:00 a.m.
4. There is food available for purchase – usually sandwiches, salads, soups, chips, sweets and drinks. You may bring your own food if you want to. All food must be consumed in the cafeteria (no food in the classrooms, drinks are allowed). **Please remember we are guests in this school building.**
5. Remember, no time warnings are given at state level competition.
6. A table and an easel will be provided. Bring a table covering, a pointer and any other accessories that you need. Come prepared for everything!!! It is preferred that you do all of the set up by yourself. If you must have help, only another 4-H member may help you (no adult help is allowed). Make sure to take all of your own belongings when you leave. This is not our facility and we will not be picking anything up at the end of the day.
7. Practice makes perfect so continue to practice your VP. Don't get your posters out the night before and think you will be ready for state level competition! Also, pay attention to comments made by the judges at county VP day.
8. Danish ribbons will be awarded in the classroom where presentations are given. Blue ribbon recipients are eligible to be selected for a rosette in their category. Up to two rosettes **may** be awarded by the judges in each category. These awards are announced and presented at the awards ceremony in the auditorium beginning at 1:30 p.m. This ceremony usually lasts for about two hours. Awards are presented after the judging is finished and the paperwork is concluded – they are not presented in numerical order and it is impossible for the staff to predict the time when the rosettes from any specific category will be presented.
9. Senior horse category rosettes will be presented around noon (or later if judging has not been concluded) in the auditorium and blue rosette recipients will immediately proceed to the next level of competition where they will present their VP or Public Speech again to a new set of judges.
10. Remember to SMILE and have FUN! Good luck to you!



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