4-H’ers develop experience in the preparation and delivery of a public speech. This contest requires participants to recognize, organize, and present information on a given topic. Speech must be original and specifically related to 4-H in a demonstrable way. The entire speech does not have to feature 4-H but 4-H must be mentioned and related to the topic of the speech. Only a podium is provided at the contest.

**GUIDELINES -**
* Participants choose the topic, but it must relate to 4-H in some way.  
* Speech must be their original work.  
* **SENIOR** speeches must be 5-7 MINUTES.  
* **JUNIOR & INTERMEDIATE** speeches must be 3-7 MINUTES.  
* A typed, double-spaced copy of the speech with your name, title, age, and date must be turned into the 4-H Office one week before the speech is given.

**AGE DIVISIONS -**
**Juniors:** 8-10 years old as of September 1, 2008  
**Intermediates:** 11-13 years old as of September 1, 2008  
**Seniors:** 14-18 years old as of September 1, 2008

**PARTICIPATION PROCEDURE -**
**County** - Top winners from each age division compete at District.  
**District** - Top two senior winners compete at State.  
**Note:** Horse category state events are June 2009 in Gainesville  
**State** - Participant with highest score will receive a trophy

**PRE-REGISTER BY MARCH 16TH**