

2026-2027 Digital Presentation Rules for USSYP

Read and follow all instructions on this page carefully.

Presentation Purpose: The digital presentation is the student's opportunity to visually highlight and elaborate on points mentioned in the brief student descriptions of the written application. Students may also spotlight achievements and activities that are not mentioned in detail elsewhere in the application. The digital presentation allows the selection committee to evaluate the student beyond the written application and provides a glimpse of the student's interest in government, commitment to public service, engagement in the community and participation in civic and community affairs.

Creating Your Presentation:

The following formats are the ONLY four (4) allowable options for your digital presentation.

- Google Slides Presentation (please ensure it is not password protected)
- YouTube Video
- Vimeo Video

Time/Length Requirements:

- Digital presentations should be no less than two (2) minutes and not exceed three (3) minutes.
- Presentations that are set to advance automatically must run between the required times.
- Presentations that are not set to advance automatically must have a minimum of 10 slides and no more than 15 slides.

Presentation Requirements:

- Presentations must include the student's full name, age, current grade, school name and district.
- All animation, graphics, images, photos, music, audio, etc. must be appropriate for a public-school setting.
- Copyright permission for materials or photos used must be granted to the applicant and made available to the committee if requested.
- Presentations should demonstrate student involvement in school and/or community events, organizations or programs, as well as their commitment to volunteerism and public service.

When Preparing Your Presentation:

- Student applicant must be the narrator if narration is used.
- The student applicant should be included in any photo or video used to demonstrate their leadership and involvement in volunteer work and/or public service.
- Students may want to incorporate introducing themselves, their background, experience with leadership and involvement in volunteer work and/or public service.

Consider Your Audience: As you plan, ask yourself these questions with the viewer in mind.

- What is the main idea I want to get across?
- How smooth is the transition and flow of my presentation?
- Is the audio volume appropriate (not too soft or too loud) when played for an audience? Is my speaking pace appropriate and have I clearly articulated my thoughts?
- Are the graphics, images and photos clear? Is the text clear and readable (both size and font)?
- If charts and graphs are used, is the information clear and readable?
- Are the spelling, grammar and punctuation correct?

Submitting Your Presentation:

- Email your completed presentation (slides or video) link to USSYP@fldoe.org.
- Please ensure that your digital presentation is NOT password/code protected.