




Finding your way to Cloverleaf Project Achievement

County Project Achievement

- Most Cloverleaf project presentations are illustrated talks – a presentation using posters or other props





Project Achievement will help you to:

- Learn to research a project
- Organize ideas
- Develop public speaking skills
- Gain self-confidence
- Set a goal and manage time and resources
- Earn a scholarship for summer camp



Project Achievement is:

- A good way to teach something that you know
- Showing and telling how to do something
- Sharing your knowledge or experiences



1. Select a project area

- Most require an informative speech
- Exception:
 - Creative Stitchery
 - Performing Arts
 - Between Meal Snacks
 - Food Fare



Pick your project!



- Pick something you enjoy
- There are 59 categories from which to choose



Project list

- Agriculture Awareness
- Archaeology
- Arts
- Beef
- Between Meal Snacks
- Bicycle
- Cat Care
- Clothing & Textiles
- Communications
- Companion Animals
- Computers
- Crafts
- Creative Stitchery
- Dairy and Milk Science
- Dairy Foods
- Dog Care and Training
- Entomology
- Environmental Science
- Flowers, Shrubs, & Lawns
- Food Fare
- Food for Fitness
- Food for Health & Sport
- Food Safety & Preservation
- Forest Resources & Wood Science
- Fresh Water Fish & Shellfish
- Fruits, Vegetables, & Nuts
- General Recreation
- General Science
- Geology
- Health
- Herpetology
- History
- Horse
- Housing, Equipment, & Environment
- Human Development
- Interior Design
- International
- Marine & Coastal Ecology
- Outdoor Recreation
- Outdoor Survival Skills
- Paleontology
- Performing Arts – General
- Performing Arts – Instrumental
- Performing Arts – Vocal
- Photography
- Plants, Soils, & Fertilizers
- Pork Production
- Poultry and Egg Science
- Public Speaking
- Rabbits
- Safety
- Science of Engineering & Mechanics
- Sheep & Meat Goats
- Sports
- Target Sports
- Time & Money Management
- Veterinary Science
- Wildlife
- Workforce Preparation & Career Development

Project Objectives

- To find out the details of each project you can:
 - Ask your 4-H leader
 - Talk with an adult such as teacher or parent
 - Call the 4-H office
 - Visit the Georgia 4-H web site:

<http://www.georgia4h.org/public/more/guidebook/cloverleafprojectobjectives.html>

2. Narrow your subject

Example – Entomology Category

- Topics within the category could be:
 - *How to Make an Insect Collection*
 - *Are Cicadas Older Than You?*
 - *Do Mosquitos Make You Sick?*
 - *How to Control Fire Ants in your Yard*

3. Develop the project

- Research your subject
- Go to the library
- Use books and/or magazines
- The internet is a great source
- Talk with someone who has experience in the field



4. Organize your thoughts

- Make an outline
- A speech is divided into three main parts:
 - Introduction
 - Body
 - Conclusion

The Introduction



- Opening statement or question to get the audience's attention
- Introduce yourself
- Tell what you are going to cover or talk about
- Why is the topic important and/or interesting to you?

The Body

- Explain the facts about your subject
- Describe steps needed
- Tell materials or ingredients you need
- Tell the how or why of your subject
- Share your experiences
- Arrange your facts in logical order

The Conclusion

- Summarize your main points
- Refer back to opening question or statement
- Leave your audience interested in learning more about your topic

5. Visual Aids

- A visual aid is something your audience can see which helps them understand your subject. Examples:
 - Posters
 - Pictures
 - Items
 - Showing how to do something

Poster Pointers

- Big and simple is best. Words should be read from the back of room
- Main ideas or phrases
- Use plain, easy to read type
- Dark colors for type, light colors for background

Time requirements

- A cloverleaf presentation should be 3-5 minutes in length
- Presentation should not exceed 6 minutes
- Exception:
 - Performing arts – 4 minutes

6. Practice

- Know your material and make sure you can pronounce all words
- Speak clearly and distinctly
- Stand tall and straight
- Make eye contact with audience
- Use or interact with your visuals

Scoring Criteria

- Appearance 10%
- Visual Aids 10%
- Delivery 10%
- Orderly Progress 10%
- Accuracy of Information 15%
- Coverage of Subject 25%
- Knowledge of Subject 15%
- Time Limit 5%

7. When and Where?

- Cloverleaf County Project Achievement in Irwin County is usually 9:30 AM on a Saturday in November in Moultrie
- Winners at the county competition will advance to District Project Achievement on a Saturday in February at Rock Eagle 4-H Center

8. Do you need help?

- Make an appointment and come to the 4-H office
- Give your speech to one of the 4-H staff
 - Make any changes that are recommended