

# YOUNG SPEAKERS FOR AGRICULTURE

## (Class #96)

### Open Competition



The Young Speakers for Agriculture Competition will be held on Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020. Contestants are asked to meet 30 minutes prior to the start time to draw for a go order (location and start time to be determined). 4-H Nova Scotia sponsors the winner chosen to represent Nova Scotia at the Young Speakers for Agriculture competition at The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair, Toronto, November 6<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The award covers travel and accommodations at The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair, Toronto.

#### Members eligible must:

- Be between 16 and 24 years of age as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, of current 4-H year.
- Be a current member of the 4-H program or have been registered for at least two years.
- Deliver their speech in either of Canada's official languages, English or French.
- Give a timed five to seven-minute prepared speech on one of the following topics, as well as introduce and thank another speaker.
- Contestants may choose to use a flip chart or appropriate posters to illustrate their talk. Slides, films, videos or overhead projectors will not be allowed.

#### Topics for 2020:

- How can we fill the talent pipeline in Canadian agriculture?
- What impact will the emerging micro-food processing industry have on agriculture?
- Aquaculture: The challenges and solutions of developing, funding and marketing an emerging food source
- Climate change: Can the family farm manage and capitalize on this shift?
- Lessons learned over the last 25 years of agriculture – and how we can apply it to the next 25.
- Should the agriculture industry fund and support opportunities for youth development?
- How to create ecosystem markets that reward Canada's farmers for environmental stewardship.

Once a member has won the Nova Scotia Young Speakers for Agriculture Competition, they are not allowed to compete again.

To register, please contact 4-H Nova Scotia with the following information (name, address, birth date, and 4-H connection) by **September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020**.

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