OVERVIEW

Technology affects all of everyday in ways that we may not realize. Each new device upgrade literally brings the latest technology into the palm of our hands. Staying abreast of new technology takes time and effort, especially if you don’t own the newest gadget or gizmo, but no one wants to be left behind when it comes to knowing what it is all about. What better way to learn about new technology than to see it demonstrated up close and personal from your peers? The Innovative Technology event allows 4-H’ers to demonstrate their favorite electronic technology and give a quick overview of how it can be used. Using the device of their choice, 4-H’ers can give an illustrated talk or method demonstration concerning some aspect of their favorite app, device, or software, sharing information such as the pros and cons, costs involved, privacy issues, benefits, impact, intended audience and even bugs!

OBJECTIVES

To give 4-H members a forum in which to showcase their knowledge of technology and the ways in which technology can impact our everyday life.

To provide an opportunity for 4-H members to practice using technology for problem-solving and decision-making.

TARGETED LIFE SKILLS

Critical Thinking
Marketable Skills
Problem-solving
Decision-making
Learning to Learn
ELIGIBILITY

District 4-H O-Rama: Each county may have one entry in the Junior Division (9-13) and one entry in the Senior Division (14-19). Entries are individuals only; no teams.

Arkansas 4-H O-Rama: The top five seniors from each District 4-H O-Rama may participate.

ACTIVITY

All presentations must be original and it is suggested that participants provide a hard-copy of their presentation. It is recommended that participants provide their own computer and/or electronic technology for demonstration. Any electronic equipment brought to the event is the responsibility of the participant and should not be left unattended in the room.

Juniors will be allowed two to five (2-5) minutes.

Seniors will be allowed five to eight (5-8) minutes.

NOTE: A scoring penalty will be administered to presentations which are under or over the allotted time.

Participants are expected to use visual aids (e.g., computers, tablets, phones, posters, models, props, PowerPoint slides).

JUDGING

This activity will be judged on the standard "Score Sheet for Method Demonstrations and Illustrated Talks" CES-663.

AWARDS

District 4-H O-Rama – One trophy to the senior winner and one trophy to the junior winner. Ribbons will be awarded to second-, third-, fourth-, and fifth-place senior and junior winners.

Arkansas 4-H O-Rama – One trophy for the senior winner. Ribbons will be awarded to the second-, third-, fourth-, and fifth-place winners.

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