



# Policy Statements Regarding Project Achievement Competition

**4-H DRESS** - 4-H'ers should dress appropriately for the subject they are presenting.

## PRESENTATION AIDS

- Posters for presentations: Club members are encouraged to make their own posters. However, there are no restrictions on who makes the poster for the 4-H member's demonstration. Points will not be taken off if the judge feels the club member did not do his posters. Posters should be judged on their contribution to the demonstration, not on their professional appearance.
- **For Cloverleaf:** Videos, slides, computers, may only be used in the Photography and Communications. Computer project only competitors may use computer(s) and computer equipment/programs in the presentation. 4-H'ers must provide their own equipment including slide projector, video projector, computer screen, extension cord, etc.
- Live Animals including small animals such as fish, hamsters, and hermit crabs (as well as live insects) are not permitted at project competition.
- Firearms and like weapons including but not limited to rifles, shotguns, bb guns, paintball guns, potato guns and other items that propel a projectile are not allowed to be used as visual aids in any 4-H presentations. Additionally any bacteriological weapon, biological weapon, destructive device, detonator, explosive, incendiary, over-pressure device, poison gas or explosive device may not be used in any 4-H presentations. (Use Pictures instead)
- Foods Lab Project (Between Meal Snacks) is the only project in which food preparation should take place during project achievement competition. Foods projects that are illustrated talks are not appropriate avenues for food preparation and points may be deducted for demonstrating preparation steps.
- **Tape Recorders and other sound systems:** Tape recorders and other sound equipment may be used to help dramatize a presentation. Here again, 4-H'er will be responsible for furnishing **all** of the equipment needed: tape, recorders, and cassettes.
- **Cloverleaf students** are not allowed to bring to any district competitions or have in their possession at school during any 4-H event, activity or function the following items: loaded or unload firearms, mace, box cutter, explosive devices including bullets and stun guns, razors, guns or replica of guns, chemical sprays, razor blades, darts, ammunition of any type, pellet or BB gun, night stick knife of any type or size stink bomb\pipe bomb, fireworks of any type, any homemade bomb or smoke bob, martial arts devices, paint bombs, any item that releases a spray, foam, smoke, gas, fire or odor, fuses for explosive devices, fighting chains, metal or brass

knuckles, pen style laser pointers. Additionally, appliances with blades such as blenders, hand or electric choppers, and food processors are not permitted.

**NOTES:**

Points will not automatically be taken off because a 4-H'er uses notes. Notes may be used in demonstrations or Public Speaking. **Points should be deducted if excessive use of notes interferes with presentation.**

**PUBLIC SPEAKING:**

4-H'ers in the Public Speaking project may prepare and present a speech about any subject. Visual aids, posters, etc., **may not** be used in this project.

**HANDOUTS/GIFTS:**

Any educational handouts provided by the contestant must be of adequate quantity for each person in the demonstration room. A contestant may not give judges a gift or sample of project work. This rule does not apply to a 4-H'ers dish that is tasted and evaluated by the judges as part of the Between Meal Snacks.