

Guidelines for 4-H Day

Event: Vocal Ensemble and Chorus

Objective(s): For 4-Hers to improve their vocal performance skills, to share their talent with others, and to learn to perform as part of a musical group.

Time Limit: Two numbers. No minimum or maximum time limit.

Equipment and/or Facilities Provided by Event Monitors:

1. A piano or electric keyboard will be available for performers and accompanists.
2. A music stand will be provided.
3. A practice room is available to be shared among all participants. A piano may not be available.

Equipment Provided by Participants:

1. Original copy of the music provided to the judge with measures numbered and your name on your music. If a large group, please give original of conductor's score to the judge.
2. Participants must furnish their own sound equipment and personnel to play the accompaniment.

General Rules for All Music Categories:

1. All 4-Hers must have an original copy of music for the judge. Original music may be proven by original copy or proof of purchase from the internet or copy of music with letter of permission to use.
2. Failure to present original copy of music to judge will result in lowering the placing by one ribbon.
3. Participants should pick up their music after the results are announced.
4. Accompaniment is optional.
5. Recorded music for accompaniment is allowed in all music divisions.
6. Accompanists do not have to be 4-Hers.
7. **Performers should recognize this is a family event and choose costumes, themes, and performances that show respect for both the performers and the audience.**

Guidelines:

1. Participants will perform two numbers.
2. Selections need not be memorized.
3. One performer should introduce the piece including the title and composer.

Vocal Ensemble

1. Group may be composed of 2 to 11 4-Hers, not including the accompanist. (Cloverbuds cannot perform in this category.)
2. The original copies of the selections are to be given to judges before performing.
3. Simple props to be used during the singing are ok.

Chorus

1. Groups may be composed of 12 or more 4-Hers and may not include 4-H Cloverbuds.
2. The original copies of the selections should be given to the judge before performing.
3. Simple props to be used during the singing are ok.
4. The director is not required to be a 4-Her, but he/she may not sing with the group unless he/she is a 4-Her.

Resources: Resources that may be used in planning this event include:

Private or group lessons
Other older youth and adults with musical experience
Music teachers

