# Communication



At our next 4-H Club meeting, we will have a Public Speaking contest! You should write a short speech, practice at home, and come prepared to present your speech at the next meeting. Blue ribbon winners will be invited to the county 4-H Public Speaking Contest!

#### How long does my speech have to be?

4th grade—1-3 minutes

5th -8th grade—2-7 minutes

9th-12th grade—3-7 minutes



## What do I write my speech about?

You can choose to write your speech about anything you would like. Choose a topic that is interesting to you, or something that you enjoy or know a lot about. Here are some great ideas for your speech to get you started:

My 4-H Club

My Favorite Sport

My Family

Being a Good Leader

The American Flag

My Vacation

My Role Model

Being a Good Citizen

My Favorite Hobby

# How do I organize my information?

Introduction: Introduce what you are going to be talking about.

**Body:** Use your body to list 2-3 main points about your topic.

**Conclusion:** Summarize your main point to wrap things up.

#### Reminders!

Make good eye contact during the speech with the audience.

Speak loud and clear.

Have a good posture and don't fidget while speaking.

Write your notes on index cards



## **Ideas For My 4-H Speech**

Introduction: Today I would like to speak about...

The first point I want to make about my topic is...

The second point I want to make is...

The last point I want to make is...

Conclusion: In conclusion...This topic is important to me because...

Next 4-H Meeting
Blanche – Dec. 3rd
South Lincoln – Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>
Flintville – Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>
Homeschool – Dec. 6th
Riverside – Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>
Ralph Askins – Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>
Highland Rim – Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>
Unity – Dec.12<sup>th</sup>

## 4-H pledge

I pledge:

My HEAD to clearer thinking,

My HEART to greater loyalty,

My HANDS to larger service, and

My HEALTH to better living

for my club, my community, my country, and my world.

#### **Upcoming Events**

Jan. 7	First Air Rifle Meeting
Jan. 9	County Speech, Breadmaking, 4-H Posters, Cookies, Christmas Crafts
Jan. 23	Area Public Speaking Contest
Feb. 3	Livestock Judging
Feb. 17	Feeder Calf Show
June 2-6	4-H Camp (4-6 Grades)



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