21 Central District
Club Day Guidelines

4-H Club Day Objectives

1. To demonstrate the value of the 4-H Youth Development program through public presentation & evaluation of:
   - Demonstrations
   - Talks
   - Meeting Procedures
   - Recreation
2. To provide additional opportunity for 4-Hers to participate in music and dramatics and to share their talents.
3. To provide opportunity for fellowship and wider acquaintance among 4-Hers.
4. To exchange information regarding 4-H project work to others.
5. To present a favorable image to the public and to promote 4-H.

Awards to be earned

The events in each section of County 4-H Club Day will be placed in Top Purple, Blue, Red or White award groups. Every 4-Her who participates in County 4-H Club Day receives a ribbon. Any number of Top Purple, Blue, Red, or White ribbons may be given. Ribbons should be awarded somewhat on this basis:

**Purple Ribbon/Top Blue** - Superior Work; exceeds standard
**Blue Ribbon** - Excellent quality work; far above standard
**Red Ribbon** - Average work; standard has been met.
**White Ribbon** - Presentation lacks quality; below standard.
What's Eligible to Move on to Regionals?
**Per County in the district**

**Public Presentations**
- 2 Jr. Project Talks
- 2 Jr. Demonstrations or Illustrated Talks
- 2 Sr. Demonstrations or Illustrated Talks
- 2 Extemporaneous Speaking
- 2 Public Speaking
- 1 Applications, Resume, Interview (ARI)
- 1 Model Meeting
- 1 Gavel Games –selected from any age group

**Talent – Music**
- Music – Selected from any age group
  - 1 Vocal Ensemble
  - 1 Vocal Solo
  - 1 Instrumental Ensemble
  - 1 Instrumental Solo
  - 1 Piano Solo

**Talent – Dance**
- 1 Dance

**Talent – Drama & Other**
- 1 Skit or Creative Drama
- 1 Sr. Reading
- 1 Jr Reading
- 1 Other Talent

Entries that earn a Purple/Top Blue Ribbon will represent 21 Central– Edwards/Stafford County at Regional 4-H Club Day. In the event that a Purple/Top Blue Ribbon Entry cannot attend, an Alternate will be selected.

Judges may reserve the right to not advance entries on to Regionals.
**JOB DESCRIPTION FOR ROOM MONITORS/SUPERINTENDENTS TASKS**

Introductions are optional. Ask 4-H members if they want you to introduce them or if the introduction is part of their presentation.

- Check in 4-H member for their scheduled appearance.
- Make substitutions when necessary to keep event moving.
- See that no one enters the room during a presentation.
- Present score sheets to the judge when 4-H member is ready to perform.
- Keep an accurate list of those competing, any cancellations, etc. These should be posted and marked as members complete their presentations.
- Take the results to the information desk and post them immediately following the completion of the event. The room monitor/superintendent should keep original rating by judge. (Optional)
- Assist the judge in any way possible. Judges may sit any place they desire.
- Be sure someone is always present.
- It is helpful for judges to have a scheduled break at mid-morning.
- Make sure the judges fill out their expense and travel sheets.
SECTION 1: PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Show and Tell
- Show and tell is intended 1st year members to have a non-competitive public presentation experience. This presentation does not have to be related to a 4-H project experience. Each participant will receive a participation ribbon. There is no regional 4-H Club Day division.
- Maximum Time Allowed is 3 Minutes.

Project Talk
- Project talks are intended for 4-Hers 7-12 years of age, to gain confidence in expressing themselves before an audience. They tell of their actual project experiences. The purpose is to inform. Visuals may be used. 2 Project Talks will be selected for Regional 4-H Club Day
- Maximum Time Allowed is 7 minutes.

Demonstrations
- Demonstrations involve doing or making something while giving an explanation. It uses actual items, supplies, equipment, people or animals while going through a process. There is usually a finished product to show. 2 Demonstrations or Illustrated talks from each age division will be selected for Regional 4-H Club Day.
- Maximum Time Allowed for Age 7-12 yrs- 10 Minutes
- Maximum Time Allowed for Age 13 & Older- 15 Minutes

Illustrated Talks
- Illustrated Talks is a presentation that tells how something is done. With an illustrated talk you show pictures, charts, models, equipment, and other types of visual aids. Then purpose is to teach the audience. The primary purpose of the 4-H program is to help each boy and girl reach his or her maximum growth and development, and it is this area that public presentations makes its greatest contributions. 2 Demonstrations or Illustrated talks from each age division will be selected for Regional 4-H Club Day.
- Maximum Time Allowed for Age 7-12yrs- 10 Minutes
- Maximum Time Allowed for Age 13 & Older- 15 Minutes
Public Speaking

- Public speaking is intended to assist 4-H members 13 years and older further develop confidence and skill in speaking before an audience. Talks are original. Visuals may be used. One or two note cards are suggested. Outlines should be provided for each judge. 2 Public Speeches will be selected for Regional 4-H Club Day.
- Maximum Time Allowed is 15 minutes.

Extemporaneous Speaking

- Extemporaneous speaking challenges 4-H members 13 years and older to think quickly, and prepare a speech on an assigned topic with limited preparation. Participants will draw three possible topics, choose one, prepare for 10 minutes, and then deliver up to 7-minute speech response. Topics will be subjects that youth are familiar with, so no special research materials are required. Notes on index cards are perfectly acceptable. Speakers should bring their own note cards and pencils. No props or visual aids may be used. Parents are not allowed to assist the speakers or to be in the same room as they prepare their speech. 2 Extemporaneous Speeches will be selected for Regional 4-H Club Day.

Application, Resume, and Interview (ARI)

- Applications, Resume & Interview is a workforce development and college prep program that is intended to assist 4-H members 14 years and older to further develop confidence and skill in the process of applying for, and interviewing for a job. Position descriptions will be provided. Applications and Resumes are due when pre-entry form is turned in. 1 ARI will be selected for Regional 4-H Club Day.
- Maximum Time Allowed is 15 minutes, 10-minute interview, 5-minutes to review and consultation.
Gavel Games

- Gavel Games serve as an alternate to the Model Meeting for the 4-H clubs interested in promoting parliamentary procedure. 1 Entry will be selected from either age group for Regional 4-H Club Day. The contest will consist of teams of four (4) 4-H members serving as the group’s President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Does not have to be the club’s elected officers. Open to all members. Participants will draw for the office that they will play. Gavel games is the business part of the meeting. This includes an oral presentation of the meeting agenda, and solving two parliamentary problems. Teams will draw for the problems to be solved. Age 13 & Older teams will take a written exam. Test scores will be averaged.

- Time Limits:
  - Maximum Time Allowed for Age 7-12yrs - 20 Minutes – (15 minutes for gavel gam, and 5 minutes for judge consultation)
  - Maximum Time Allowed for Age 13 & Older - 30 Minutes – (10 minutes for written exam, 15 minutes for gavel game, and 5 minutes for judge consultation)

SECTION 1: TALENT (MUSIC)

NOTE: In all cases, due to copyright laws: Give judges the original and if 4-H member uses a photocopy, it must be destroyed!

Vocal Ensemble

- A vocal ensemble may be composed of 2 or more young people from one club or it may be a composite group from two or more clubs. Each group will sing two (2) numbers of their own choosing. Original copies of selections will be given to the judge before performing. Accompanist need not be a 4-Her, but they cannot sing with the group unless they are 4-Hers. It is recommended that selections be memorized. 1 Vocal Ensemble will be selected for Regional 4-H Club Day
**Vocal Solo**
- Participant will sing one number. An original copy of selection will be given to the judge before performing. Accompanist need not be a 4-Her, and can be taped. It is recommended that the selection be memorized. 1 Vocal Solo from any age division will be selected for Regional 4-H Club Day.

**Instrumental Ensemble**
- An instrumental ensemble may be composed of 2 or more young people from one club or it may be a composite group from two or more clubs. Each group will play two (2) numbers of their own choosing. Original copies of the selections will be given to the judge prior to performing. 1 Instrumental Ensemble will be selected for Regional 4-H Club Day.

**Instrumental Solo**
- Participants will play one (1) number. An original copy of selection will be given to judge before performing. It is recommended that selections be memorized. Accompanist need not be a 4-Her. 1 Instrumental Solo from any age division will be selected for Regional 4-H Club Day.

**Piano Solo**
- Participants will play one number. An original copy of selection will be given to judges before performing. It is recommended that selections be memorized. Accompanist need not be a 4-Her. 1 Piano Solo from any age division will be selected for Regional 4-H Club Day.

**SECTION 3- TALENT (DANCE)**
Each participant must furnish their own sound equipment and music. There are no age divisions.

**Dance**
- This division includes entries of styles such as: polka, square, folk step, tap, ballet, interpretive, acrobatic, hip hop, etc. The dance can be done by an individual or group, not exceeding 12 members. Individual Dance is limited to five (5) minutes. 1 Dance will be selected for Regional 4-H Club Day.
SECTION 4: TALENT (DRAMA & OTHER)

Skit

- This section is designed for skits. Any size group may participate. The maximum time allowed shall be 15 minutes from the rise of the first curtain to the drop of the final curtain. Each group will be responsible for all scenery, property, and effects. A maximum of 15 minutes may be used by the Club to set the stage for its play/skit. On most stages, all plays will use the same drapes as a background. 1 Skit will be selected for Regional 4-H Club Day.

Reading

- This may be a musical, dramatic, interpretive, humorous, or other type of reading. The presentation should be one that can be done in 5 minutes or less. Readings do not need to be memorized. All participants must have one original of their piece(s) to be given to the judges for them to view while judging. 1 Reading from each age division will be selected for Regional 4-H Club Day.

Novelty or Stunt

- This is a miscellaneous grouping that may include talent such as novelty numbers, stunts, pantomime, puppets, marionettes, ventriloquist acts, gymnastics, jump rope or other types of talent. May be an individual or group. The time limit is 5 minutes. 1 Novelty or Stunt will be selected for Regional 4-H Club Day.

Creative Dramatics

- This section is designed for creative dramatics or skits. These are usually dramatics used in Forensics. Any size group may participate. Dramatics should not exceed 15 minutes.
Section 5– Club Presentations

Club Skit

- This section is designed for original plays or skits written by 4-H members or other amateurs. Club skits must be rehearsed. A majority of the Community Club Members need to participate. The curtain may be dropped to denote the passing of time. A change of setting is not permitted during the drop of the curtain. The maximum time allowed shall be 15 minutes from the rise of the first curtain to the drop of the final curtain. Each group will be responsible for all scenery, property, and effects. A maximum of 15 minutes may be used by the Club to set the stage for the play/skit. On most stages, all plays will use the same drapes as a background.

Model Meeting

- Clubs are encouraged to plan a model meeting that depicts a typical monthly meeting of their 4-H club. 1 Model Meeting will be selected for Regional 4-H Club Day.
- Guidelines:
  1. The group may be composed of a maximum of 32 Club members, any ages.
  2. Plan for a block of 45 minutes. 35 minutes are allowed for a model meeting, and 10 minutes for judges consultation/critique.
  3. An agenda of the model meeting must be presented to the judge before the meeting is called to order.
  4. During the model meeting, the secretary should take notes. After the meeting must turn in the model meeting notes.
  5. Recreation may be at any time during the meeting. Some clubs prefer to have their recreation at the start of the meeting, rather than at the end.
  6. In addition to your club’s usual meeting practices, reference that may be used in planning a model meeting are:
     - The Meeting Will Come to Order” – 4-H 440, County Extension Office
     - “Steps in 4-H Program Planning”–4-H 454, County Extension Office
     - “Out of Ideas? A Leader’s Handbook” – 4-H 455, County Extension Office

Walk-In Judging

- If your club cannot participate at Club Day, the club can schedule a time for an Extension Professional to critique a monthly club meeting as a way to meet the seal requirement.