

Exploring 4-H FOR NEW FAMILIES



RACINE COUNTY 4-H



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WELCOME TO RACINE COUNTY 4-H



If you are new family, or just a confused family, this binder is for you! You will catch a glimpse of all 4-H in Racine County has to offer! Keep in mind that your experience in 4-H will be unique and completely depend on what you decide to do with your time in 4-H! Take it slow, reach out to your club leaders, and don't be afraid to ask questions!

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What does 4-H stand for?

Head, heart, hands, and health represent the 4 H's. Each meeting begins with a recitation of pledges, including the **4-H Pledge**. While the 4-H pledge has a very direct meaning for our 4-H clubs and members, there are additional ways that adults can apply the pledge before, during, and after club meetings and events.

I pledge

My head to clearer thinking

It's normal for youth to have questions or be unsure about things. Give your youth the information you can to help them plan, organize, make wise decisions, and problem solve. It will encourage your child to think critically and use this knowledge throughout life.



My heart to greater loyalty

Success is awesome. Some failure is inevitable. Both help youth develop strong personal values and a positive self-concept. Encourage and support all youth, especially your own, to have empathy and concern for others. Show your child, by example, how to cooperate and communicate with those around them.

My hands to larger service

When you help your family's club, you model volunteerism, community service, and inclusiveness to your youth. If you don't have the time to be a volunteer, you can help in many equally important ways. If you do want to learn more about volunteering, contact the Extension Office!



My health to better living

In addition to keeping youth physically healthy—body and mind—it is important we provide them the skills to make healthy decisions and to lead healthy lifestyles. You can help create safe spaces to support youth learning and character development.

for my club, my community, my country, and my world.

4-H does not happen without supportive adults serving as positive role models. Stay involved as a family/caregiver as best as you can; it makes the experience much richer for everyone. The more involved our 4-H members are, the more impactful they are upon the world around them.



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TERMINOLOGY

4-H uses terms that may be unfamiliar or used differently than what you've experienced in other places. Some of those words are explained here, but there may be some more terms you hear that aren't listed. Don't be afraid to ask your club leader if you're not sure what something means.

4-H WORDS YOU MIGHT HEAR IN YOUR CLUB



A 4-H **club** is made up of youth **members** and caring adult volunteers who meet regularly. Clubs typically conduct business, serve the community, and have fun! Clubs can also be school-based, afterschool or have a project area focus. A **Cloverbud** is a 4-H member in grades K-2. Most clubs have at least one adult club **leader** who works with youth leaders to guide the group. 4-H clubs often do projects to make a difference in their community. Some clubs also have their members track project progress throughout the year (and their 4-H career) through a **record book**. Clubs may also encourage members to give a **demonstration**, where they teach a project-based skill to other members.



4-H WORDS YOU MIGHT HEAR ACROSS YOUR COUNTY



County 4-H programs offer opportunities for youth such as project days, camps, and more. For many 4-H members, one of the highlights of the year is showcasing their hard work at a local **fair**. At the fair, members enter their project as an **exhibit**. Many counties also have **Leaders Organizations** made up of adult volunteers and youth leaders. This group provides education, raises funds, and promotes 4-H throughout the county. In Racine County, we have a Leaders Organization made up of youth and adults and a Junior Leaders Organization made up of youth.

4-H WORDS YOU MIGHT HEAR ACROSS WISCONSIN



In 1914, the Smith-Lever Act established a partnership between the USDA and land-grant institutions. In 1890, it expanded to include historically black colleges and universities, and in 1994 added tribal colleges. This partnership is known as **Extension**. In Wisconsin, Extension is a division of UW-Madison and is home to the Wisconsin 4-H program. UW-Madison employs a county **4-H Educator** who leads and coordinates the county's 4-H program. Wisconsin 4-H uses the web platform, **4-H Online**, to keep in touch with 4-H members. On this website, members can also enroll in an **educational experience**, which is an educational travel opportunity organized by the state 4-H office.

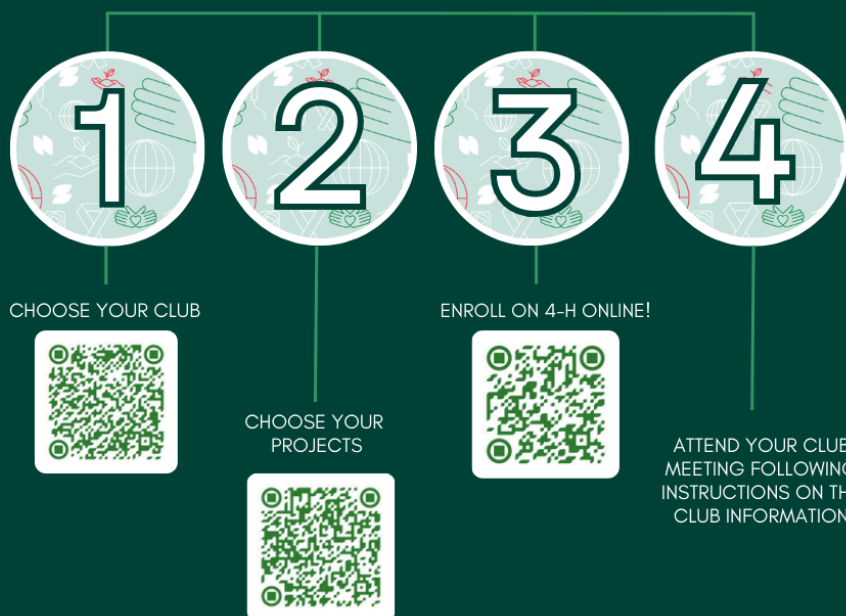




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ENROLLMENT

STEPS TO JOIN 4-H



HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO ENROLL IN 4-H?

There is **no cost to enroll** in 4-H. Depending on the club you join, you will be asked to pay club dues to cover the cost of programming and activities. This will be a one time fee upon attending the first meeting of the year. Participation fees might also be required for project materials or club activities.

IS THERE A DEADLINE TO ENROLL?

No! 4-H Enrollment takes place all year long! There is no need to rush while you learn more about our program and find a club that fits your family. **HOWEVER**, there is a deadline to sign up for projects, so if you want to participate projects and have support learning and potentially submitting something for the fair, you will need to be signed up by January 1st.

AFTER I ENROLL, SHOULD I WAIT TO HEAR FROM MY CLUB?

No! After you have enrolled, you can attend your first club meeting. Let them know you are new and someone will point you in the right direction. Eventually your name and contact information will be added to your club's roster, but until then, use the club roster information to learn when to attend the meetings.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT EVERY MEMBER OF 4-H, BOTH YOUTH AND VOLUNTEERS NEEDS TO RE-ENROLL ON 4-H ONLINE EVERY SEPTEMBER. ATTENDING A MEETING OR SIGNING UP FOR INFORMATION AT OPEN HOUSE DOES NOT COUNT AS ENROLLMENT.

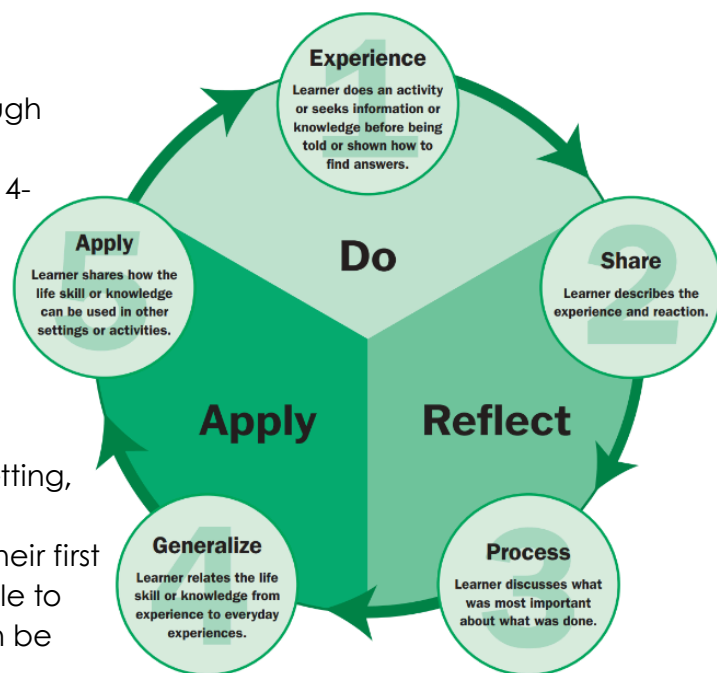


4-H PROJECTS

4-H engages youth in **project-based** education. Through project learning, youth can dive deeper into their interests and **passions**, ultimately **mastering** new skills. 4-H projects are meant to be **hands-on** to create a memorable learning experience.

WHAT IS A PROJECT?

A project is simply a topic area that sparks a youth's interest! Projects can be offered at a club or group setting, or on your own outside of the club. 4-H members are encouraged to enroll in only one or two projects for their first year. 4-H members in 3rd grade and higher are eligible to sign up for any 4-H project. Almost all 4-H projects can be divided into these nine broad project areas:



- EXPRESSIVE ARTS
- LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNITY
- FAMILY, HOME AND HEALTH
- AGRICULTURE AND ANIMAL SCIENCE
- PLANT AND SOIL SCIENCE
- ENVIRONMENTAL/OUTDOOR EDUCATION
- SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATH
- CLOVERBUDS (K-2ND GRADE)



WHAT RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE?

Each county's 4-H program differs in how project learning opportunities are offered. Some programs offer countywide, short-term workshops. Others may have countywide programs with set dates and meeting locations. Some 4-H clubs may have adults specifically devoted to certain project areas.

WHAT IF MY COUNTY OR CLUB DOESN'T OFFER A PROJECT?

Anywhere can be a great place for project learning where a trusted adult or older youth serves as the teacher. Project curriculum is available for many of the projects, and youth are welcome to check out other clubs that do offer certain projects not available in their club. Connect with the 4-H Educator for support!



WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CLUB AND COUNTYWIDE PROJECTS?

Club projects are offered by volunteers within your club! If you are a part of the club, you automatically have access to participate in any project the club offers as long as you meet age requirements. A **countywide project** is open to anyone enrolled in your county 4-H program. No matter what club you participate in, you have access to these projects.



4-H PROJECTS CONTINUED

CURRENT COUNTYWIDE PROJECTS IN RACINE COUNTY

- Dog
- Goat/Goatless
- Horse/Horseless
- Poultry
- STEM
- Woodworking
- Archery
- Shooting Sports

HOW MANY PROJECTS CAN YOUTH PARTICIPATE IN?



There is no limit to the number of projects you can sign up for! However, there is a limit to the amount of volunteers who lead the projects. You might be able to sign up for a project, but if there is no leader for that project, it becomes an independent project. You are still welcome to submit your work to the county fair, whether or not you have a project leader. Please know signing up for a project does not mean you are committed to participating in that project, in 4-H or the county fair.

WHEN DO PROJECTS START IN RACINE COUNTY?

Each project starts at different times. Project leaders will reach out to those who are signed up for their projects in 4-H online about meetings. Some countywide projects start in the fall, while others, such as shooting sports, don't begin until the spring. In Racine County, we have a courtesy deadline to sign up for projects by **JANUARY 1ST**. This allows project leaders time to work with youth to provide quality project leadership and have items to exhibit at the fair. Many club projects will not start until after this date.



ATTENTION

AGE REQUIREMENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN 4-H PROJECTS ARE DIFFERENT THAN AGE REQUIREMENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN CERTAIN RACINE COUNTY FAIR EXHIBITS AND AUCTIONS. SPECIFICALLY ANIMAL EXHIBITS, BUT THE LIST MIGHT EXTEND FURTHER. YOU WILL NEED TO CHECK WITH THE RACINE COUNTY FAIR FOR PARTICIPATION AGE REQUIREMENTS.

WHAT ARE THE PROJECT AGE REQUIREMENTS?

- **Kindergarten - 2nd Grade** - Must participate in only the Cloverbud Project
- **3rd Grade - One year past high school** - Can participate in all other projects
- Youth must be **12 years old** by January 1st to participate in **powder burning** disciplines of the Shooting Sports Project. This includes pistol, rifle, shotgun and muzzleloading.



THE CLOVERBUD PROJECT

Youth in grades 5K-2 are unique, special, and wonderful. Activities in the Cloverbud Project are designed to meet their needs at an age-appropriate level while having fun with hands-on, engaging activities.

4-H CLOVERBUD PROJECT ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Experimenting with STEM
- Exploring their creative side with theater and visual arts
- Diving into animal and plant science
- Learning about themselves and others
- Giving back to their communities through service projects
- Day Camp Activities and Cloverbud Nights



By the time youth are finished with 2nd grade and entering 3rd grade, they have a better idea of what interests them in 4-H. They feel ready to choose the project(s) they want to learn more about, because they have already tried a variety of activities.

CLOVERBUD PROJECT FAQs

WHAT IF MY CHILD TURNS 5 YEARS OLD WHILE THEY ARE IN PRESCHOOL? CAN THEY JOIN?



No, youth **MUST** be in Kindergarten and 5 years old to participate in 4-H. Another way to determine is that they must be 5 years old by the first day of enrollment, September 1st.

CAN MY CLOVERBUD MEMBER STILL SHOW AT THE FAIR EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE NOT PARTICIPATING IN PROJECTS?



YES! There is a special youth division just for Cloverbud Project members! Project members will be contacted with details as the fair gets closer. Youth are judged by Junior Leaders in order to gain developmentally appropriate feedback for all of their hard work!

WE HAVE OLDER CHILDREN ENROLLED IN PROJECTS. IS MY CLOVERBUD MEMBER ALLOWED TO ATTEND?



YES! As long as they are supervised by a parent or guardian and the project leader given permission for Cloverbud Project members to observe. Cloverbud project members are not allowed to exhibit animals at public events nor participate in shooting sports activities.



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4-H CLUB MEETINGS

Almost every 4-H club holds **regular** club meetings. Even within the same club, no two club meetings are the same. Ideally, every meeting should have three parts—**recreation (fun)**, **business**, and **learning**. Youth leadership plays a huge role in the success of a club. Most clubs have youth officers (president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and other selected roles) who are responsible for running each meeting. Youth leaders not only gain excellent life skills, they help to keep the meeting relevant and fun for members of all ages. All youth have a responsibility to contribute to their clubs through their voice and their actions!

WHAT IS OUR **ROLE AS A FAMILY?**

Parents and caregivers help create a safe, positive atmosphere for all 4-H members when they empower and encourage youth. While at a meeting, it's important to be a present, positive role model for everyone in attendance. Caring adults play an important role in the mental health of youth, and 4-H can help connect youth with positive adults. It's strongly recommended that parents/guardians attend the 4-H meeting with your child. Club meetings provide great opportunities to learn with other club members, but the learning doesn't stop there. By attending the meeting, you can reflect on the meeting together and continue the education outside the club. Volunteering is another way to connect the whole family in your 4-H experience.



5 WAYS TO SUPPORT A **POSITIVE CLUB EXPERIENCE**

1. Actively listen to all 4-H members.
2. Let youth run the meeting. It's their club!
3. Attend as many meetings as possible.
4. Ask your club leader how you can help.
5. If you have a hobby or skill, consider offering to be a guest speaker or project leader!

WHAT ARE THE STEPS TO **JOINING A CLUB?**

- Take a look at your county club rosters. Which clubs meet your logistical needs?
- Decide what projects you want to be a part of and find out which clubs offer those projects.
- Learn about club attendance requirements and dues policies
- Add your club to your 4-H Online profile
- Attend your first meeting
- Ensure you are a member in good standing by paying club dues and attending meetings.

WHAT IF IT TURNS OUT OUR CLUB IS NOT A GOOD FIT FOR OUR FAMILY?

You are welcome to switch clubs at any time! You may be required to pay additional club dues to the new club you join, depending on the time of year and their policies. Sometimes if it's a matter of not meeting project needs due to lack of volunteers, members can join more than one club.





VOLUNTEERING: HOW CAN YOU HELP?



Volunteers are a huge part of the success of 4-H and help make 4-H possible. 4-H volunteers can serve as club leaders, project leaders, chaperones, and other roles. While the experience level of volunteers varies, our volunteers have one thing in common: wanting to make a positive difference in the lives of young people. In addition to making a positive impact with youth, 4-H volunteers gain important life skills of their own and also impact the communities in which they volunteer.

VOLUNTEERING: HOW CAN YOU HELP?

To ensure volunteers in the 4-H program are prepared and to protect the safety and best interests of 4-H members, all 4-H volunteers who are 18 years of age and older who are no longer members go through a process which includes:

1. Add your name to your 4-H Online Family Profile
2. Agree to conduct yourself in a way that positively represents 4-H.
3. Complete steps for a background check.
4. Complete Volunteer Training

There are multiple ways to volunteer in your county!



- CLUB LEADER
- PROJECT LEADER
- EVENT COMMITTEES
- CAMP CHAPERONE
- DAY CAMP VOLUNTEER
- ENROLLMENT COORDINATOR
- JUNIOR LEADER ADVISOR
- LEADERS ORGANIZATION
- EXPERIENCE ADVISORS

CAN I HELP WITHOUT VOLUNTEERING?

Not everyone feels ready to become a 4-H volunteer. Check in with your club leader or local 4-H educator to find out other ways you can still make an impact on the program without serving 4-H in an official capacity. This might mean providing no-contact support in a warm welcoming way such as bringing a healthy snack, set up and clean up, etc. Any help you give makes the experience more positive for everyone.

IS THERE A DEADLINE TO ENROLL AS A VOLUNTEER?



FOR NEW VOLUNTEERS: No! You can enroll as soon as you are ready or see a need! Please be aware that you must re-enroll every September and complete requirements to continue being a volunteer.

FOR RETURNING VOLUNTEERS: Yes! All returning Wisconsin 4-H volunteers are required to re-enroll annually between **September 1 and November 1**. All required trainings and background checks must be completed by December 1. The 4-H Program Educator or their designee has until December 15 to approve all eligible returning 4-H volunteers. **IMPORTANT:** A submitted application/enrollment form does not mean that an individual is an approved volunteer. Adults who are not approved 4-H volunteers cannot be in custodial care of youth.



VOLUNTEERING: HOW CAN YOU HELP?

There are a variety of opportunities to serve on the committees needed throughout the year to support countywide programming! Most of these committees are active during a specific part of the year, so signing up will not be a year long commitment, but rather a few months until the event has taken place. You are welcome to be a part of the planning process, executing the actual event, or all of the above. These committees need volunteers in order for your favorite countywide events to happen, so please consider joining one of these teams!



COUNTYWIDE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- ART FOR ALL
- AWARDS AND EXPERIENCES
- COUNTY FAIR CALL BOOTH
- COMMUNICATION AND PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL
- LEADERS ASSOCIATION BYLAWS
- ENDOWMENT GRANT
- FINANCE AND BUDGET
- ANNUAL FUNDRAISER
- CAMP

- HOLIDAY BALL
- KIWANIS PEANUT SALE
- KIWANIS AWARD PROGRAM
- OPEN HOUSE
- 4-H COUNTY ONLINE STORE
- RECOGNITION CELEBRATION
- RECORD BOOK
- SCHOLARSHIP
- SKATING PARTY
- PARADE

COUNTYWIDE LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

JUNIOR LEADERS ASSOCIATION

- Anyone in Grades 7th + can be a part of this group
- Meets every fourth Monday at Ives Grove Offices
- Youth-led chartered group
- Purpose: Create and participate in leadership opportunities, civic engagement, community service and provide programming for younger 4-H members

LEADERS ASSOCIATION

- Youth and adults 7th Grade and up
- Open board meetings take place every first Thursday at the Ives Grove Offices
- Youth-Adult partnered chartered group
- Purpose: Fundraising, Recognition, Promotion and Countywide Programming
- Elections for these voting officer positions take place every August



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EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES

Throughout the year, Wisconsin 4-H members have the opportunity to participate in educational travel experiences. These opportunities provide a valuable chance to gain new experiences and make new friends along the way! 4-H members often refer to their 4-H travels as the highlights of their 4-H careers.

TRAVEL WITH A PURPOSE

WISCONSIN 4-H EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES

» **Provide opportunities** for young people to develop life skills in new and diverse settings across the state and nation.

» **Encourage youth leaders** to learn about and appreciate different ideas and perspectives while forming lasting relationships.

» **Prepare young people** for future opportunities and experiences that require independence, decision making, and problem solving.

» **Inspire action** in youth and adult volunteers in their clubs, their communities, and their schools.



WHO CAN ATTEND?

Delegates who have applied on 4-H online or other shared avenues have a chance to attend these experiences. Each experience has different age requirements. Parents are also invited to apply attend in a chaperone/advisor role. Attendance is based on space available.

HOW DO I PAY?

The **Wisconsin 4-H Foundation** may provide some funding to help offset the total cost of educational experiences for 4-H members. The Racine County 4-H **Leader Organization** also provides financial support for participating members. If you have concerns about the cost of participating, talk with your 4-H Educator about options that may be available. We want all youth to have the opportunity to have life-changing experiences. These countywide scholarship opportunities take place in September every year.

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FOR COUNTY
SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATIONS



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CURRENT EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES

Ignite by 4-H - Ignite by 4-H brings together teen agriculture and science leaders from across the country to focus on learning about and solving current agri-science issues.

4-H Art Camps - 4-H Arts Camp, an overnight experience youth, featuring different diverse art tracks. Possible topics include music, photography, communication, theater, culinary arts, and art in nature.

Fall Forum - Planned by a team of youth and adult volunteers from the Wisconsin 4-H Leadership Council with the support of county and state staff, our hope is that 4-H youth and adult leaders will come together to connect, collaborate, celebrate, and continue building excitement and energy for a new year of 4-H learning.

Summer Academy - Summer Academy helps youth discover pathways to their future! During the conference, youth will experience life in a residence hall, learn about higher education options, speak with professionals about future careers, and engage in personal exploration. Youth will have the opportunity to choose from various career tracks as well as have fun opportunities to build networks and friendships with folks from across the state of Wisconsin.

Space Camp - Learn about and experience the different aspects of life as an astronaut, working for NASA, and exploring places beyond Earth! Youth get the opportunity to venture away from home to meet new friends, develop leadership and teamwork skills, and learn all about space.

American Spirit East - American Spirit East provides the opportunity for youth to experience history and heritage through a 10-day bus journey to the East Coast! Participants will increase their knowledge of American history while experiencing where it occurred, have dynamic exposure to diverse cultural experiences and perspectives of the foundation of our nation, and further develop skills in leadership and personal expression of values.

4-H National Conference - annually brings 4-H youth and adults from around the nation to work towards strengthening and expanding the 4-H Youth Development program at the local, state, and national levels. National 4-H Conference is the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture's premier youth development opportunity to engage youth.

National 4-H Congress - a five-day Educational Experience held in Atlanta, GA. Congress is the premiere nation-wide event for 4-H'ers to network with others from around the country, Canada, and Puerto Rico. While at Congress, 4-H'ers engage in leadership, citizenship, global awareness, and inclusion.

Citizenship Washington Focus - the premier week long 4-H citizenship and leadership experience. CWF brings 4-H delegations from all over the country to stay in Washington D.C., our Nation's Capital! Participants learn about the roles of Senators and Representatives in the United States' government and how these parts work together to form an effective Congress.





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REFLECT AND RECORD

The end of summer is a great opportunity to stop and reflect on the past 4-H year. Many 4-H members reflect on their successes, their challenges, and their experiences through a 4-H record book. **Record books** are presented in a variety of ways, sometimes through journals, videos, or slideshow presentations. All of these formats allow 4-H members to reflect on their project goals and determine how much progress was made over the past year. Keeping record books throughout a 4-H career will help youth end up with a summary of all that they've done through their time in 4-H. This summary can be helpful when filling out job and college applications. Record books may also be helpful when applying for county scholarships or awards.

DEVELOPING LIFE SKILLS



Keeping records of work during a 4-H career helps to grow important life skills.

- » **Self-reflection** on experiences and accomplishments
- » **Goal setting** for the future
- » **Planning and organizing** a successful project or experience
- » **Critical thinking** when challenges arise or things don't go quite as planned
- » **Budgeting time** to meet deadlines and budgeting money to cover the cost of supplies

ADULTS CAN CREATE SPACE FOR YOUTH REFLECTION.

- » Help your youth consider what their goals were for the past year and determine if they met their own expectations.
- » Begin to consider goals for next year. Ask questions like, "If you were going to do things again, how would you do them differently?"
- » Reflect regularly with your youth about their experiences at meetings and events.
- » Take a lot of pictures. Photos and videos are great ways to record participation in activities while also recording achievements.
- » Set aside a few minutes every month for 4-H youth to fill out records.



WISCONSIN 4-H DOES NOT REQUIRE A RECORD BOOK FOR MEMBERSHIP. INDIVIDUAL 4-H CLUBS AND GROUPS CANNOT MANDATE THAT YOUTH SUBMIT A RECORD BOOK TO MAINTAIN THEIR MEMBERSHIP STATUS. HOWEVER, 4-H PROGRAM EDUCATORS, 4-H CLUBS AND/OR 4-H GROUPS MAY CREATE RECOGNITION PROGRAMS WHERE RECORD BOOKS ARE CONSIDERED AS PART OF THE CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS OR PARTICIPATION IN SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES.





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MAKING MEMORIES AT THE FAIR

Going to and exhibiting at the fair is often a major highlight for 4-H youth. For some youth, that may be participating in their community, county, or regional fair. For others, that may mean exhibiting at the Wisconsin State Fair. No two fairs are the same, but they do share the opportunity for 4-H members to show their accomplishments.

WHO ORGANIZES THE FAIR?

The Wisconsin Association of Fairs and DATCP (Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection), gives leadership to county fair boards and associations. Those local entities are responsible for organizing the fair. The County Fair and 4-H are two separate entities. Although some aspects overlap, please remember that 4-H is not in charge of the fair. 4-H members are invited to participate in the fair along with other youth organizations.



HOW DO I ENTER THE FAIR?

The Racine County Fair will open up fair registration in May. For Cloverbud members, special instructions will be sent out by the Racine County Fair Cloverbud Superintendent. Club Leaders will also support the process of registering for the fair. Fair registration will take place on the Racine County Fair Website typically in May.



DO I STILL NEED TO ENROLL IN THE COUNTY FAIR IF I AM ENROLLED IN A PROJECT IN 4-H?

Enrolling in a project in 4-H Online simply allows project leaders to be aware of the number of youth enrolled in their project, as well as how to contact youth when it's time to start project meetings. It is important to be enrolled in the project by the project deadline in order to communicate to fairs how many intend to participate. County Fair enrollment will have its own enrollment date and process. Club and project leaders can support you when the time comes.



ARE THE RULES FOR PARTICIPATING IN ANIMAL PROJECTS THE SAME AS THE FAIRS?

It is **very important** to recognize that if you plan to show and sell animals at the county fair that you follow your **county fair guidelines**. In Racine County, in order to sign up for an animal project in **4-H**, you simply need to be enrolled in 4-H online and in the 3rd grade. To show animals **AT THE FAIR**, there are County Fair - set age requirements coinciding with January 1st of that county fair year. The age depends on the animal being shown.



DO I HAVE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COUNTY FAIR?

Although participating in the fair is a popular experience for most 4-H members, the ultimate goal of 4-H is not showing at the fair, but experiencing hands-on opportunities, learning by doing, practicing leadership and enhancing skills. We want our members to feel empowered to share their 4-H experience however they choose.

