What is the 4-H Tropicana Public Speaking program?

The 4-H Tropicana Public Speaking program is a public speaking educational program for youth in grades 4-6. Over two million Floridians have completed the program since its inception in 1969. Participating youth take part in a five part series of lessons designed to guide them through the process of selecting a topic, preparing, and giving a speech. The program culminates in a classroom competition in which youth present a speech on a topic of their choice. Classroom contest winners have the opportunity to advance to additional competitions at the school, county, and district levels.

What resources are available to teachers who participate in this program?

Participating teachers will receive the following materials:

1) Teacher Lesson Plan
2) Tips for Giving a Great Speech
3) Parent Letter
4) Recognition materials (including certificates and ribbons)

The 4-H Office is also willing to help you find judges for your classroom and/or school level competition.

What is the cost to me?

Thanks to generous sponsorship from the Tropicana Company, a division of PepsiCo™, we are able to offer this program at NO charge to teachers. The only requirement is that you submit enrollment figures and complete a follow-up survey.

How do I sign up my classroom?

Each classroom must complete a School Enrollment form. This form and other information on Tropicana Public Speaking is available at: http://oc4h.ifas.ufl.edu/SchoolEnrichment.html. For more information contact 407-254-9200 or orangeco4H@yahoo.com.