

4-H Alpaca Presentation and Project List

Each member will select a topic and present a poster and speech to the membership at a business meeting starting with the January meeting. Please let the leaders know what topic you have chosen by the December business meeting.

Length of presentation: Juniors – 3 minutes, Intermediates – 5 minutes, Seniors – 10 minutes.

The following is a list of suggestions for 4-H Alpaca members to use as they choose their topic for their poster and 3-minute presentation. This list is not complete. A 4-Her may think of another topic and get approval from a leader of the new topic. Criteria for poster: Must be neat, clearly

1. Personality Traits of an Alpaca (behavior and herd interaction)	10. Where alpacas originated
2. Alpaca Anatomy (junior, intermediate, senior)	11. Reading an alpaca birth certificate also called an ARI or AOA certificate
3. Conformation – correct and incorrect	12. Nutrition a. feed or minerals (what minerals do they need) b. hay (what types are best for alpacas)
4. Fiber traits (crimp, staple length, fineness, density, color, guard hair, primary and secondary hairs)	13. Reproduction (seniors only)
5. Grooming a. Toenails b. Top knot c. Main blanket	14. Vaccinations
6. Halter training and leading	15. Shelter, summer and winter care
7. Alpaca Fiber a. vs Sheep Wool b. uses c. preparation (washing, carding, spinning, weaving, knitting, felting, crocheting)	16. Pasture and poisonous plants
8. How to approach and catch an alpaca	17. Neonatal care
9. Parasites and dewormers for each	18. What judges look for during showmanship and obstacle.

