

District Roundup Rules and Information

DISTRICT REGISTRATION:

Registration will be held Nov. 3-20 on 4-H CONNECT for 2008 Food Show and Roundup Contests. There will be a one time \$2.00 4-H CONNECT fee and registration fees per person will be \$3.00 for each contest entered (Food Show, NQB, Roundup). A late registration period will be held Nov. 21-23 with a late fee of \$5.00.

Youth may enter only **ONE Roundup Contest** in the afternoon on Dec.6. Roundup contests include: Educational Presentations, Public Speaking, Share The Fun, Beef Quiz Bowl, Horse Quiz Bowl and Swine Skill-a-Thon.

4-H CONNECT:

Families must have a profile and add family members to their profile to register for District 10 Roundup on 4-H Connect. There are detailed videos and printed instructions that families/counties can use to assist them with setting up a profile and adding family members if they have never done so before. Families/members who set up a profile and added members last year will simply need to go in and verify their information is correct and update it before they re-submit their information to the county to certify them as a member. Once that step is complete, youth can register for contests.

ROUNDUP CONTEST SCHEDULE:

1:45 p.m. Registration of Judges and Superintendents

2:15 p.m. Judges and Superintendent Orientation

3:00 p.m. Contestants report to Contest Locations for Contests

Approximately 6:00 Awards Assembly in LBJ Ballroom for all Roundup Contests

AGE DIVISIONS:

There will be three age divisions. Age division is determined by the 4-H'ers birthday as of August 31, 2008.

- Junior – 8-10 years old as of August 31, 2008
- Intermediate – 11-13 years old as of August 31, 2008
- Senior – 14-19 years old as of August 31, 2008

AWARDS:

First place team/individuals will receive a medal. Second through fifth place teams/individuals will receive placing.

Any other participants not recognized in the top five will be awarded a participation ribbon.

VOLUNTEERS TO JUDGE ROUNDUP CONTESTS:

District Roundup Contests will need volunteers to serve as judges and assist with other contests. Agents will need to CONFIRM with these individuals prior to submitting their names. We will not be sending any confirmation letters to the volunteers prior to the contest so be sure to confirm with them. **Please mail or fax the Roundup Judges Form to the District Office by November 20.**

MAPS:

Maps of San Marcos and Texas State University are enclosed.

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION RULES:

1. **Junior, Intermediate and Senior Entries** – Counties may enter as many entries in each Educational Presentation Contest. For example, a county could have 2 presentations in Junior Health and 3 in Junior Horse.
2. County entries may involve 1 to 5 4-H members. All members will need to have a role in the presentation.
3. LCD projectors and computers will be provided for each contest room. Superintendents are to furnish an easel for the contest for which they are responsible.
4. Time limit for Educational Presentations are 12 minutes for presentation and 9 minutes for set up/take down.
5. Educational Presentations in each category will compete against each other for the Sweepstakes medals. One Sweepstakes Award will be awarded in each contest room for each age group.
6. All awards, including Sweepstakes, will be presented at the Awards Assembly at approximately 6:00 p.m. There will be no awards given in the contest room this year!
7. 2009 Roundup Guide will be released this fall. Refer to it for specific rules for each Educational Presentation Contest.

Educational Presentation Contest Categories			
Agronomy	Family Life	Horticulture	Promote 4-H
Beef	Farm & Ranch Economics	Housing & Home Environment	Safety & Injury Prevention
Clothing & Textiles	Food & Nutrition	Meat Science	Sheep and/or Goats
Companion Animals	Health	Natural Resources	Shooting Sports
Consumer Life Skills	Horse	Open	Technology

BEEF AND HORSE QUIZ BOWL RULES:

1. Counties may enter as many teams as they wish in each age division for Horse and Beef Quiz Bowl.
2. Teams for Quiz Bowl will consist of 3 or 4 member teams.
3. There are no individual entries for Quiz Bowl.

PUBLIC SPEAKING RULES:

1. Public Speaking is an individual contest. No team entries.
2. No props, visual aids, or audio/video recordings are permitted.
3. Time limit for public speaking presentations is 5-7 minutes.
4. Topic should relate to current events related to youth.
5. Counties may enter as many Junior, Intermediate and Senior entries in public speaking as they wish.

SHARE THE FUN RULES:

1. Counties may enter as many entries as they wish in each age division.
2. See information in other section for all of the Share The Fun Rules.

Eligibility and Participation Rules for all Texas 4-H Roundup Contests

NOTE: SUBJECT TO REVISION ONCE 2009 ROUNDUP RULES ARE RELEASED.

MEMBERSHIP

Participants must be bonafide 4-H members currently enrolled in a Texas 4-H and Youth Development County Program.

AGE

Participants must have passed their 14th but not their 19th birthday before August 31, 2008. Participants must have been born during the period beginning September 1, 1989 and ending August 31, 1994.

ENTRY

Entries not officially entered will not be permitted to participate for any reason.

PRIOR PARTICIPATION

To be eligible for state participation, 4-H'ers must participate at the district competition.

NUMBER OF ENTRIES

Each district is allowed to enter the following:

- Judging Contests – 3 entries per district
- Educational Presentations – 3 entries per district
- Quiz Bowls – 3 entries per district
- Share the Fun – 2 entries per district per category
- Fabric & Fashion Design – 3 entries per district per category
- Food Show – 1 entry per district per category
- Fashion Show – 1 entry per district per category

TEAM COMPOSITE

All team members must be from the same county 4-H program. Team members must have competed as a complete entry at the district level to be eligible for a state qualifying position. 4-H members that do not consist of a full team and are judging as individuals at district, are not allowed to qualify for advancement to Texas 4-H Roundup. Full team membership is listed by each contest.

NUMBER OF CONTESTS A 4-H MEMBER CAN ENTER

A 4-H member can only enter one (1) contest per day at Texas 4-H Roundup.

TEAM AND HIGH POINT INDIVIDUALS

In judging and identification contests, the three highest scoring individuals in the district contest may participate in the State contest, as individuals, if and only if, their team does not advance to Texas 4-H Roundup. This means if the three high point individuals at the district contest are members of the first, second or third place teams, no individual entries will be accepted from the district. (I.E. You can only advance as an individual if the team does not!!!!) *EXCEPTION - Horse, Beef and Nutrition Quiz Bowls— Individual entries not allowed.*

SUBSTITUTIONS

Only the 4-H members and the number of 4-H members who qualify at district, qualify for state. Substitutions should be used only as a means of keeping a team active when members have been forced to drop out for unexpected reasons (i.e. major illness, death). Substitutes must be 4-H members, from the same county, who have competed at competition at the district level in other contests and have been certified as a district level participant. All substitutions for state must be approved by the respective District office, who will make final judgement on necessity of substitution. This substitution rule will be upheld for any team advancing to a National competition (only the same number and the same county 4-H members qualifying will be eligible to participate). Substitutions in entries involving teams (two or more members) may be made as follows:

TEAM SIZE MAXIMUM SUBSTITUTIONS

1. 2 or 3 - 1 member
2. 4 or 5 - 2 members
3. 6 or 7 - 3 members
4. 8 or 9 - 4 members

Substitutions of team members may involve a monetary fee depending on the time of substitution.

PRIOR COMPETITION

4-H members are not eligible to enter a contest in which they have previously been part of a first place entry at State. In Share-the-Fun, first place winners may not enter the same category in which they have previously been part of a first place entry at State. However, they may choose one of the other categories.

COLLEGE STUDENTS

Contestants may not qualify for a Texas 4-H Roundup competitive event if they are undergoing or have participated in training in preparation for official post-secondary (university, college, junior college or technical school) competitive events or course work of a similar nature and in the same subject-matter

area. 4-H members qualifying for a national contest must also adhere to this rule until the completion of the national contest.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULTS

All results are final once announced.

PHOTOGRAPHS AND VIDEOTAPING

Photograph and videotaping equipment are not allowed in contest rooms and/or facilities unless used as props in a presentation. Contest Superintendents will take up and hold all photograph and videotaping equipment found in contest rooms and/or facilities until completion of contest.

BEEPERS, CELLULAR PHONES, LASER POINTERS, PDA'S, ETC

Items that may be disruptive to the presenter or judges are strictly forbidden in ALL contest rooms or facilities.

FIREARMS, WEAPONS, FIREWORKS, AND/OR AMMUNITION

No firearms, weapons, fireworks or live ammunition are allowed to be used in any Roundup contest. Posters and pictures of such items are encouraged and allowed. This rule will include the Shooting Sports Educational Presentations.

AMERICAN WITH DISABILITY ACT

Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary service or accommodation in order to participate, will need to contact the Texas 4-H and Youth Development Office at (979) 845-1212 in order for proper arrangements to be made. Refer to the 2009 State Roundup Information for due date for notifying program manager of ADA needs.

Participation Guidelines for Educational Presentations

TOPIC SUBJECT

Subjects in the Educational Presentations should address emerging or current issues in each of the contest areas. Senior 4-H members are provided a suggested list of topics that the Educational Presentation talk can cover along with a resource list (contest by contest basis). Senior contestants are encouraged to research these emerging and/or current areas to develop current and new presentations.

ACCURACY OF INFORMATION/RESOURCES

With the computer and internet being used heavily in Educational Presentation, 4-H members must know the difference between research and non-research based information. Contestants are required to use information that is factual and can be supported through adequate documentation. Examples of such websites are federal, state, and local governments, independent research sites, and Cooperative Extension websites. Internet information that is questionable includes personal documentation sites, chat rooms, message boards, etc. 4-H members should prepare a list of references (i.e. biography, works cited) for their presentation.

SUBJECT MATTER

The skills and knowledge used in any 4-H contest should be the result of experiences in a project in which the member has participated. A presentation should relate to the contest entered, should contain current information and should not be more suited for another contest. It should be appropriate for the member's age and experience. Appropriate credit should be given for references used.

TIME LIMITS

A time limit of 12 minutes will be allowed for each Educational Presentation. An additional nine(9) minutes will be provided for on-stage arrangements and cleanup in connection with the presentation. A penalty of two points per minute or partial minute overtime will be deducted from the final score. Adults are permitted to assist the 4-H members with the on-stage arrangements and cleanup in connection with the presentation.

VISUALS

The use of charts, photographs, computer graphics/programs and other visual materials are permitted. Visuals should contribute to the presentation. Each presentation is an example of the participant's ability to communicate an idea. Participants will be expected to provide all materials used including projection screens, extension cords, computers, projectors, etc.

JUDGES' QUESTIONS

Judges and/or Superintendents may ask contestants' questions at the end of their presentation. This will be done on the judge's time. Only official judges and superintendents may ask questions of the contestants.

SCORECARDS

4-H Educational Presentation Score Sheet, 4-H 3-5.041 (Revised Aug. 2005), will be used by contest judges in scoring Educational Presentations regardless of presentation style (method demonstration, illustrated talk, or speech). Separate scorecards are used in Public Speaking and Share-the-Fun. All score sheets are available on the Texas 4-H and Youth Development publication website.

JUDGES GIFTS/HANDOUTS

Gifts (of any kind) may not be presented to the judges in any contest. Handouts may be available to the entire audience.

VIDEO, AUDIO, AND DISPLAY EQUIPMENT

Participants are responsible for all video and audio equipment used in a contest. Set up of the equipment will be included in the set-up and take-down time of the participants. Video and audio equipment includes: computers, video projectors, extension cords, viewing screens, compact disc players, easels, etc. Adults are allowed to assist with the set-up of computer equipment (i.e. setting up computer, screen, extension cords, etc.) and must remain in the nine(9) minute time requirement for set-up and take-down.