

# Winter is Presentation time with Project Achievement (DPA)

## Your opportunity to communicate what you are passionate about!



District Project Achievement (DPA) is an annual poster presentation contest featured as one of Georgia 4-H's core programs. Gwinnett 4-H holds participation in this contest as one of the key areas we offer in youth development.

It involves giving a presentation in front of a supportive audience about something you enjoy. For example, you may wish to talk about your friends, hobbies, or careers. This is your chance to share your dream and communicate to others what excites you. Grades 4 through 6 (Coverleaf) are given six minutes, grades 7 and 8 (Juniors) have 10 minutes, grades 9-12 (Seniors) have 12 minutes.

Everyone is passionate about something! If you have never spoken in front of a group, don't worry, it's not impossible. We can cut the project down to manageable bites and with some coaching you will harness the adrenaline rush that public speaking provides. This life skill is well worth the effort and you will be impressed by your results.

Presentations may be made in any one of the 56 project areas with more details and the digital path to the 4-H State information on DPA below. As grade level increase projects areas are combined, your specialty is not lost.

We can do this together and now is the best time to begin. To reserve your project area or for answers to your questions, contact Ms. Barb at: [barbara.larson@gwinnettcountry.com](mailto:barbara.larson@gwinnettcountry.com), or call the office at 678-377-4010 to have your child added to the Grade Appropriate Project Achievement Participation List. Your program level leader will be the one who approves your project area, so please give your top two choices when you contact us and your grade level as of August 1.

What you need to know is this is a life skill training your child will use and appreciate having learned in the future when they share ideas, give presentations, write resumes, interview and enter the work force.

### Project Achievement Timeline:

- **Pick a topic and get 4-H staff approval**
- **7th-12th grades turn in a 1 year resume, "portfolio" in 4-H code, early January**
- **4th-6th show 4-H staff their demonstration in January**
- **4th-6th compete in February as a one day-event on a Saturday, event location varies for Area Competition**
- **7th-12th show 4-H staff demonstration by February**
- **7th-12th compete, three days 2 nights weekend event at Rock Eagle in late Feb /early March**
- **9th –12th graders placing first in their project area go on to State competition, 4 weekdays in July, in Atlanta**



Get more information <https://georgia4h.org/programs/project-achievement/> right from the source at [www.georgia4h.org](http://www.georgia4h.org). Click on the square labeled **Programs**. Next, click on the square labeled **Project Achievement**. Now click on the square **Cloverleaf Project Achievement** for 4-6th grade information. Click **Junior Project Achievement** for 7th and 8th grade information. Click **Senior Project Achievement** for 9th-12th grade information. There are lots of project areas to choose from. Need a brief description of each? Click **Project Objectives**. There is a great parent resource promotion and even sample videos of kids like you presenting at their competition.