

PUBLIC SPEAKING EVALUATION/CRITERIA

Score \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Speaker: \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
 Speech Title: \_\_\_\_\_

An excellent public speech by one person captures the audience’s interest by informing, convincing, or entertaining them on a given topic. The topic chosen should be interesting and relevant to our time. Note cards only may be used. Suggested time for speeches is 2-5 minutes. Below you will find an evaluator’s opinion as to how effective your speech is. Read their comments to see what they think would improve your speech. **Thank you for participating!**

4-H dress code and program content expectations may be reviewed at:  
<https://www.uvm.edu/sites/default/files/media/eval-dresscode-program-expectations.pdf>

Criteria	Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Not Done	Comments/Suggestions:
<b>Oral Introduction:</b> Introduced speaker, captured audience attention, and included information from written reflection	4	3	2	1	0	
<b>Body of Speech:</b> Easy to follow and understand, information seemed accurate and complete	4	3	2	1	0	
<b>Summary:</b> Brief, clear, and provided a wrap-up of the topic	4	3	2	1	0	
<b>Attire:</b> Speaker was dressed neatly and in accordance with 4-H dress code	4	3	2	1	0	
<b>Performance:</b> Speaker showed good inflection, proper pronunciation, used expression to demonstrate points, appeared conversational and natural, made eye contact with audience, and voice was loud and clear enough to hear; reliance on notecards was limited	4	3	2	1	0	
<b>Participant’s Knowledge:</b> Participant was able to answer questions from the audience after repeating the question	4	3	2	1	0	
<b>Audience Attention:</b> Held audience’s attention for the duration	4	3	2	1	0	
<b>Creativity:</b> Speaker conveyed topic creatively so audience would remember speech	4	3	2	1	0	
<b>Topic Focus:</b> Speech focused on one idea or theme	4	3	2	1	0	
<b>Sources:</b> Sources were listed at the end of the speech	1	0	0	0	0	
<b>Overall Impression:</b> Topic chosen was interesting and timely; speech successfully informed, convinced, persuaded or entertained audience	8	6	4	2	0	
<b>Points Deduction:</b> One point will be deducted if visuals are used						

Blue Ribbon (45-39 points) = Excellent       Red Ribbon (38-31 points) = Very Good       White Ribbon (31-1 points) = Good

Additional Comments or Suggestions:

