

MANITOWOC COUNTY 4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING EVENT

1. DATE: Thursday, November 17, 2016
PLACE: Manitowoc County Office Complex, 4319 Expo Drive, Manitowoc
TIME: 6:00 - 6:15 p.m. Check-In
6:15 p.m. - Gather in Room 300
6:30 p.m. - Event Begins
2. ENTRY DEADLINE: November 10, 2016 **5 BONUS POINTS will be given if entry is received by deadline**
3. AGE: Open to all Manitowoc County youth in grades K – 13, or one year post high school, who are members of an organized youth group under adult leadership.
4. CATEGORIES: **You may enter three of the four categories, but only once in each category.**
Interpretive Presentation: A memorized introduction should be included to credit the author. The options include prose reading; poetry reading; a memorized piece; storytelling, where the story should be told, not read; or an interpretive speech, which is a speech that had originally been written and presented by someone else. An interpretive selection is usually written by a favorite author, but it can be something you have written yourself. If it is an interpretive speech, include the approximate date and location where the speech was first given. You may edit your selection to meet the time requirement. An interpretive presentation can be read, given with note cards, or memorized.
Original Speech: An original talk, which may be memorized or given with note cards. It can be either an informative or persuasive speech.
Dual Presentation: Same rules as the Interpretive category. Two participants are involved in this presentation. They should interact with each other during the delivery. If participants are in different grade levels, they will enter in the older participant's grade level.
PowerPoint: This can be done on any subject. Participants must choose between a single or dual presentation. Please bring your PowerPoint presentation on a flash drive to the 4-H office by Thursday, November 10 or email it to Kevin Palmer at kevinpalmer@co.manitowoc.wi.us to be loaded on a laptop.
 - Ø No props or costumes are permitted.
 - Ø Participants may not re-enter something they have previously used. For example, if you used “Green Eggs and Ham” for an interpretive presentation in the elementary division, you may not enter it again three years later in the junior division.
5. TIME REQUIREMENTS: Judges will have the option to lower placings if you are not within the established time limits.

Beginner	Grades K – 2	1 – 3 minutes for interpretive and dual
Elementary	Grades 3 – 5	2 – 3 minutes for original 2 – 5 minutes for interpretive and dual 4 – 6 minutes for PowerPoint
Junior	Grades 6 – 8	4 – 5 minutes for original 3 – 6 minutes for interpretive and dual 5 – 7 minutes for PowerPoint
Senior	Grades 9 – 13	5 – 6 minutes for original 5 – 8 minutes for interpretive and dual 6 – 8 minutes for PowerPoint
6. JUDGING: Each speaker will be judged and evaluated on the merits of his/her presentation, as well as competing with the other speakers.
7. AWARDS: All participants will receive a ribbon. Cash prizes will be determined by a point system and will be awarded to the top three presenters in each category: First \$15, Second \$10 and Third \$5. All 4-H participants will also receive a disc for their plaque. If there are more than eight participants in a category, the group will be divided by grade.