



SOUTH CAROLINA FAMILY AND COMMUNITY LEADERS

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Leader Training Guide

FCL & 4-H: Make the Best Better Together

Objectives

1. Participants will have a greater awareness of volunteer opportunities available with the 4-H communications program.
2. Participants will learn how to judge a 4-H presentation contest, the resources available to help them judge resumes and portfolios, and the guidelines for helping youth engage in practice interviews.

Introduction

Since its inception, the FCL Program has been committed to dedication, education and service. The 4-H Program has been delivering positive youth development programs here in South Carolina for over 100 years. Both organizations share the long and fruitful history of Extension. FCL and 4-H have a proud tradition of supporting each other with various events and activities.

SCFCL members will be trained to become county and regional judges for the 4-H Communications Program (public speaking, record books, etc.) and will provide youth with a fresh perspective on how they can improve their written and oral presentation skills. SCFCL members will gain a better understanding of youth and the 4-H Communication program and discover how to help their clubs support 4-H youth communication skills.

Activity 1

- Prior to the lesson, the 4-H Presentations Judges training DVD needs to be borrowed from the County extension office.
- Pass out the Presentations Score Sheet. (available at www.clemson.edu/extension/4h/kids_families/projects/leadership_citizenship/communications.html)
- Play the "judges training" chapter on the DVD.
- Play one of the presentations from the "presentations examples" chapter on the DVD and have everyone judge it using the Presentations Score Sheet.
- Facilitate a discussion regarding how everyone judged the presentation.
- Contact the County 4-H Extension Agent to discuss opportunities for FCL members to serve as judges for club, county, or regional presentations contests.

Activity 2

All of the following handouts are available at:

www.clemson.edu/extension/4h/kids_families/projects/leadership_citizenship/communications.html

- Pass out and review the resume guidelines, sample resume, and resume score sheet.
- Pass out and review the portfolio guidelines and score sheets.
- Pass out and review the interview guidelines.
- Facilitate a discussion regarding how to provide constructive criticism that will help youth improve their skills in these important forms of communication.
- Contact the County 4-H Extension Agent to discuss opportunities for FCL members to work with youth on these skills.