O’Rama Quick Reference Guidebook
Izard County 4-H

For a complete list of rules and regulations visit http://uaex.edu/4h-youth/resource-library/applications.aspx#districtevents

Events will be scored by the three 4-H Age Divisions: Cloverbud, Junior, and Senior Divisions. Junior and Senior first place winners will be eligible to compete at District O’Rama that summer. Slots not filled by first place winners will be filled on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Payment Policy for State O’Rama:
Senior 4-H members have the opportunity to attend State O’Rama which is held every summer at Fayetteville at the University of Arkansas Campus. Below are the payment policies for this event effective September 1, 2015, pending available funds:
- Attend County & District O’Rama → County Pays 100% of the registration fee
- Attends only County or only District → County Pays 50% of the registration fee
- Don’t attend County or District O’Rama → 4-H’er pays 100% of the registration fee

For County O’Rama, participants MUST pre-register for illustrated talks, fashion review, and performing arts to ensure that all judges and equipment will be present for the contest.

Illustrated Talks & Demos:
Illustrated talks should make full use of visuals and experience. The use of PowerPoint is allowed but not required. A junior will be limited to a 2-5 minute talk and senior talks are 5-8 minutes. The activity coordinator and judges reserve the right to ask questions related to the topic discussed in the illustrated talk or method demonstration. To see the specific requirement for the various illustrated talks contest visit this site: http://uaex.edu/4h-youth/resource-library/applications.aspx#districtevents

Subject Areas:
- Animal Science
- Citizenship
- Consumer Economics
- Entomology Talk
- Environmental Stewardship
- Food Fair
- Health
- Horse
- Human Development
- Innovative Technology
- Public Speaking
- Safety
- Vet Science

Bait Casting: Equipment needed will be provided for each participant, or you may bring your own rod/reel. Regulations are outlined in 4-H leaflet S-303 (updated 2007). Each contestant will be judged on accuracy in casting; three casts made standing and three made from a sitting position. Junior and Senior Contestants will be presented with pictures for some Arkansas fish. They will attempt to identify the fish by matching the common name to the picture. Seniors will be presented with ten fish and juniors will be presented with five fish. http://www.uaex.edu/publications/PDF/S303.pdf

Bicycle: The use of bicycle safety helmets is highly recommended while at any site used for the overall event. Reference for Juniors "Bicycle Skill Tests for District and State Competition", “Bicycle Parts,” and 4-H Curriculum Bicycling for Fun BU8334 and Wheels in Motion BU8335. Reference for Seniors "Bicycle Skill Tests for District and State Competition", “Bicycle Parts,” and 4-H Curriculum Bicycling
for Fun BU8334 and Wheels in Motion BU8335. Additional information can be found in 4-H Curriculum DVD: Don’t Get Stuck: Fix It BU8399.

Bicycle Parts this contest will include:
- Written examination - 20 multiple choice and true-false questions taken from the 4-H curriculum.
- Parts Identification - Identify 10 parts in five minutes
- Skill Riding courses we will choose from for Regional and State events:
  - Double obstacle test
  - Double zigzag obstacle test
  - City Streets
  - 4-Way Intersection ii. Railroad Crossing iii. Scanning d. Figure eight steering

Contestants are encouraged to bring their own bicycles and helmets for use in this event. The bicycle must properly fit the individual and meet accepted safety standards.

Crop and Weeds: Participants will be identifying common field crops with a provided word bank. Participants going on to district and state events will need to check with the district and state contest requirements.

Entomology Collection: Members identify 25 insect specimens as to order and common name. The insects to be identified will be common insects native to Arkansas. Participants going on to district and state events will need to check with the district and state contest requirements.

Fashion Review:
The activity consists of informally modeling a garment constructed by the contestant and a short presentation detailing the cost, use and care of the garment. The fiber(s) and fabric(s) from which the garment(s) is/are made should be identified and reasons given for their choice. Presentations should be one to two minutes and delivered without the benefit of notes. Contestants should be prepared to answer judges’ questions about the construction of the competition garment(s). At the County Contest the commentaries will be read for the cloverbud participants and will be available for the juniors if requested.

Categories:
1. Casual, for school and casual afterschool activities, such as spectator sports, picnics and casual dates. Examples are pants, jeans, skirts or shorts and tops, jumpsuit, casual or sporty dresses, skirts or pants with casual/sporty jackets, school coats and coordinated separates. (No swimwear.)
2. Dressy, for ensembles worn to dressy activities such as church, dinner dates, theater and job/scholarship interviews. Note: This category does NOT include garments worn for formal evening events and formal weddings. Any youth wearing a formal garment will be disqualified immediately upon sign in.

Gun Safety - BB
1. A brief written examination – Material for the exam will come from the gun safety session and from the pamphlet entitled that is available for pick up at the county office.
2. Target shooting – Each participant will be provided with a target, which is to be signed by the shooter. Following a discussion of shooting range procedures, each contestant will fire one round from each of the four basic shooting positions (prone, sitting, kneeling and standing) and one round from the position of the participant's choice.
Ornamental Horticulture
Plant identification contest will be held in both District and Arkansas 4-H O’Ramas. Garden flowers, foliage plants, landscape plants, and trees will be included for identification.

Performing Arts - Dance
1. A talent act is limited to five minutes of performing time. Five penalty points will be assessed against the overall score of acts exceeding the time limit.
2. If an act is determined to be inappropriate, that act will not be considered for an award.
3. An act can have up to five 4-H members. All members of a group must meet the age requirement for the level (junior or senior) in which they are participating.
4. Accompanists are allowed. They are not considered as part of the act, and they are not considered in judging. Accompaniment must assume the pure character of accompaniment. The test shall be whether the performance would stand alone if the accompaniment were removed.
5. Sound equipment will be available for dance acts. (CD player)

Performing Arts - Instrumental
- The Instrumental Division includes both Classical and Non-Classical instrumental music. Music in the educated European tradition such as chamber music, opera, symphony, or jazz as well as contemporary music, country western, popular, and rock are allowed. Note: No singing or vocal utterances will be allowed with instrumental acts.
- Accompaniment is allowed; however, this must assume the pure character of accompaniment. The test will be whether the performance would stand alone if the accompaniment were removed. Accompaniment is not considered as part of the act and will not be considered in judging.
- For specific and complete contest rules, visit: http://uaex.edu/4h-youth/resource-library/docs/Performing%20Arts%20Instrumental1.pdf

Performing Arts - Vocal
- Record or tape with vocal utterances is allowed but should not overpower the voice of the performer. If, in the opinion of the judges, the vocal utterances are overpowering, the performer will be disqualified. The decision of the judges is final.
- Instrumental accompaniment by self or others is allowed but must assume the pure character of accompaniment. The test will be whether the performance would stand alone if the accompaniment were removed. Accompaniment is not considered as part of the act and will not be considered in judging.
- For specific & complete contest rules visit http://uaex.edu/4h-youth/resource-library/docs/PerformingArts%20Vocal%202.pdf

Reel into Sportfishing
Both junior and senior activities will be conducted according to the regulations outlined in the 4-H leaflet S-207, "4-H Reel Into Sport Fishing for County Level Competitions" (revised 2007). Additional information regarding fish identification, habitat, and fishing methods can be found in “Beginner’s Fishing Guide” and “Arkansas Sport Fish Identification Pocket Guide,” both published by the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, and available at 1-877-676-6963.

Wildlife
This activity focuses on the contestant’s ability to identify wildlife species, identify food that these wildlife species consume, and knowledge of wildlife management concepts. The official species list, study materials and scorecards are available online at www.uaex.edu.