

Worcester County 4-H Visual Presentations

January 10, 2020

Dear Parent:

Visual Presentations (VP) time is here again! Teaching communication skills is a unique and important part of the 4-H Program. Each year, 4-H offers a Visual Presentation Program, which gives members a chance to:

- Improve communication skills
- Share information with others
- Learn how to better organize their thoughts and information
- Develop public speaking skills in order to teach, entertain, or persuade others to take action on a particular topic

All clubs are encourage to have members give presentations at the club level. For those who would like to gain more experience, we offer a County Visual Presentation Competition. This contest offers youth the opportunity to give a formal presentation, which may or may not include posters and other visuals, which may help the audience learn about the subject each member has chosen. 4-H members may give a formal demonstration, illustrated talk, extemporaneous speech or public speech (senior member only) on a subject of interest to them. Please see enclosed class list of category topics to choose from.

There are time limits for each age category. For a Junior (ages 8-13), a VP may be between 3 to 10 minutes. For a Senior (ages 14-18), a VP may be between 7 to 10 minutes. Each presentation will be judged and all participants will receive a Danish ribbon. Those judged to be "outstanding" in his /her category will be invited to go on to State competition on March 28 in Bedford, MA.

Please note: Power Point Presentations are open to seniors only.

When & Where:

The Worcester County VP Day will Occur on **Saturday February 29, 2020.**

Location: Nashoba Regional High School
12 Green Street, Bolton, MA 01740

Registration is from 9am-9:45am

The program will begin promptly at 10:00am. All ribbons will be awarded at the end of the event during the awards ceremony at approximately 2:00PM. Please try to stay for the duration.



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Note: Horse Presentations – The Massachusetts 4-H Communication Teams are selected at the State Visual Presentation Day. Teams selected will attend the Eastern National 4-H Horse Round-Up held in November in Louisville, Kentucky. Contests include a public speech, individual presentation and team presentation (horse related topics given by senior 4-H members only). For more information on the national contest, you can go to their website at www.4hroundup.com.

Registration – Forms are due in the Worcester County 4-H office on February 15 by the end of the business day (4:00PM). Forms may also be mailed if postmarked by February 15. It is important that we receive forms by that date in order to plan for and adequate number of judges, create room assignments, and have all the paperwork ready for the event. This will avoid delays and confusion for everyone involved. Thank you for being prompt!

Resources – Look for VP resources on the UMass 4-H website <https://ag.umass.edu/mass4h>. Look under “Programs,” “Communications, Visual Presentations and Records,” “Public Speaking and Visual Presentations” for some helpful information.

We hope to see you on February 29th. Please call the 4-H Office if you have any questions, or need assistance.

Sincerely

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REGISTRATION FORM
COUNTY 4- H VISUAL PRESENTATIONS

Please complete a separate form for *each member* interested in giving a visual presentation at the county level and return by February 15, 2019. Reminder: Forms are due in the Worcester County 4-H office on February 15 by the end of the business day (4:00PM). Forms may also be mailed if postmarked by February 15. Send to:

Martina Jasiewicz; Worcester County 4-H Office
120 Stafford Street, Suite 201; Worcester MA 01603

CLUB LEADER'S NAME _____

CLUB NAME _____

COUNTY _____

Name _____ * CLASS NO. _____

Address _____ City _____

Phone Number _____ Date of Birth _____
Month / Day / Year

Years in 4-H _____ Number of years Giving Visual Presentations _____

Title of Presentation _____

Cloverbud _____ Junior _____ Senior _____ Team _____

Please fill out this form in its entirety. Incomplete forms will not be accepted!



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