



4-H Newsletter

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COUNTY PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

Congratulations to all who participated in your local club's public speaking contest! All 1st and 2nd place winners are invited to compete in the county contest.

Mark your calendars for:

Tuesday, December 12, 2023
Registration at 5:00 p.m. | Contest at 5:30 p.m.
Smith County Middle School

You must pre-register for the county contest. Please call the 4-H Office at 615-735-2900 *by December 8, 2023.*

SERVICE PROJECTS

"Everyone can be great, because everyone can serve."

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

Encourage and support your club in completing at least one service or "helping others" project this school year. To report what your club did, simply fill out the service project report and send to the 4-H office.

This report can be found in your officers' folders or online.

We will highlight the service projects of different clubs in future newsletters.

If you are interested in participating in **Horse Bowl** or **Hippology**, please call the 4-H office at 615-735-2900 or email rpetty@utk.edu to register.

We will start practicing in December!



Important Upcoming Dates

November 16 - 4-H Community Club Meeting
November 12-18 - Agriculture Literacy Week
Month of December - No In-School Club Meetings
December TBD - First Hippology Practice
December 12 - County Public Speaking Contest
January Club Meetings - 4-H Poster Contest
January 10-11 - Central Region 4-H Hog Show
January 11-13 - State 4-H Hog Show
January 18 - Sub-Regional Public Speaking Contest
January 20 - Horse Bowl/Hippology
Regional Contest
February 3 - Central Region Sr. High
Public Speaking Contest

5th Grade Essay Contest

Topic: Why is Agriculture Important

Requirements: 500 word max, must be typed, double spaced, 12 point font with the following info on the cover page:

Student's Name, Parent's Name, Address and Phone Number, School, Teacher's Name, and County.

County winner receives \$50, and their teacher wins \$200 for use in their classroom!

State Winners receive \$300 for 1st place, \$200 for 2nd, and \$100 for 3rd!

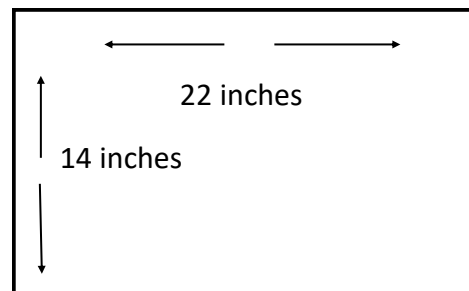
Due at our January 4-H Club Meeting!



4-H Poster Contest | January 4-H Club Meeting

1. This year, 4-H members may submit either a traditional poster **or** a digital poster.
2. Posters **must be horizontal** only.
3. Physical posters must be 14 x 22 inches. Digital posters must be submitted as a PDF file.
4. Examples of programs that could be used for designing your digital poster include but are not limited to: Microsoft PowerPoint, Microsoft Publisher, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe InDesign, Canva
5. On the back of your poster be sure to include:

Name	Age	Address
Grade	School	Teacher's Name
6. 4-H should be the topic/theme of the poster.
7. Well-known cartoon figures such as SpongeBob, Disney, etc. cannot be used because of copyrighting.
8. Three dimensional objects or materials which extend 1/8-inch or more above the poster may not be used.
9. If the 4-H Emblem is used on the poster, do not place text or other images over or on top of it.
10. No glitter may be used on posters. If your poster has glitter, it **cannot** go on to the county or state contest!



Scoring Guidelines

- **INFORMATION GIVEN AND IDEAS EXPRESSED.....50 points**
 1. Theme 25 points
 2. Simplicity 10 points
 3. Originality 15 points
- **ART, DESIGN, LETTERING.....40 points**
 1. Pleasing composition, attractive 10 points
 2. Dynamic, eye-catching, original 10 points
 3. Neat, easy-to-read lettering 10 points
 4. Use of color 10 points
- **CONSTRUCTION.....10 points**
 1. Materials: texture, shape, size 5 points
 2. Durable enough to withstand shipping 5 points



Winners

Three county winners will be entered in the state poster contest. The state competition will be held in March during 4-H Congress. All State level entries will be displayed during 4-H Congress.

More Information

For more information, contact Rachel Petty at rpetty@utk.edu or 615-735-2900.