

## 4-H CONTEST DESCRIPTION AND GUIDELINES *Cont.*

### **Santa Fe County 4-H General Rules & Regulations**

#### I. General Eligibility

1. Any bonafide 4-H member who has not passed his/her 20th birthday by Jan. 1 of the current year may participate. Contests involving District, State, Regional and National events may have different age requirements.
2. All eligible 4-H members may participate in as many contest divisions as they wish.
3. In the event that the first place team is eligible for District or State, all members of the winning teams must meet all contest requirements including age.
4. When enough members are not available to make a team, individuals may be entered.
5. Some exceptions where a team of 4 members is necessary are: Home Economics Bowl, Wildlife Bowl, and Horse Bowl. Parliamentary Procedure Contest requires 6 members.

#### II. Entries

1. Organizational Leaders and members will be notified of the date entries, or pre-registrations are due in the Extension Office.
2. Entering Contests: 4-H members may participate in more than one contest to the extent that the schedule, or rules, permits.
3. There are four age categories in all contest areas: (based on age as of Jan. 1 of current year)
  - Cloverbuds—ages 5 to 8 (noncompetitive activities only).
  - Novice—ages 9 to 11 (County to District)
  - Junior—ages 12 to 13 (County to District)
  - Senior—ages 14 to 19 (County to State)
4. In case of mixed ages, a team composed of Novice and Juniors, the team will compete in the Junior category.

#### III. General Instructions

1. Specific details on a particular contest area can be attained from the County 4-H Staff.
2. Contest involving District, State, Regional and National events may have different requirements.

#### IV. Judging and Selection of Winners

1. Score sheets and judging forms will be used for all contests, and are available to the contestant ahead of time.
2. Age of the contestant will be considered by the judge when evaluating charts, posters, etc.
3. The decision of judge(s) is final. In case of a tie, judges will determine the procedure for breaking the tie.
4. Ribbons will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place individual.
5. Good sportsmanship on part of the members, parents and leaders is expected throughout the contests.



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Favorite Food Show <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Novice</li> <li>• Junior</li> <li>• Senior</li> </ul> Available as an activity for Cloverbuds.	Members prepare a favorite Food that is nutritious, and displays along with a day's menu, the recipe, and appropriate table setting. Display should include appropriate centerpiece. Member discusses recipe preparation and table setting with judge.	Each contestant's favorite food must be selected from one of the following: ⇒ Nutritious snack or beverage ⇒ Bread ⇒ Sandwich ⇒ Main Dish ⇒ Salad ⇒ Fruit or Vegetable  References: County Favorite Food Show Contest Guideline. Senior Favorite Food Guide (200 E - 24)	County District State
Public Speaking ~Prepared <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Novice</li> <li>• Junior</li> <li>• Senior</li> </ul>	The participant selects topic. Notes may be used. No visual aids or props.	⇒ Novice time limit 2 to 4 minutes. ⇒ Junior time limit 4 to 6 minutes. ⇒ Senior no longer than 8 minutes. ⇒ Member may be enrolled in any project.	County District State
Public Speaking ~Poetry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Novice</li> <li>• Junior</li> </ul> Available as an activity for Cloverbuds	The participant selects topic. Poems may be original poems or obtained from a book.	⇒ Novice time limit 1 to 2 minutes ⇒ Junior time limit 2 to 4 minutes. ⇒ Participants are not allowed to use notes.	County District

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<p>Public Speaking ~ Impromptu</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Novice</li> <li>• Junior</li> <li>• Senior</li> </ul>	<p>Contestant prepares speech at the contest site on a topic selected by Superintendent.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ Novice time minimum 1 minute 2 minutes for preparation</li> <li>⇒ Junior time minimum 2 minutes 2 minutes for preparation</li> <li>⇒ Senior 3 to 5 minutes for speech 3 minutes for preparation</li> </ul>	<p>County State</p>
<p>Presentations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Novice</li> <li>• Junior</li> <li>• Senior</li> </ul> <p>Available as an activity for Cloverbuds</p> <p>Categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Agriculture</u>: Members currently enrolled in an Animal Science, Horticulture and Agronomy, and Natural Science project.</li> <li>• <u>Home Economics</u>: Members currently enrolled in a Clothing, Foods, Food Preservation, Housing, Consumer, or Family Life project.</li> <li>• <u>General</u>: Members currently enrolled in an Engineering, Personal Growth and Development, Creative Arts or Arts and Crafts project.</li> </ul>	<p>Demonstration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A demonstration is DOING.</li> <li>• A demonstration is SHOW HOW.</li> <li>• A demonstration is MAKING and DOING something.</li> </ul> <p>Illustrated Talk:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An illustrated talk is TALKING.</li> <li>• An illustrated talk is TELL HOW.</li> <li>• In an illustrated talk you show pictures, charts, models, equipment.</li> </ul> <p>Demonstrations &amp; Illustrated talks are judged against each other.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ Novice 2 to 10 minutes.</li> <li>⇒ Junior 5 to 10 minutes.</li> <li>⇒ Senior 10 to 15 minutes.</li> <li>⇒ Two (2) individuals are allowed and are considered a single entry. Teams will be judged against individuals.</li> <li>⇒ Must be currently enrolled in project.</li> </ul> <p>References: Let's Demonstrate the 4-H Way and Giving an Illustrated Talk</p>	<p>County District State</p> <p>Note: Seniors, the following categories have been eliminated from State Conference: Environmental issues, Health, and Leadership/Citizenship... (effective 2000)</p>

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<p>Shooting Sports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Novice</li> <li>• Junior</li> <li>• Senior</li> </ul>	<p>4-H members learn and practice the rules of rifle safety, archery safety, sportsmanship, accuracy with firearms and achieve advancing degree of proficiency.</p>	<p>⇒ Must be enrolled in shooting sports project</p> <p>⇒ Teams of 3-4 members or individuals may participate</p>	<p>County District State</p>
<p>Entomology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Novice</li> <li>• Junior</li> <li>• Senior</li> </ul>	<p>Provide an opportunity for 4-H members to demonstrate their knowledge of entomology, the study of insects. Includes identification of insects native to New Mexico.</p>	<p>⇒ Any 4-H member currently enrolled in any phase of 4-H project work may participate</p> <p>⇒ Teams of 3 to 4 members</p>	<p>County District State</p>
<p>Horticulture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Novice</li> <li>• Junior</li> <li>• Senior</li> </ul>	<p>Provide an opportunity for 4-H members to demonstrate their knowledge of horticulture, the study of plants. Includes identification of house plants, fruits, and vegetables.</p>	<p>⇒ Any 4-H member currently enrolled in any phase of 4-H project work may participate</p> <p>⇒ Teams of 3 to 4 members</p>	<p>County District State</p>
<p>Consumer Decision Making</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Novice</li> <li>• Junior</li> <li>• Senior</li> </ul> <p>Available as an activity for Cloverbuds</p>	<p>This contest teaches how to observe, compare and make decisions based on standards of quality and facts collected, then tell why one item is better than another.</p> <p>Up to six (6) classes are selected and judged from the Consumer Decision-making Handbook</p>	<p>⇒ Team consists of 3 to 4 members</p> <p>⇒ Oral reasons are given on one (1) class for Novice, two (2) classes for Juniors and Seniors.</p> <p>⇒ 2 minutes will be allowed for oral reason presentation.</p> <p>Reference: Consumer Decision-Making Contest Handbook.</p>	<p>County District State</p>
<p>Home Economics Bowl</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senior</li> </ul>	<p>This bowl game involves the 4-Hers in a College Bowl type contest matching wits with the opposing team to see who can answer the most questions. The contest covers materials from all areas of home economics—cooking, baking, money management, crafts, clothing, nutrition, consumerism.</p>	<p>⇒ Be enrolled in any 4-H project</p> <p>⇒ Each county may send one or two teams.</p> <p>⇒ A team must have 4 members. It is recommended that each team have 1 alternate.</p>	<p>County State</p>

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<p>NM Talent Contest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Novice</li> <li>• Junior</li> <li>• Senior</li> </ul>	<p>The contest provides members the opportunity to develop cooperation skills and self-confidence by working together, or individually, to plan and participate in a public appearance. Talent category include: comedian, vocal, musical, choreographed routines, drama, Celebrate 4-H.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ May be enrolled in any project.</li> <li>⇒ Each county may send one or two entries in each category.</li> <li>⇒ Talent must fit into one of the 6 categories.</li> </ul>	<p>County District State</p>
<p>Clothing Revue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Novice</li> <li>• Junior</li> <li>• Senior</li> </ul>	<p>Member may construct one or more articles from any given 4-H clothing project following project guidelines and construction requirements. Member is judged on appearance and fit, the article is judged on construction.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ Member must be enrolled in a clothing project.</li> <li>⇒ Refer to project book for detailed construction requirements and guidelines.</li> <li>⇒ Refer to 4-H Clothing Construction Project Summary for detailed exhibit requirements.</li> </ul>	<p>County District State</p>
<p>Horse Judging</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Novice</li> <li>• Junior</li> <li>• Senior</li> </ul>	<p>Consist of two to four halter classes for Novice and Juniors; halter classes and performance classes for Seniors.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ Any 4-H member currently enrolled in any phase of 4-H project work may participate.</li> <li>⇒ Time limit of 15 minutes per class for placing and 2 minutes for reciting oral reasons.</li> </ul>	<p>County District State</p>
<p>Livestock Judging</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Novice</li> <li>• Junior</li> <li>• Senior</li> </ul>	<p>Consist of classes of cattle, sheep and swine.  Classes selected will depend on the availability of livestock in the host county</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⇒ Any 4-H member currently enrolled in any phase of 4-H project work may participate.</li> <li>⇒ Time limit of 15 minutes per class for judging and 2 minutes for reciting oral reasons.</li> </ul>	<p>County District State</p>