

# 2020 4-H Communications Contest

## Public Speaking & PSAs

Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>  
3:00 p.m.

Johnson County 4-H Building, Tecumseh

*Purpose: Encourage youth to develop communication skills through public speaking.*

### Rules and Regulations:

- Youth may participate in both the Speech and PSA Divisions (one entry per division)
- Visual aids are not allowed
- Dress appropriately (4-H attire is not required)
- PSA's will be submitted digitally (in .wav or .mp3 format)
- The subject for the PSA contest entries must be general enough to be used anywhere in the state. Please do not include county specific details.
- The 2020 PSA theme is "Inspire Kids to Do!"
- All 4-H PSA's must include the following tag line within the last ten seconds of the PSA: **"Learn more about the Nebraska Extension 4-H Youth Development Program at 4h.unl.edu."** The tag line is included in the 60 second time limit.
- PSA's may use sound effects or public domain music; copyrighted materials may not be used.
- Judges will make deductions from the contestants score for speeches under or over the time limit.
- Name, 4-H Age, Division, Title of Speech or PSA, and speech outline and/or PSA text are due in the Extension Office by April 27<sup>th</sup>.
- A complete set of rules and regulations can be found online at: <https://4h.unl.edu/public-speaking>

Division	4-H Age Guidelines As of December 31 <sup>st</sup>	Time Guidelines	Special Guidelines
Clover Kid	5 - 7	Under 3 minutes	Topic does not have to be 4-H related. Poems or prose readings are acceptable.
Junior	8 - 10	1 to 3 minutes	Must be an original speech relating to 4-H.
Intermediate	11 - 13	3 to 5 minutes	Must be an original speech relating to 4-H.
Senior	14 & older	5 to 8 minutes	Must be an original speech relating to 4-H.
Junior Radio PSA	8 - 10	60 seconds	Must promote 4-H and be submitted digitally.
Intermediate Radio PSA	11 - 13	60 seconds	Must promote 4-H and be submitted digitally.
Senior Radio PSA	14 & older	60 seconds	Must promote 4-H and be submitted digitally.

**2020 4-H Speech & PSA Contest Registration Form**  
**DUE to the Extension Office by Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup>**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Age (Dec. 31) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Division \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Speech and/or PSA \_\_\_\_\_