

DEMONSTRATIONS IN A NUTSHELL

PARTS OF A DEMONSTRATION

- **Title:** makes the audience curious
- **Introduction:** makes your purpose clear. Don't forget to say your name & what county you are from!
- **Body:** details about your subject
- **Conclusion:** sums it all up

VISUAL AIDS

- Should be large enough to be seen from the back of the room, especially words on posters!
- Make sure everything on posters is spelled correctly
- Make sure to hold up or point to visuals in your demonstration, use them or don't have them at all

PRACTICE

- Practice several times in front of a group
- Speak loud, slow and clearly
- Be careful of "umm's", "ahh's" & "okay's"
- Video yourself practicing, if possible
- Practice using your visual aids
- Use notes sparingly, if at all
- Practice smiling!

Scoring

Appearance – 10%
Visual Aids – 10%
Delivery – 10%
Orderly Progress – 10%
Accuracy of Information – 10%
Coverage of Subject – 25%
Knowledge of Subject – 10%
Time Limit – 5%

APPEARANCE

- Dress appropriately: dressy outfit for girls, tie & slacks for boys
- Don't stand in front of your visual aids
- Walk around a little, if it makes you comfortable
- Stand up straight

OVERCOMING NERVOUSNESS

- It is normal to have butterflies in your stomach before a presentation
- Take 10 deep breaths before you start
- Practice makes you feel better about your presentation, which takes away some of the fear
- If you make a mistake, simply correct the problem and continue