Dear 4-H Families,

We are very excited to announce that after two years State Day will be held in-person on **Saturday, May 7th 2022** (location tbd). We have learned a lot in the last two years and are pleased to also offer a virtual option using Flipgrid.

**What is State Day?**

4-H State Day, is an experience where youth can grow and further their self-confidence in public speaking, presentation, and communication skills. Youth benefit from evaluators’ feedback on their exhibits and presentations while sharing their knowledge with others. State Day is also a competition where youth and their presentations are selected to represent Vermont 4-H at the Eastern States Exposition in Springfield, Massachusetts in September.

**Other important information:**

- County/regional public speaking and presentation events are returning, and many have been scheduled. Reach out to your county educator for more details.
- Youth are encouraged to participate at their county/regional events, but we understand that there may be challenges to this.
- All exhibits will continue onto State Day or can be submitted for the first time at State Day.
- Cloverbuds are welcome to participate and there will be a Cloverbud Corner in Flipgrid and at the in-person event. Cloverbuds will only receive feedback and will not be scored.

**All of the information you need to know for State Day is on the Public Speaking and Communications webpage.** A few links to get you started are:

- [State Day Exhibit Overview](#) – This easy-to-read overview explains all of the fun and interesting exhibit types that youth can choose to enter.
- [In-person Submission Guidelines & Directions](#) – Everything you need to know about participating in-person on May 7th.
- [Virtual Submission Guidelines & Directions](#) – If you are participating virtually, check out this packet for directions on how to access and upload your exhibit to the State Day’s online platform called Flipgrid.
A reminder that the following information on State Day can be found at these links:

- **Evaluation Criteria**
  - Rubrics are listed under each exhibit category
- **Lyric Checklist**
  - All music used in exhibits should meet this criteria
- **Dress Code and Program Content/Expectations**
- **Written Reflections**
  - This form accompanies all static exhibits, like photography, photo-based design, maker/tinker, sewing, poster, promotional video, and tabletop.
  - It can be used as a template for those exhibits that are delivered through public speaking or orally, like action exhibits, stage, public speaking, illustrated talk, and demonstrations.
- **Exhibit ID Cards**
  - The cards get attached to the back of the following exhibits so that we know who submitted them: poster, tabletop, non-clothing sewing, maker/tinker, and photography
- **Eastern States Information**
  - This explains the selection process and eligibility requirements for exhibits representing Vermont.

**Registration**
All youth that would like to participate in State Day must register themselves. The deadline to register is Friday, April 22, 2022 by 4:30pm. Click here to register your exhibits or type into your web browser: [https://go.uvm.edu/statedayreg](https://go.uvm.edu/statedayreg). This is the registration link for both in-person and virtual participation.

**Accommodations**
To request a disability-related accommodation to participate in this program, please contact Allison Smith at 802-651-8343 or 1-800-571-0668 by April 15, 2022 so we may assist you.

**Any other questions?**
Feel free to reach out to Allison Smith at P: 802-651-8343 x509 or 1-800-571-0668 or [allison.smith.2@uvm.edu](mailto:allison.smith.2@uvm.edu). We hope to see you at State Day, in-person or virtually!

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