

**TEXAS 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT**

**DISTRICT 8 4-H EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION & PUBLIC SPEAKING**

*Contestant Information*

**District 4-H Roundup:** Educational Presentations  
**Event Date:**

Date	Category
Monday, April 26, 2021	Ag Technology & Farm Safety Animal Science Open ANR Beef Horse
Tuesday, April 27, 2021	Health & Wellness Open FCH Open Promote 4-H Safety & Injury Prevention
Thursday, April 29, 2021	Public Speaking

**Location:** Zoom (link will be sent to contestants prior to the contest date).

**Entry Deadline:** All entries for District will be completed on 4-H Connect at <https://texas.4honline.com/>.  
**Check with your County Extension Agent for county entry deadlines.**

**Entry Fee:** \$10 per member per event

**Late Entries:** Late entries will be permitted with an additional:

- \$20 late fee per 4-H member up to 60 hours after the regular contest deadline.
- \$50 late fee per 4-H member after 60 hours and up to the time of check-in on-site at an event

**Resources:** General Roundup:  
<http://d84-h.tamu.edu/events-and-activities/roundup/>  
<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/events/roundup/>

Educational Presentations & Public Speaking:

- <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/public-speaking/>
- [http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/Educational\\_Presentations\\_Information.pdf](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/Educational_Presentations_Information.pdf)

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- [http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/public\\_speaking\\_presentation\\_scoresheet\\_2019.pdf](http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/public_speaking_presentation_scoresheet_2019.pdf)

**Reminders/Changes:**

- **All Educational Presentations**
  - **NEW!** Only open to individuals or teams of two.
- **Senior Contest Categories with Single Entries**
  - Senior 4-H members in the following contest categories have the option to participate at District 8 4-H Roundup if they are the only entry at the District level. These contestants are still highly encouraged to attend and compete at District 8 4-H Roundup to improve their skills and to gain feedback from judges. The contests eligible are as follows: Educational Presentations, Public Speaking, and Share-The-Fun.

**Auxiliary Aids or  
Special  
Accommodations:**

If you have any participants requiring auxiliary aids or special accommodations, please let us know at the time entry materials are due.

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**TENTATIVE** Schedule

**Monday, April 26, 2021 beginning at 4:00pm**

- Ag Technology & Farm Safety
- Animal Science
- Open ANR
- Beef
- Horse

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- Health & Wellness
- Open FCH
- Open
- Promote 4-H
- Safety & Injury Prevention*

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- Public Speaking

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## General Rules & Guidelines

### 1. Rules and Guidelines

All District contests will be conducted by the rules printed in the District 8 General Rules and Guidelines and in the 2021 Texas 4-H Roundup Guide. If an inconsistency exists, the Texas 4-H Roundup Guide rules will always supersede District policies, rules, and guidelines. All qualifying contests listed in the Texas 4-H Roundup Guide will be included in District Contest provided there are enough entries.

### 2. Membership

Participants must be a bona fide 4-H member, currently enrolled in their respective county program.

### 3. Age Divisions

There will be three (3) age divisions (Junior, Intermediate, and Senior) in all contests, except those listed below where there will be two (2) age divisions (Junior and Senior).

#### District 8 Contests with two (2) age divisions:

Dairy Judging

Leaders 4 Life Skillathon

Quiz Bowls (Livestock, Horse, and FCH)

Age divisions are determined by a participant's grade as of August 31, 2020 as follows:

<b>Division</b>	<b>Grades</b>	
Junior	3*, 4, or 5	<i>*Must be at least 8 years old</i>
Intermediate	6, 7, or 8	
Senior	9, 10, 11, or 12*	<i>*Must not be older than 18 years old</i>

Only Senior aged members may advance to the state qualifying competition at Texas 4-H Roundup.

### 4. Participation/Entries

4-H members must be certified by the County Extension Agent to participate at any District 4-H event.

Each county may enter the following number of entries at District 8 Contests:

Judging Contests	No limit
Educational Presentations	3 entries per county per age division per category
Public Speaking	3 individuals per county per age division
Quiz Bowls	No limit
Share-The-Fun	2 entries per county per age division per category
Rifle	No limit
Light Rifle	No limit
Food Show	1 entry per county per age division per category
Food Challenge	2 entries per county per age division
Fashion Show	1 entry per county per age division per category
Fashion Storyboard	No limit
Duds to Dazzle	No limit
Leaders 4 Life Skillathon	No limit

All team members must be from the same county and within the same age division. Teams are encouraged to be in the same room and on the Zoom call together to present. Exception: Juniors may move up to the Intermediate age division when participating on a team that has true Intermediates (based upon grades

listed above) on it. No one may move up to the Senior age division. No individual may move down to a younger age division.

**5. Multiple Entries at District Roundup**

At District 8 4-H Roundup, 4-H members may participate in multiple events. 4-H members of all age divisions may enter a maximum of one contest from each of the three columns below. (The days listed at the top of each column below represent the day those contests are offered at Texas 4-H Roundup.)

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Livestock Quiz Bowl Horse Quiz Bowl FCH Quiz Bowl	STF Choreographed Routines STF Dramedy STF Poetry/Prose STF Vocal	Agricultural Technology & Farm Safety Ed Pres Animal Science Educational Presentation Beef Educational Presentation Health & Wellness Educational Presentation Horse Educational Presentation Open Ag & Natural Resources Educational Pres Open Family & Community Health Ed Pres Open Educational Presentation Promote 4-H Educational Presentation Public Speaking Safety & Injury Prevention Educational Presentation STF Celebrate 4-H STF Musical/Instrumental STF Solo/Band

**\*At Texas 4-H Roundup, Share-The-Fun (STF) will be conducted on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY.**

4-H members will be able to participate in one Share-The-Fun category on Wednesday **AND** one Share-The-Fun category on Thursday!

<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2019-Share-the-Fun-Letter.pdf>

Seniors Qualifying for more than one Texas 4-H Roundup event held at the same time

Senior age members who qualify for state in contest areas that conflict at Texas 4-H Roundup must choose the contest in which they will advance. Members are encouraged to communicate their decision with their County Extension Agent as quickly as possible so that the District Office may be notified. Once a member declares which contest they are advancing to at Texas 4-H Roundup, the state opportunity in the other contest will be offered to the next qualified placing participant.

Substitutions for Districts 4-H Contests

Each county should determine their own guidelines to follow in their County 4-H Roundup regarding substitutions when they advance to District Roundup.

Senior Substitutions for Texas 4-H Roundup

District 8 will follow the substitution rules as outlined in the current year’s Texas 4-H Roundup Guide. To be an eligible substitute, he/she must have attended and competed in another competitive District 8 4-H event.

**6. Senior Contest Categories with Single Entries**

Senior 4-H members in the following contest categories have the option to participate at District 8 4-H Roundup if they are the only entry at the District level. These contestants are still highly encouraged to attend and compete at District 8 4-H Roundup to improve their skills and to gain feedback from judges. The contests eligible are as follows: Educational Presentations, Public Speaking, and Share-The-Fun.

If the single entry does not attend District 8 4-H Roundup, the County Extension Agent MUST witness and certify the entry after the District 8 4-H Roundup entry deadline. The County Extension Agent must notify the District Office by the Texas 4-H Roundup registration deadline.

**7. Academic Eligibility of Participants**

According to the Texas Education Code, a 4-H member must be deemed “eligible” to compete in an event that takes place on a weekday or weekend. All 4-H youth, including youth in public, private, and/or home school must adhere to the following guidelines regarding extracurricular activities and academic eligibility:

- Complete a “Declaration of Eligibility Form”  
OR
- Name of 4-H member must appear on a list of eligible students to participate in a specific extracurricular activity signed by the school principal or designee.

If a 4-H member is ineligible for a 4-H competitive event, the agent must notify the 4-H member, his/her parents, and the district office, by letter, of this situation. If the parent has any questions, he/she should be referred to the school administrator.

**8. Entries**

All contest entries must be submitted through 4-H Connect and are due no later than the indicated dates.

**9. Entry Fee**

There is a \$10 entry fee per member per contest. All entries must be submitted through 4-H Connect by the entry due date.

**10. Late Fees**

Late entries will be permitted with an additional:

- \$20 late fee per 4-H member up to 60 hours after the regular contest deadline.
- \$50 late fee per 4-H member after 60 hours and up to the time of check-in on-site at an event

**11. Topic Subject** (*Educational Presentations & Public Speaking*)

Subjects in the educational presentation categories should address emerging or current issues in each of the contest areas. Some contests provide a suggested list of topics that the educational presentation may cover along with a resource list. Senior contestants are encouraged to research these emerging and/or current issues to develop presentations.

12. The 2021 contest will be held via Zoom [link to be sent out prior to the contest]. Due to streaming limitations, **ONLY** the participant and judges will be allowed on the zoom call.

**13. Accuracy of Information/Resources** (*Educational Presentations & Public Speaking*)

With the computer and internet being used heavily in educational presentations, 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 sties, and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service websites. Internet information that is questionable includes personal documentation sites, chat rooms, message boards, etc. 4-H members must prepare a list of references (i.e. bibliography, works cited) for their presentation.

14. **Subject Matter** (*Educational Presentations & Public Speaking*)

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

15. **Time Limits**

Educational Presentations: Contestants are permitted twelve (12) minutes 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 (2) points per minute or partial minute overtime will be deducted from the final score. Adults are permitted to assist the 4-H member with the on-stage arrangement and cleanup in connection with the presentation.

Public Speaking: a five to seven (5-8) minute talk suitable as a platform speech or radio broadcast.

16. **Visuals**

In Educational Presentation categories, the use of charts, photographs, computer presentations, 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.

Visual aids and props may not be used in Public Speaking.

17. **Video, Audio, and Display Equipment** (*Educational Presentations*)

The contestant is responsible ALL equipment (computer/laptop/device, microphone, camera, and quality internet) to effectively present presentation to judges over zoom. Zoom link will be provided by District 8 4-H Specialist. Presentations maybe shared within zoom sharing options. Lead Judge (Hosting Agent) will provide participant with capabilities to upload own program. No agents may help in the uploading of a presentation. Presenter will have time limits explained in Rule 14.

Youth should have all presentations in some form of Microsoft Office (PowerPoint, Word, or Excel). All fonts used must be true type. These fonts specifically include Arial and Times New Roman. If contestants decide to use any other program or fonts, they will be responsible for making sure compatibility with zoom prior to contest time.

Contestants are responsible for all other needed materials and equipment.

18. **Judges Gifts/Handouts**

Gifts of any kind may not be presented to the judges in any contest. ***All handouts must be received by District Specialist no later than the Friday prior to the contest, so that they may be uploaded for the judges.***

19. **Judges Questions on Educational Presentations**

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

20. **Scorecards**

The 4-H Educational Presentation Score Sheet will be used by contest judges in scoring Educational Presentations regardless of presentation style (method demonstration, illustrated talk, or speech). Public Speaking scorecards will be used by contest judges in scoring Public Speaking. Score sheets are available

on the District 8 4-H Youth Development website under the Roundup page or also on the Texas 4-H website at the following links:

<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/Public-Speaking-Score-Sheet-r2018.pdf>

<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/Ed-Pres-Score-Sheet-r2019.pdf>

**21. Auxiliary Aids/Special Accommodations**

If 4-H members that are participating in District 4-H events require auxiliary aids or special accommodations, please notify the District Office at the same time that entry materials are due.

**22. Change of Entry Forms**

If, after approving county entries, substitutions are necessary, contact the District 8 4-H Specialist to conduct the change. This change may begin with a phone call, but any official changes must come in writing prior to the contest.

**23. Qualifying for State**

Only Senior 4-H members are eligible to advance to state.