



# Effingham County 4-H

Finding Your Way to  
Cloverleaf 4-H (5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grades)  
Project Achievement  
Success



# Georgia 4-H Project Achievement



Most Cloverleaf 4-H Project Achievement presentations are illustrated talks. In other words, they are presentations using posters and other props.

# Project Achievement is...



- An opportunity  
and
- A process
  - For showing and telling how
  - For sharing your experiences
  - To teach something you know

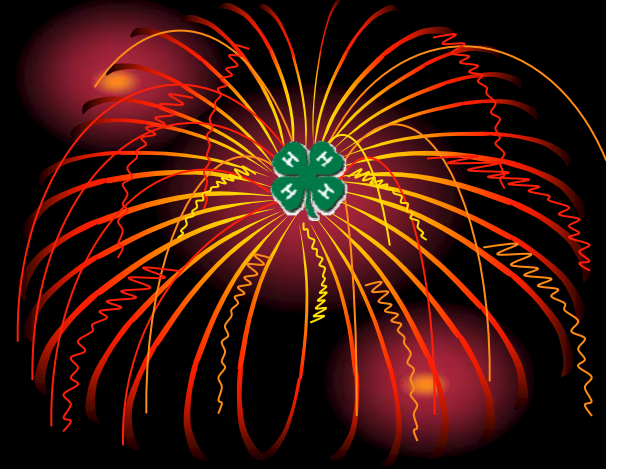
# Why Do Project Achievement?



Project Achievement will help you:

- Learn to research a project
- Organize ideas
- Develop public speaking skills
- Gain self-confidence



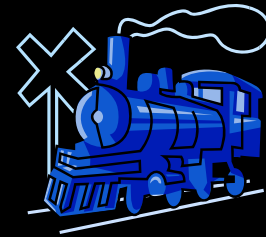
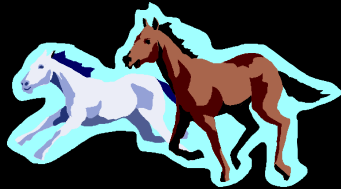


Let's get started . . .

# Step 1: Pick a Project



- There are over 60 projects to choose from!
- Pick something that you enjoy



# The Projects Are...



**Agriculture Awareness**

**Air Science**

**Archaeology**

**Arts**

**Beef**

**Between Meal Snacks**

**Bicycle**

**Cat Care**

**Clothing & Textiles**

**Communications**

**Companion Animals**

**Computers**

**Conservation & Recycling**

**Crafts**

**Creative Stitchery**

**Dairy & Milk Science**

**Dairy Foods**

**Dog Care & Training**

**Electric/Electronic**

**Entomology**

**Flowers, Shrubs & Lawns**

**Food for Health & Sport**

**Food for the Family**

**Food Safety & Preservation**

**Forest Resources & Wood Science**

**Fresh Water Fish & Shellfish**

**Fruits, Vegetables & Nuts**

**General Recreation**

**General Science**

**Geology**

**Health**

**History**

**Horse**

**Housing, Equipment & Environment**

**Human Development**

**Interior Design**

**International**

**Marine & Coastal Ecology**

**Ocean Ecology**

**Outdoor Recreation**

**Outdoor Survival Skills**

**Paleontology**

**Performing Arts - General**

**Performing Arts - Instrumental**

**Performing Arts - Vocal**

**Photography**

**Plants, Soils & Fertilizers**

**Pork Production**

**Poultry & Egg Science**

**Power & Energy**

**Public Speaking**

**Rabbits**

**Safety**

**Sheep & Meat Goats**

**Sports**

**Target Sports**

**Time & Money Management**

**Using Water Wisely**

**Veterinary Science**

**Wildlife**

**Workforce Preparation**

# What about Project Objectives?



To find out details of each project go to:

[www.georgia4h.org/public/more/guidebook/cloverleafprojectachievement.html](http://www.georgia4h.org/public/more/guidebook/cloverleafprojectachievement.html)

## Some projects do not require an illustrated talk:

- Between Meal Snacks
  - Prepare a Nutritious Snack
- Creative Stitchery
  - Sew a Garment or Item
- Performing Arts
  - Sing, Dance, Perform a Dramatic Presentation, or Play a Musical Instrument



# Step 2: Narrow Your Subject Down

- Be creative *and* specific
- Use a clever title



• *Grooming and Bathing Your Dog*  
(DOG CARE and Training)

• *Healthy Lifestyles for Pampered Pets*  
(DOG CARE and Training)



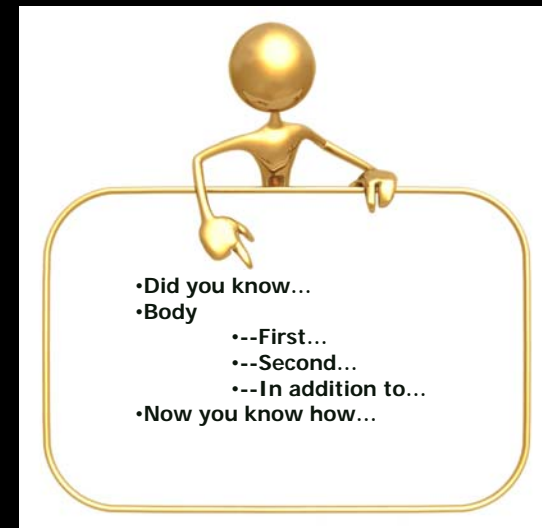
• *Take the Bite Out of Your New Puppy*  
(Dog Care and TRAINING)

• *Teaching an Old Dog New Tricks*  
(Dog Care and TRAINING)

# Step 3: Develop Your Project



- Collect information on your topic
  - Use books, magazines and the internet
    - Make sure internet sources are reliable!!!
  - Interview experts in the field
    - Coach, teacher, veterinarian, banker, parent, etc...
- Use an outline to organize your thoughts
  - Include an Introduction
  - Next is the Body
    - A
    - B
    - C
  - Wrap it up with a Conclusion



Think of writing like  
building a hamburger...



# The Introduction is like the top bun of the burger

- Hook the audience (like sprinkling sesame seeds on the top)
  - Use a quote
  - Use an anecdote
  - or
  - Share a personal experience
- Introduce yourself
  - "I am \_\_\_\_\_" (sounds more confident than "My name is...")
- Tell why the topic is important to you
- Tell what your presentation will cover



# The Body is like the flavorful layers on the burger

Now you can

- Tell the how and why
- Tell of the materials or ingredients that you will need
- Be specific in describing your steps
- Share your experiences
- Be sure to keep everything in a logical order



# The Conclusion is like the bottom bun

- Tastes the same as the top bun....  
tell your audience what you just told them
  - Summarize your main points
  - Refer back to your opening hook
- Leave your audience wanting to hear more or take action on your topic



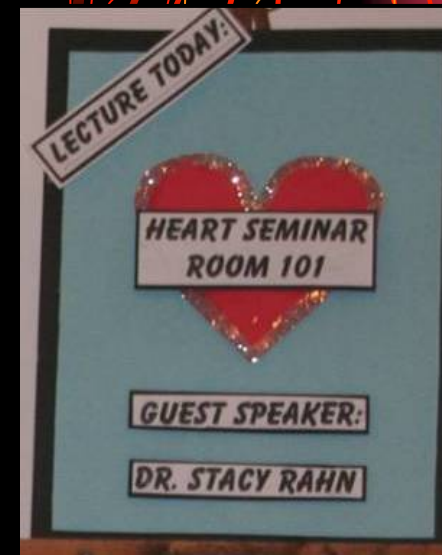
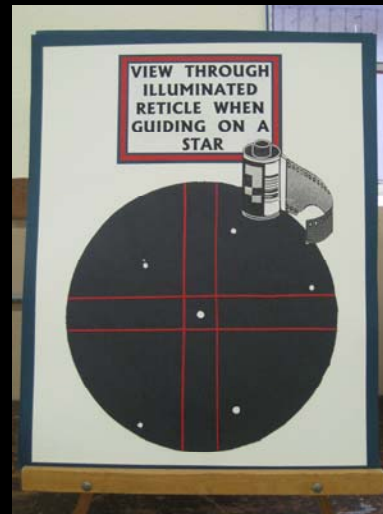
# Step 4: Develop Your Visual Aids



- Make your posters eye-catching and to the point – but not too busy!
  - Words and pictures must be BIG and plain enough to be seen from a distance
  - Use only one to three main colors
  - Backing words and pictures will help them show up
  - Use easy to understand words
- Present only main ideas
  - NEVER paste your speech on your poster

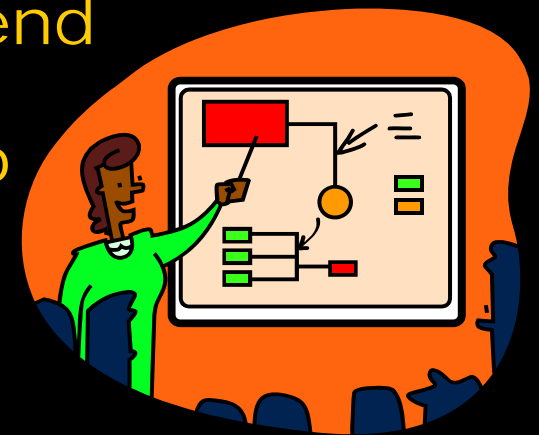


# Posters Should Look Similar to These:



# Presentation Tips

- Dress neatly or dress to match your topic
- Stand up tall
- Speak clearly
  - Pronounce and project each word clearly (use your big kid voice and practice tricky words ahead of time)
  - Use the tone of your voice to help get your point across
  - Don't forget to pause at the end of sentences
  - Use note cards if you need to
- Make eye contact with your audience



# Food Prep Tips

## Between Meal Snack Projects

- Use only a no-cook recipe
- Bring all supplies and ingredients needed to prepare your recipe
- Appliances or sharp blades are NOT allowed
  - Ingredients that need to be chopped peeled or cut, can be done ahead of time at home
- You should wear
  - Clean neat clothes
  - Close toed shoes
  - Hair net
- Use safe food handling practices
  - WASH HANDS AND USE GLOVES!!
- Study the new Food Pyramid at [mypyramid.gov](http://mypyramid.gov) (judges may ask you questions)
- Attractively display your finished snack



# Tips for Sewing Creative Stitchery Project

- Prepare a garment or item that includes
  - a seam, finish, and fastener in the one item
- Items may include, but are not limited to
  - a pillow, purse, duffle bag, apron, shorts, skirt, or any other item
- Be prepared to answer questions relative to selecting and sewing your item or garment



# Performing Arts Tips

All categories require a short introduction

Vocal (singing) – 4 minutes or less

- Choose a song that fits your voice range!! (not too high, not too low)
- You can have someone play the music for you or sing to a CD (not over an artists voice – should be instrumental music with or without back up voices)
- Memorize the words
- Practice, Practice, Practice!!
- Dress for your age
- Make eye contact with audience



# Tips Continued...

## Instrumental – 4 minutes or less

- Choose your instrument
- Accompaniment is allowed but not required for instrumentalists
- Dress neatly
- Practice, practice, practice!!

## Dance – 4 minutes or less

- Provide your own music and equipment
- Wear appropriate costume
- Any style – jazz, tap, classical, contemporary, folk, etc...

Have FUN!

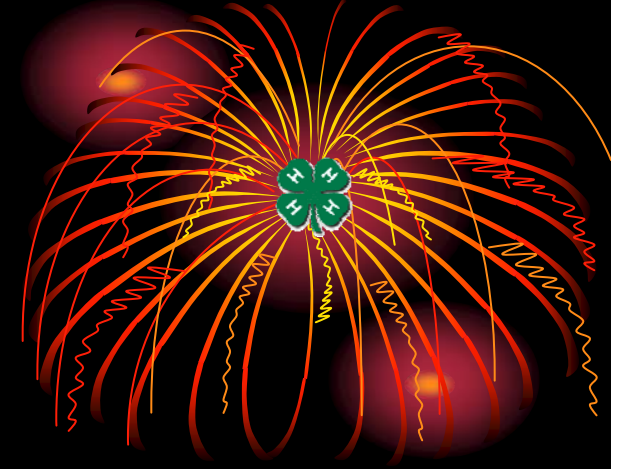


# Understanding Your Score

- 10% = Appearance
- 10% = Visual Aids
- 10% = Delivery
- 10% = Orderly Progress
- 15% = Accuracy of Information
- 25% = Coverage of Subject
- 15% = Knowledge of Subject
- 5% = Time Limit
  - Illustrated Talk Presentations must be no longer than 6 minutes (points deducted if over limit)
  - Performing Arts time limit is 4 minutes (no posters)
  - Food Preparation Projects are allowed one hour from set up to clean-up



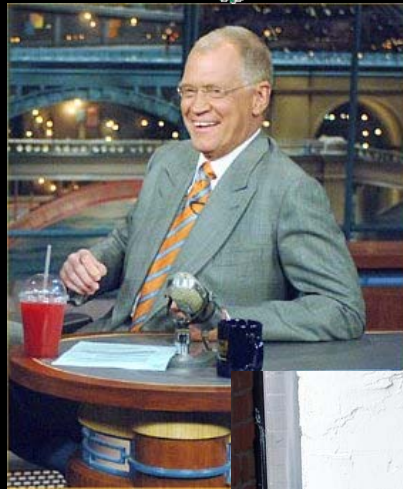
# CPA SUCCESS!



# On to DPA!



# Who knows, you might be the next famous 4-H'er!!!



# Good Luck!!

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