

## Independent 4-H Member Guidelines

Independent membership is most appropriate for collegiate-age 4-H youth that are living away from home while pursuing advanced education. All 4-H independent members will be advised through the 4-H Program Coordinator to give guidance to the member's 4-H project work. The 4-H member and EPC should work together and review the content of the 4-H Independent Member Agreement / 4H Show Exhibit Requirement form.

### Guidelines:

1. Enroll in 4-H and project by December 1 of the current 4-H year.
2. Submit a year-end report (4-H Records) by August 10 to the Extension office.
3. Keep in contact with the extension office as often as possible by phone or email.

In order to participate in the Wayne County 4-H Fair, the 4-H member must be declared an Independent 4-H member by the local Extension Office (approval of the 4-H Independent Member Agreement), complete project goal sheets/livestock records (turn in at fair) and complete their 4-H Member Record Book.

### **4-H Independent Member Agreement / 4-H Show Exhibit Requirement Due March 1, 2024**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, desiring Independent Membership in the Wayne County 4-H Youth Development Program, agree to:

1. Work with Ryan Littlejohn, Wayne County 4-H Extension Program Coordinator, who will guide and support me in my project work
2. Share with my mentor throughout the year my progress toward my goals and celebrate achievements.
3. Develop my skills in leadership, citizenship, communications, personal life management, and knowledge through project work.
4. Submit a 4-H Records of my 4-H experiences to the Extension office by August 10.
5. Abide by all county, state, and national 4-H policies and recognize the authority of Extension staff to establish and enforce rules and policies.
6. Ensure that my family does our part to contribute to the larger 4-H program by actively participating in county and state fundraising efforts; volunteering to lead or assist with 4-H committees, programs and activities; reading and responding to extension office correspondence; and remaining informed and current to 4-H opportunities, procedures and guidelines.

College or University you are attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
4-H Member

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Extension Staff

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