



Hamblen County 4-H Public Speaking Program 6th – 12th Grade

Sponsored by the Morristown Kiwanis Club

1. Contest is open to all 4-H club members.

Speeches are due at the December meeting on _____

2. Speeches should be within the following time by grade. Note cards may be used. Five points will be deducted if under or over the allotted time.
 - a. 6th-8th Grade – 5-7 minutes
 - b. 9th-12th Grade – 5-7 minutes
3. Topic for speeches:
 - a. 6th-8th Grade – Any school appropriate topic or the impact 4-H has had on you.
 - b. 9th-12th Grade – The impact 4-H has had on you.
4. Ribbons will be awarded in each club (purple, blue or red)
5. A portion of the top speeches will be invited to the county contest to compete in their grade level.

Speech Guidelines

A good speech will have three main parts – introduction, body and conclusion.

1. INTRODUCTION – tells the audience what you are going to talk about
2. BODY – informs the audience while you explain something to the listeners. It can be like a story or report.
3. CONCLUSION – the end of your speech. Remind you listeners of the main points so they will remember your speech and why it was important.

PRACTICE, PRACTICE, PRACTICE AND GOOD LUCK!

4-H publications “Show and Tell” and “Getting the Point Across” are available at the 4-H office in limited quantities.

For more information, contact the 4-H office at 586-6111.

Speech Planning Worksheet

Introduction (approximately 15 percent)

Attention getter: _____

State the topic: _____

Relate to audience: _____

Preview main points: _____

Body (approximately 80 percent)

Major point: _____

Major point: _____

Major point: _____

Conclusion (approximately 5 percent)

Signal close: _____

Reinforce major ideas: _____

End strongly: _____
