

EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY TALK

An educational display talk is an organized visual presentation of a program or a concept. A display should be designed to convey its message in a limited amount of time. This is a public speaking contest so the presenter should use the time wisely and support the visual presentation. Once the presenter completes the oral presentation, they will have a dialog with the evaluators about the display.

Posters: Educational Displays may exhibit one of the following display formats:

- ✓ **Card Table Display** (approximately 30"x30"): This format will feature a tri-fold poster board that includes a title, the member's name and 4-H affiliation, and a depiction of the program or concept. The table may be used as part of the display.
- ✓ **Panel Display** (approximately 4'x4'): The panel is presented vertically on an easel. The display will include, at minimum, a title, the member's name, 4-H affiliation, and a depiction of the program or concept.

Visual Aids: Display items that are added to the table of an educational display should be kept to a minimum and only included if they are practical to place on the display surface itself. Items must be clearly labeled and self-explanatory. All lettering and visual depictions on the displays will be understandable or readable by an average adult from no less than a four foot distance.

Length: The presentation should be three to five minutes and then there will be questions and dialogue with the evaluators.

- Presenters are expected to introduce the educational display with a prepared oral presentation including the title, information about how the presenter belongs to 4-H, how the display is relevant to their 4-H experience or spark, and an overview of the content on the display. The presenter should provide a brief review of the sections on the board but not read the display nor repeat the steps presented in the display.
- Additional topics that the presenter should include in the overview are the intended audience for the display, what ideas that the presenter hopes the viewer will learn from the display, and where the display may be used.

Number of Presenters: An individual presentation is delivered by one presenter. A team presentation is delivered by two presenters. Team members should divide work and speaking parts. An uneven distribution of work or speaking parts will impact the scoring of the presentation.

Questions: Evaluators are expected to have an educational discussion that includes questions with the presenter about the display.

Note Cards: Presenters may not use notes during the presentation of the display to the evaluators. The display should provide any necessary prompting.

Attire: Wear attire that is neat, clean, acceptable in repair and appearance. Attire does not display profanity, products or slogans that promote tobacco, alcohol, drugs, or sex. Costumes may be worn.

