



**New London County 4-H  
Public Presentation Program  
New London County Extension Center  
County Competition  
February 17, 2012, 6:30 p.m.**

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**Areas that participants will be judged on include:**

- Stage Presence: Personal Appearance, Poise, Posture, Attitude, Confidence, Personality
- Choice Of Subject: Knowledge of Subject, Adequate Length, Meaningful to the Audience
- Organization: Introduction, Logically Organized, Sufficient Information, Concise Conclusion
- Delivery: Voice Quality, Power of Expression
- General Effect: Interesting, Understandable, Held Audience Attention
- Questions: Knowledge, Ability to think quickly

**Categories:**

Jr. Public Speaking- using just note cards (3-5 minutes)

Sr. Public Speaking- using just note cards (5-8 minutes)

Jr. Visual Presentation- demonstration, illustrated talk, power point presentation (3-5 minutes)

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**Local Competitions:**

NLC Extension Center, hosts: Great Goats & More, 2/3, 6:00 pm

Contact to register: Amy Smith, 860.859.1999

N. Stonington Baptist Church, hosts: Meadowlake, 2/4, 2:00 pm

Contact to register: Fran Wood, 860.535.4375

Ledyard Congregational Church, hosts: the Ladybugs, 2/3, 7:00 pm

Contact to register: Janet Barnett, 860.464.9808

Franklin Elementary School, hosts: Franklin Variety, 1/24, 6:00 pm

Contact to register: Christine Norige, 860.885.1012

Groton TBA, hosts: Dolphins,

Contact to register: Gail McCloud, 860.204.2974

**See reverse for more information.**

If you have questions contact:

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## **PUBLIC SPEAKING AGE DIVISIONS**

Seniors- any youth 13 – 19 years old as of January 1, 2012

Juniors- any youth 7 – 12 years old as of January 1, 2012

## **PUBLIC SPEAKING DIVISIONS**

**Speeches- *note cards only*** – involves telling about something of interest to you without the use of visual aids. The speech can be informative or argumentative.

### **Visual Presentations**

- **Demonstration** – involves doing something (making, creating, finishing, etc) while telling about what you are doing. This is usually the easiest type of presentation. First time participants are encouraged to do a demonstration.
- **Illustrated Talk** – involves telling about something while using an illustration such as a diagram, chart, model, or picture
- **Power Point** - A demonstration or illustrated talk that uses computer technology. For Power Point presentations a screen, laptop, and LCD projector are provided. All presentations must be emailed to Pam (pamela.gray@uconn.edu), by the close of business on **Wednesday, February 15, 2012**, so that presentations can be loaded onto the laptop. Power point presentations must be PC compatible. Power Point presentations will not be accepted after the due date. Remember to have an alternate plan for your presentation in case the technology fails.

**Team Demonstrations** are available for any age group. A team is TWO people. Both participants must have an equal role in the presentation. (*Team presentations do NOT count for state competition.*)

## **REGISTRATION**

Everyone must pre-register for the local event you are attending. Participants will be expected to be present for the entire event. Local winners are expected to compete at the County event Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>.

## **EVALUATION**

Youth 7 – 19 years old will be judged on the Danish System – that is participants are evaluated and placed in groups of achievement: Excellent; Very Good; Good. All youth will receive their evaluations with comments at the end of their presentation.

A senior and a junior winner will be chosen in each division on the local level and then compete at the county level to be chosen to represent New London County at the state level at State 4-H Day, March 10<sup>th</sup>. At the State level, you must be at least 9 years old. Team presentations are not eligible for state competition.

## **STATE 4-H PUBLIC PRESENTATION CONTEST**

The State 4-H Public Presentation Contest will take place at the State 4-H Expressive Arts Day (March 10<sup>th</sup> in West Hartford). Each county may send one senior (age 13-18 as of 1/1/12) and one junior (age 9-12 as of 1/1/12) finalist in the speech category (using note cards only) and one senior and one junior finalist in the visual presentation category. **Visual presentations may be a demonstration (one person, not a team), illustrated talk or Power Point presentation.** All presentations and speeches must be done individually and last 5-8 minutes for seniors and 3-5 minutes for juniors.

## NLC 4-H PUBLIC PRESENTATION EVALUATION FORM for Demonstrations, Illustrated Talks or Speeches

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Presentation \_\_\_\_\_

Age as Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> \_\_\_\_ [ ] Junior (7-12 yrs) [ ] Senior (13-19 yrs) years in 4-H \_\_\_\_ years of Public Speaking \_\_\_\_

	Score	Comments
<b>Stage Presence- 10 points</b> <i>Personal Appearance, Attitude, Personality, Poise/Body Posture Confidence, Ease before audience, Body appropriately still</i>		
<b>Choice of Subject – 5 points</b> <i>Speaker knows subject, Length of talk adequate to cover subject,</i>		
<b>Organization- 15 points</b> <i>An obvious introduction, middle and summary: Introduction – attracts attention, clearly stated. Logically organized, Sufficient information, Conclusion is concise. Length of talk adequate to cover subject</i>		
<b>Visual Aids- 10 points</b> <i>Effective/efficient use, Suitable choice, Proper techniques used, Neat, Clean, Concise, Contribute to the presentation, Easy to read from a distance.</i> NOT APPLICABLE TO SPEECHES		
<b>Delivery- 15 points</b> <i>Voice–quality, grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation, volume, neither too fast/slow</i>		
<b>Power of Expression- 20 points</b> <i>fluency, sincerity, emphasis, directness, communicative ability, appropriate pace, conveyance of thought/ meaning, not memorized, eye contact</i>		
<b>General Effect- 15 points</b> <i>Extent to which the speech was interesting, understandable, held attention</i>		
<b>Questions- 10 points</b> <i>Ability to satisfactorily answer the judges' questions. Originality, familiarity with subject and to think quickly 'on one's feet.'</i>		
<b>Time- 5 points</b> <i>Seniors: 5-8 min., Juniors 3-5 min.</i>		

**TOTAL SCORE** \_\_\_\_\_

*Please note: highest score for speeches is 95 points, visual presentations is 105 points*